FALSE PROOFS,

Remarkable, Revelation of Fabrication Unearthed.

FRAUD PACT IS ALLEGED

Promised to Pay \$4000 for Labors and Bonus if O. K.'d by Danes.

OBSERVATIONS ARE ALL GUESS

Brooklyn Man Swears to Narrative's Truth.

SAYS DR. COOK IGNORANT

Captain August Loose Declares That North Pole Explorer Knew Little or Nothing About Method of

Taking Nautical Records.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-The New York Times presents tomorrow the remarkable narratives of two men, made under oath, declaring that they were employed by Dr. Frederick A. Cook to fabricate astronomical and other observations for submission to the University of Copenhagen, which is about to pass upon Dr. Cook's assertion that he discovered the North Pele

These men are George H. Dunkle, an naurance broker, of New York, and Captain August Wedell Loose, a sea they were to have received jointly from Dr. Cook \$4000, with an additional University of Copenhagen. They say tators at the state fair here a year ago, that Dr. Cook had paid them only \$260 when he disappeared on the eve of the dispatch of his "records" to Copenhagen, two weeks ago.

Two Men's Movements Followed.

The Times has followed the steps described by these two men and has verified their goings and comings, their purchases of books and charts, and the fact of their intimate relations with Dr. Cook.

The full narratives of Captain Loose and Mr. Dunkle constitute one of the most fascinating chapters in the literature of imposture. Captain Loose, frankly expresses his scorn of Dr. Cook's claims, laughs at his ignorance of the simplest essentials for accurate observations in the Arctle regions and describes at length how, working backward from the Pole, he calculated observations that would fit in with Cook's narrative, and coached him on the necessary modifications of the latter-as for example, that he must be sure to record that he rose before 4:15 o'clock on a certain morning, because it was at that hour that a certain star engineer. mentioned in one of Loose's calculations would be visible.

Mr. Dunkle describes the inception of the enterprise; how from the newspapers they gathered that Dr. Cook was in deep water, and inferred that he would be glad to pay for help; how Dunkle got John R. Bradley, Cook's backer, to introduce him, how the subject was led up to delicately and the bargain finally struck and carried out and how at last Cook disappeared.

What Cook Received From Loose. Captain Loose asserts that he supplied

Dr. Cook with: Twenty-four skilludes for latitude sights. One chart covering route frrom Syarte-ias to the Pole, with all of Dr. Cook's assumed positions marked upon it. Complete observations for time and chro-nometer rate, as they might have been taken by stars at Anoratok and Svartevaag, probably 30 in all.

tion at different points.
Calculations for longitude, about 20 in all.
Sixteen observations as they could have been taken at the North Pole, in two sets, eight with depression of pole considered and eight with depression ignored.

Diagrams for compass error and correc-

'It took me only about three minutes on my first acquaintance with Dr. Cook," says Captain Loose, "to get the idea into my head that he had never found the North Pole. I found that he was entirely ignorant on many vital points of the

method of taking observations. Captain Amazed at Cook.

"It amazed me that a man who needed so much enlightenment would have the nerve to come out and say he had discovered the North Pole. Even if he got there, I soon found that from his own that would pass, I could not help wondering how he ever imagined he had found \$50 worth of bottled whisky. the Pole if he did not know how to take

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BOY SAVES SISTER, AFIRE, FROM DEATH

FOUR-YEAR-OLD WASHINGTON CHILD PROVES SELF HERO.

While Playing With Matches, Girl's Clothing Is Fired-Bucket of Water Life-Saver.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-Little Robert McKetchnie, Jr., aged 4 years, today proved himself a here of rare presence of mind and quick decision when he saved the life of his little sister, aged 3, whose clothing was afire and who would have been burned to death but for his prompt action in drenching her with water.

The children were the only occupants of the McKetchnie home at the time, their mother being away on a visit to a neighbor's house. The tots were playing with matches, which they had taken from the kitchen stove.

