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HOW THE AMERICAN EXPRESS IS HOLDING UP VERMONT.

[From the Burlington Free Press.]

When a bandit holds up an express car in the South and West forcibly takes possession of \$15,000, we bewail such lawlessness and consciously or otherwise exult in the capture of the offender by an armed posse.

When the American Express company, having a capital of \$18,000,000 and a surplus of \$20,000,000, refuses to pay the accustomed license tax of only \$50 to the people of the State of Vermont, which means not so much money as regulation by the people's representatives, with very little penalty for violation of the law, you have a great big concern holding up a little State and defying its public servants to do their worst.

When this same company in addition refuses to comply with various other regulations and gives notice that it proposes not to pay its mileage tax of \$15,320 next October, you approach nearer the bandit taking \$15,000 forcibly from an express car, because temporarily he has the power to do it.

The American Express company has been holding up the public so long that it seems to have acquired a marked propensity in this direction. You have undoubtedly noticed evidences of its previous operations in the direction in the posters carried by express wagons for a considerable period recently calling attention to the appreciable reduction to express rates.

This reduction by the American Express company and its subsidiary company is the more noteworthy in view of the fact that most other concerns have been calling for increased rates owing to the high cost of living and doing business, proving conclusively that they were exacting more from the public service than was actually needed though high rates were necessary to make "melon" cutting possible.

You may have wondered why the American Express company retain the National Express organizations after it had acquired over 484,000 of the latter's 500,000 shares. If you have ever ridden across Massachusetts by trolley, you noticed that once in so often you paid a fare though the same car continued, under apparently the same management.

The maintenance of such separate organization made possible a double charge, where otherwise there would necessarily have been but one charge, each company taking its slice in divided territory.

With the advent of the postal package service the business of the American and other express companies has naturally been materially reduced, so that it is not only living on a reduced rate but also on a reduced rate on a diminished business as a rule. This gives us some idea of what its profits must have been at one time, as further indicated by a surplus larger than its original capitalization of \$18,000,000.

The claim of the American Express company as to its status differs in various States. In Vermont it claims to be a "voluntary association of individuals in the nature of a partnership, organized under articles of association which derive their force from the common law right of contract."

Somewhat or other the American Express company has shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange, as already noted, and the New York Central railroad, for example, has \$3,000,000 worth. If the American Express company is simply a partnership, then the New York Central railroad, a corporation, as one of the partners is doing an express business in Vermont under another name.

If taxes and State regulations can be dodged by subterfuges like this, after having observed the same for a number of years, then all foreign corporations wanting to do business in Vermont in spite of us need to do is to organize a similar partnership with a long definition and claim to be superior to Vermont regulations and taxes.

The policing of Vermont so that we escape wholly the bandit holdups express companies experience in other parts of the country and our courts and other agencies of law and order and justice, cost nothing in the eyes of the express company and apparently just happen. They are willing to hold us up

and make us provide all sorts of protection for their business throughout the State. They are willing to defy our laws and put our State in contempt instead of paying their taxes under protest and obeying our laws as would an individual desiring to test our State system of regulation and taxation.

And yet these express companies are the ones needing law and order and the certainty of justice and all the expensive protections of this age more than almost any other kind of business. Under these circumstances it is a mighty poor example of lawlessness that the American Express company is setting the people here and elsewhere.

DISCUSSING CARNEGIE REPORT.

The Carnegie educational report is still up for discussion. President Thomas of Middlebury has come out with a statement which shows his good sense and his sense of fairness. In the main he agrees with the report that the State's first duty is toward her primary and secondary schools. He does not believe that to do this, all support will have to be taken from our institutions of higher learning. He believes that some of our reforms will have to come through our teachers and our superintendents and rightly says that we cannot do better than to train Vermont teachers in Vermont colleges. Some system of State scholarships should be maintained by the State that Vermont may do something for boys and girls who want to go beyond high schools. The other States all do something along this line, and without injury to our common schools, we ought to be able to do something in this way.

MAPLE PRODUCT PRICES

Two years ago the Monitor stated editorially that maple sugar was bound to bring a better price and predicted that 20 cents, 25 cents and even more would be nothing exorbitant for a choice product in the near future, and that syrup would be \$1.50 per gallon or more. We were laughed at and told the Monitor was a dreamer. So it always is with pessimists. But little did the Monitor realize that the above prices would soon be realized by the manufacturer of first-class maple products.

