IS AN ELEPHANT

ALBANY BRIDGE AND THE SOUR-CE OF EXPENSE IT HAS CON-STANTLY BEEN,

Has Swallowed up Albany's Revenues and Plunged City Into Deep Debt-Alco Club Makes General Statement of Facts.

It has always been known that the steel bridge was an elephant on the hands of the city of Albany. The Alco club of that city resisting petitions now in circulation asking for removal of the toll, has made a statement, explaining the financial end of the bridge, and has published it in the Herald. In part the statement is as follows:---

During the boom days in 1890 and 1891 the citizens of Albany tried to get Linn and Benton counties to construct a bridge across the river at this point and failing in this they the family located in Benton coun-They immediately secured the right to do so, and bonded the city for \$75,000 for bridgeaud sewer purposes. Of this sum \$45,000 was ap-propriated for building a bridge ber of the Daptist at is mourned by two sons, Avert and David, one cost \$95,000 when completed, Linn county donated \$40,000 and the farmers of Benton county also made a small donation. The bridge fund derived from bonds and from Linn county amounted to \$85,000 leaving \$10,000 of the cost price upprovided for and to be paid by the city. The city issued warrants place Wednesday, January 7th, at for this \$10,000, and was uuable three o'clock at the home of Mr. to pay them. After the bridge had and Mrs Philip Schwiezer of Fern, been built the annual expense of when their daughter, Helena A. thecity was more than its revenues, and its floating indeptedness increased until it and the unpaid \$10,000 in bridge warrants amounted to greens. Miss Ella Seedenburg of \$20,000. Then the people by permission of the Legislature, voted to vallis, acted as bridesmaids, and bond the city for \$20,000 to pay the settled in that way. It was the cisco, brothers of the bride, as understanding all the time that the groomsmen. bridge should be free, and after its completion in 1892 it was operated as a free bridge for about nine years. Almost immediately it was discovered that the interest on the bonded debt, and the expenses for repairs on the bridge, taken with the necessary general expenses of running the city government, amceipts of the city from all sources. fon and carried a bouquet of bridal ounted to more than the total re-It was a problem to know what to myrtle and chrysanthemums, and do in the matler, but the city kept on her dainty veil was caught with October last. paying the bills until the warrants a cluster of the same. issued over and above the amount An elaborate weddi of the bonded debt again amounted to something like \$18,000, As our congratulations. Only relatives charter only allows a taxation of and a few intimate friends eight mills, and the city had been present. no remedy in that direction, so the recipients of many beautiful presap to the limit for years there was matter resolved itself down to one of these propositions. Either one bome on Beaver Creek to their comprising the trust own inneor both of the counties must take many friends, Sunday, January tenths of the anthracite deposit it off the city's hands, or it should 18th. be closed up. In the meantime the bridge had got in such a condition that it was dangerous to pass over it, and the amount of needed repairs was estimated at \$3,000. Our city council immediately of-fered to shoulder the entire debt and turn over the bridge to the counties, if they would agree to maintain it as a free bridge. But the citizens of Albany could not induce either of the counties to even assist in keeping up the bridge and the only alternative was either to close it up or toll it, A petition asking the right to toll the bridge was then circulated among our own citizens and the farmers of Benton who has assisted in building it and only three persons in Albany, and we think them in Benton county, refused to sign it. The legislature passed the bill, but the date for tolling the bridge was placed some three or four months later. An earnest effort was made in the meantime to get tolling commenced. Before the bridge was built the rate for cross bridge was built the rate for crostwo-horse team, and the toll on the of coal in transit by railroads. bridge was placed at fifteen cents. This has produced a revenue that so far has paid for all repairs and operating expenses, and left a balance on hand to be applied on the repairs of this year and this has been paid in by those who have cause there was a coal famine in the city and the dealers were una-In the meantime, while the ble to secure any coal, a large num-travel across the bridge keeps it in ber of citizens of Arcola held up a

bridge. If this petition should be granted, the result would be that the bridge would be thrown back on our hands, and, as shown above the city is in such a condition fin- BUT CLAIMS ATTORNEY GENERAL ancially as makes it absolutely impossible to maintain it without charging toll.

