

# BAY STATE DRYER

## Wets Lose Many Votes in Massachusetts Election.

### HAVERTHILL BARS LIQUOR

Fitchburg Offsets Change by Inviting Whisky Men In—Many Surprises in Political Changes of the Principal Towns.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—The collective result of the municipal elections held in 13 of the 33 cities in Massachusetts today shows a very considerable gain in the total of no-license columns, and while changes were made in the liquor policy of two cities, one offsets the other.

Haverhill, aroused by a vigorous temperance campaign, voted to go "dry" after 10 years of licensed liquor selling by a majority of 79, as against a majority of 314 for license last year. Fitchburg, on the other hand, after two years of no license, voted to authorize the sale of liquor by a majority of 514. While none of the other cities changed their policy in this regard, the opposition to license was much stronger than in previous years, and in Taunton license was carried off by eight votes, while last year's majority was 153. The total vote of the 13 cities on the license question compared as follows: 1906, yes 36,812, no 35,222; 1907, yes 38,667, no 37,825.

There were many upsets in municipal politics. In Quincy one of the greatest surprises was sprung, where William E. Shea (Democrat) won after the city had been in Republican hands for nearly 10 years, and in Cambridge a majority of 26 votes for Henry H. Parsons (Independent) over Mayor George E. Macdonald (Independent) indicates the liveliness of the contest in that city. Egbert I. Clapp, the Republican Mayor of Northampton, was defeated by James W. O'Brien (Democrat) by a majority of 580 votes; John B. Tracy, the so-called bootblack Mayor of Taunton, having been denied the Republican and Democratic nominations, which he received last year, ran independently and polled within 235 votes of Edgar L. Crossman, who was supported by both parties. In Danvers Mayor William E. Sanderson (Republican) was re-elected. Because of work by the No-License Union, the city's majority for license was reduced about half, the city voting yet by 1314.

Boston will vote next Tuesday. Fair weather favored the voting everywhere. Haverhill and Quincy today adopted the plan of calling voters to the polls by ringing church bells early in the day.

## NO FRANCHISE ON THE SEA

EX-Senator Spooner Says Rates Cannot Be Superseded by Commission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—An attack was made today before the Interstate Commerce Commission on the commission's authority to supersede existing laws and ocean franchise. Several months ago a complaint was filed with the commission by the Cosmopolitan Shipping Company, an American corporation, against the Hamburg-American and other steamship lines alleging the formation of what is known as the Baltic pool, for the control and transportation of the export trade from the United States to Europe. Other allegations were made in the complaint, including charges of rebates and preferential tariffs on goods intended for export.

Recently the defendants filed a demurrer maintaining that the commission had no jurisdiction over ocean transportation. The demurrer was denied by the commission today.

Senator Spooner, James W. McPherson and Harrington Putnam appearing for the defendants and Ward W. Pierson for the complainant.

In closing the arguments ex-Senator Spooner declared that ocean carriers were not intended by Congress to be included in the act. The carrier on land is a quasi-public corporation, he said. "While its ownership is private, the use of it is public. Not so with the ocean carriers. No one needs a franchise to sail the seas."

## SUTTON BEATS SCHAEFER

Retains Championship at Own Style of Billiards.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 2.—Playing consistent billiards, George Sutton, champion 15.2 billiard player, defeated Jake Schaefer, 18.1 champion, here tonight by a score of 300 to 146. The game was for 300 points at 15.2-ball line.

On New Orleans Results.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 2.—Results today: Five and a half furlongs—Lorraine won. Stomach second, Planchette third; time, 1:12. Short course, steepchase—Peter Becker won. Pete Vinger second, Dunning third; time, 1:06. Six furlongs—Hans and La Jeunesse ran a dead heat. Albert Star third; time, 1:15. Six furlongs—Quaker won. Robin Hood second, Sally Preston third; time, 1:14. Seven furlongs—Telephoto won. Coon second, Miss Fernie third; time, 1:28.2. Mile and an eighth—Approvation won. Flying second, Horse Radish third; time, 1:34.5.

Results at Oakland.

OAKLAND, Dec. 2.—Results today were: Six furlongs—Manchester won. Import second, St. Charles third; time, 1:12. Six furlongs—Mantia won. John C. Grant second, Ed. Clemen third; time, 1:23.2. Mile and an eighth—Lone Wolf won. Miss May Bowditch second, Elmdale third; time, 1:40.5. Five furlongs, Petaluma handicap—Jack Nunnally won. Mollie second, Native Son third; time, 0:58.5. Stirling—Liqueur won. Willis Green second, Taunt third; time, 1:10. Six furlongs—Colonel White won. Pal second, May L. N. third; time, 1:12.1.5.

## OH Trust Controls Rates.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 2.—Ned Chamberlain, of Cleveland, O., secretary of the National Petroleum Association, this morning made a spirited attack on the Standard Oil Company in a speech before the State Railway Commission. He asserted that Nebraska, like other states, was in the relentless grip of the alleged oil combine in the matter of railroad rates. He referred to county seat points, equalized so that the independent companies would be placed on an equal footing with the Standard Oil Company.

