

PENALTIES FOR THE RAILROADS

Uncertainty as to What Extent They Will Receive Punishment.

SYMPATHY FOR REBATING

In Case of Standard Oil Rebates It Is Claimed They Were Forced. Alton May Not Be Severely Prosecuted.

CHICAGO. A Washington special to the Tribune says: Determined as the Government is to prosecute the Standard Oil Company to the full limit of the law, it has no such designs upon the railroads which give the rebates to the trust.

In directing District Attorney Sims to impound a special grand jury to indict the Chicago and Alton, Judge Landis has taken a step the authorities are believed to have intended to take. The fact that it was through the railroads that the evidence was obtained which enabled the prosecution of the Standard Oil Company on such a large number of counts. In addition, the investigation made by the Bureau of Corporations established the fact that the Standard Oil Company acted the part of a highwayman toward the railroads, just as it did toward the people. It forced them to grant rebates by declaring they would get no business if the regular tariff were applied, and that their competitors would be given all shipments to that they would suffer in consequence.

Sims Likely to Go Slow. District Attorney Sims has been informed of the views of the authorities here, and it is not expected he will proceed against the Chicago & Alton and other railroads involved in the counts yet to be disposed of. It is believed, however, that he displayed in his attack upon the oil corporation. Of course, the Government had no control over Judge Landis's decision, but it had had there is little doubt it would have advised against prosecution of the railroads.

This does not mean that any sympathy is entertained here for rebating. But the moral effect of the tremendous fine imposed upon the Standard Oil Company is such that the practice is believed to be finished forever, unless the Government later on should relax its vigilance.

Some months ago the railroads were given a hint of what might happen to them when the New York Central was convicted of granting one rebate to the Standard and was fined \$15,000, which is \$200 less than the maximum penalty. The prosecution of the New York Central was brought because that road declined to furnish the Bureau of Corporations with any information whatever in regard to its relations with the oil octopus.

Would Cost Alton Dear.

In the case of the Chicago & Alton and other railroads which have had dealings with the Standard it is highly probable if the cases are brought into court that the Government will suggest the imposition of the minimum rather than the maximum fine. But even this would be a tremendous penalty. It is estimated it would aggregate \$15,000,000, if the Standard should be fined the maximum penalty. The maximum fine on each count it will have to pay a total of \$15,000,000. This, with the railroad fines, will mean an aggregate of \$22,500,000 which the Government will collect as a result of the prosecutions.

In considering the justice of the action of Judge Landis in imposing the maximum fine upon the Standard Oil Company, attention may be called to the fact that the question involved is not so much that of the quantity of oil transported, but that of the actual saving on freight rebates which the Standard made. As a matter of fact, the report of the Commissioner of Corporations estimates that the discriminations favored the Standard only about \$250,000 annually.

How It Crushed Rivals.

But this discrimination gave the trust an advantage far above the mere reduction in rate. It insured the success of its monopolistic tactics. An independent refiner would have to pay the higher rate while the Standard enjoyed the secret and lower rate, and the difference would enable a lower selling price, to his injury and final destruction.

Until the Bureau of Corporations commenced its investigation the independents could not understand why they were unable to meet the Standard's competition. The Standard did not meet the advantage in freight charges which their grasping competitor enjoyed. By means of the rebates from the railroads, connecting Chicago and St. Louis the Standard was able to gain absolute control of the entire Southwestern field, which includes the States of Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas and the Territory of Oklahoma.

Grounds for an Appeal.

It is expected the Standard will base its appeal to the Supreme Court on the ground either that Judge Landis's sentence constitutes a cruel and unusual punishment in violation of the Constitution, or that the \$15,000,000 fine is unconstitutional. As to the former, the evidence obtained by the Bureau shows that the profits of the Standard Oil Company in 1893 amounted to \$1,000,000, in 1894 to \$41,000,000, and in 1895 to \$57,000,000. At the least the trust has been making \$57,000,000 per annum for years.

