TIE UP ROADS IN HOLIDAY SEASON

Threat of Trainmen Makes the Railroad Managers Indignant.

CRY BREACH OF CONTRACT

New York Yardmen Say It Is Too Late to Arbitrate and Will Strike Unless Ultimatum is Granted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20,-The general managers of the rallway linex entering New York which are affected by the ultimatum delivered yestertday by the yardmen, who propose to "leave the service of the several companies December 22 unless their request for an increase of wages of 5 cents an hour is granted," declared today that they regard "the strike nitimainm of the yardmen as most aston-ishing and unfair."

The statement to this effect was given out tonight, following a meeting of the General Managers' Association. It was also stated that the managers have as yet come to no conclusion as to what action will be taken, but have requested Grand Mastert Morrissey, of the Brotherhood of Hailway Trainmen, to come to New York at once, It is said Mr. Morrissey is now

on his way east,

The slimation is regarded as acute, in view of the holiday rush. The Imagers declare the men have violated contracts in threatening to strike at this time. Fourth Grand Muster Murdoch, of the Brotherhood of Rallway Trainmen, when shown the managers' statement today, said.

"There is no contract governing the "There is no contract governing the Nages of the trainmen in any part of the New York district. It is true, wages have been increased materially, but for a number of years the yardmen in this section had contended for the Chicago scale. The arrival of Grand Master Morrissey would make no difference. I have been deputed to represent him here, and to all intents and purposes, I am grand master.

"It is now too late for arbitration; all negotiations are off. The only possible way to avoid a atrike now is a notification from the managers before Saturday that the demand for an increase of 5 cents an

the demand for an increase of 5 cents an hour is conceded."

MORRISSEY SAYS STRIKE.

Yardmen Withdrawn Unless Managers Concede Ultimatum. CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 20.-Grand Mas-

ter Morrissey, of the Brotherhood of Rall-way Trainmen, left here for New York tonight. He said: "If the managers do not grant the yard-

men the wage advance asked by Saturday, the men will be withdrawn."

Trustees to Accept Peace Prize.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.-The President today announced the acceptance by John Mitchell, president of the United Mineworkers of America, as a representative

workers of America, as a representative of labor, and Marvin Hughitt, president of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company, as a representative of capital, of the positions tendered them by the President as members of the board of trustees to whom he will convey the amount of the Nobel peace prize.

According to the President's plans, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the of the Supreme Court, the Secretary of Agriculture and theSecretary of Commerce and Labor will be the other members of the Board.

TOMORROW SHORTEST DAY

Sun Will Rise at 7:27 and Set Nine Hours and Three Minutes Later.

Tomorrow will be the shortest day of the year, when the sun will rise at 7:27 and set at 4:20 in this latitude, according the World Almanac. This will give day of nine hours and three minutes Poday will be one minute longer, the un rising at 7:26 and setting at 4:30. Sunday will be of the same length as today, but the sun will rise one minute later and set one minute later than today. Last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday also were days of nine hours and four minutes. Beginning next Monday th lays will begin to grow longer. The following table shows the length of days from the Lin to the end of the mouth:

WATER LAW RECOMMENDED And Our New Shop, Third and

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the contract heretofore adopted in some important particulars, chief of which is that the ditches and works will go to the settlers when their liens are paid, and that no land shall be sold to settlers until it is reciaimed and patent applied for, and rules adopted by the company and approved by the board for distribution of water.

The Attorney-General and State Engineer have prepared a form of contract embodying these changes, which the Attorney-General thinks the board oan legally adopt under the present law, but in order that there may be no doubt about it we would suggest that the law be amended to provide for these and all other necessary changes. The change providing that the canals and works shall become the property of the settlers when the liens have all been paid, would make our state law conform to the United States reclamation haw in that respect, which in the opinion of the board is very desirable, and while it will doubtless increase the cost of reclamation, that will have to be allowed the construction companies, it will in the end result in a great reduction of the maintenance charge after the settlers have secured possession of the Irrigation works, and enable them to manage the system to sult themselves.

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That the United States authorities have been lax in their inspection of applications and their investigation of the conditions surrounding the projects that have been started, is asserted in the State Land Board's report, though this difficulty has been remedled. The Board assumed that the Government "would give this matter the same careful scrutiny that it is noted for giving to other things."

persons who have applications for reclaimed lands and have made partial payments thereon. On this subject the

The construction companies that have sold lands in their segregations seem to have falled to advise numerous purchasers that they would have to be actual settlers on the land \$effore they can obtain deed from the state. The board took up the matter of settlement with Hon. F. H. Newell, chief engineer of the United States Reclamation Server of the United States Reclamation Server weather the state of the United States Reclamation Server of the United States S when he was here recently, returning the Irrigation Congress at Boise, idaho from the Irrigation Congress at Boise, Idaho, and came to the conclusion, after consulting with him, that only actual settlers on the land reclaimed are entitled to deeds, and that while under the United States reclamation act, persons living in the neighborhood of the land (which the Secretary of the Interior nas decided to be 20 miles, on the Klamath project), are entitled to purchase land and obtain water, the "Carey act contains no such provision, so that all persons desiring any of these lands must be actual sections on the land before they can obtain deeds. The board has accordingly repared and publishes hersin a blank form of "Application to Purchase Desert Lands," which contains blank space for proof of settlement to be made and sworn to by applicant and to be corroborated by two witnesses having knowledge of the facts, under oath.

