

TO PREVENT ESCAPE

Why Shackles Were Put on Jefferson Davis.

MILES BREAKS LONG SILENCE

He Denies That Unnecessary Indignities Were Put on Rebel President—Davis Planned to Continue War in the West.

The offer was made in an anonymous letter from Boston, containing \$250 in bills which Harpin received recently. The writer offered to send the other \$250 as soon as the poison was delivered to Mrs. Rogers. The letter was turned over to Superintendent Oakes who showed it to Governor Bell. The postal authorities have been asked to investigate the letter.

Rudolph Must Be Hanged. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 2.—The Supreme Court today affirmed the judgment of the lower court, which convicted William Rudolph of the murder of Detective Schumacher, and sentenced him to be hanged March 17 next. Detective Schumacher was killed while attempting to arrest Rudolph and Collins for the robbery of the Union Pacific train. Collins was hanged some time ago. Rudolph escaped from the St. Louis jail and was found in the Kansas State Penitentiary.

JUSTICE TO PHILIPPINES. Secretary Taft Says They Are Worse Off Than Under Spain.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Secretary Taft has addressed to Chairman Payne, of the House committee on ways and means, an exhaustive statement of the reasons which impel him to urge earnestly the Congress the passage during the present session of the pending Philippine tariff bill. The secretary's reasons are in substance as follows: "The Philippines are ultimately to be done with the Philippines, they are necessarily for the next generation a part of the United States, and there is no more reason for a tariff agreement than with Hawaii or Porto Rico or our territories. Under Spanish rule Philippine sugar was given a preferential rate of three cents per pound when imported into Spain, while the Spanish government took all of the tobacco to supply the government monopoly from Cuba and the Philippines. Now Spain buys in the cheapest market, and the Philippines have lost the Spanish trade. The United States is under obligation to make good this deficiency, which has been made larger by the increase of the price of sugar and tobacco in Japan and Australia, thus reducing the sales of the Philippines' commodities. "Unless the American tariff is reduced in favor of the Philippines, the law requiring the islands' trade with the United States to be carried only in American bottoms will be a great burden and injustice to the Philippines. Congress will make good the heavy loss to the islands' revenues caused by the repeal, at the demand of the American farmer, of the export tax on hemp, a loss not made good by the return to the islands of the import duty on hemp collected in the United States. "A total removal of duties on Philippine products entering the United States is not asked for at this time, though it will be in 1909, when an internal revenue system applied to the islands probably will develop enough revenue to enable them to have free trade. "The opposition to the reduction of the duties on sugar and tobacco has been nursed by paid professional agents, circulating misleading and unfounded statements, which has now developed a decided opposition to the bill by the representatives of all the sugar and tobacco interests of the island except Hawaii and Porto Rico. The entire present production of the Philippines would not appreciably affect the American market. If admitted under the proposed rates, the Philippine sugar land is limited; is not as good as the Cuban land, and the truth is that the same land will produce hemp, copra and rice much more profitably than sugar, and so the height of absurdity to suppose that, even with free trade in sugar with the United States, there would be any considerable increase in the Philippine sugar production. "No Philippine sugar or tobacco is imported to the United States and only wrappers and fillers are raised. So there is no danger of competition with the American product. The total export of Philippine cigars to all countries was only 135,000,000, whereas America produces 7,000,000,000 cigars, so that the suggestion of competition is absurd. A 50 per cent reduction of the tariff rates would not do the islands the slightest good, as has been proved by experience with the 25 per cent reduction. "The secretary, in conclusion, pleads for justice for the Philippines.