Dolly's clothing caught fire when she carelessly dropped a burning ignitor and n an instant her clothes were affame from her waist up on the left side. Little Bob did not waste time calling for help or running to find his mother. He made a dash for a faucet, turned it on full blast, and, seizing a bucket, drenched his sister from head to foot. Then he went to find his mother to tell

her that Dolly was burned. The little

girl will not be crippled or scarred by

the burns.

HORSEMEN EXPEL WOMAN

Protting Association Says Emilie Palmer Ran Pacer as Ringer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8-Miss Emilie Palmer, of Pimilco, Md., was expelled membership in the National Trotting Association at a meeting of the association's board of review here today. The charge against her was that she

started her pacer, George Berlin, out of his class, and under the name of "Aristocrat" at the State Fair at Timonium, Abner J. Reed, of Reedsville, Pa., were

expelled for entering the horse Chartrix out of class and name in Eastern Pennsylvania meetings.

A. J. Hobbs, of Port Norfolk, Va., C. G. Durham, of New Bethlehem, Pa., and Burr Hall and H. E. Matz of Shamokin. Pa., all were dropped for alleged irregular starting of horses. A fine of \$50 was assessed against Wade and Richards. of Lebanon, Ky., for racing Highland Boy while the gelding was under sus-

KNOT TIED IN DEN SEVERED

Bliss of Marriage in Lions' Cage Is Soon Cut Short.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. &-(Special.) -Abble H. Higgins is now free to marry once more, but says it will not be in captain, of Brooklyn. For their labors a llon's den for her next time, for tovorce allowing her to drop the cognomen bonus of \$500 to Captain Loose upon of Mrs. John H. Betts, which she secured the acceptance of the records by the in the presence of thousands of specthe nuptial knot having been tied in the den of lions as one of the big novelty attractions.

Betts and his wife were given \$30 each for their daring circus matrimonial stunt, and within a week of the event the bride charged her husband with decamping with her share of the profits as well as paying attention to other women. The divorce complaint was filed within sevweeks of the sensational wedding

SAILOR'S ORAL WILL FILED

Unusual Formality Takes Place in New York State.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.-An unusual formality, the probating of an oral will, took place in Surrogate Court in Kings County today. It was that of George O'Connor, who at the time of making it was two days out of port on the steame Dorothy, of which vessel he was chief

O'Connor was dying, and when the captain and mate asked if they could do anything for him, he replied:

"No, except that everything I have belongs to my daughter Lizzie." That was O'Connor's will, and it was

proved today by the two scafaring men who heard him make it. He left considerable property in Brooklyn. The right to make an oral will is only

occorded soldlers in the field or sailors

LAKE STEAMER BURNING

Wireless Reports Freighter Afire on Lake Eric.

DETROIT. Mich., Dec. 8 .- A steamer was reported to be on fire tonight in Lake Erie about five miles off Southeast Shoal The burning vessel is believed to be the 1700-tone Anchor Line freight steamer Clarion of Buffalo, which left Detroit today for Erie, Pa. The Clarion car-

ried a crew of 18 or 20 men. The report of the fire was contained in a wireless message from the steamer H

MRS. NATION WIELDS GRIP

Carrie Arrested at Washington for *Smashing Depot Buffet.

Nation, who came here to keep her eye on Congress, went into the buffet admissions he did not have the proofs of the Union Station this afternoon and, with her satchel, smashed about

ON HARBOR BONDS

Tells Convention How to Work Congress.

SLY DIG IS GIVEN CANNON

Indorses Policy of Continuous Work on Projects.

BONDS WILL BE OPPOSED

President Approves Scheme of Convention and Tells It How to Attain End-Follow Example of Corporations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 .- Speaking in strong indorsement of the policy of waterway improvement, President Taft opening hour of the sixth convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress here today.

Hundreds of delegates, representing section of the United States, filled the great banquet hall, where they sat under their state banners. Men and women delegates arose when the arrival of the President was announced, and gave their visitor a noisy welcome, concluding the demonstration with three cheers and a tiger.