The authorities here do not believe for a moment that the Supreme Court will reduce the fine on the ground that the punishment is cruel or unusual. The suggestion of John D. Rockefeller that it will be a long time before the fine is paid is not likely to be a true prediction, in view of the determination to expedite the consideration of the case by the higher courts.

Oil Always Going Up.

The report of Commissioner of Corporations Smith, made yesterday, shows there has been a gradual increase in recent years in the price of oil. The present year has been no exception. But the Standard Oil Company may find difficulty in raising its prices sufficiently to obtain additional funds with which to pay the fine. Since the Bureau began to publish the result of its investigation independent refiners have been established all over the country, and today the Standard faces a greater competition than ever before in its history.

An increase of only 1 cent per gallon upon oil sold by the Standard would mean an additional revenue of about \$5,000,000 per annum. Such a sum would more than meet the fine im-

posed by Judge Landis, but it would not be sufficient for penalties which still may be imposed.

AS A BRITON SEES US

He Finds Fault With Many Conditions Over Here.

H. Hamilton Effe, in London World. The Briton who has never crossed the Atlantic has an idea that the United States is the home of "humors." He thinks that the citizens of the great Republic live much faster and get a great deal more done than their English cousins. Nothing can be further from the truth.

New York is really the slowest city on earth. That is the charm of it—almost the only charm. Nobody in New York is in a hurry. Everyone has lots of time to spare. It is noisy, of course. But, except for the din of the elevated railroads and the gongs and grinders of surface cars, a visit to New York is a positive rest cure for the Londoner.

At the railway station in Jersey City when I arrived from Chicago I wanted a four-wheeler for my luggage. I was compelled to wait 35 minutes. A number of other people waited, too. They were all Americans and they showed some impatience. They took the wait as a matter of course.

What Americans in England tell you to do is to give your baggage to your porter and man and take the street car. "Your baggage will reach the hotel as soon as you do," they say. Well, in Chicago one of my portmanteaux turned up three and a half hours after I had registered at the hotel. Another came late in the afternoon. The third was lost for two days.

In America you put your boots on dirty, and, having found a bootcleaner, you sit on a throne for 10 minutes while he applies soothing massage to your feet, and charges you 10 cents. Next you seek out the barber's saloon. The operating chairs are all occupied. "Never mind," you think. "They are only being shaved. That'll soon be over." You never made a greater mistake in your life.

As you watch the barber lathering with calm deliberation, then going through mysterious performances with damp, hot face-cloths, then making a few strokes with the razor, then applying the face cream again, and so on, you reflect that if it took as long to be shaved in any London shop there would be a riot. At last your turn comes, and you find yourself a prisoner at the barber's shop for 20 minutes. One day, in addition to being shaved, I had my hair cut, singed and shampooed. It took just an hour and a half, and the charge was \$1.45.

But with so many aids to wasting time they are naturally not able to make much money. A man is considered rich in the United States if he has \$1,000,000 (\$250,000). Why Americans are told that a man is not called a millionaire in England until he has \$5,000,000, they think they are being made fun of; they cannot believe there is so much money in the world.

It is amusing to hear Americans talk as if everything in their country were perfect—all the more amusing when they are the victims of their own verbosity. By constantly asserting that they are the richest, rapidiest nation on earth, they grow to believe in themselves. The truth is that they are only just beginning to understand what other riches or rapidity mean.

The Indianapolis News. That the Indianapolis News by American heiresses has become a creed, if not a business, need not be denied. And for the most part the American heiresses are content to be what they are, and characteristically has not been backward about purchasing its estimate. Two recent events bring the whole subject up. One is the marriage of a young Gould, will soon marry another spendthrift French nobleman. The other is the wedding of the daughter of Charles H. Moore, New York millionaire, to an Italian, the Duke of Torlonia. The Gould case is its own comment. All that needs be said, it should seem, is: "Would any of these third foreigner girls be content if they were not heiresses? Or, rather more to the point, would they wed them if papa did not 'come down' with the purchase money before the proceedings and take so-and-so many millions or hundreds of thousands on the owner of the title, with so-and-so much per annum thereafter for his very own?"

