

BULLET FAILED OF ITS MISSION

Did Not Strike Premier Briand But M. Mirman Instead

LATTER BADLY WOUNDED

An Attempt Was Made To-day to Assassinate the French Premier, Assailant Firing from Behind Pillar of Chamber of Deputies.

Paris, Jan. 17.—An attempt was made to assassinate Premier Briand to-day, but the bullet of his assailant failed to perform its work, lodging instead in the body of M. Mirman, who was badly wounded. The would-be assassin of Premier Briand took place at the Chamber of Deputies, the man, who has not been identified, firing a revolver at Briand from behind a pillar of the building. Premier Briand was not hit.

SEN. LODGE LACKS SIXTEEN VOTES

Of An Election In Joint Assembly of the Massachusetts Legislature.

Whipple Is Nominated by Democrats.

Boston, Jan. 17.—The Massachusetts House and Senate will vote separately this afternoon for United States senator to succeed Henry Cabot Lodge. Senator Lodge was yesterday afternoon nominated by the Republican members of the legislature, receiving 125 out of the 133 Republican votes, or sixteen less than a majority of both branches on a joint ballot. Sherman L. Whipple of Brookline, a prominent member of the Suffolk bar, was nominated by the Democrats.

Interest centered in the attendance at the Republican caucus. There are 153 members of the legislature, twenty-six senators and 127 representatives. After the roll had been called several times twenty-two senators and 103 representatives answered to their names. It was subsequently explained that two of the missing senators were unavoidably detained from the State House and six representatives intended to be present at the caucus, all of whom were claimed to be supporters of Mr. Lodge and are expected to vote for him to-day.

This reduced the Republican insurgency in the Senate to two, while it left eighteen Republican members of the House unaccounted for.

Mr. Lodge was placed in nomination by Speaker Walker. The nomination was made up by acclamation and the caucus broke up with cheers for Mr. Lodge.

In another part of the State House there were assembled 118 of the 126 Democratic members of the Senate and the House. Here there were no nominating speeches, as these were made at a conference last week. So halting was it at once begun.

The first two ballots showed a widely scattering vote, although John E. Thayer, Thayer's vote amounted to forty-four votes, while Mr. Whipple had twenty-nine votes. On the second ballot Mr. Thayer had forty-seven and Mr. Whipple forty-one, while on the fourth ballot, Mr. Whipple led the field with forty-eight votes, while Mr. Thayer had forty-five. Mr. Whipple won on the next ballot, receiving sixty-four ballots to thirty-four for Mr. Thayer. In all these different ballots there were scattering votes for other candidates.

NEW YORK SITUATION.

Depew and Sheehan Were Made Party Candidates Last Night.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 17.—Chalmers M. Depew was selected by the Republican caucus last night as minority candidate for United States senator to succeed himself. Senator Depew received fifty-eight of the sixty-seven votes cast and his selection was made unanimous.

The other candidates who received votes were: Theodore Roosevelt, 2; Andrew White, 2; Edward Butler of Buffalo, 2; former Senator George Mead of Rochester, 1; L. A. Grare, a New York business man, 1; and Seth Low of New York, 1.

This means that Senator Depew will receive all the Republican votes at the regular sessions of both houses to-day. Senator Depew's name was presented by Assemblyman Merritt.

In the presenting of the name of Colonel Roosevelt, Senator Wainwright expressed his opinion to the nomination of Senator Depew and said that the minority should make an "ideal nomination, one that would express the greatest contrast possible to that made by the Democrats."

William F. Sheehan was nominated as the Democratic candidate last night, at the joint caucuses of Democratic legislators, receiving sixty-two votes, four more than a majority of all the Democratic members of both houses. The fact, however, that twenty-five members refused the caucus, leaves a strong possibility that when the legislature votes in regular session he may fail to receive the number of votes necessary for election.

Besides Sheehan's, the names of Edward M. Shepard of Brooklyn, and Cady Herick of Albany and New York, were the only ones presented to the caucus. Mr. Shepard received 22 votes and Judge Herick 7.