Taft Says Call for Action Heard. Upon being presented to the assemblage by Joseph E. Ransdell, president length, dwelling upon his interest in waterway improvements and offering advice to the delegates upon methods for attaining ends they seek.

"I congratulate this congress," said Mr. Taft, "on having brought the subject of waterways to such a point that Representatives in Congress from one end of the country to the other recognize it as a subject that calls for

"In your declaration you say that you are in favor of a policy and not in favor of any particular project. I think that a wise position to take; and yet, when it comes to the practical enforcement and accomplishment of something, you have got to get into projects.

He Knows Ways of Congress.

'Now, I don't think I betray a secret when I say that the gentleman who has most to do with the initiation of projects in Congress is fully charged with the necessity for doing something in the next Congress to foreshadow, or rather to begin, a policy with respect to those rivers." After referring to various waterways

projects in detail, the President continued: "A year ago President Roosevelt and I were together on a platform before the conservation of resources convention, in which both advocated issuing bonds that a project improving waterways, when begun, should be completed in a reasaonable time. I am still a consistent advocate of that theory. The Government is entitled to as rapid a method of developing an enterprise and putting it through as private corporations and, as they always (Concluded on Page Two.)

SIX DANCERS FALL IN 14-HOUR WALTZ

ONE GIRL BREAKS BLOOD VES SEL IN "MARATHON." Another Is Stricken With Paralysis

Ere Officers Force Remaining Couples to Stop.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-After dancing continuously for 14 hours and 41 minutes without nourishment or even a drink of water, three couples of 53 that started last night at 10 o'clock in a "Marathon" waltz contest, were stopped by officers, acting under in structions from Mayor Charles P. Nevin.

Upon advice from city and county physicians six girls had been taken to the hospital, one suffering from a ruptured blood vessel and another stricker with muscular paralysis. Others of the fair contestants were in pitiable tion. The grueling contest was fearful As the hours dragged along the tongues of the girls hung from their mouths, while the young men struggled to keep their partners on their feet. The fainting of a girl seemed only to add to the excitement and zest of the 500 spectators in Renshaw Hall, where two dance-hall proprietors had arranged the contest.

Early in the morning, when the struggle took on a serious aspect, the promoters of the contest asked the contestants to stop, but none complied and, urged on by the yelling crowd, stirred up much enthusiasm in the the girls continued the grind. The three surviving couples will be awarded the prizes intended for the surviving couple. These are a gold watch for men and a diamond ring for girls.

HIRES PROFESSOR

Severance Leaves Agricultural College to Run 13,000 Acres.

PULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 8.-(Special.)-The new position accepted by Professor George Severance, whose resignation as professor of agriculture in Washington State College was handed in yesterday, is of the congress, Mr. Taft spoke at responsible and unique. He will be gen eral superintendent for three large farms in British Columbia between Lethbridge and the Montana state line. There are 12,000 acres in the three farms, which lie within 10 miles of each other, but the country is level and roads are good, and Mr. Severance will have an automobile. Professor Severance gets a salary of 600, a house and all living expenses and a percentage of the profits. His salary here was \$2000 a year.

PATENT BRINGS \$300,000

Hoskins Invents Range Finder for Big Guns.

ALTON, Ill., Dec. 8 .- Alvin J. Hoskins was notified today by the United States Government that it had nurchased his patent range-finder and distance appraiser for \$300,000. The invention simplifies the firing of big guns in the Navy. Hoskins is a

farmer and merchant of Upper Alton. KING LEOPOLD PARALYZED

Right Side Affected and Rheumatism Attacks Monarch.

PARIS, Dec. 3. - Private advices from Brussels state that King Leopold is slightly improved. The entire right side is paralyzed. but today the King was able to sign documents. He still suffers greatly from rheumatism, and attending physicians call at the palace thrice daily.

"THIS DON'T LISTEN GOOD TO ME."