If, as the story book have it, the girl in the case could announce that it was all a dream; that her father had lost all his property, and that her face was her only fortune, there would be no more happy forever afterward, the titled lover duly responding that it was she, not her money, that was wanted? If that could be the case there is no reason why an American girl should not marry a foreigner with a title, though not calling Englishmen foreigners) it is a risk for an American woman to marry any but her own countryman, for a number of reasons that will suggest themselves.

We cannot see why an American should be proud that his daughter should marry a duke or a man of any title. If, as we pictured, it could be certainly a love match, then the title drops out of the case altogether. If it could be as President Lincoln said to the Prince de Joinville, who rather insistently dwelt on the fact that he was a prince—"Oh, well," said Mr. Lincoln, "two men, two hats and shall treat you just the same as if you were not!" If the whole matter could be put on that basis, then, to use a Hibernian term, there would be no more bought and happy because she has bought when it is always a rich American girl on the one hand and always a title on the other one must be permitted to say that a just estimate of manhood and dignity of character has become very much conventionalized, to say the least, that accounts the father of the girl proud and happy because she has bought for her a title with his money; and when misery comes, as comes so frequently does and must in the nature of the case, it is difficult to feel sympathy. Marriage, if anything, is holy. And when one talks of it in private life as the exchange of union of wealth and title, there is an inherent degradation that without specification must be felt if we are not too brutalized and seared by the plutocratic estimate of everything.

Rubbing posts for cattle made of whale's jaws are to be seen in the village of Hawke in England, and whale trade formerly carried on at that place. They stand 12 feet or so above the ground.

The Reorganization Sale

Is creating an epoch in the history of merchandising. The influence of the monster "REORGANIZATION SALE" which opened yesterday at Portland's most popular and newest department store—The NEW

Doors Open on Saturday at 8 A. M. Will Close at 10 P. M.



50 - More - 50 Salespeople Wanted All Departments Need More Helpers - Apply Saturday Morning

THE SAME GOODS FOR A LITTLE LESS MONEY THAN ELSEWHERE

Has been felt in every quarter. From every point has come enthusiastic response. It took daring and courage to subject this splendid stock of dependable, standard, reasonable and fashionable merchandise to such radical reductions, yet our reward will be found when the objective point is reached, and that is when every dollar's worth of present stocks is disposed of, and the decks cleared for new Fall stocks in

NEW GOLDEN EAGLE STORE

Bear in mind that, in addition to the mention of goods underpriced below, thousands more await you throughout the store that do not reach the newspaper columns. Again, bear in mind that during the "Reorganization Sale" ABSOLUTELY EVERY ARTICLE IN THE HOUSE will be DRASTICALLY REDUCED, a fact that careful, prudent folk cannot disregard.

An Apology to the Public

Notwithstanding the fact that every possible effort was made to handle the tremendous crowds that thronged our aisles and jammed the entrances yesterday, and regardless of the fact that scores of extra salespeople have been employed, we are fully aware of the fact that we were unable to cope with such an army of buyers as invaded and ransacked the store, from early morn till the big gong rang for closing, with our usual care and promptness. Every human energy was strained, and we did our best, but fell short of waiting upon all who came. We are sorry if any were disappointed in being waited on, and if the patience of all others was severely taxed. For Saturday we have arranged for over 200 extra helpers, established extra bundle and cash desks, and planned for quick and satisfactory service all through the store. Come and revel 'mid the sea of bargains—remembering that during the great "REORGANIZATION SALE" ABSOLUTELY EVERY ARTICLE IN THE HOUSE IS SHARPLY REDUCED!

