

VANDERBILT IN NO HURRY.

Not to Form a Proprietary Company Yet.

DEVELOPMENTS TO BE AWAITED.

Will See the Outcome of the Attacks on the Northern Securities Concern—The Directors of Three Railroads in Session.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—W. K. Vanderbilt attended meetings of the boards of directors of three Vanderbilt railroads in the Grand Central Station today, and with President W. H. Newman, Chairman Chauncey M. Depew, and J. Pierpont Morgan, discussed New York Central matters in a meeting of the executive committee.

"Only routine matters were considered," a member of the board said after the meeting of this committee. "Some small contracts were approved and others were ordered."

"Mr. Vanderbilt said nothing about any plan to form a proprietary company to hold junior Vanderbilt stocks, and I do not believe such a proposition will come before our board for some time."

Subject Not Broached.

At a meeting of the directors of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad (Nickel Plate), President William H. Condit and the other executive officers were re-elected. The announcement of a financial policy that would take the Nickel Plate stocks out of the treasury of the Lake Shore Railroad Company and put them in the control of a new proprietary company in such manner that the New York Central stockholders who own the Lake Shore could realize the profits that their equity justifies, was not made.

Mr. Vanderbilt declined to make any statement regarding his plans or his purposes. A man who should know, said: "There is no possibility of any Vanderbilt plan of readjustment of junior securities being made at this time. The conditions are not propitious. So long as any uncertainty attaches to the floating of the \$400,000,000 of stock of the Northern Securities Company, there will be no launching of a new Vanderbilt scheme."

"It is true that the Vanderbilts own many millions of railroad stocks which are worth two and three times their cost, but until these stocks can be marketed in a way that will meet the approval of the public, there is no likely to be any attempt at establishing a Vanderbilt proprietary company."

Mr. Vanderbilt Self-Contained. "It is not possible for any associate or subordinate of W. K. Vanderbilt to tell what is going on in his mind. He keeps his own counsel very closely, and he never declares his plans until they are ready for immediate fulfillment. He has not yet suggested any departure from present conditions."

The Lake Shore directors re-elected Chauncey M. Depew chairman, and did nothing else of public interest so far as he knows. There was no meeting of the Michigan Central directors today, but there will be in the latter part of next month, when the rate of dividends will be considered.

CURED AT QUEBEC SHRINE.

Crippled Sister Said to Have Thrown Aside Her Crutches.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 26.—In the name of God, and through the intercession of St. Anne de Baupre, I command you, Sister Mary Aldegonda, of the Convent of Quebec, Canada, to take down your crutches and walk.

After the Very Rev. Father Theriezier, of the Chapel of St. Anne de Baupre, of Quebec, Canada, reads this command, Sister Mary Aldegonda, who had been unable to walk without the aid of crutches for thirteen years, laid them before the shrine and, planting her right foot on the floor, walked with a firm tread from the chapel.

Such is the remarkable story told by the sisters at the Convent of Mercy, this city. About five weeks ago Sister Aldegonda spoke of her case to the mother superior of the convent.

Her friends had heard of the shrine at the chapel in Quebec, and they had come to the chapel. After six days of praying, Father Theriezier asked her if she thought she would be able to walk without the aid of her crutches. She replied that she might be able to throw aside one of them.

"No," replied Father Theriezier, "you can walk without using either of them." She then placed the crutches at the foot of the shrine and walked away.

CHICAGO'S CASH DEFICIT.

Financial Situation Cleared Up by Comptroller's Report.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—"My forthcoming annual report will show that the cash deficit now existing in the city's accounts is between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000," said Comptroller McLean today.

"Heretofore the comptroller's reports have not been correct. They have shown surpluses when there were deficits. "Last year's report shows a surplus of \$1,200,000. No account was made of the \$1,500,000 the city owed in unpaid bills. There will be more unpaid bills on December 31. The comptroller's reports have shown the amount due on the city's share for paving street intersections, opening of new streets, etc., as \$393,000. The fact is, the amount due is \$2,500,000. There is due the sinking fund \$2,000,000. My report will show all these liabilities in their proper places, and it will be the first correct report published in many years."

TO GUARD WEDDING PRESENTS.

Chicago Bride's Father Asks for Protection.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—George R. Peck, general counsel for the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, alarmed by the reign of crime in Chicago, last August secured a police guard for a pile of valuable wedding presents at his home, 13 Delaware Place.

Present valued at nearly \$5,000 and included, and George Neal Wilson, whose marriage will be solemnized at the Peck residence today, are arranged in an upper room of the house.

W. C. MILLAN ADVANCED.

Senator's Son to Head a Big Navigation Company.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 26.—William C. McMillan has been chosen to succeed the late David Carter as general manager of the Detroit and Cleveland Navigation Company.

Mr. McMillan, who is a son of the United States Senator, has been treasurer of the line for a number of years.

