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# PRICE FIVE CENTS.



terson's English is somewhat broken, but his imperfect mastery of the language and the earnest, straightforward story he told made the awful ploture he drew of this last hours of the Valencia something that will not soon be forgotism by those who heard fl. Witness Closely Questioned. The commission, by keen inquiry and cross-examination of Mr. Peterson, traced the time she steamed out of San Fran-cisco harbor on her last trip until she pounded to pieces on the bleak Vancouver is to be avertised in a such devotion to duty should Island shore. Peterson is a simple on of the sea and had stared death in the face on other shipwrecks and he told the story of those last hours on the Valencia in language that was cloquent in its sim-nlicity. And when the dramatic tals and J. W. Lorimer and P. Godenrath, plicity. And when the dramatic tale was finished and close questioning had brought out all the terrible features of the wreck. it seemed more than ever a case of reckless navigation, followed by poor discipline and the abandonment of nearly 100 helpless passengers who could have been saved. Under the head of reckless navigation one of the strongest points brought out by the commission was the admission by Peterson that if they had accepted the reading of the log as correct they should have been up to Umatilla reef lightship at 9:15 on that fatal Monday night. They thought, however, that the log overran, so the Valencia was sent flying on for nearly three hours more before the end came

#### No Log Read for Two Hours.

Most of this time she was under reduced engine speed, but a heavy gale and the tide was driving her to destruction with a Another damaging point brought rush. out in questioning Peterson was the fact that there had been no reading of the log after 10 o'clock, or for nearly two hours before she struck.

The witness told in detail of the heartbreaking scenes which followed the striking of the vessel and of the unsuccessful attempt to get the boats clear of the ship. was naturally inclined to give out the reasion that discipline might have been worke, but admitted that there had never been a boat drill by the crew then on the wesse, and of the seven men who, according to the rules, should have been at his Boat, fut two or three appeared-an insufficient number to handle it. His testimony difficted with that of other members of the crew when he stated that there was no excitement.

The appearance of the Queen and other steamers on the seene buoyed up the hopes of the passengers, and was the cause of the women and some of the men refusing to go on the rafts. Peterson, on a request from the captain, boarded the last raft that left the ship. This was the raft that put out to meet the Queen. When the Queen Steamed Away.

As has been told, the Queen turned and steamed away. The men on the raft then headed for the beach, over a mile away, ntending to beach the craft, but just before reaching the outer line of breakers the smoke of the Topeka was seen and they paddled, out to meet her. Witness stated that no trouble was experienced in working off shore: a long, rolling swell was running, but no breakers,

With considerable reluctance the witness admitted that any good boat could have lived in the sea and gotten close to the wreck if it was properly handled. Peterson also admitted that it would have been possible for a tug to have anchored in

possible for a tug to have anchored in safety quite near the wreck and possibly floated a raft down to the wreck. These admissions were made somewhat reluctantly and only after close question-ing by Mr. Murray and Captain Burwell, there being an apparent desire to excuse

re day of debate. gestion that such devotion to duty sl not go unrecompensed. Captain Ferris also related how the

cue party which went over the trail to the survivors at Darling Creek gave thei wh were special correspondents for the Asso-ciated Press on the steamers Salvor and Lorne, told of the futile reacue efforts sim-

Harry Cook, diver, who was on the steamer Salvor, and Hinkson Siddal, Admiralty Marshal, who was on the tur Czar, gave evidence that it was impo to render aid from seaward.

CHANGE IMMIGRATION LAW **Dillingham Proposes to Enlarge List** of Proscribed Aliens.

WASHINGTON; Feb. 14 .- Senator Dillingham, chairman of the Senate committee on immigration, today in-troduced a bill making a number of troduced a bill making a humber of changes in the immigration laws. It proposes to exclude all alien imbeciles and feeble-minded persons and per-sons not comprehended within any of the classes now excluded by law, "who are certified by the examining surgeon as being mentally or physically defec-tive, such mental or physical defect being of a nature which may affect the ability of such alien to earn a living' aliens who admit having committed a felony or other crime, or who admit their belief in the practice of polygamy: women or girls coming into the United States for any immoral pur-pose; shildren under 17 years of age who are unaccompanied by parents, unless coming to join parents, brothers or sisters already in the United States. An attempt to land an alien not duly

admitted is made o misdemeanor, in-stend of an unlawful act as at present. The provision of the present law which imposes a fine of \$100 on steamship companies for bringing persons afflicted with a loathsome or a dangerous contagious disease is extended to include idiots, imbeciles, feeble-minded persons, insane persons and ephleptics.