THE SHOE SALE ATTRACTS HUNDREDS OF EAGER BUYERS

A Veritable Slaughter ...of... Stylish Shoes A Feature of the Monster Reorganization Sale. Infants' Moccasins in assorted colors; regular 15c. Special, pair5c Women's white canvas Oxfords, high or low heels, heavy or light soles, plain and tipped toes; values to \$3.00. Special, your choice, pair\$1 Boys' Tennis Oxfords, in black, brown and white. Special at, pair39c 15c SILK LACES, 5c. White mercerized silk oxford laces; regular 15c value. Special, pair5c 15c WHITE CLEANER, 7c. White Cleaner, paste or liquid, for cleaning canvas Shoes; regular value 15c. Special7c WOMEN'S \$2.50 SHOES AND OXFORDS, \$1. Women's Shoes and Oxfords, kid or patent leather, all sizes; values to \$2.50. Special, pair\$1.00 WOMEN'S \$3.50 OXFORDS, \$1.50. Women's finest Russia calf Oxfords, in tan and chocolate colors; values to \$3.50. Special, pair\$1.50 WOMEN'S \$5.00 SHOES AND OXFORDS, \$2.00. Women's patent and vic kid Oxfords and Shoes, worth to \$5. Special, pair\$2.00 Men's Shoes, in all shapes and leathers. Special, pair\$1.50 MEN'S \$5.00 SHOES, \$2.00. Men's fine Dress Shoes, in all the newest leathers and lasts; patent colt, vic kid, box calf and gunmetal, heavy and light Goodyear welt soles; values to \$5.00. Special, pair\$2.00 INFANTS' \$1.00 SHOES, 49c. A line of infants' Shoes, in all styles, buttons and lace; worth to \$1.00. Special, pair49c CHILDREN'S \$1.50 SHOES, 75c. Children's spring heel Shoes; values to \$1.50. Special, pair75c 50c Bunion Protectors. Special39c

GIRLS MARRYING TITLES

Money Beckoning to Covetousness of Foreigners.

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Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Belts and Ribbons

A bevy of rare values sure to interest thousands of shrewd shoppers. CHILDREN'S 25c HOSE, 12 1/2c. Children's black ribbed cotton Hose, good quality Maco yarn, double knee, heel and toe; sizes 5 to 10; regular value 25c. Special, pair12 1/2c WOMEN'S SILK BELTS FOR 10c. A lot of Silk Belts, in black, white and colors, all sizes and styles; values at 39c, 50c and 75c. Special, each10c WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, 25c DOZEN. Fine quality 14-inch cambric hemstitched Handkerchiefs; regular value 60c. Special, dozen25c WOMEN'S 20c HANDKERCHIEFS, 11c. Cambric and linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, in neat all round embroidered effects; regular value 20c; special, each11c WOMEN'S 25c AND 35c NECKWEAR, 12 1/2c. A fine line of fancy embroidered and plain Neckwear, in stocks, collars and string effects; our 25c and 35c values. Special at, each12 1/2c RIBBONS AT 9c YARD. Pure silk taffeta and satin Ribbons, 3 to 5 inches wide, in plain and fancy effects; our 12 1/2c and 15c quality. Spe'l. yd.9c \$1.00 FANCY RIBBONS, 25c. A lot of Ribbons in fancy and changeable effects, 5 to 10 inches wide; values to \$1.00. Special, yard25c

Muslin Underwear in the Sale

WOMEN'S CORSET COVERS AND DRAWERS, FOR 29c. Cambrie and muslin Corset Covers and Drawers, lace and embroidery trimmed; good full sizes. Our regular 39c and 50c values; special, each29c CHILDREN'S 35c MUSLIN SKIRTS 19c. Children's good quality muslin Skirts, ages 6 to 12 years; regular value, 35c; special, each19c