In Catarrh Your Life's Count—Emment rose and throat specialists in daily practice highly recommend Dr. J. C. Williams' Catarrh Powder, as safe, sure, permanent, painless, and harmless, in all cases of Catarrh of the Head, Throat, Larynx, and Catarrh. It gives relief in 10 minutes, and banishes the disease like magic. Sold by F. Williams, Ninth and F Streets, Edinboro, Pa. Sold by Stevens' Pharmacy, Pennsylvania Avenue and Ninth Street.

MCKINLEY MEMORIAL FUNDS.

Results of the Collections So Far in New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—The executive committee of the McKinley Memorial Association of the State of New York announced today that since its last meeting additional subscriptions to the amount of \$16,356 had been received. The total sum so far collected in this city by the committee is \$40,256.

Cornelius N. Bliss presided over a meeting of the committee this afternoon at the office of the association, 109 Broadway. Mr. Bliss said that plans had been completed for the forming of sub-committees in the various trades and professions. By systematic work of this kind it is expected that larger sums of money will be obtained than by the making of general appeals.

Mr. Bliss read a letter from the Buffalo association which pledges itself to contribute at least \$25,000, and hopes to raise \$50,000.

A scheme has been adopted for the distribution of small collection boxes through the city. Ten thousand have been ordered and 4,000 have been placed. It is estimated that from \$2 to \$4 a month will come in from each box.

Among the subscriptions already sent in are several from school children, one of whom gave a cent on the same day that \$5,000 was received from a millionaire.

The organization of country branches of the association is being pushed, and by the time the collection boxes are distributed the branches will have been formed in every county of the State.

CLOTHING MEN'S CREDIT BUREAU.

MERCHANTS WILL CO-OPERATE.

Banded Together for Protection Against Discounts and the Swindlers Who Rob Jobbers.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Wholesale clothing merchants of Chicago have combined with those of New York and other Eastern cities in the formation of a National Credit Bureau. The scheme was promulgated at a meeting in Chicago last May that has been commuted and the office of a so-called actuary will be opened in this city on December 1.

Many Millions Represented.

Fully \$150,000,000 and possibly \$200,000,000 capital is represented in this combination. There are thirty-three wholesale clothing houses in Chicago and twenty-eight have joined. Associated with them are the houses of New York, Rochester, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Syracuse, Utica, and Buffalo. This leaves in the wholesale clothing market of the United States only Cincinnati and St. Louis, and both of these cities, the promoters say, will be brought into the combine within the next six months.

Not to Be a Trust.

Rumor that the combine was in the nature of a trust to dictate prices is denied. It is admitted that a plan to prevent discounts has been under consideration. In this manner an indirect method of maintaining prices may be achieved. The "who-who" plan, however, is that this could have little or no effect on the cost of clothing to the consumer.

For the present, the association claims that it will limit itself to the regulation of credits. A scheme has been devised to ferret out thousands of swindlers who, the trade asserts, have been systematically robbing the jobbers year after year.

DECLINES TO BE A BISHOP.

Rev. Dr. David Greer, of New York, Refuses Office.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Nov. 26.—The Rev. Dr. John Cotton Brooks, chairman of the committee of the Episcopal diocese of western Massachusetts, who notified Rev. Dr. David Greer, of New York City, of his election as Bishop, today said that he had just received Dr. Greer's letter declining the office.

Rev. Dr. Brooks at once communicated with the other members of the committee appointed at the convention to notify Dr. Greer of his election. He said there would be no haste in calling the convention to make another selection, and that the call must be issued through Dr. Greer.

Dr. Brooks seems the logical candidate for the position, as his church is the largest in the diocese.

HARASSED BY LITIGATION.

Local Contractor Asks That Prosecution of Suits Be Restrainted.

In a petition filed yesterday in the Supreme Court of the District, Warren F. Brenizer, a local contractor, declares that S. S. Dainch & Sons have begun a number of suits for damages against him in justice of the peace courts, for the purpose of annoying and harassing him.

He declares that in all the defendants have caused to be filed against him eighty-seven suits for damages, in amounts varying from \$100 to \$3,000. Besides these he states they have begun proceedings in equity against him to prevent him from completing a certain contract. Mr. Brenizer asks the court to restrain the defendants from proceeding with their suits for damages until the equity proceedings are finally settled.

Some time ago Brenizer was awarded a contract by the Commissioners for the grading of Third Street, between L Street and Florida Avenue. On the ground that the execution of this contract would interfere with and damage their business, S. S. Dainch & Sons filed a petition in the Supreme Court of the District on September 3 last, asking that the Commissioners be restrained from awarding the contract and that Brenizer be enjoined from the operation of a certain tramway in connection with the completion of the work. This petition was denied by the court. On the day following, September 25, the application was renewed in another petition. This is still pending.

It was after this, on October 15 last, that Dainch & Sons, the complainant says, began to annoy him by filing suits for damages in sums varying from \$100 to \$300, before justices of the peace in the various courts of the city. Brenizer asks the court to restrain Dainch & Sons from prosecuting the several suits for damages, pending the final hearing on the petition now on the calendar of the equity branch of the Supreme Court of the District. A. A. Hoelting, Jr., is named as counsel for Brenizer.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first case greatly benefited. Sold by Stevens' Pharmacy, Pennsylvania Avenue and Ninth Street.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF CHARITIES.

OPERATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR.

The New Department Copes With Serious Problems—Order Being Gradually Brought Out of Conflicting Effort.

The District Board of Charities, through George H. Wilson, their secretary, yesterday submitted to the Commissioners their first annual report. It covers the operations of the department from its organization last year to the end of the fiscal year. The report is of a preliminary character, dealing with the principles involved in the administration of charity and the conclusions of the board in reference to important matters of policy.

The first duty after the organization of the board on July 12, 1900, was to study existing conditions rather than to do things. They adopted certain rules to govern the proceedings of the board, and appointed committees to study special subjects coming under their consideration. The board as organized consisted of S. W. Woodward, President; Dr. Charles P. Nell, Vice President, and George W. Cook, John Joy Edson, and Simon Wolf.

Preparing the Estimates.

According to the report, the real activity of the board began in September, 1900, when the work of preparing the estimates for 1902 was taken up. The board found it necessary to devote a great deal of attention to this work, and to afford hearings to representatives of various institutions. Much time was consumed in this way. During the year thirty-one regular and special meetings were held, and these, with rare exceptions, were attended by the entire membership of the board. Much time was given also by the board and its committees in visiting institutions.

For convenience the various institutions under their supervision are considered by the board under four divisions, namely: (1) Reformatory and correctional institutions; (2) medical charities; (3) child-caring institutions; and (4) miscellaneous institutions. These divisions correspond to the four standing committees of the board, each of which is expected to give special care and study to the department assigned to it.

The report shows that the total commitments in the District during the year 1901 were \$223,483, as compared with \$236 during the previous year, showing a falling off of 137 commitments. The daily average number of prisoners shows a slight increase, the daily average for the year 1901 being 250 as compared with 245 for the year 1900. The most satisfactory feature in connection with statistics of commitments is the falling off in the number of commitments of boys and girls fifteen years of age and under.

Condition of Male Workhouse.

The board considers the conditions at the male workhouse as very unsatisfactory, because of the necessity of confining from eight to twelve prisoners in a single room; but these conditions, they say, will soon be remedied by the construction of a new workhouse for males, work upon which has been commenced.

It is stated that the work at the Reform School for Girls, during the year 1901, was along the same lines as formerly. The daily average number of inmates at that institution during the past year was 239, as compared with 245 for the year 1900, showing an average of 197 for the preceding year.

At the Reform School for Girls, the new building has been completed and opened, thus enabling the institution to receive white girls and obviating the necessity of sending young white girls to the workhouse. The building is well equipped, and, on the whole, well adapted for its purpose.

Probation System Commended.

The report commends the operation of the probation system, under which youthful offenders are permitted to stay in their homes during the usual period of punishment under the supervision of a probationary officer.

The work of the hospitals and dispensaries during the year appears from the report to have been about as satisfactory as could be expected with the facilities available. There has been, as in former years, some difficulty about securing admission of chronic cases, as all of the general hospitals, with the exception of Washington, and the Dispensary and Providence Hospital, as a rule, decline to admit these cases. One of the most encouraging features in connection with the work of the year has been a further increase in the pay patient work at the Columbia Hospital.

The Washington Asylum Hospital has continued to do its work in an efficient service in caring for the indigent sick.

Some important changes were made by the board in the work of the District Charities, which took effect July 1, 1901. These changes were brought about by executive orders of the District Commissioners, whereby the physicians to the poor were assigned to work under the immediate supervision of the board of charities. The almshouse service was also placed under the immediate supervision of the board of charities. Permits for admission to hospitals and other public institutions was made the duty of the board.

The Almshouse.

The daily average number of inmates in the almshouse during the year was 27, as compared with 23 in the previous year. Of this average number, 17 were white males, 34 white females, 84 colored males, and 62 colored females. The conditions at the almshouse during the year were largely similar to those obtaining in the preceding year.

In concluding the report on the problems with which they have to deal the report says: "The public charities of Washington are organized, some under the District Commissioners, others under the Department of the Interior, and still others under the Department of Justice. All this brings about a lack of uniformity in administration. The board believes that all District Charities should be under the immediate supervision of the District Commissioners, and therefore recommends that these charities now organized under departments of the Federal Government should be transferred to the control of the District Commissioners."

DIDN'T BELIEVE HE HOWLD.

Prisoner Discredits Policeman's Story as to His Conduct.

"He has been drunk half a dozen times in the last month," said a policeman to Judge Kimball yesterday, when Michael O'Leary was called to answer to a charge of vagrancy. "And last night he was screaming like an Indian."

O'Leary was in court yesterday charged with disorderly conduct. "A drink and me out," said Michael to his honor, "and then gave me a drink. I took an 'overdose,' but was not seriously affected. This time I was howling at the street a stiff one. I don't believe it."



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