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tically all the democrats, it is thought, and some of the republicans. It is believed that the president will try to force the fight at this session, as there will be fewer democrats in the next congress. Of course, it is not admitted that a republican president is relying too much upon the help of the opposition to get his recommendations through congress, but there is good reason to believe he is counting on democratic support in having this freight rate bill passed. It is very doubtful if congress has known a harder fight than that which the railroads, through the leaders of the dominant party in the house and senate, will wage against the bill giving to the interstate commerce commission the power to regulate rates. The legislation, if enacted, would be the most far-reaching since the passage of the reconstruction acts. There are in fact many signs which tend to show that the president is going to have a rough time with his party before he completes his term of office, and which show also that party is going to have a rough time with him before the 4th of March, 1909, is reached. Representative Glass, of the Sixth Virginia district, voiced a sentiment, which is becoming general in Washington, when he remarked today: "I believe that those people who think Mr. Roosevelt is going to go slow in the matter of trust prosecution are going to be about the most disappointed human beings we have ever seen. I believe he is going to go to the extent of the law in the prosecution of the trusts. He has said he would not accept another nomination. Nobody believes he will. He will not be thinking of succeeding himself, but of making history, and I believe he is going to make it." The course of the stock market this week, the tremendous slump in stocks, which Wall street ascribes in part to the declaration of the president in his message in favor of a law which will give to the interstate commerce commission the power to regulate freight rates, indicates that the business interests of the country think that the president is going after the big corporations and trusts. Furthermore, it seems that the railroad men had gotten an inkling, before the message was made public, of what it would contain on this subject and an effort was made, but to no purpose, to induce the president to omit this recommendation. The Charlotte Chronicle of Saturday says on this subject: According to a report in The New York Times, representatives of one of the leading systems in the country sent a protest to President Roosevelt when they learned what his message would contain on the subject of the increase of the powers of the interstate commerce commission. It was said that one of the best known railroad men went to Washington to see the president about the matter, but that he was unable to influence the president in any way. Although denial was made of the report that one railroad president had seen President Roosevelt or had had words with him personally, it was not denied that letters of protest were sent to him. This is all the more reason why congress should act on the president's suggestion. Mr. Cortelyou says he is now going to take a long vacation—until March 5th, we suppose. Thomas E. Watson wants to know what makes the south solid. He ought not to try to be president of the United States if he has not yet learned that much about American politics. A Missouri man declines appointment as pension commissioner. So says an exchange, which wants him put on exhibition. This appointment should have been tendered before the close of the St. Louis exposition. Wonder if the president will carry his grudge against General Miles to the extent of refusing to let him accept the position of adjutant general of Massachusetts? That would be of great discourtesy to Governor Douglas, but, then, Mr. Roosevelt may think he deserves a little squelching for becoming governor of a state which gave him such a big majority. The president would rather undertake a trip to the south in the spring to have the members of congress stay in Washington after March 4th. Secretary Morton wants more "sand" in the navy. He probably wants the battleship equipped with sand boxes as well as airbrakes—Washington Post. Several of our warships have suffered of late by having too much sand under them.

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MR. BROWNLOW'S CANDID AD-MISSION.  
The agitation over representation from the southern states in congress is still kept up. Up to the present time the avowed object of the agitators was the interest of the negro. The threats to reduce the number of congressmen from this section was because of the disfranchisement of the ignorant negroes. The south was to be told by congress that she must restore the right of suffrage to this class or be deprived of her present number of representatives. It was all for love of the negro—so the advocates of the measures introduced said. Now comes Mr. Brownlow, republican congressman from Tennessee, who has gone Crum-packer, Keifer and Platt one better in this matter and wishes to remedy what he considers the evil existing at the south by giving the federal courts jurisdiction over all elections, federal and state, declares that his object is not to return to the negro his right to vote. He does not want to restore his right of suffrage; does not want him to vote. Here is what he says: "Something has to be done with the south. I have a plan which I should urge, and it meets with the approval of numerous republicans in high circles. No one cares whether the negro gets his vote or not. I know the negro and I am sure I do not care for his vote, and sure I do not want him to vote, but I do want the white men of the southern states to vote. I know they have not been doing it in Tennessee, Kentucky, and other southern states. All I shall contend for is that every white man shall get to vote and that his vote shall be counted as cast. In order to guarantee this I propose to introduce a bill giving the federal courts jurisdiction of election frauds in all elections—federal, state, county and municipal. When this bill is passed, as I believe it will be, then the south will get relief." Some persons claim that Mr. Roosevelt favors some action by congress along this line. It is said Mr. Brownlow has been trying to get the president to approve of his contemplated action, but it seems he has not yet succeeded, nor is he likely to do so, judging from what the president said in his message on the subject of congress enacting a law on "federal" elections. We do not think the southern people need have any fear of any of these measures passing congress, certainly not the one proposed by Mr. Brownlow. The two senators from this state take the right view of the situation. They are losing no sleep over the matter. Mr. Carnegie should not be angry with Mrs. Chadwick. She was only helping him carry out his cherished plan of dying poor. The public is still being promised startling developments in Mrs. Chadwick's case. We would like to know what she has done with all the big sums of money she was able to borrow. It is now said her son is worth \$7,500,000 and that he is not endorsing checks or notes for any members of his family. He must have thorough acquaintance with his mother's style of doing business. Where did General Coxe get enough money to go into bankruptcy? It looks like King Cotton is thinking about abdicating. The Retort Courteous. "The late Charles Hoyt," says Frank Daniels, the actor, according to Collier's, "was about as genial a fellow as one would ever meet; yet, when occasion offered, he could give utterance to some rather sarcastic remarks. "I remember once how he gave an awful jolt to a player well known for his intense egotism. Hoyt was in the box of a Western theatre witnessing the first production of his musical comedies, and, in accordance with his custom, making notes for the improvement of the piece, when a telegram from the actor referred to was handed to him. The telegram read: "If your new play is a success, I very much desire the leading role in same." "Whereupon Hoyt turned over the message, wrote upon the other side: 'You are alone in your desire,' and gave it to the messenger to be at once put on the wire." Bodily pain loses its terror if you've a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Instant relief in cases of burns, cuts, sprains, accidents of any sort. Up in Guilford county some kind of a wild varmint is killing out the dogs. Pity but what that breed of varmint could increase and get one or two to doing business in every county News and Observer. Warships Reach Norfolk. (Newport News, Va., December 12)—The cruiser San Francisco arrived at Old Point at 5 o'clock this morning from Gibraltar. She will proceed to Norfolk where a board of inspection and survey will go aboard her and are expected to complete their work this week. The monitor Nevada passed up the roads this morning for Norfolk.