IN THE GRAVE Death of Mrs. C. C. Vanderpool-It Oc-

curred Lass Friday.

Mrs C. C. Vanderpool, widow of the late D. H. Vanderpool, died at her home in the north end of Benton county last Friday of paralysis and was aged 74 years, four months and 27 days,

Mrs Vanderpool was born in Richmond, Ray county, Missourl. and with her husband crossed the plains to Oregon with an ox team in 1852, They first settled in Clackamas county where Mr Vanderpool engaged in the lumber San Francisco Examiner: Theodore business. The following year they Roosevelt, President of the United removed to Polk county. During the flood of 1861 the Vanderpool property in Polk county was destroyed, and the family narrowly escaped with their lives. In 1862 ty, near Wells where they have since resided.

Mrs Vanderpool has been a mem daughter, Mrs J Neil of Scio, one granddaughter, Mrs F A Doughty of Independence, and a large circle of friends.

A WEDDING

A very pretty wedding took was united in marriage to Otto H. L. Peterson. The home was tastefully decorated with ferns and ever-Fern and Miss Lelia Tucker of Cor-Emil Henckendorff of Fern, and Herman Heuckendorff of San Fran-

The bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of a beautiful wedding march rendered by Charles Pernot, The impressive marriage service was read by Rev. Robert Pierce of Albany, the ceremony the face of a condition of things being performed under a crown of evergreen and flowers.

The winsome bride was beautifully attired in white silk and chif-

An elaborate wedding breakfast was served immediately after the

Mr and Mrs Peterson were the

SUES COAL TRUST

KNOX WON'T PUSH CASE.

Claims to Have Documentary Proof That Coal Roads Are Trust and Criminally Liable-William R. Hearst to President.

New York, Jan. 8.-Last October William R. Hearst, claiming to have documentary proof of their guilt, employed counsel and brought proceediags against the coal-railroad owners, for conspiracy. The suits have not been brought to trial by the attorney-general, and in an open letter addressed to President Roosevelt, Mr. Hearst says:-

States .- Sir: On October 4th, more than three months ago, I had the honor of addressing a letter to you, informing you that I had petitioned your attorney-general for permission to furnish him with conclusive proofs of the existence of a coal trust.

At the request of your attorneygeneral, I submitted my proofs to general Burnett, United States district attorney for the southern district of New York.

These proofs demonstrate, over the hands and seals of the corporations constituting the trust, that a combination of coal-carrying railroads absolutely controls the country's supply of anthracite and fixes its price to the consumer.

In the judgment of law yers whose professional competency is quite as undisputed as that of your attorney-general, those proofs it presented in court would suffice to diesolve the coal trust and subject its members to the civil and criminal penalties provided by law.

Continuously since the submission of these proofs the coal trust has robbed the people, extorting famine prices for coal, a prime ne-cessity of industrial and domestic life, yet no action against this trust has been taken by your attorneygeneral for the enforcement of the laws and the relief of the public. So remarkable has been the lethargy of your attorney-general in which reaches the gravity of a widespread public calamity that in both houses of congress a resolution has been introduced calling upon him to disclose the evidence submitted by me through my attorneys in

These proofs aside, sir, neither you nor any other well-informed citizen can doubt the existence of the coal trust nor be ignorant of the organized brigandage which it has practiced and is practicing.

You have but to consult the final report of the industrial commission merciless one, violating the laws of the United States and most harmful in everyway,"

You, Mr. President, can have no doubt of the existence of such a conspiracy, but, if there should chance to remain in your mind any doubt, I suggest that you remove it by personally examining the evidence which is placed in possession of your attorney-general in October.