We have before us a price list of a gentleman in this country whose prices are 20 cents per pound in 10-pound pails and range up to 30 cents in confection boxes. Syrup is \$1.60 per gallon and in pint bottles is 30 cents. Not only are these prices asked but the gentleman is selling quantities of maple products at these prices and is shipping it all over the eastern states. Of course the products is of good grade and is standardized so far as possible.

The Monitor believes there is a good profit to the Vermont farmer from his sugar orchard and that a very little extra time and trouble in making a choice article will give large returns. A little publicity and modern marketing methods and Vermont will realize what it should from one of the very choicest and purest and most harmless products of the "sweet tooth" found on the American market.—Barton Monitor.

DROP OF 25,000,000 POUNDS.

Chicago, May 1.—That a total decrease of about 25,000,000 pounds is evident in the 1914 wool clip of Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah and Oregon is the statement made in a bulletin from the National Wool Warehouse & Storage company. The bulletin comprises a map of these States, with estimates as to the decrease in the number of sheep, based, it is claimed, upon the opinions of bankers in all sections of the intermountain West. A summary of these letters shows a decrease in the number of sheep in Utah of 15 per cent. Only one part of the State—the southwestern corner below Milford—shows an increase, and that of but 5 per cent. Decreases in other States are given as: Montana, 40 per cent; Wyoming 20 per cent; Idaho 10 per cent; based on reports on January 1, 1914, as compared with January 1, 1913.

When Theodore Roosevelt admits that he has been "pretty sick" we may suspect that he has been gravely ill. The message from the ex-president, now out of the Brazilian wilds and headed for home and civilization, was the first hint to his countrymen that he had been attacked by the dreaded swamp fever. All the nation rejoices that Colonel Roosevelt did not fall a victim to a tropical toe more deadly than the wild beasts of the pathless jungle. His rugged physique, built up by clean and athletic living, has again stood him in good stead. He even put Brazilian guides on their backs when it came to endurance.—Rutland News.

COLLEGE SECURES \$10,000.

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fiftieth anniversary of his graduation, has promised an address for Alumni Day, June 23rd, on "Fifty Years of Middlebury College." Governor Mead, '64, will preside. The date has been fixed so that more may attend, and commencement will be Wednesday, June 24th. Let us rally to show that we believe in the old college and that we are bound to make her a yet larger force in the life of Vermont and advance her to a yet worthier place among the colleges of America.

President Thomas has also announced two new instructors for the coming year. One is Lleyell R. Perkins, now teaching at Dean academy, Mass. Mr. Perkins is a graduate of Goddard seminary and Tufts college and formerly taught at Brooklyn Polytechnic institute. Mrs. Perkins is a daughter of the late Rowland E. Robinson.

Miss Marion Spaulding, a graduate of Framingham Normal school and of Teachers' college, will succeed Miss Effie P. Wells in the Department of Home Economics.

THE SITUATION IN MEXICO.

Washington, May 7.—Developments in the Mexican situation went steadily forward today although the White House wedding to some extent eclipsed all other events in the attention of official Washington.

The two chief reports from the distraught interior of Mexico announced the killing of two British subjects and one American at Guadalajara; and the continued heavy fighting at Mazatlan, on the Pacific coast, where a rebel biplane executed a spectacular exploit in dropping a bomb which killed four persons and injured eight in the streets of the besieged city.

The State department also was informed by Consul Hamm at Durango that the movement of the constitutional forces had now begun southward against Saltillo and Zacatecas.

The envoys from Argentine, Brazil and Chile continued their sessions, which are now largely by way of preparation for the meeting at Niagara Falls on May 18. One important phase of their work developed during the day. This was that, despite Carranza's self-elimination from the conference, the constitutional side of the Mexican problem would be fully considered by the mediators in the plan to be formulated by them at the coming conference.

President Wilson and Secretary Bryan have determined to appoint as delegates to the mediation conference men of judicial ability and, if possible, familiarity with the proceedings of arbitral tribunals. No member of the cabinet or officer or member of Congress will be selected, but a man close to the President said today it would not be surprising if a justice of the Supreme Court of the United States was one of the three representatives of the American government.

Justice Mahlon Pitney, though a Republican, is a close friend of the President and may be chosen. Justice Day was a member of the Paris peace conference and is a former secretary of State; Circuit Court Judge Gray of Delaware, also personally intimate with the President, and an American delegate to the Hague, is another who is considered likely to be chosen. Henry D. White, former ambassador to France, is another who is being spoken of as a possibility.

Nelson O'Shaughnessy, former charge d'affaires at Mexico City, arrived in Washington today to give his account of events leading up to the receipt of his passports from General Huerta and his enforced departure from the Mexican capital. He saw Secretary Bryan only for a few minutes and deferred his report to the President and to Mr. Bryan until tomorrow.