WOMAN KILLED ANOTHER.

Sensational Affair In Store at Fort Worth, Texas.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 17.—Shooting with coolness and steady aim, Mrs. T. M. Brooks, wife of a prominent attorney, fired five bullets into the body of Mrs. Mary Binford in a crowded department store yesterday. Each shot struck the victim and Mrs. Binford died almost instantly.

Walking into the store, Mrs. Brooks spoke pleasantly to persons she knew on the first floor and proceeded to the second, where Mrs. Binford was employed as saleswoman. As she stepped from the elevator she asked for Mrs. Binford and as the latter approached, Mrs. Brooks drew an old-fashioned revolver from her muff.

The women grappled and in the struggle the weapon was discharged, the ball passing through the hand of Mrs. Binford. Freeing herself, Mrs. Brooks then stepped back and deliberately taking aim, began shooting. As terrified men and women rushed for exits, Mrs. Brooks calmly fired four bullets into the head of the other woman. As the limp form of Mrs. Binford was crumpling to the floor, Mrs. Brooks fired the last time, the ball entering behind the ear and coming out at the top of the head.

Mrs. Brooks replaced the gun in her muff and walked out of the store un molested. She made her way on foot two blocks to her husband's office, handed him the gun without explanation and said "I'm sorry" and fainted.

Both she and her husband refused to make a statement. She was arrested, waived examination and was released on bond of \$10,000.

Before she obtained a divorce from her husband two years ago, Mrs. Binford was wealthy and popular. No cause for the killing is known.

ALDRICH'S CURRENCY REFORM PLAN

Calls for the Organization of National Banks, with 45 Directors, \$300,000,000 Capital, Located at Washington—Plan Very Comprehensive.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—Senator Aldrich's plan of currency reform was submitted to-day. It proposes an organization of national banks called "The Reserve Association of America," to be governed by 45 directors, with a capitalization of \$300,000,000. According to his plan, the country would be divided into fifteen districts, with a branch of the association in each; a charter would be taken out for 50 years, headquarters of the organization to be in Washington; it would be exempt from taxation, except upon realty; the government and banks would be the sole depositors; and the government must deal with the association its cash balance, no interest to be paid depositors. When the earnings justify it, the stockholders would receive 4 per cent.

WANT TO KNOW FACTS

About Resignation of Admiral Barry from U. S. Navy.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—Secretary of the Navy Meyer yesterday afternoon telegraphed to the Pacific coast for a full report on the allegation that the retirement of Admiral Barry was caused by the demands for his resignation by officers of the flagship West Virginia. The navy department declined to say to whom its telegram had been sent, but it is assumed that it was to Rear Admiral Thomas, the new commander-in-chief of the Pacific coast.

Not until the complaining officers of the West Virginia have been heard from will the department be in a position to determine whether there shall be any proceedings in the case. It is assumed that the accused officer has voluntarily retired would not shield him from punishment in the case of a court martial resulting in conviction. Under the regulations which specifically define the punishment for such offense, a person convicted in such case, if an officer, would be liable to the severe penalty of confinement not to exceed 15 years and exclusion from the navy service, cutting off all retired pay.

There is no record of the trial of a naval officer under these conditions, though many bluejackets have suffered conviction.

OPPOSE ECONOMY POLICY.

Railway Mail Clerks In Open Revolt Because of Increased Labors.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—A representative of the railway mail clerks declared to-day that a message will be carried before Congress to the effect that Postmaster General Hitchcock's economy policy has crippled the railway mail service to such an extent that clerks throughout the country are in open revolt. He declared that men are resigning on account of being overworked with labor. The custom of giving clerks a week on week-off duty to allow them time for the necessary study of mail routes has been annulled and the clerks have been ordered to six and a half hours' active duty, as the minimum, daily, which, it is declared, increases the peril and strain to a serious extent.

DIDN'T LIKE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

New Jersey People Object to Provisions for Trust Laws.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 17.—Governor Woodrow Wilson's inaugural address to the legislature to-day was viewed with disfavor on account of its elastic provisions for the New Jersey trust laws. He demanded an amendment to correct the abuses. He also recommended that the public service commission be given power to regulate rates.