The National Petroleum Association, of Cleveland, and the National Refining Companies filed complaints several weeks ago, and are hearing will be granted today.

## FEAST IN ST. PETERSBURG

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Secretary has come to be called here, was cheered again and again.

Owing to the extraordinary rumors in circulation regarding the nature of his mission, the visit of Mr. Taft has aroused the liveliest interest and curiosity.

"Russia," the official organ, makes an effort to correct these wrong impressions. In a leading article extending to Secretary Taft an "open door Russian welcome," the paper says:

"The high position and the personal merits of Secretary Taft explain the heartiness of his reception and the honor of an audience with the Emperor, but it is a mistake to suppose that Mr. Taft's visit is in any way connected with any change in the international policy of Russia. There is not a word of truth in the rumors that we are to give base for an American fleet at Vladivostok or any other Pacific point, but the visit of Secretary Taft will renew and strengthen the old bonds of sympathy between Russia and America."

All the other newspapers devote space to welcoming Secretary Taft, and

# BLUE LAWS IN NEW YORK

## SUNDAY THEATERS MAY EVEN BE CLOSED ENTIRELY.

Supreme Court Interprets Law Literally and Says Any Performance at All Is Illegal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The Sunday theater in New York City will be a thing of the past if a decision rendered by Justice O'Gorman of the Supreme Court today is enforced. In a sweeping opinion, the Justice denounced as a clear violation of the law every possible form of Sunday stage entertainment, under whatever title. There is no appeal from his decision, except new legislation.

The opinion was rendered in confirming the report of a referee in the test case of William Hammerstein, involving a revocation of the license for the Victoria Theater on a charge of having violated the law. The referee found that only five of the acts given in that theater were in violation of the Sunday law, but Justice O'Gorman disagreed with him and said:

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## HARD FIGHT ON THE MAYOR

Straw Re-elected at Marshfield After Very Close Contest.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—After the hottest contest election ever held here, Dr. E. E. Straw was re-elected Mayor today by a majority of 55 over Ira Smith. Over 700 votes were cast. Automobiles and carriages were active all day, and large crowds gathered about the polling places until the results were definitely announced.

No political issues were involved in the election, the contest being taken up by the Morning Times against the incumbent, place Smith in the Mayor's chair. Opposition argument was excluded from the columns of the Times, and small handbills daily, called the Campaigner, was circulated the past week.

After the election the owners of the Times announced that M. J. McElone had secured an option on the paper and plant, and that hereafter the Times will appear as an afternoon newspaper.

J. M. Upton was elected Recorder, and Peter Crossman and P. A. Seeliger, Councilmen. Straw, the Mayor-elect, is a Democrat. He is a practicing physician, 25 years old, and has been located here for six years.

Proposal to limit the bonded indebtedness of the city to \$50,000 carried, as did the annexation of several suburbs.

## WISCONSIN MEN BUY TIMBER

Incidentally They Make Friends for La Follette.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—A notable delegation of Wisconsin business men and politicians, comprising Secretary of State J. E. Smith, Councilman Rodgers, law partner and for two years private secretary to United States Senator La Follette, and M. S. Kalauber, a well-known capitalist, all of Madison, are touring the Pacific Coast buying Washington and Oregon timber lands for a syndicate of Madison capitalists. They were in Tacoma today and left tonight for Portland.

They will go into the Coos Bay country where they will invest in timber lands. Mr. Rodgers was asked if the visit did not have some connection with the work of lining up Oregon and Washington for La Follette for President.

"I prefer not to discuss politics at this time. Perhaps on my return to Tacoma I will have something to say on the political situation. Of course we will not neglect to make friends politically while we are on the Pacific Coast but politics is not the main purpose of our visit."

## MORE PAY FOR VESSELS

Congressman Humphrey Introduces Bill in Legislature.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Representative Humphrey, of Washington, today introduced a bill providing for an increase in mail pay of second-class vessels to the same rate that is now received by first-class vessels making voyages of 600 miles or over. The bill is sponsored by Mr. Humphrey to be in conformity with the recommendations made by the President in his message.

It is stated by him that such legislation would rehabilitate the shipping interest of the Pacific, especially in connection with the trade with the Orient, to the Philippines and to South America. Mr. Humphrey is the only member of the present House who was a member of the Merchant Marine Commission which made a report to Congress at its last session.

## GOES TO MAKE REPORT

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ous Japanese Consular officers into the effect of the reported race feeling existing in some sections of the United States toward Japanese immigrants.

At the Japanese Embassy it is stated that the Ambassador will probably proceed to Tokyo by way of San Francisco or Victoria in about a fortnight, a report of which he has already made to the President and Secretary Root. There is no intimation that he is not to return to Washington. During his absence, Mr. Miyakoi, Counselor of the Embassy, will be in charge of its affairs.

## VISCOUNT AOKI MAY RESIGN

Thought in Japan He May Not Return to Washington.

TOKYO, Dec. 2.—The probable resignation of Viscount Aoki, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, has been rumored for some weeks, but the rumor has been persistently denied. It is rumored now, however, that Ambassador Aoki may return to Japan at an early date. The foreign office declines to say if this means the resignation of the Ambassador. In the event that Ambassador Aoki decides not to return to Washington, there is a strong probability that he will be succeeded by Baron Kaneke, a former special envoy to the United States; or Baron Chinda, Vice-Minister at the Foreign Office.