Sir, these men of the coal trust, enormously rich and politically influential as they may be, are crim-inals. They swell their great for-tunes daily by deliberate law break-

And while your attorney-general has remained so strangely quies. cent, these opulent and politically influential criminals have adopted an old trust device for the double. purpose of further plundering the public and laying the basis for a fraudulent defense against the evidence now in the hands of the attorney-general should he begin proceedings against them. The pre-tended division between them and the so-called "Independent" operators has been arranged, whereby these so-called "Independents" who are utterly in the power of the trust, and so prepare the ground for the false contention that the trust is not a monopoly, but a legitimate business organization subject to compefition. As the immediate result of this counterfeit rivalry the price of

coal has been doubled. As a citizen regardful of the public welfare, Mr. President, I respectfully represent to you that the law officer of your administration has been, and is, remiss in his duty in not proceeding against the coal trust on the evidence of its unlawful character supplied by me to him last year.

By that failure in duty he has encouraged the coal trust to take advantage of a situation largely of its own creation, not merely to persist in its customary pillage of the people, but to enormously increase the sale of its extertion.

The submission of evidence to your attorney-general and my appeal to him to apply the law to the coal trust having up to this time resulted in no action on his part, I

turn from him to you. In your public speeches and messages, Mr. President, you have often declared your conviction that the great combinations of capital commonly known as trusts, should be subjected to the fullest publicity and brought within the regulating control of the law, to the end that the public, while profiting by the concentration of capital in business, may be protected against the inci-dental evil effects of that concentration.

I submit, sir, there is no concentration of capital in the country more contemptuous of the law than the coal trust. And I further submit that the most effective method of subjecting it to publicity is to bring it into court to answer for its

illegal offenses. The attorney-general of the United States is your servant. He must

STORIES OF SNAKEBITES.

Statistics Regarding Fatalities in India Are Unreliable and the Reason.

An English traveler just returned from India says that the stories about the great number of deaths from snake-bites in India are to a great extent unreliable, as statistics, when carefully analyzed, show. He accounts, moreover, for the extreme exaggerations in figures on very plausible grounds. In India, he says, the law requires that when there is a sudden death a detailed report of it must be made to the civic surgeons, and as there are many such deaths far from the civic offices where the report surviv be made, the under officers perform their duty with the least possible trouble. To save the annoyance of transporting dead bodies, or vital organs, and, the loss of time in getting evidence on the facts of the caseswhich may be plain murders, by poison or otherwise-a report of death by "snakebite" is made. This sort of report is very convenient and makes interesting statistica.

Keeping a Rooster Quiet. ~ An English artist recently was summoned to appear in court for allowing a rooster to grow in the morning to the annoyance of his neighbors. The on all Organs sold for cash between case was amicably settled. A London newspaper therenpon printed the following: "It is quite possible to keep fowls and prevent them from crowing. All that is needed is a slight string over the neck and fastened to the foot. It is the habit of chanticleer to throw back his head when crowing, and he will not crow if prevented, as he may be, by the string from doing so. The contrivance has the great merit of inflicting no pain whatever. The bird scarcely knows of the pnessure of the string until he tries to crow,

Delinquents Brought to Time?

der."

A paper in Golden, Col., raked in many delinquents on the ground of this eloquent appeal: "You may approximate the stars in a nail keg, hang the ocean on a grapevine to dry, wipe the nose of a cyclone with a fowel, cut off the tail end of a tormado for a keepsake; put the sky in the ground to soak, unbuckle the bellyband of eternity and open up the sum and moon as health resorts. but never be deluded with the idea: that you can escape the other side of purgatory if you don't pay for

your paper." American Hospitals Abroad.

A perfectly equipped and endowed hospital is to be established at Paris by the generosity of an American. It is to be called the Franklin hospital and is to be managed entirely by American physicians and nurses. We wish that such hospitals existed in all the principal cities of foreign countries, especially if gratuitous treatment of the poor is provided. Many travelers are poor and are also unable to speak the language of the country in which they may fall ill. In such cases there is a solicitude which doubtless prevents recovery. To hear one's language under such circumstances and to know that American methods of care and treatment will be used in his case is at least most comforting .--American Physician.

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to repeal that part of the charter giving Albany the right to toll the

Chicago, Jan. 10.—The famine of coal has become so acute all through the East and Middle West that there is a general demand that

call upon the president to take ac-

The grand jury of Cooke county, Illinois, has met in Chicago to investigate acharge of conspiracy among coal dealers to maintain pri-

A committee of the United States senate is investigating the shortage in Washington.