HE IS STILL AT IT.  
The Devouring Catamount Encountered Last Night—He is Fond of Dogs Heads as Well as Dog Blood.  
That dog eating catamount is still doing business around the city. Last night Pete Sercey, colored, who lives in Warnersville, started home from his work at a late hour and saw the animal. Sercey does not know what were its intentions, for he never gave it a chance to demonstrate them; he didn't like the looks of it or its movements, so he retreated and came back up town where he found Officers Neelley and Donnell and they accompanied him home. Likewise last night a man who works for the Southern Express Company found the same obstacle on his reaching home and had to get a policeman to go with him. Several persons bold enough have been trailing the animal, watching his movements at night, marking the place and examining the footprints next day. They all say he has a foot like a man, with toes well defined, except that they are shaped differently, walking as if "he was slow-footed," as one man says. Another who got a good look at him says he looks like Ed. McDowell's stump-tail dog at the market, only he is more savage looking, his tail looking as if it had been cut off and had grown out and curled up at the end like a pine rooster hog. Matt Headen, janitor at the city hall, who lives on East Washington, says he and another man found him the other night eating away at a dog's head. Matt held a light and the other took a pistol; they got within 25 feet of him and while Matt held the lamp the other blazed away at the varmint. Matt says he never stopped "chewing on dat dog's head." Then another shot was fired at him with like results, but after eating the head of the dog up, Matt says he turned and left. So did they. Matt is authority for the statement hitherto published about the number of dogs being killed by the animal the other night. Matt says he saw eight of them with the best part of their heads eaten off, while the others were killed, but had not been devoured, presumably because the catamount was not hungry, having been filled up with the heads of the eight. Matt also says he is about sure that the animal lives in a culvert or cave down beyond East Washington, but he is not anxious to investigate further. From his antics it is said he prefers dogs, but when he cannot get a dog he acts like he would not mind a human hear or two.—Greensboro Record. "Neglected colds make fat graveyards." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy, vigorous old age. The democrats have the solution of the trust problem, but they were too late in discovering it and may never have the chance of applying it—Durham Herald. CASTORIA. Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*. ABSOLUTE SECURITY. Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills. Must Bear Signature of *Asa Wood*. See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below. Very small and as easy to take as sugar. CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. FOR HEADACHE. FOR DIZZINESS. FOR BILIOUSNESS. FOR TORPID LIVER. FOR CONSTIPATION. FOR SALLOW SKIN. FOR THE COMPLEXION. Price 25 Cents. PURELY VEGETABLE. CURE SICK HEADACHE. THIS REMEDY CATARRH is sure to GIVE Satisfaction. Ely's Cream Balm Gives Relief at Once. It cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures catarrh and drives away a cold in the head quickly. It is absorbed. Heals and Protects the Membrane. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Full size, 50c.; at Druggists or by mail; Trial size 10c. by mail. ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren Street, New York. CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS. SAFE. Always reliable. Ladies and Druggists. See CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS in RED and GOLD wrapper, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refreshing. Pleasant. Indigestion and Dizziness. Buy at your Druggist, or send for in wrapper. CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS. "Relief for Ladies." In sealed wrapper. See CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS in RED and GOLD wrapper, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refreshing. Pleasant. Indigestion and Dizziness. Buy at your Druggist, or send for in wrapper. CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS. "Relief for Ladies." In sealed wrapper. See CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS in RED and GOLD wrapper, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refreshing. Pleasant. Indigestion and Dizziness. Buy at your Druggist, or send for in wrapper.

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