At the request of the Board, State Engineer J. H. Lewis and Assistant Attorney-General I. H. Van Winkle are preparing a bill for a new law accept ing the terms of the Carey Act.

TRUST IN LICORICE PASTE

Direct Evidence Contained in Letter Produced in Court.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.-Counsel for the Government introduced documentary evidence today to show an agreement in re straint of trade in the trial of the Mc-Andrews & Forbes Company, J. S. Young & Co., of Baltimore; Karl Jungbluth and Howard E. Young, charged with conspir-ing to control the licorice paste industry. A letter alleged to have been written by President Jungbluth, of the McAndrews & Forbes Company, to David Forbes, agent in Constantinople, was read, in which the writer said that the J. S. Young Company would continue the operation of its plant in Baltimore under an arrangement giving the McAndrews & Forbes Company coatral of the section of the said of the sa Company control of the business, but that the Young company would preserve every outward appearance of being a compet

Itor.

The defense objected vigorously to the admission of the evidence, but the court overruled the objections.

E. F. Hale, formerly secretary of the McAndrews & Forbes Company, testified that the company controlled 65 per cont of the licorice paste business, and that the J. S. Young Company was its compatitor. This company Mr. Hale says. the J. S. Young Company was its com-petitor. This company. Mr. Hale says, made an agreement with the Weaver & Sterry Company, of New York, to control the trade. The Young company was to supply the independent ping tobacco-manufacturers and the McAndrews & Forbes the trusts. The hearing was ad-lourned until tomorrow. journed until tomorrow

ATTACKS GREAT ICE TRUST

Mayer Says It Reduced Supply and Raised Price.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 20 .- Attorney-General Julius Mayer today began an action against the American Ice Company in the Supreme Court of New York Counin the Supreme Court of New York County for the dissolution of the so-called "Ice Trust." The complaint alleges as a principal feature of the "scheme and arrangement," by which the company secured a practical monopoly of the natural and artificial ice output and distribution, especially in Greater New York, that it secured control of the approaches into the Maine Ice fields and caused a reduction there last year of the usual parvest from there last year of the usual harvest from 1,500,000 tons to one-third of that amount. Other nources of supply are alleged to be similarly curtailed. It is said that by the time the ice reaches the pourer customers it costs at the rate of from \$10 to

Correspondence of the company is quot-ed to show that at the very time when the company was pleading a shortage of supply independent producers in Maine were offering ample supplies, and the company was at that time refusing to accept these offers on any terms.

The court is asked to declare that the alleged agreements and arrangements beween the American Ice Company and other corporations and dealers are null and void and against public policy and to prevent continuance of the acts and transactions complained of,

Standard Oil Hearing Suspended.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.-The hearings in the case of the State of Missouri against the Standard Oil Company, the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and Republic Oil Company, which began here Tuesday ended suddenly today. The hearing was opened here at the request of the defendant companies to allow them to introduce probably will be held in St. Louis,

Hitchcock Beats Oil Monopoly.

TULSA, I. T., Dec. 29.—All the oil and gas wells in the Osage Nation, save three which would be injured by remaining idle, were shut down today by a Deputy United States Marshal acting under in-structions from the Interior Department. This action is the result of a recent investigation, which disclosed that over 4800 acres of oil land were being held under lease by one operator contrary to

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Henry McCrory.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 20 .- Henry Mc Crory, for years identified with the practical end of the steel industry, a brother-in-law of President W. E. Corey, of the United States Steel Corporation, and also one of the "junior partners" of Andrew Carnegie, died at his home in Wilkinsburg last night. Mr. McCrory was one of the most prominent technical steel men in this vicinity. He was master roller of the Homestead mills at the time of the strike in 1892. Following the strike, Mc-Grory became connected with the first mill in the country to make armor-plate. He there was associated with Mr. Corey and Charles M. Schwab. He also made several important inventions. Mr. Mc-Crory married Miss Emma Cook, a sister of Laura Wood Corey, who recently se-cured a divorce from Mr. Corey.

Japan Withdraws Chief Demand.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20.-The Russo-Japanese commercial treaty is near-ing completion. Japan has abandoned her demand for international navigation of the Amur River, and asks that the treaty of Aigun be revoked only in so far as it concerns the navigation of the Sungari River, which is entirely within Chinese territory in Manchuria, and is without access to the sea through the

This report makes public for the first time a conclusion at which the Board arrived after consultation with F. H. Newell, Chief Engineer of the United States Reclamation Service, to the effect that reclaimed land can be sold only to "actual settlers." This decision will be of vital importance to many

British Premier Drops Mangled Education Scheme.