CREW AT BOTTOM OF BAY.

Trouble with Machinery Caused Torpedo Boat to Sink.

Kiel, Jan. 17.—The crew of the German submarine torpedo boat Prisoner are at the bottom of the bay, on account of the machinery being disabled. Divers are at work releasing the men who are unhurt.

CELEBRATING JACKSON DAY.

Hundreds of Prominent Democrats Gathered In Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 17.—Hundreds of the most prominent Democrats to-day met to celebrate Jackson day, among them Governor Haxson of Ohio, Champ Clark of Missouri, the next speaker of the House, and Senator Bailey.

ANCIENT INN DESTROYED

Occupants Fled in Their Night Clothes This Morning

FIRE AT MIDDLETON, MASS.

Ferncroft Inn Was Well-known Stopping Place for Automobile Parties. Danvers Was Called on for Assistance.

Middleton, Mass., Jan. 17.—Ferncroft inn was burned to-day, and the loss amounts to \$25,000. Included in the property destroyed was a quantity of antique furniture of considerable value. Ferncroft inn was a famous stopping place for automobiles. The cause of the fire is not known. Employees, who were sleeping in the hotel, had narrow escapes, getting out of the building, clad only in their night clothing. The fire was so threatening that Danvers was called upon for aid, and firemen from that place responded and assisted in containing the fire to the hotel property.

FIRE RAGES IN MINE.

Workmen Direct Their Efforts to Check Flames at Butte.

Butte, Montana, Jan. 17.—Fire is raging in the interior of Anaconda Mountain View mine, and several mines have been shut down because of the heat. The employees have been turned toward fighting the flames. It is thought that the damage will mount into the millions.

FACTORY BUILDING DESTROYED.

Hundreds of Girls Employed There, Many Removed, Others Perished.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 17.—Fire destroyed the factory building, employing hundreds of girls, to-day. Many were removed through the windows, but it is believed that some perished.

WOMAN WAS BURNED PROBABLY FATALY

Mary Randall of Ashland, N. H., Got Too Near the Stove and Her Clothing Caught Fire—Was Rolled in Snow by Neighbors.

Ashland, N. H., Jan. 17.—Mary Randall, who lives alone in a small house on Thompson street, was horribly burned yesterday afternoon and is expected to die. She was at work in the kitchen and when near the stove she discovered that her dress was on fire. Running from the house the wind which was blowing a gale, helped to fan the fire and in a very short time the woman was enveloped in flame. She ran to the home of Hazen Baker with her dress burning from her body. Mr. Baker ran out of the house, seized the woman and rolled her in the snow, putting out the flames, but not until Mrs. Randall was severely burned from head to foot.

Dr. J. C. Huckins did what was possible for her, but she is not expected to live long. Mrs. Randall has a husband who lives here and a daughter, who is an inmate of the home for feeble minded at Laconia.

WOMEN TERRIBLY BURNED.

Skin Peels from Body of Mother—The Daughter Saved House.

Binghamton, N. Y., Jan. 17.—Mrs. John Gillin was probably fatally burned and her daughter, Hazel, is suffering agony from burns that cover nearly her entire body, their dresses having caught fire from a lighted oil heater, which was upset in their parlor yesterday afternoon. Miss Gillin heroically carried the blazing stove out of the back door and threw it in the snow and saved the house from being set afire while she was wrapped in a smothering mass of flames. Neighbors rescued the two women by wrapping them in blankets and smothering the flames. They were then hurried to the hospital, where it was found the skin was peeling from the body of the mother. A two-year-old granddaughter who was in the room at the time escaped unharmed.

RUTLAND FIREMAN DEAD FROM INJURIES

Patrick H. Barrett, Who Fell from a House One Week Ago, Died Last Night After Apparently Being On Road to Recovery.