SAYS HE IS THE WRONG HOCH. Accused Wife-Murderer Boldly Declares His Innocence.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Johann Hoch was arraigned in Jefferson Market Court today and remanded until Saturday, when regulation papers are expected to arrive from Chicago. "This talk about my having 20 or 30 wives and murdering a few of them is all nonsense," he said while being taken back to police headquarters. "Just let them go on and pile it on me as much as they please. I'll make some of them very sorry when I get back to Chicago. It is a case of mistaken identity. There are more Hochs in the West than one." According to the police, Hoch said he would plead guilty to bigamy upon his return to Chicago. He said he had married twice, the police allege, but that when his second wife believed his former wife had secured a divorce from him. Concerning the charge of murder, Hoch said: "They are accusing me of crimes that are said to have occurred in this country before I came here ten years ago. I will prove by documentary evidence that I was in Germany at the time these crimes were committed." John Graf, of Genesee, where Hoch was reared, was a caller at police headquarters today. He told the detectives that he was certain he had known Hoch in Genesee, where he passed as Jacob Schmidt until he left there about ten years ago and came to this country as a diamond agent, having lost a fortune. Graf declares that, if Hoch is the same as Jacob Schmidt, he was married in Germany.

POISON KILLED ONE WIFE. Analysis Shows Hoch Can Be Charged With Murder.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Indictment for murder will be asked by Coroner Hoffman against Johann Hoch, the alleged poisoner of many wives. "I am now in a position to say positively that the embalming fluid injected into the body of Mrs. Marie Weiker-Hoch did not contain arsenic," said the coroner today. "Arsenic was not a constituent of any of the drugs administered by the physician who attended the woman before her death. The fact is that more than 2 1/2 ounces of poison were found in the organs. The coroner's jury will doubtless hold Hoch to the grand jury, but if it fails to do so, I will hold him under my official prerogative." The inquest will not be held until Hoch reaches Chicago some time next week. Two of the wives of Hoch have quarreled over money alleged to have been found on Hoch when he was arrested. The money is claimed by Mrs. Fischer-Hoch, because she was the last one to desert. Mrs. Hendricks-Schmitt-Hoch also lays claims to \$50 of the money now said to be in the possession of the New York police, as she gave up that amount when Hoch bade her adieu. Mrs. Hendricks is said to have quietly slipped away to New York to attach the money there.

MADE FALSE REPORTS. New York Bank Cashier Indicted by Federal Grand Jury.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—James S. O'Neal, formerly cashier of the Equitable Bank, of this city, which was closed a year ago by the controller of the currency after an existence of 30 months, has been held in \$10,000 bail on an indictment found by the federal grand jury in New York. The indictment charges that O'Neal was guilty of making false reports to the controller of the currency and of making a false statement in an affidavit sworn to by him on January 27. He was charged with falsifying reports to the Treasury Department and the books of the bank. Friends of O'Neal, who was for ten years cashier of the Chattanooga National Bank, of Chattanooga, Tenn., said he was imposed upon by others in the transactions, and assert that the charges against him are only technical.

BOODLING CORONER GUILTY. Jury Convicts Him of Demanding Bribe From Lawyer.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The jury which has been considering a charge of attempted bribery against Coroner M. J. Jackson, of this city, brought in a verdict of guilty late tonight, after six hours of deliberation. The foreman said the jury made a strong recommendation for clemency. Jackson was greatly affected at the outcome of the trial. Coroner Jackson was tried on an indictment charging that he demanded a bribe from Benjamin Reuss, a lawyer, in connection with the arrest of a physician charged with manslaughter. The case had been on trial for several days. Sentence was not passed tonight.

TO GIVE MURDERER POISON. Bribe Offered Prison Guard to Help Cheat the Gallows.

WINDSOR, Vt., Feb. 2.—Five hundred dollars was offered to Harold Harpin, a guard in the state's prison, if he would carry a package of poison to Mrs. Mary M. Rogers, convicted of the murder of her husband, who is under death sentence.

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From Factory to Family

Arrangements have been made with all the factories whose pianos are handled by Eilers Piano House, for virtually two trainloads of pianos which will be delivered direct from the factory to the home of the club member, prices and payments determined by the particular piano desired. It is easy to see what a tremendous saving in cost will be effected by handling the pianos in this large quantity. The instruments will be shipped by our own freight cars, and the cost of piano box, freight charges on same and address of an expert tuner per car, will be included in one item in itself will effect a saving on the 1000 pianos included in this club sale of \$14,000.