Factories and steel works in Pennsylvania, Indiana and Illinois work.

snow, and cold weather is general Kansas towns, due to confiscation

Meanwhile, coal dealers continue to advance the price and miners demand more wages.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 10 .- Betravel across the bridge keeps it in repair, the city is taxing itself to the full limit to pay both the in-terest on the bonded bridge debt and the floating warrants amount-to about \$18,000-Now in the face of all this, a few days ago, a petition was girenlated days ago, a petition was circulated aided by the local police. At a late

and mine three quarters of the yearly product. From the same report you can ascertain that in order to crush out competition these railsomething be done. A national convention has been called to meet in Washington and the excess charge "is greater every call upon the president to take as tion. Attorney-General Knox is pronbunced the proper authority to find relief. The grand jury of Cooke county, The grand jury of Cooke county,

The fac' that the coal trust exists is notorious, and its character is universally understood.

A former attorney-general of the United States, Richard Olney, on October 11th last, in a public ad-dress at Boston, said that the members of the tru t are "The most unhave shut down for lack of fuel, blushing and persistent of the law-throwing thousands of men out of breakers," and he thus specified:

For years they have defied the Kansas is deeply covered with law of Pennsylvania which forbids common carriers engaging in the the counties to take the bridge, but in the Middle states, but coal is business of mining, for years they tolling commenced. Before the scercely obtainable. Coal riots have discriminated between customers in the freight charges on their railroads, in violation of the interstate commerce law.

For years they have unlawfully monopolized interstate commerce, in violation of the Sherman antitrust law.

Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, a member of your own party, high in your confidence, in last Monday's debate on the Jones resolution directing the attorney-general to transmit to the senate the evidencetrade exists, said:

"I have been of the opinion that probably there is such a conspira-cy." And he added that "if there be such a conspiracy it is one that on our streets, and is being cir-culated yet, asking the logislature Arcola. The citizens are willing to lutely wicked in its character and

obey your commands or give to a successor who will do so.

I appeal to you, therefore, Mr. President, to command your attorney-general to proceed against the coal trust, both civilly and criminally on the evidence of its unlawful acts laid before him by me or explain to the people of the United States his reasons for not doing so, if reasons suitable for public avowal he has.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the provisions of the will of John Wiles, de-ceased, directing the undersigned exceutors of said will to sell at private sale, the real estate hereinafter described said will having been exceuted by said John Wiles on, the 23rd day of April 1800, and field and somitted to probate in the County Court of Benton Gousty in the State of Oregon, on the 9th day of September, 1902, and recorded on pages, 52-53 and 54 of Book D of records of wills of said county, we the said exceutors will proceed to sell at private sale from and after The people of the United States, President Roosevelt, have a right to expect ACTION from you against the trust in general and the coal trust in particular. No conspicuous man of your party has so vehemently as yourself expressed a desire to protect the public from spoilation from the hands of combinations of predatory capital. And you have well said that "words are good when backed up by deeds, and

only 80." What better proof of your sincerity could you give. what better deed in support of your words could you do, than by moving at once upon this insolent lawbreaker and wholesale robber of the people, the coal trust.

As a citizen I have done my duty in supplying evidence for the attack on your attorney-general. As a citizen I do my duty in turning from him to you when time has shown his invincible reluctance to

The coal trust continues to exist and continues to plunder because the laws are not enforced.

Perty below the solid exists. described as property described as lots three, bur, five and six, the north half of the south west quarter and the orthwast quarter of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter and the orthwast quarter of the southwest quarter are of the southwest quarter are of the southwest quarter are of the southwest quarter of the south west of the south and the south are of the south of the south which is there the south we the follows the the follows the there of the south west of the follow of the south west of the follow of the south which is there the difference of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the southwest of the follow of the south which is there the follow of the south of the southwest of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the south which is the follow of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the south which is the follow of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the follow of the southwest of the fol For that non-enforcement of the laws, Mr. President, your attorney-general is responsible to you, and if conspiracy in restraint of interstate you shall uphold him in his refusal will be responsible to the American

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