It is also provided that masters of vessels carrying aliens from ports of the United States to foreign ports shall furnish complete descriptive lists of manifests of all outgoing aliens.

LEARNED MANY THINGS **Chinese Commissioners Thank Amer** 

icans for Much Courtesy.

NEW YORK, Feb. H.-The Imperia Chinese Commissioners, who arrived here today from Boston, will sail for Europe tomorrow on the steamer Blucher. Shi Ling Hsung, grst secretary to the com-mission, said touight:

"On the eve of our departure we want to thank the American people for the courtesy shown us on every hand. Whercourtesy shown us on every hand. Wher-ever we have gone, no matter how trivial the questions we asked, or how absurd they must have seemed to those of whom we asked them, they have all been will-ingly and courteously answered. We are going home much enlightened to many things which were dark to us before we came and we are grateful to the Amer-

amendments were accepted, but only one case was a modification agreed to that was not in accordance with the wishes of the managers of the bill. The exception was on an amendment offered by Spooner eliminating the provision giv ing half pay to members of the naval reserve who have served less than siz months.

utes after 6 o'clock today the Senate cas

its final ballot on the selendy shipping bill

which was passed by a vote of 28 to 27. All the votes for the hill were by Republi-

can Senators, and five Republican Sena

tors voted with the Democrats in opposi

Follette, Spooner and Warner. The vote

on the hill was preceded by action on a

number of amendments, and this by an

They were Burkett, Dolliver, La

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When the shipping bill was disposed of the statehood bill was made the unfin tabed business. Gallinger offered a number of amend

nents on behalf of the merchant marine ammittee. One of them limits the num her of officers and men in the proposed

naval reserve to 10,000. Spooner Attacks Bill.

Spooner criticised many of the details of the bill, among others that requiring

that a part of all crews of seagoing vezsels should be members of the naval re serve. Frye remarked that the Wisconsin Sen ator must have got his idea from Mr. Furuseth, the Washington representativ of the Saflors' Union of the Pacific Coast Spooner replied with a defense of Mr Furuseth and his business in Washington. and said that, while he was not averse to obtaining information from any reputable

GRANDDAUGHTER OF J. D. ROCKEFELLER RECOVERING



Muriel McCormich Muriel McCormick, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Mc. Cormick, of Chicago, and the granddaughter of John D. Rockefeller who was operated on for appendicitis in New York last week, will be taken to Lakewood, N. J., to recuperate. Her condition is reported to be improving steadily. She was attanked with appendicitie after be ing taken to New York to meet her their return from parents on Europe. Dr. W. T. Bull performed

the operation.

Brandegee, Burnham, Burrows, Carter, discovered that the rank and file of the Clark (Wyo.), Crane, Dick, Dryden, Foraker, Frye, Fulton, Gallinger, Gamble, Hale, Hanbrough, Hemenway, Heyburn. Hopkins, Kean, Lodge, Long, McCumber Millard, Nelson, Nixon, Penrose, Perkins, Piles, Platt, Scott, Smoot, Sutherland, Warren, Wetmore-3.

the House or other Federal officials

motion by Newlands to recommit.

noes, as follows:

voted down without division, as was o

Final Vote on Passage.

The vote wa then taken on the passage

of the bill, resulting in 38 ayes and 22

Yeas-Aldrich, Allee, Allison, Ankeny,

Nays-Bacon, Blackburn, Burkett Clarke (Ark.), Clay, Daniel, Dolliver, Duools, Foster, Frazier, Gearin, La Follette, Latimer, McCreary, McLaurin, Morgan, Newlands, Overman, Patterson, Pettus, Raynor, Simmons, Spooner, Stone, Taliaterro, Teller, Warner-27. Immediately Beveridge moved to

ceed with the consideration of the statewas so insistent that the leader hood bill. The motion prevalled, thus givagainst his better judgment, finally ing the measure its place on the calendar agreed that Osborne should have the as the unfinished business. The Senate then adjourned.