CLUB "A." Consists of 157 pianos that sell regularly in the old retail way for from \$200 to \$300. The club payments on these will be \$5 down and \$1.50 weekly. All these pianos our company agrees to supply at from \$117 to \$222.

CLUB "B." Pianos (22 in all) ranging in price from \$125 to \$175, will be sold for from \$185 to \$225 with deposits of \$7.50 and \$1.50 per week.

CLUB "C." Embraces 308 of the average highest-grade pianos that are found in the greatest number of homes, and that sell in the regular way for from \$250 to \$450, will go at prices running from \$247 to \$258, according to the exact grade and make, and will be sent out on deposits of \$12.50 down and payments of \$2 weekly.

CLUB "D." Contains 154 of the most costly American upright pianos made. Pianos cases in elaborately finished, beautifully hand-carved mahogany, oak and walnut. They are pianos that sell for from \$425 to \$550, and which club members will secure on the heavy loss to the islands' revenues caused by the repeal, at the demand of the American farmer, of the export tax on hemp, a loss not made good by the return to the islands of the import duty on hemp collected in the United States.

CLUB "E." The costliest grands and uprights in special styles, all of them regularly priced at over \$500 are in Club "E." There will be 141 members in Club "E," and they will effect an average saving of \$147 on each piano. Payments are \$5 to \$15 cash, and \$5 to \$5 weekly.

CLUB "F." In this club will be found numerous odd pianos, many of them of the highest quality. These include styles of Chickering's, Webers, Kimball's, Krakrauer, Crown's, and instruments of numerous different makes that have been received by us in part payment for new Chickering's and Webers and Kimball's and Pianos. Not a single one of Club F pianos, however, shows any sign of usage. There will be only 108 members in Club "F," and they will effect a saving of \$175 weekly.

We have numerous samples of every piano included in these piano clubs right here in stock, and many now at our wholesale department, corner Twelfth and Northrup streets, do not wait, but call now and see what a truly wonderful offer this is. If you do not wish a piano at once, you can join a club by paying a small deposit now and take your piano whenever you get ready for it.

Bear in mind the prices—\$117 for \$200 kinds, \$185 for \$250 styles, \$225 for \$300 styles, \$247 for \$250 styles, including Chickering's, Kimball's, etc., etc., only we cannot sell them at these prices when the clubs are closed.

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published an interview with Mrs. Jules Lebaudy, the well-known author and dramatist. Mr. Nicoll declared that she positively affirmed that Syveton was gradually poisoned.

DID NOT DEFEND POLYGAMY. But Kimball Declares Mormonism is True, and is in His Blood.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 2.—J. G. Kimball, general secretary and member of the First Council of Seventy, of the Mormon Church, who was credited in a dispatch from Logan to the Salt Lake Tribune on Sunday last, with defending polygamy and declaring before the Cache Lake Conference that Congress would be unable to stop the practice, today issued a signed statement in which he declares that the report attributing to him any defense of the practice of polygamy is false. He asserts that he made no reference to the subject of polygamy, either openly or covertly, by inference or innuendo. What he did say, he says, was to refer in the following language to resolutions recently adopted by a body of women in the East: "Women in the East want Congress to stop this thing (bringing children into poor families). Congress will have quite a time in trying to prevent poor people having large numbers of children. These women want to put this practice down and legalize race suicide." Continuing, Mr. Kimball says: "I then bore my testimony that the economy is true; that it had found its way into my bones and into my blood, and that I felt it in every fiber of my being and that Mormonism cannot be destroyed, and the more they try to destroy it, the more it will grow. I believe in it and I will live it."

Italian King Talks of Emigration.

ROME, Feb. 2.—King Victor Emanuel today received in private audience Gino Espartero, of New York, secretary of the Society for the Protection of Italian Emigrants, and spoke to him in the most affable manner about the work of the society. The King inquired about the condition of the Italian emigrants in the United States, asking whether the proposed bill to restrict emigration to 50,000 persons a year would permit the secretary to answer that America still needed too many men to permit the closing of her gates to immigration.