Rutland, Jan. 17.—Patrick H. Barrett, captain of one of the Rutland fire companies who had been in the department since Rutland became a city and was a member of the volunteer companies many years before, died last evening at the Rutland hospital, aged 55 years. Last week he fell 25 feet from a slippery roof while performing his duties. He recovered rapidly until Sunday, when internal injuries developed. Mr. Barrett leaves a wife and two daughters.

WOMAN'S HISTORY COMES OUT.

Schenk Chauffeur Testifies To-day as to Midnight Auto Ride.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 17.—Lundy Wilson, chauffeur for the packer, was the first witness at the Schenk trial to-day. The witness described the midnight auto ride which the defendant took in company with Dan Phillips, whom the woman said she preferred to her husband. Her visits to "little Eva," the fortune teller, and Rev. W. H. Wheeling spiritualist, were described.

MEMORIAL LIBRARY DEDICATED AT BRISTOL

In the Gift of William A. Lawrence On Condition That the Town Maintain a Library There.

Bristol, Jan. 17.—The Lawrence memorial library building, presented to this town with only one condition, that the town maintain it for library purposes, was formally opened to the public and dedicated to-day. From 3 to 5 o'clock this afternoon the Hon. W. A. Lawrence, the donor of the building, and the library trustees will hold a public reception at the new building. It is expected that several hundred people, many from different towns of Addison county, will be present. The dedicatory exercises will be held at Holley hall this evening.

Mr. Lawrence has been a resident of this town since the spring of 1881. On a tablet in the hall of the new building are these words: "Lawrence Memorial Library, presented to the town of Bristol by Hon. W. A. Lawrence in memory of Louie Parth Lawrence and Minnie Peet Lawrence, January 1, 1911." Mrs. Louie Parth Lawrence was Mr. Lawrence's first wife and one of the original promoters of the Bristol library association, formed in January, 1893.

She died December 11, 1899. Mrs. Minnie Peet Lawrence, after her marriage to Mr. Lawrence, helped greatly in furthering the interests of the library. She died December 4, 1906.

In March, 1902, the library, containing over 1,000 volumes was turned over to the town. To-day it contains over 2,000 books. The proposition made by Mr. Lawrence, to erect a library building and present it to the town, was unanimously accepted by the voters in town meeting last March, and the sum of \$800 was voted for library purposes.

The new building, designed by C. E. Paige of Cavina, Cal., and erected under the supervision of C. C. Miller of Ferrisburgh, is 36x48 feet. The building is of wood of the best quality and the workmanship has been skilful. On the right of the entrance is the children's room and on the left the reception room.

In the basement are the heating apparatus and work room. The building cost about \$8,000 and Mr. Lawrence, a few years ago, refused an offer of \$1,000 for the lot on which the library now stands.

The donor of this handsome gift since his residence here has represented the town in the legislature, the county in the Senate, and is now president of the village. He is a director in the Middlebury National bank and the Addison County Agricultural society. Beside his interest in the public library he has also been active in the work of beautifying the town cemetery, having contributed much time and money to the work. He was instrumental in securing a charter and forming an association which now controls the cemetery known as Greenwood.

VICE PRES. J. B. ESTEE LEAVES NATIONAL LIFE

He Is Succeeded on Board of Directors by Col. O. D. Clark—Joseph A. DeBoer Re-elected President.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the National Life Insurance company of Montpelier, held to-day, James B. Estee severed his connection with the company as second vice president, superintendent of agencies and director. Mr. Estee has been with the company for 20 years, the first nine years of which he was the company's agent in South Dakota and Milwaukee, Wis. He will remain in Montpelier for the present. Col. O. D. Clark was elected to succeed Mr. Estee on the board of directors, and the officers were elected as follows: President, J. A. DeBoer; first vice president, Fred A. Howland; treasurer and second vice president, Barry M. Cutler; superintendent of agencies, E. D. Field; inspector of agencies, Frank K. Goss. The remaining members of the directors are W. P. Dillingham, J. S. Martin and George H. Olmstead.

OFFICER SUES OFFICER.

Damages of \$5,000 Claimed in a Rutland Civil Action.