Baron Chinda is well known in the United States, where he was educated. He is very active and sincere in endeavoring to overcome the emigration difficulties. He is also extremely friendly with Americans and thoroughly conversant with the word, "American."

Public Debt Is Smaller.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The monthly

# PRE-HOLIDAY SALE

## DINING CHAIRS ARE INCLUDED

The second week of this most important selling event of the year—a sale in which every department contributes its share of money-saving items that are of interest to thrifty homefurnishers and holiday-gift buyers. Mail orders will receive our careful and prompt attention.

**\$4.00 Dining Chairs, in polished golden oak, cane seats, reduced to .....\$2.75**

**\$8.00 Arm Chairs to match, reduced to .....\$5.00**

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**\$4.50 Dining Chairs, in polished golden oak, cane seats, reduced to .....\$2.90**

**\$8.75 Arm Chairs to match, reduced to .....\$5.50**

**\$4.25 Dining Chairs, in polished golden oak, cane seats, reduced to .....\$2.95**

**\$7.50 Arm Chairs to match, reduced to .....\$4.85**

**\$4.75 Dining Chairs, in polished golden oak, cane seats, reduced to .....\$3.05**

**\$5.50 Dining Chairs, in polished golden oak, leather seats, reduced to .....\$3.50**

**\$12.50 Dining Chairs, in polished golden oak, leather seats and backs, reduced to .....\$8.00**



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\$6.00 Bed, in pea green, reduced to .....\$3.90

\$6.75 Bed, in cream and gold, reduced to .....\$4.40

\$7.50 Bed, in pea green and gold, reduced to .....\$4.75

\$8.50 Bed, in cream and gold, reduced to .....\$5.25

\$9.50 Bed, in cream and gold, reduced to .....\$6.00

\$10.50 Bed, in Vernis Martin finish, reduced to .....\$7.00

\$16.00 Bed, in bronze green, reduced to .....\$10.75

\$18.50 Bed, in Vernis Martin finish, reduced to .....\$12.50

\$23.00 Bed, in cream and burnt old gold, reduced to .....\$15.00

## WEDNESDAY THURSDAY SPECIALS IN THE DRAPERY DEPT.

Figured Curtain Swiss, 36 in. wide, sp'l yd...10c

36-in. Figured Swiss, for bedspreads and hangings; in floral patterns; special, yard .....10c

Linen Serim, in ivory and ecru tints, 36 in. wide; special, yard .....15c

32-in. Art Ticking, in plain colors, suitable for fancy work; regular 40c quality; special, yard...25c

\$2.25 Bolster Rolls, for full and three-quarter size beds, in pink, blue, green and gold sateen coverings; special, each .....\$1.25

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statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business, November 29, 1907, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$374,479,588, which is a decrease for the month of \$1,746,794.

## PLOT TO BLOW UP PALACE

Geneva Police Unearth Plans of Russian Terrorists.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—A Geneva dispatch received here states that the police have discovered a Russian terrorist plot to assassinate the Emperor, blow up the Imperial palace and the Douma and pillage the Imperial Bank of Russia. One arrest has been made in connection with the alleged plot.

Lad Admits Serious Crime.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Clyde Wendell, 18 years old, who was arrested at La Center, charged with a statutory offense against a 12-year-old girl, succumbed to sweating and today admitted his guilt, after stoutly maintaining his innocence for two days. Wendell is an intelligent lad and does not at all look the part of a criminal.

The Perkins—H. E. Kier, Decatur; J. B. Belluck, Seattle; D. H. Mills and wife, Medford; Mrs. S. Burkholder, Miss Ethel Burkholder, Salem; C. Hoff, W. A. Hoff, Dallas; Mrs. Adam Loyer, Boise; J. T. Collins, Fallon; R. H. Kolton, Goldendale; W. Myers, Chicago; W. B. Dalley, Seattle; E. C. Meador, Milwaukee; G. W. Marshall, Tacoma; J. F. Crane, Condon; M. A. Clark and family, Condon; W. C. Eakin, P. A. Finlay, Dallas; G. C. Finmore, O. G. Nuhn, Boston; Mrs. J. H. Wood, P. G. Parsons and family, Vancouver; S. W. McBride, W. M. Thompson, Seattle; J. W. Barlowe, city; K. H. Sperry, Oysterville; Ethel Barr, Vancouver; S. W. Fairchild, Aberdeen; J. H. Lona, Roseburg; S. Straubahn, Hood River; R. G. Smith, McMillan, Rainier; W. M. Knol, Little Falls; Laura W. Hitch, Vancouver; J. Oliver, Portland; C. E. Fish, W. B. Renkin, Portland; H. E. Eber, Astoria; J. B. Betts, Seattle; D. H. Miller and wife, Medford; Mrs. S. Burkholder, Miss Ethel Burkholder, Salem; C. Hoff, W. A. Hoff, Dallas; Mrs.

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