LINES FROM NORTH PACIFIC

Shipping Bill Provides for Steamers From Columbia and Puget Sound. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 14 -- The Senators from all the Pacific Coast States except Gearin of Ore gon and Dubois of Idaho today voted in favor of the ship subsidy bill, and all, inclading Gearin and Dubois, voted in fav.sr f an amendment, which was lost, withholding the subsidy from any steamship employing Chinese in its crew. Before the bill was passed Fulton secured the adoption of an amendment which specifically requires that both Portland and

Puget Sound shall share in the benefits of the subsidy bill. The amendment was attached to that part of the bill relating to mallcontracts which provides: "That the Postmaster-General shall es

tablish mail service from each of two ports on the North Pacific Coast, namely, Puget Sound and the Columbia River, to Japan. China and the Philippines, on steamships of the United States of not less than 13 knots' speed, for a monthly service at a maximum compensation not exceeding \$210,000 a year, or for a fortnightly service at a maximum compensa tion not exceeding \$420,000 a year."

In advocating the adoption of this amendment Fulton explained that it will increase the number of steamship lines on the Pacific Coast and will give to the North Pacific Coast a fair share of the benefits under the law. Without this amendment it would have been possible to give all the Pacific subsidies, save pos sibly one, to lines running from San Francisco.

## Volcano Izalco in Eruption

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16 .-- Passen ters from Guatemala on the steamer teapulco, which arrived here today, eport that the volcano Izalco, which roke into eruption in January, is still ctive. Every ten minutes if flames shoots skyward and the surounding country is covered with ishes. No great damage has been done and a disaster is not expected.

#### Hawiai to Take up Tobacco-Growing.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.-It has been arranged that Hawaii shall send a repre-sentative here to study tobacco-growing, and Secretary Wilson has promised to assist him in every possible way.

organization greatly admired the District Attorney, and that it would be a difficult task to whip them into line for somebody else. He explained all this to McClellan and said he believed

How Jerome Was Turned Down.

The story of the "Jerome turn down,"

as narrated by Murphy's friends, is as

Some months before the convention

met, Murphy was heartily and frankly

opposed to Tammany's having anything

to do with Jerome. Later; however, he

sent of the Mayor.

follows:

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ST. LOUIS, Feb. 14.-Allen C. Bates, 47 years old, a nephew of General John S. aBets, committed suicide today by shoot-ing, at the residence of his mother. III that the best thing to do would be to put Jerome on the ticket. To this, it is alleged, the Mayor made violent obhealth is given as the cause. jection. He declared that Jerome would

Gregontan.

#### take the center of the stage, and run so many thousands of votes ahead of CONTENTS TODAY'S PAPER McClellan that Jerome and not the Mayor would be the logical candidate for Governor. All of Murphy's argu-Politics.

Murphy, said:

Chicago Council passes 85-cent gas ordinance oer Mayor's veto and calls referendum on municipal ownership of car lines. Page 2 ments were swept aside, and McClellan Pennsylvania Legislature kills railroad in vestigation resolution. Page 1.

Ohio shippers and railroads agree on mite biil. Page 1. Tammany must take Jerome or Hearst for Governor. Page 1.

Sports.

Chine,

China in revolt not only against Americana, but all foreigners and Manchu dynasty, Page 2.

Foreign.

Balfour adopts Chamberlain's fiscal policy and will remain leader. Page 4. America and Italy act as mediators at Mor-occo conference. Page 4. Plot to kill Witte folled on ever of success. Page 4.

Earthquakes kill hundreds in South America.

National.

Senate passes ship subsidy bill. Page 1. House passes fortification hill after debate Bryan's record on Imperialism. Page 4.

Governor Brady, of Alaska, resigns. Page

mericans and Bubans units in ded monument on El Caney hattlefield. I In and About Portland.

and bill cannot secure majority. Page 1.

Mayor denies establishment of dead-line for vice, but detectives contradict him. Page & See America League meets in Portland today. Page 7.

Kelley's lawyer charges Stoolpigeon Rossman with double murder. Page 10.

with double murder. Page 10. Hopgrowers and buyers form pool to send ship-ment to Londoo. Pare 11. Great famine exists in Japan: foreigners ap-peal for aid. Page 36.

Fifty-six students graduate from high school. Page 9.

Many Republican candidates visit city. Page 15.

Commercial and Marine. Good demand for milistuffs. Page 13. Hop contracting in California. Page 13. January pigiron output breaks all records. Page 13.

Chicago wheat market closes with small gain, Page 13,

eculative interest declines in stock market. Page 13.

Italy and China send for more lumber and several vessels are chartered. Page 14.

Gomp of Baseball. Page 7.