Housewives Will Save by These "Reorganization Sale" Prices in the

Crockery Shops

The china and glassware section reminds one of a big exhibit and fair, so vast is the collection of beautiful ware. The prices make buying imperative with prudent women who have a niche to fill in the china closet. Examples of bargains in this sale: \$6.50 DINNER SET—FOR SIX—\$3.98. A beautiful semi-porcelain cottage dinner set, 40 pieces, complete for six diners, best grade semi-porcelain. Pretty design, festooned edges, embossed scroll pattern, newest and most artistic shapes, all full size pieces. Double heavy and single hair lines of bright, rich gold, decorated in realistic floral border designs of tiny red roses, and scroll of little green leaves. This set contains 6 dinner plates, 6 dessert plates, 6 sauce plates, 6 individual butter plates, 6 cups and saucers; 1 each open vegetable dish, meat platter, sloop bowl and cream pitcher. Best regular \$6.50 value; special in the "Reorganization Sale" at\$3.98

Cups and Saucers, semi-porcelain, in fancy decorated designs; special in the sale at, the pair5c Fancy decorated semi-porcelain dinner plates, each4c Fancy decorated semi-porcelain breakfast plates, each3c Fancy decorated semi-porcelain sauce plates, each2c

HAVILAND CHINA DECORATED WARE, 12c Choose from a beautiful collection of Haviland china dinner plates, dessert plates, oatmeal bowls, etc. Genuine French Haviland china, light and transparent, with festooned edges and artistically embossed designs; dainty floral decorations in a generous choosing of patterns. These pieces are exceptional values at \$3.50 the dozen. Special in this sale while they last.12c

NINE-PIECE \$3.50 TOILET SET AT 1.98. A nine-piece semi-porcelain toilet set, full size pieces and good shapes. Very durable; in pinks, blues, greens and grays; prettily decorated in floral designs. Set is composed of 1 large pitcher and bowl, 1 covered chamber, 1 hot water pitcher, 1 covered soap dish, 1 small mug and toothbrush holder. Best \$3.50 values go in this sale at\$1.98

15c AMERICAN CHINA PIECES, 8c. Pretty strawberry patterns; select from sauce plates, olives, desert plates, breakfast plates, pie plates, dinner plates and oatmeal bowls. All of American china, in fancy festooned edges, heavy stippled gold border. Exceptional value at 15c; in the sale at, each8c

15c ENGLISH COBALT BLUE WARE, 8c. A line of fancy English decorated ware, rich cobalt blue coloring, with heavy gold borders and fancy gold design encircling to center of rim. In this lot are bread and butter plates, dessert plates, oatmeal bowls, sauce plates, etc. A big value at 15c each. In the sale at, each8c

Wash Goods WASH GOODS, 35c VALUES 8 1/2c YARD. Values up to 35c, in beautiful new wash stuffs, go in the Reorganization Sale at, yard8 1/2c

Women's Knit Underwear Hosiery and Gloves

All underpriced radically in the great Reorganization Sale. WOMEN'S 39c VESTS, 19c. Jersey-ribbed lisle thread Vests, low neck, sleeveless, lace trimmed, silk ribbon finish, all sizes; regular value, 39c; special, each19c

WOMEN'S 25c HOSE, 13c. A line of women's black lisle thread hose; full fashioned feet; regular value, 25c; special, during this sale, pair13c

WOMEN'S LISLE AND TAPFETA GLOVES, 15c. One and two-clasp lisle and taffeta gloves, in white, black and colors; all sizes; regular values, 25c, 35c and 50c; special, pair15c

Men's Needs

MEN'S 50c UNDERWEAR, 25c. Men's fancy colored Shirts and Drawers, all sizes; regular value 50c. Special to close, garment25c Men's 8c turkey red Handkerchiefs; special, each3c

MEN'S LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, 3 FOR 25c. Pure linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, soft print; regular value 15c; special, 3 for25c

MEN'S 25c NECKWEAR, 12 1/2c. A line of men's sample Neckwear, pure silk, full length four-in-hands, light and dark colorings; regular value 25c. Special, each12 1/2c

MEN'S \$1.25 SATINE SHIRTS, 75c. Men's medium weight black satine Shirts, with pearl buttons, all sizes; regular value \$1.25. Special, each75c BOYS' 35c WASH PANTS, 15c. A lot of boys' wash Pants, in white, linen and fancy stripes, sizes 4 to 12 years; regular value 35c. Special, pair15c