A significant evidence of military preparedness came from Col. Goethals, governor of the Panama canal zone, who reported to the war department that detachments of troops had been stationed at main points along the canal—at Gatun, Pedro Miguel and Miraflores—to protect the locks against possible disturbance during the Mexican troubles.

TO PLOW UP 66,000 ACRES.

Sacramento, Calif., April 30.—As a result of the visit of Ogden Armour practically the whole area of land controlled by the Sutter Basin company, comprising about 66,000 acres will be ploughed this year. This was decided at a conference held between W. E. Gerber of Sacramento, Armour and others.

Work will begin in June with immense steam ploughs. Approximately 25,000 acres have been leased in tracts ranging from 500 to 5000 acres. The remaining 40,000 acres will be ploughed by the company.

Next year the lands will be sown to grain, beans, rice and other crops. It is expected, according to Fred W. Kissel, that the reclamation of this principality will be completed by June, 1915.

Dies From Being Struck By Auto 3 Weeks Ago.

Providence, May 4.—George H. Bowen, a Cranston farmer, who was struck by an automobile at Knightsville on the night of April 13, died yesterday of injuries sustained at that time. He was 54 years of age.

Woman Hurt in Crash.

Hempstead, L. I., May 4.—Mrs. J. R. Herrick, wife of Dr. J. R. Herrick of Hempstead, was badly injured Saturday when the landaulet she was driving collided with a storage-battery car on the line of the West Hempstead division of the Long Island railroad, near Porrier's hotel, between Hempstead and Garden City. The accident occurred about 5:15 p. m.

Mrs. Herrick was driving her car in the direction of Garden City. The West Hempstead branch of the road is an unfrequented line, traversed only by the storage battery cars that run from Mineola. The crossing at the point where the accident occurred is an unguarded one. Mrs. Herrick's car was about half-way across when the car struck it, completely wrecking the machine and throwing the woman a distance of several feet.

Agustus Porrier, in the hotel, heard the crash of the collision and ran to Mrs. Herrick's assistance. With the aid of the crew and passengers on the car he carried her into the hotel. She was later removed in an ambulance to the Nassau hospital. At the hospital it was said she was suffering from severe scalp and wounds and cuts about the face and neck.

Dorchester Boy Killed by Truck.

William T. Devine, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Devine of 73 Mosley street, Dorchester, was knocked down and instantly killed by an automobile truck in front of his home, shortly after 1 p. m.

The truck was the property of the Burt Miller Express Co., of Quincy, and was operated by Alexander McKey Rogers, 24, of 55 Village avenue, Dedham. The driver was arrested and taken to station 11, Dorchester.

The driver told the police that he was driving through Mosley street from the Columbia road side, and that coming down on the right was a two-horse ice team, blocking his view from the sidewalk.

Just as he was about to pass, he said, the little fellow ran from behind the team and directly in front of his truck, and before he had time to do anything the child was hit by the truck he was operating.—Boston Record.

Big Touring Car Runs Down Group of Persons.

Tuxedo Park, N. Y., May 4.—A big touring car, driven and owned by Robert D. Wren, of Tuxedo Park, ran down a group of persons at the entrance to Tuxedo Park early today killing one and injuring three.

The dead: Herbert Loveday, organist and choirmaster of St. Mary's Episcopal church.

Seriously injured: Charles Spreckley, sexton of St. Mary's church, leg broken and internally injured.

Wren is president of the United States Lawn Tennis association and has an international reputation as a player.

One Fatality in Day of Auto Mishaps.

Crushed beneath a 40-horse power touring car when it turned turtle on the Columbia turnpike, at Elliott's about 6:15 o'clock yesterday morning, John Hinkell, 22 years old of East street, Rensselaer was instantly killed. Two other occupants of the car, Noble T. Jackson of 142 State street, the owner and driver, and Glen Robertson of 86 South Hawk street, were also pinned under the overturned car but miraculously escaped with minor injuries.

Jackson was taking Hinkell and Robertson, both of whom were in his employ, for a day's outing at Nashua lake. After the accident, Jackson said that his car was not making over 20 miles an hour and had reached a point just west of Elliott's Corners, about three miles from Rensselaer, when suddenly he found that the steering gear had broken. He put on the emergency brake, but the car continued its headlong speed, ran into the ditch and hit a concrete culvert in front of the home of Charles Ball, shot up into the air and turned turtle, coming to earth again with its three occupants directly underneath. The top of the car was completely wrecked and why all three of the occupants were not killed was a miracle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball were the first of the neighbors to rush to the aid of the injured men and were soon joined by Road Commissioner John Elliot and many other nearby residents. By using fence rails they jacked up the car sufficiently to enable Jackson and Robertson to crawl out, but Hinkell had apparently been instantly killed and lay motionless. Mrs. Ball crawled beneath the car to see if she could not aid the man but found him to be dead, while her husband and neighbors labored as fast as they could to raise the car.—Albany Times Union.