Jealous of America's Supremacy.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—American progress in the cotton industry was brought to the attention of the American Minister today. Deputy Flavelle pointed out that America threatened to dominate the world's markets, and argued that France should develop cotton production in the Sudan and thus secure a position to defy competition.

Strike May Flood Mines.

BEHLIN, Feb. 2.—Herr Moeller, the Prussian Minister of Industry and Commerce, went to the strike district today to report reaching Berlin indicating that a number of mines were in serious danger of flooding if the strike continued, rendering it impossible to resume work there for a long time.

Lipman, Wolfe & Co. "Good Goods Only, Quality Considered, Our Prices Are Always Lowest?" Warm Stockings Are Less \$6.50 White All-Wool Blankets on Sale Today at \$5.00. 35c Cashmere Socks 23c. 75c Unlaundered Shirts 45c. Great Glove Clearance. Handkerchief Clearance. \$1.25 Underwear 83c. Spring '05 Embroidery Sale. Ready-Mixed Paints to Close. Sheets and Pillowcases. Men's Pajamas Clearance. February Housefurnishings Sale. Apron Clearance. Ladies' Outfitters. SILVERFIELD'S. Today and Tomorrow. Only remain for the ladies of Portland to choose from the Silverfield Co.'s entire line of wearing apparel at clearance sale prices. The Finest Furs. Suits and Cloaks. Tut's Pills Cure All Liver Ills. ARE YOU BANKRUPT in health, constitution undermined by extravagance in eating, by disregarding the laws of nature, or physical capital all gone, if so, NEVER DESPAIR. Tut's Liver Pills will cure you. For sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, torpid liver, constipation, biliousness and all kindred diseases. Tut's Liver Pills an absolute cure. After Dinner. Hood's Pills. Sold everywhere. 25 cents.

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forces in order to determine their qualifications for the command of troops or the performance of staff duties with such volunteer forces. To Give Philippines Free Trade. WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Representative Williams, of Mississippi, introduced a bill today admitting all products of the Philippine Islands free of import duty in ports of the United States, and free of port duties in the Philippines. Would-Be Assassin Identified. NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Count Hippelto Malaguzzi Valeri has committed suicide in a cab, says a Herald dispatch from Milan, Italy. He was keeper of state archives and author of historical works. His suicide is attributed to nervous prostration from overwork. Henri Germann, Banker. PARIS, Feb. 2.—M. Henri Germann, president of the board of directors of the Credit Lyonnais, died at 4 o'clock this morning.

LADIES' OUTFITTERS SILVERFIELD'S FOURTH AND MORRISON

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Only remain for the ladies of Portland to choose from the Silverfield Co.'s entire line of wearing apparel at clearance sale prices. Although our first clearance sale has been eminently successful, many grand bargains remain—for when we put a price on an article or garment, it means that nothing better can be purchased for the amount anywhere, thereby making each of our special inducements equally desirable, as sweeping reductions are placed on prices which represent the actual value of the garments.

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\$25 LONG FOX BOAS \$15.75 Handsome Long Fox Boas, in the Isabella and sable colors, trimmed with two large brushes and cord and tassel. Boas that have always sold for \$25, on sale at \$15.75

75c GOLF GLOVES 48c A special line of Golf Gloves for ladies and misses, knit in a number of fancy patterns, of the finest yarn, in tan, gray, red and brown; regular 75c values. 48c

\$4 SWEATERS \$2.65 Fine Hand-Knit Sweaters of the finest pure Australian lambswool, beautiful stripe effects of white and black, red and white and blue and white; always sold for \$4.00, now \$2.65

\$7.50 WALKING SKIRTS \$3.95 Finely tailored, beautifully trimmed skirts in chevrons, homespuns and serges, in black, blue and gray; regular \$7.50 skirts at \$3.95

\$3.75 WOOL WAISTS \$1.95 Fine French Flannel and Alpaca Waists of the most desirable styles and colorings, finished with stock collar and silk tie; regular \$3.75 waists for \$1.95