Rutland, Jan. 17.—Special Officer James Minoli has brought suit for \$5,000 against Deputy Sheriff Pascal Ricci to recover damages which he alleges the latter caused on the evening of January 1. A body writ was served on Deputy Sheriff Ricci at his home in Castleton, Vermont, of West Rutland, stating that the case would be returnable at the March term of Rutland county court. State's Attorney B. L. Stafford has gone bail for the respondent.

According to Special Officer Minoli, on December 22, Deputy Sheriff Ricci called at No. 243 West street, where Minoli boards, and searched the premises for liquor. He returned again on Sunday, January 1, and once more presented a futile hunt for intoxicants. Upon Ricci's second departure the occupants of the house began to doubt whether he had a search warrant or whether he was taking an opportunity to gratify some personal grudge. Minoli, who for several years has acted as foreman for Ricci in the latter's construction company, volunteered to ask the deputy sheriff.

Shortly after 7:30 o'clock on the same evening he found Mr. Ricci and inquired concerning the search warrant. He alleges that Ricci told him that it was none of his business and to go home. Louis Rolf, he turned to walk away, when Ricci called him back, seized the lapel of his coat and dealt him a stinging blow on the left side of his head with a 32-caliber revolver.

When the plaintiff fell to the ground he claims that Ricci grabbed him by the collar and dragged him to the D. A. Barker livery stable on Willow street where, throwing him on the floor in the office, he kicked him several times in the left eye and on the head and neck. Dr. Ray E. Smith was called to dress Minoli's wounds and found a deep gash caused by the revolver on the back of his head. According to Deputy Sheriff Ricci the special policeman drew a revolver during the talk and it was this that prompted him to strike.

Miss Ruth Fisher of St. Albans is visiting friends in the city.

Big sale of fine white lingerie blouses at the Paris Shirtwaist House.

DEFENDANTS NOT EJECTED

Important Land Case Verdict in Caledonia County Court

VERDICT AWARDED TODAY

Caledonia County Grammar School Sued George T. Howard and Others for Title to Large Tract of Land and Lost Verdict.

St. Johnsbury, Jan. 17.—A verdict for the defendants to recover their costs was returned in Caledonia county court to-day in the ejection case of Caledonia county grammar school vs. George T. Howard et als, while answers to three specific questions were in part favorable to the defendants.

The first of these questions was: "Was lot No. 10, 18th range, third division, located by the town of Hardwick as a grammar school lot as proved by charter?" The answer was yes. The second question related to compensation for the land and it was: "Were the trustees of the Caledonia county grammar school fully compensated for all land granted to them for a county grammar school in lots located in the first and second divisions?" The answer of the jury to this was no.

To the third question, "Does the defendant hold possession of lot No. 10, 18th range, third division of lots in the town of Hardwick under and by virtue of perpetual lease from the plaintiff or his grantors?" the jury's answer was yes.

It is probable that the case will go to the supreme court. The case was given to the jury yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, after Judge Butler's charge of an hour and a half. Exceptions were taken by counsel at the close of the charge. This is a very important action, although the plaintiff only claimed nominal damages. If the plaintiff had prevailed it is likely that another suit would have been brought to recover for large tracts of timber alleged to have been cut in the interests of the Jendevine estate in Hardwick.

Furthermore, in case of such a trial being brought the Jendevine library of Hardwick, which is the restuary legatee of the Jendevine estate, might have been materially affected, as the side of the legacy might have been changed.

GIRL SENTENCED AND PUT ON PROBATION

14a Cook of St. Johnsbury Charged with Adultery In Caledonia County Court—Other Cases Heard.

St. Johnsbury, Jan. 17.—In Caledonia county court yesterday several cases were taken up following the trial of the case of Caledonia county grammar school vs. George T. Howard and others. George Goodwin was sentenced to between two and a half and three years at Rutland for statutory rape. He was in court on this charge at the June term in 1909, but was released in \$500 bail. He failed to observe his parole and was arrested again last week.

Two Langmaid boys, aged 17 and 19 years were in court charged with malicious mischief and were given a sentence of \$300 fine each but were placed in the hands of the probation officer.