MEANS ATTACK ON CHURCH

Cabinet May Join Radicals in Plan for Purely Secular Education. Revives Movement to Disestablish English Church.

LONDON, Dec. 20 .- The education bill was buried by Premier Campbell-Bannerman in the House of Commons this after-100n. After a speech of considerable emphasis, defending the course of the ower house in rejecting the House of Lords' amendments as a whole and repudiating the claim of the people that they have the right to lecture the Comnons on the subject, the Premier answered that the government had decided to withdraw the measure.

There will be no dissolution of Parliament as a result of the action of the House of Lords. Although the rejection of this the main Liberal measure of the session, is the most seri-ous rebuff Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's Cabinet has yet suffered, it is not regarded as being sufficiently grave to necessitate an appeal to the country. Whether at the present moment the government could successfully appeal to the nation on the education bill is a question n which even many Liberals are in great

taken by the upper house therefore will be to give an enormous impetus to the radical agitation in favor of curbing the veto pow ers of the Peers and to furnish the Non-conformists with a new gun and ammunition in their fight for the disestablishment of the Church of England. There is today a widespread impression that a purely secular education bill will be introduced during the next session of Parliament, while no doubt the Cabinet during recess will consider what means are possible to prevent the Lords from nullifying pro-longed labors of the Commons, and to debar their veto of measures passed twice by the lower house.

It is the general view of the politicians that the Peers by last night's action have entered upon a constitutional struggle em_ bracing more than the education bill.

VESUVIUS' CRATER FALLS IN

Causes Rain of Ashes Over Naples and Makes Women Pray.

NAPLES, Dec. 20 .- Another portion of the crater of Mount Vesuvius fell today and caused an eruption of sand. It was not preceded or accompanied, however, by either detonations or earth shocks. This afternoon for 30 minutes a rather heavy rain of ashes fell over Naples and an-other portion of the creater on the side toward Pompeli fell.

The rain of ashes created considerable alarm in the more populous quarters of the city. Women began praying to the Madonna and the saints not to visit them with another punishment at Christmas time such as came shortly before Easter, the time of the last great eruption. As the rain of ashes did not last long, calm

BRITISH POLITICIANS ARE NOW PICKING HIS SUCCESSOR.

Birrell the Probable Man, as Irish Like Him-Churchill Dare Not Risk His Seat.

LONDON, Dec. 20.-In well-informed parliamentary circles Augustine Birrell, president of the Board of Education, is now regarded as first favorite for the post of Chief Secretary for Ireland, which will become vacant when James Bryce is transferred to the British Embassy at Washington. In this event, Dr. N. C. Mc-Namara probably will be the new Miniser of Education

It appears that the contemplated ap-pointment of Winston Spencer Churchill to the Irish Secretaryship is having but a lukewarm reception from the Nationalists, who desire a man with a longer parliamentary record. Furthermore, there is some doubt about the safety of Mr. Churchill's seat in the house from Manchester, where he has a formidable opponent in A. J. Balfour. It is believed the Nationalists will warmly welcome Mr. Birrell. It was noticed during yester-day's debate that the compliments of John Redmond to Birrell were effusive.

The Morning Post, which has advocated the appointment of a Canadian as British Ambassador at Washington, today edito rially comments upon and congratulates the selection of Mr. Bryce, and says it thinks this choice will be regarded on both sides of the Atlantic as a proof of friendly feeling. The paper considers also that Mr. Bryce fully appreciates the posi-tions of Canada and Newfoundland.

CURE FOR SLEEPING SICKNESS

Koch's Inquiry Shows Atosyl Will Save Central Africans.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—Professor Robert Koch, who resigned the presidency of the Berlin Medical Society in May in order to continue his investigation Equatorial Africa of the so-called sleep-ing sickness, in his official report to the Imperial Ministry of the Interior says

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offer made by the British government of an empty mission house at Bougatell Sese Islands, northwestward of Victoria, Nyanza, where 900 patients are being treated. The malady attacks particularly nen in the prime of life and the mortality has been so great that whole villages are now inhabited only by women and children.

DEATH SIGNAL OF REVOLUTION

Venezuelan Parties Prepare to Fight for Castro's Shoes.

PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 20.-Latest Caracas advices indicate that President Castro is much worse and it is even laimed that he cannot live more than a week longer. Should he die, First Vice-President Gomez will immediately assume the presidency and will be supported by a large section of the company

the presidency and will be supported by a large section of the army. A large element of the country, including the Andinos, or Mountaineers, supporters of Castro, will be opposed to Gomez.

Efforts to settle the difficulties of Gomez' party and the party headed by General Alcantara, president of the State of Aragua, have failed. Alcantara has accumulated a large army and considerable war material and is determined not to recognize Gomez, but to raise a revolution to obtain the Presidency. Meanwhile the rebel force headed by General Rafael Montilla is daily increasing in strength. The condition of Venezueia is deplorable. Outrages by bandits are increasing daily and the country is threatened with anarchy. anarchy.

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