Page 1

saries prepare to flee to treaty points,

tual indorsement of Murphy. On the Domestic other hand. McClellan's friends have New York Life committee recommends s officials for campaign donations Hamilton for lobbying fund. Page 4. claimed all along that it was the Mayor

who fought to have Jerome on the ticket, but was arbitrarily overruled by Lawson resigns from proxy committee. Page Murphy. And the question is, who is Pacific Coast.

the real friend of Jerome? Codlin (Mc-Government begins searching investigation into the Valencia disaster. Page 1. Harriman forces in alliance with the Can-adian Pacific. Page 6. Jerome's Great Strength.

Page 2.

Fort Mason at San Francisco to be made the largest fort in the world. Page 6. A Tammany district leader, who is friendly to Jerome, sums up the situa-Willamette Development League meeting a Silverton. Page -

tion this way: "I believe that Jerome could boll a Veterinarian acruses Howe of causing him to dope Lou Dillon. Page 7. much larger vote than Hearst would receive. In my opinion, Hearst is the Many changes in trotting rules. Page 7. stronger in King's County, but nowhere else in the state. Jerome on National United States makes great war preparations while State Deparement denies cause o slarm. Page 2.

This is the story that has the vir-

\* MAY USE AIRSHIP TO REACH

Clellan) or Short (Murphy).

THE NORTH POLE.



#### The Duke of Abruzzi.

The Duke of Abrumi (Prince Amedeo of Savoy-Aosta), who is about to make a journey of exploration to Central Africa, after an ascent of Mount Ruventsari in Uganda, next June, will make another attempt to reach the North Pole. It is reported that he is inclined to use an airship this time.

British steamer Nairnahire sails for Port-land. Page 14. Fire in hold of steamer Texan under control. Page 14. .......................

winneth an election, but getteth not one office?" daracter spe And that is the whole story in Nephew of General Bates at Sulcide.

hardest, and given it the most cruel

jabs in its history. And it has lost sight of the man whom it supported

for Mayor only a few months ago. The reason? It was aptly stated at

the recent dinner of the "Amen Corner Club" when one speaker, referring to

"What doth it avail a man, if he

when one speaker, referring to

judicial review of the orders of the Commission and that they will bring out a manority report if a majority of the committee cannot be secured.

ieved in the face of the manipulations

to corner votes, the Hepburn bill can-

not he taken through the committee by

a majority. This is not conceded by Senators Dolliver and Clapp, although

they almitted today that they have not

a majority of the committee votes

carralled for the House bill in its pres-

ent form. They asserted, however, that

ally providing for

NEVER HEARD OF ACCUSERS

Cassatt Denies All Charges of Inde-

# pendent Coal Operators.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14.-President A J. Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, said today that he had never heard of the Bituminous Coal Trade League of Pennsylvania, which body presented a memorial to the House of Repreentatives at Washington yesterday. Hesaid it hardly seemed worth while to reply to the charges made in the memorial, since the complainants stated that they had "no information upon which to base a suit at low or even a complaint before the Interstate Commerce Commission."

Mr. Cassatt denied that either the Pennsylvania Railroad Company or himself had any interest in any bituminous coal mine, or that there was any discrimination either in rates or in car distribution by the Pennsylvania system. Mr. Cassatt also denied the existence of a soft-coal trust.

AGREE ON RATE BILL IN OHIO

Shippers and Railroads Come to

Terms on Provisions.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. H .- At the meeting of the House committee on railroads today, announcement was made by W. S. Thomas, of Springfield, president of the Shippers' Association, and T. Livesley, attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad, that the shippers and railroads had agreed to the enactment of a law creating a State Railroad Commission. The Wertz bill, introduced in the House, has been agreed upon as the basis for the proposed

law. The commission will have power to fix a reasonable maximum rate, which shall go into force pending review by the courts, should the railroads desire to appeal,

SENATORS DO CASSATT'S WILL

Resolution to Investigate Coal Mo-

nopoly killed.

HARRISBURG Pa., Feb. 14-Both branches of the Pennsylvania Legislature finished the work of the special session tonight and will adjourn tomorrow. All the legislation advocated by Governor Pen-nypacker, except the state civil service bill, which failed in the House, was passed.

The resolution passed by the House Monday for a general legislative inquiry into the right of railroad companies to engage in coal and other mining business as killed in Senate committee. A resolution was adopted, however, for an in-vestigation of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company. The special session cost the state \$200,000,

#### Miss J. Loughborough.

ROME, Feb. 14.-Miss J. Loughborough. of San Francisco, died here today of enteritis, aged 24 years.