Miss Grace Foster was also arraigned on a charge of adultery, this being another Elwyn affair. Her case was not disposed of.

There are 30 divorce cases and considerable court work to be taken care of by Judge Butler and final adjournment is expected the last of the week.

BRANDEIS SCORES RAILROADS.

Calls Them Robbers, Who Take from Public to Pay Dividends.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—Before the western rate advance investigation to-day, Attorney Brandeis declared that the railroads robbed the public to pay dividends, and assailed what he termed the "stock peddling of railroads." Brandeis said this method was employed to swell the surplus in order to make increased freight tariffs excusable.

Lamy Remains Champion.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Edmund Lamy of Saranac Lake, N. Y., successfully defended his title of American amateur skating champion last night, winning three title events in the international championship skating races here. Lamy won the quarter mile race in 42.34; the mile race in 3:09, and the two-mile race in 6:36.25.

TALK OF THE TOWN

On account of the extreme cold weather, the sleigh ride of the Baraca class of the Baptist church, planned for this evening, has been postponed indefinitely.

Monday and Tuesday arrivals at the City Hotel were as follows: F. D. Cox, Boston; C. Mavin, Worcester, Mass.; J. B. Beauregard, Springfield, Mass.; C. M. Weston, Bethel; J. A. Riard, Boston; J. E. Cole, St. Albans; Nell Knapp, Cabot; G. L. Hurlbut, R. Goldberg, Worcester, Mass.; Charles Spore, Brooklyn, N. Y.; T. W. Richardson, Sherbrooke, Que.; D. H. Martin, Boston; J. H. Judkins, Northfield; J. L. Fulton, White River Junction; E. E. Burbank, Cabot; F. C. Williams, Newport; J. E. Brown, Boston; F. C. Smith, St. Albans; J. S. Brook, Newport; E. L. Rivers, Burlington; W. B. Smith, New York City; C. W. Wentworth, Palmyra, N. Y.

OLD RECORDS LOOKED UP

Prove That Considerable Start Toward Soldiers' Memorial Was Made In 1901.

The soldiers' monument committee, which was recently elected to the records of public meetings Vermont State Library.

The committee has found a record of the meeting held June 15, 1901, in the opera house, at which the late Dr. J. Henry Jackson presided and William Wishart was secretary. The records show that the meeting proved to be a very enthusiastic one as \$1,225 in money was pledged at that meeting. Eight people pledged \$100 each and five others \$50 each and others amounts of \$15 and \$10. A committee similar to the one appointed at the meeting of the present monument committees was elected at this meeting to select a ways and means committee.

After this meeting the Soldiers' Monument association was incorporated and it is said by some who recall the transactions of the association that about \$6,000 was pledged. It is said that the cause of the project falling through was that the association wished to erect a monument but the Grand Army post wanted to erect a memorial building erected. The differences were never settled and the project was dropped.

CORN SHOW TO-DAY WAS INTERESTING

Nearly Every Town in Washington County Was Represented at Montpelier To-day—Dan Folsom of Waitfield the Chief Winner.

A successful corn show was held under the auspices of the Montpelier board of trade in the Kellogg-Hubbard library in Montpelier to-day, there being much interest manifested and there being exhibitors from one or more persons in nearly every town of the county. The prize winners were announced, as follows: Cabot, E. A. Laird; Calais, F. L. Warren; Middlesex, F. A. Hills; Waterbury, E. A. Gibbs; South Barre, G. H. Adams; Montpelier, F. A. Towne; Roxbury, W. A. Avorill; Northfield, B. A. Denny; Waitfield, Dan Folsom; East Montpelier, J. H. Young; Moretown, Julius Converse. The sweepstakes prize was won by Dan Folsom of Waitfield.

This afternoon a program was given, starting with an address by Mason S. Stone, followed by an address by O. L. Martin, commissioner of agriculture, W. F. McFarlane of Furnis, Pa., and Prof. J. L. Hills of Burlington.

BOY SCOUTS BACK.