CORNWALL.

Miss S. E. Griswold went to Brandon on Monday, where she will remain a few days before going to Brattleboro.

Miss Katherine Griswold was a recent guest of Miss Laura Bascom in Shoreham.

Mrs. J. H. Atwood, Misses Flora Ringey, Jennie Ringey, Ruth Eggleston and Dorothy Battles attended the Addison County Teachers' association in Vergennes.

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SCOTLAND

SCOTLAND 5251. A rich chestnut; two white stockings behind; 1145 pounds; foaled June 25, 1906. Bred by Joseph Battell, got by General Gates, 666, son of Denning Allen, 74, by Honest Allen, 73, son of Ethan Allen, 50; dam Highland Mary (Registered Vol. 1), bred by E. Hasbrook, Benson, Vt., foaled the property of Joseph Battell, got by Lambert Chief, 1489, son of Daniel Lambert, 62, by Ethan Allen, 50; 2d dam Jessie Benson, (Registered Vol. 1), (dam of Mattie C-26234) bred by M. Cullen, Wells, Vt., got by Highland Gray, 94, (2-28), son of Drakey, 93, by the Rounds Horse, 92, son of Black Hawk, 20. Traces nine times to the original Justin Morgan Horse.

BEN LOMOND

Full Brother to Scotland

BEN LOMOND, 3000. A beautiful, rich dark bay with star and white hind ankles. 1085 pounds six years old this spring.

Motion 2d, 5665

Chestnut, strip in face, three white ankles, 15 1/2 hands, 1050 pounds, foaled 1909; bred at the Bread Loaf Stock Farm; got by Victor 5560, son of General Gates, 666; dam Margurite, chestnut, got by White River Morgan, 482, son of Nesbobe, 481, by Rutland Morgan, 479; 2d dam by Crocker Horse, 1377, son of Plato, 167, by Black Hawk 20; 3d dam by Churchill Horse, 1081 son of Black Hawk, 20 Motion 2d is a very elegant young horse with most remarkable trotting gait.

Vermont 5650

Bay, star, right hind coronet white, 1060 pounds; got by Gen. Gates; dam Maid of Orleans, got by Norris M. 5225, son of Molock 4800, by Stranger 100, son of Gen. Washington 76, by Gen. Knox 65.

Will be kept this season at the Bread Loaf Stock Farm Middlebury, Vt.

Terms

Scotland, \$30. Ben Lomond, \$25. Vermont \$20. Motion 2d, \$10.

With Privilege of Return if Mare Does Not Prove in Foal.

Bills due when mare proves in foal. Mares disposed of to be considered with foal. All accidents and escapes at owner's risk. May 8, 1914.

Death of William Kinsley.

William Kinsley, 92 years old, died at his home on South Main street at 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning. Death was due to heart failure. Mr. Kinsley arose early, dressed himself, and at 7 o'clock ate his breakfast. Just before his death he was reciting the Scriptures.

Mr. Kinsley was one of the oldest residents of this town, living in his own house on South Main street for over half a century. He was well known throughout Addison county. At the age of 14 he joined the Methodist Episcopal church. He had married three times. His third marriage was made when he was about 80 years old, his bride being Mrs. Chrilla Eastwood, who was about 70 years old. Mr. Kinsley always took great interest in village affairs. He is survived by a brother, George Kinsley, who lives in the state of Kansas, and a daughter, Libbey Kinsley of Kansas City, Kansas. The funeral was held at the undertaking parlors of A. J. Blackmer, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. David H. Corkran, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, officiated. The burial was in the West cemetery. The bearers were William M. Jackson, and Prof. Myron R. Sanford, S. B. Aines, and H. B. Potter.

Deaths.

GALE.—In San Francisco, April 24, Hannah O. Gale, beloved wife of the late Dr. James S. Gale, and sister of Mrs. Henry L. Dodge, a native of Orwell, Vermont, aged 83 years. Funeral on Monday, at 11 o'clock, from 2015 Franklin street.

One way to relieve habitual constipation is to take regular a mild laxative. Doan's Regulets are recommended for this purpose. 25c a box at all drug stores. adv