RARE VALUES

Leather Goods, Jewelry WOMEN'S \$1.50 LEATHER HANDBAGS, 69c. Solid leather Handbags, with draw-string top in red, green, blue and opera effects; values to \$1.50. Special, each69c

WOMEN'S 69c LEATHER HANDBAGS, 39c. Solid leather Handbags, with coin purse, riveted frames, extra silk lined; splendid 69c value. Special, each39c

BEAUTY PINS. 100 dozen new, neat Beauty Pins, in 20 different styles; regular values 19c and 25c. Special, 10c set, or 3 sets25c 20c HAT PINS, 5c. 50 dozen fancy Hat Pins, latest effects in cut glass and gold plated; values to 20c. Special, each5c 25c AND 50c HAT PINS FOR 17c. An assorted lot of fine Hat Pins in flaggree, wood, sterling and pearl tops, sold regular at 25c to 50c. Special, each17c

PRICES DEEPLY CUT AMONG THE Drug Sundries

Newbro's Herpicide, \$1.00 bottle65c 'Ed Pinard's' Eau de Quinine, \$1.00 bottle65c 'Ed Pinard's' Vegetal, \$1.00 bottle59c Park & Tilford's Bay Rum, \$1.00 bottle59c Hind's Honey and Almond Cream, 50c bottle35c Espey's Cream, 50c bottle29c Ethymol Tooth Paste, 25c bottle17c Crown Lavender Salts, 50c bottle33c Kirk's Tooth Paste, 25c box7c Mennen's Talcum Powder, 25c bottle12c Gillette's Talcum Powder, 25c bottle7c Jap Rose Glycerine Soap, 10c cakes6c Savon "Duchess" Violet Soap, 10c cakes6c Swift Co.'s Castile Soap, four-pound cans, 75c value, at45c "Golden Eagle" Transparent Glycerine Soap, 5c cake3c Gillette's Shaving Soap, 5c cakes2c

Sharp Price Concessions in the Domestic Aisle

Outing Flannel, suitable for use in making comforts and for many other purposes; dark shades; regularly selling at 61-2c. Sale price, yard4 1/2c 27-inch teal-down Outing Flannel, 15c grade, yard12 1/2c 27-inch colored Outing Flannel, 12 1/2c grade, yard10c Cotton Challies, the 61-4c grade, yard4 1/2c Blue and white striped feather Ticking, 25c quality, yard19c Galatea Cloth, splendid 20c quality, yard17c 18-inch Russian Crash, the 15c grade; yard11c 10-4 Cotton Blankets, big 75c values59c Feather Pillows, the best dollar kind65c

That Happy Look on the Housewife's Face

Will be intensified when she scans this bargain list, which embraces so many Housekeeping Necessities

The Housekeeper's Shops Aglow With Rare Bargains. Thousands of economies here for the prudent housewife in the Great Reorganization Sale. Couch Cover—50 inches wide, 3 yards long, Roman striped patterns, fringed all round; best English tapestry materials; \$1.50 values98c Window Shades—Real opaque, 3x6 size, 50c grade24c Genuine Smyrna Rugs—Reversible, in handsome Oriental and floral designs, at half price. Rugs 6x9, regular \$14 values, at each\$7.00 Size 7x10 Rugs, \$15 values, at\$7.50 Size 9x12 Rugs, \$22 value, at\$11.00 Commode Scarfs—Size 18x36, applique and embroidery patterns, best 50c kind; in the sale, at29c Bath Towels—Size 22x44, fringed both ends; best 25c grade, at17 1/2c Marseilles Bed Spreads—Full size, heavy quality, with cut corners and fringed or plain hemmed styles; best \$2 grade. Sale price\$1.50 Swiss Curtains—Ruffled, 2 1/2 yards long, 50c grade37c Brass Curtain Rods—36-inch extension, 10c grade, for4c 36-inch English Tapestry Stand Covers—In a pretty combination of colorings, red and green and plain solid colors, reversible and fringed all round; 50c quality, at29c