Troop from First Baptist Church Gave Exhibition Drill at State Convention.

The special delegation of boys from the First Baptist church, appointed from troop 1, Boy Scouts of America, returned last night from Ludlow, where they had been attending the first annual conference of Vermont boys. This was the first gathering of boys, representing not only the organizations of boy scouts, but other groups of boys throughout the state, in a state-wide religious and good-fellowship convention. There were 160 delegates in attendance. The program represented expert men in all forms of religious, social and athletic work for boys. The speakers came not only from Vermont, but also from Massachusetts, Maine, Ohio and New York.

The Barre company report a splendid trip and inspiring meeting, beginning Friday night and closing Sunday night. The recent photograph of troop 1, taken on the steps of the First Baptist church, appeared on the official program of the convention. The company gave an exhibition drill in "First Aid—Stretcher Work," under direction of the scout master, William F. Milne. Those who were selected to represent the troop were, besides Mr. Milne, Harry Kent, assistant scout master, Wallace Watt, Douglas Inglis, Roland Cragg, Stanton Burgess and Russell Allen.

BUYS LANGDON MEADOW.

Vice President Fitzhugh of Central Vermont Confirms Rumor.

The rumor circulated recently in regard to the purchase of the Langdon meadow, with a view to bringing the main line of the Central Vermont railway nearer Montpelier, was confirmed yesterday by E. H. Fitzhugh, vice president of the road.

While plans are not yet made in their entirety, surveys have been made, with the end in view of swinging the main line nearer the capital and diverting more through trains. This is made necessary because of the growth of Barre and Montpelier, and the increasing traffic on the branch road calls for a corresponding increase of facilities.

Mr. Fitzhugh stated that the Langdon meadow had already been purchased and that it would be developed in the near future.

THEATREGOERS STALLED.

Some Walked into Barre, Others Turned Back Homeward.

Three carloads of Montpelier people bound for the play in the opera house in this city last evening were stalled on the electric road for three hours, on account of a generator burning out at the sub-station at the car barn. Two cars leaving Montpelier at 7 o'clock got as far as Dodge's bridge, when the power gave out, and the 7:30 car had not got out of the city, but was headed with the 8:00 car, after waiting until they saw that they could not get to Barre in time for the show, returned to their homes. Many of the people in the two cars at Dodge's bridge walked in, and others were brought in teams, which were sent down. It was 10:30 when the two cars finally reached this city.

COMPULSORY ARBITRATION

Bill Was Considered by the Manufacturers' Executive Committee.

At its regular meeting last night the executive committee of the Barre Granite Manufacturers' association took up a consideration of the compulsory arbitration measure which is now before the Vermont legislature. It having been introduced by Senator John W. Gordon. This consideration follows the action of the granite cutters' action in rejecting the bill as not suited to the conditions. The executive committee of the manufacturers is reported to be in favor of part of the stipulations and as opposed to others.

Senate Passed Bills in Concurrence. The Senate at its session last evening

A PIECE OF EXTRA VAGANCE

Said the House When It Killed \$250,000 Building Bill

AFTER SPIRITED DEBATE

Efforts to Get Appropriation Through to Build State Library Building Failed To-day—House Rapped Supt. Stone Hard.

The Vermont House this morning got after the state superintendent of education a little in the adoption of the two following resolutions—

By Mr. Davison of Danby; that the speaker appoint a committee of five to investigate and report not later than Friday morning why the report of the state superintendent of education for 1910 has not been delivered to the general assembly, but stored in the state library. This resolution was adopted. The speaker later appointed as a committee on this resolution, Dart of Springfield, Burbank of Cabot, Carl of Canaan, Gage of Weathersfield and Carpenter of Northfield.

The other resolution, by Mr. Pittridge of Leicester, provides that Mason S. Stone, state superintendent of education, be instructed to at once deliver to the general assembly his annual report for 1910, and that the chair appoint a committee of five to carry out this resolution. The resolution was adopted. Mr. Pittridge spoke in favor of the resolution.

In the Senate this morning, the 11th and 12th proposals of amendment to