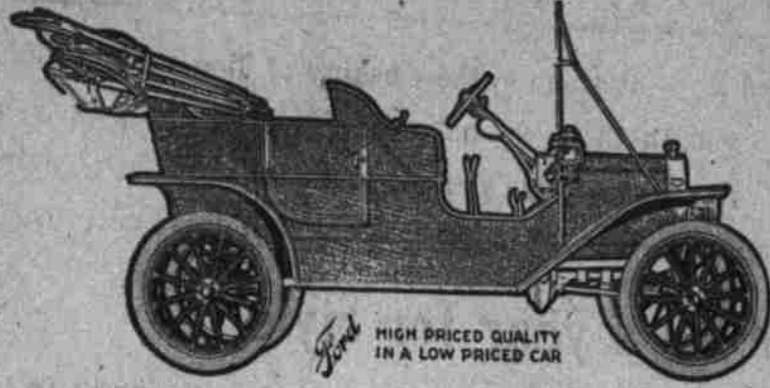


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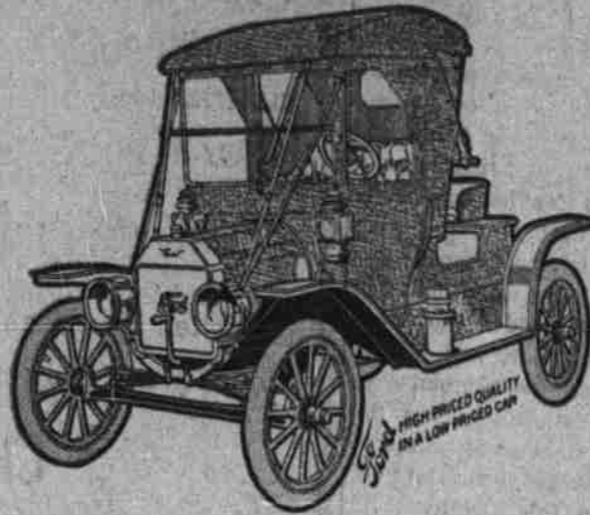
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**Stevenson's New Field.**  
New Brunswick, Feb. 10.—Professor Edward Luther Stevenson who has filled with distinction the chair of history at Rutgers for the past 20 years, has been made the secretary of the Hispanic Society of America, of which Archer W. Huntington is president, and assumed his new duties today.

## WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC AT WALLA WALLA SAY OFFICIALS

That Walla Walla is one of the cities of the Northwest included in the operations of a gigantic ring of oriental "slave traders" is the belief of municipal, county and federal officers here, says the Walla Walla Union. Dealing with this alleged notorious octopus extending to all the principal cities of the Northwest, with tentacles reaching across the Pacific into China and Japan, from where the supply of human slaves are procured and brought to the coast, to promote the horrible traffic. While this illegal traffic in oriental slaves has existed for years, local officers say it was believed to have been almost checked until recent discoveries have shown the alarmingly secret manner in which the traffic has increased. Developments have come to light within the past two months which cause immigration officials in the northwestern cities to include that another "ring" of these "slave traders" headed by a cunning master of crime has sprung into existence and that the result has been a climax of ruined lives and the desolation of thousands of young women.

In the arrest of Horsti Zurza and Kondo Mushoro, two Japanese taken into custody a few weeks ago at the instigation of Local Immigration Inspector Wells and their subsequent conviction of living from the earnings of Japanese women, it is believed to have found two members of just such a ring which investigation has given official cause to believe exists. The arrest of Zurza and Mushoro are not the first made in Walla Walla of the same character and immigration and police officials in Seattle, Tacoma and Portland and Spokane are likewise prob-

ing into the alleged illegal traffic in the oriental slaves with the result that many arrests have been made.

### Prey Upon Rural Districts

According to information brought to light as a result of days and nights of hard work on the part of government officials, it is said these ruthless Japanese prey upon the rural districts of their own country, obtaining by money and an offer of marriage, simple maidens who live on farms and who know nothing of the evils of a great city.

It is the custom of those on the "inside" to send regularly employed agents out into the farming districts and there they place in the hands of the father of some little maid a certain sum of money. He then receives a "letter of credit" which signifies that the child is to come to this country to marry, after which she is taken in charge by the "agent" and sent here on the trans-Pacific liners where other "agents" take her in charge.

One oriental law which makes crimes such as have been perpetrated upon these women possible, is the "proxy" marriage ceremony. This form of marriage means that with her future husband in this country and the woman in Japan the couple are married and are firmly linked together by law as those who here make their marriage vows before the altar or an ecclesiastical denomination.

### DIRECTORS ELECT OFFICERS

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ant's Protective Association when the directors elected the night before, were called to complete the official slate. Other officers are: T. J. Scroggin, vice-president and Mm Ash, secretary-treasurer.

### Mr. Buggy Changes Name.

New York, Feb. 10.—What's the use of being a buggy when you might be a McCormack? None, answers Michael F. Buggy to his own question. So, after today, he will be known as Michael F. McCormack Judge Fawcett of the County Court, Brooklyn, gave him permission for the change.

Buggy, who is a contractor, 27 years of age, said in his petition: "The name Buggy, whenever uttered, creates mirth and laughter. Your petitioner is frequently subjected to ridicule because of the name, and the jests and jokes of his associates, friends and acquaintances."

### Princeton's Princely Gift

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 10.—The report that the acceptance of a gift to Princeton of \$500,000 from William C. Proctor, '83, of Cincinnati, for a graduate college is ready and will be made today. The gift was made on condition that a similar amount be raised by May 1, 1910, and has aroused much discussion because it has been reported that its acceptance had created a breach between

a large part of the alumni of Princeton and the administration as represented by President Wilson.

### Entries for Federal Games.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Entries for the individual events in the Federal Games close today with every prospect of the total reaching 500. The games will be held in the afternoon and evening of Feb. 19. With an assurance of entries from Georgetown University, St. Johns College of Annapolis, John Hopkins University, Western Technical and Business School for boys, Friends' Select School, a dozen of out of town Prep and high schools and 45 district grade schools, the entry list has assumed tremendous proportions.

### Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that James S. Peach administrator of the estate of William G. Peach deceased, has filed in the county court of Union county, Oregon, his final account as administrator of said estate and said court has set Wednesday the 10th day of February A. D. 1910 at 2 o'clock P. M. at the county court house in La Grande, Oregon as the time for hearing such reports and all objections thereto. Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 9 day of January 1910.

JAMES S. PEACH.  
Administrator.