Grants Pass Woman Threatened.

\$1000 MUST BE PAID FRIDAY

Son's Eyes May Be Gouged Out

MARKED COIN NOT WANTED

Writer Asserts Learned of Parsons Family in Omaha Through Society Working in Twenty-seven States.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 8 .- (Special.) Under penalty that her boy would be kipnaped and his eyes gouged out and her husband shot to death unless she pays over \$1000 in gold before 5 o'clock Friday afternoon, Mrs. A. N. Parsons, of this city, is prostrated with fear.

Although the anonymous writer cau tioned the woman not to make known his lemands, she notified the authorities, who believe they have sufficient evidence to make arrests. Careful watch has been kept of the boy, and officers carefully guard the Parsons residence at night.

Mrs. Parsons received the threatening etter November 29. It was written in pencil, bore the local postmark, and was

Parsons place \$1000 in \$20 gold pieces, wrapped in cotton, in a baking powder can, and deposit the money at a marked place in the Granite Hill Cemetery about 5 o'clock December 1. It was carefully specified that "If the money is marked, it will not be accepted,

and nothing but gold will do."

One of the first requests of the writer is that Mrs. Parsons was not to tell her husband until the deed had been carried out, and intimated that if she did her husband would be shot. Further threats are that, unless the money is deposited as directed, her 7-year-old boy will be kipnaped, his eyes gouged out and his feet crippled. The woman herself is threatened with indignities in addition to

the loss of husband and son. The writer goes on to say that if he does not kidnap the boy this time he will later, and that Mrs. Parsons' home will be burned and her husband slain.

which reads: "If you can't get your December 10, 5 o'clock." The writer 50,000 shares and that it was necessary to also conveyed the information that he is | turn it all in. a member of a society that has operated in 27 states, and that his information of the Parsons family came from Omaha. A. N. Parsons, who came here last Soring from Omaha, is now a prominent

the money should be deposited in the (Concluded on Page Two.)

WOMAN PRAYS TO

PASSING OF FRIEND LEAVES HER INCONSOLABLE.

Body Found on Floor of Home, With No Signs to Indicate Suicide.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-Praying to die because her friend, Mrs C. Wilson, had died Sunday, Mrs. Agnes Graham died yesterday afternoo at the hour when Mrs. Wilson's funeral services were being held.

Mrs. Graham had been in almost co stant attendance upon her friend during the last days and when the end came was unconsolable. Kneeling on the floor of her home for hours at a time, it is said, she prayed for death. Yesterday afternoon her body was found stretched on the floor of her home.

Her husband was away and the body now lies at the undertaking pariors until the exact cause of death can be deter-

There are no marks of violence up the body or other signs to indicate sul-

WOOD APLENTY: NO FUEL East Side Hoquiam Residents Are Threatened With Shortage.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)n a wooden town, in a wooden country and surrounded by wood, a fuel famine sounds preposterous to the uninitiated. that she is to become the bride of Wil-An incipient famine of this nature is now threatening the East Side residents, notwithstanding, and is brought about by the fact that the mills situated east of the river do not produce sufficient wood for that district, and while the Eighthstreet draw span is being constructed the mill operators of the West Side are a bit chary of putting their heavy teams on the ferry slips, to say nothing of delays eccasioned thereby.

Aberdeen millmen do not care to invade the local market, but will, under existing conditions, sell wood at \$1 per load in event the consumer does the hauling. West Side millmen make the same offer, but draymen are reluctant about under taking the service and the matter of fuel for the East Side therefore assumes serious proportions.

LAWYERS SUE FOR \$86,250

John Hays Hammond Defendant in Litigation Over Stock.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 8.—(Special.) Suit involving 115,000 shares of the Tom Reed Gold Mines Company, of Pasadena, was filed in the Superior Court today by Cyrus F. McNutt, John G. McNutt and Joseph Hannon, attorneys, who assert they are entitled to \$86,250 for services rendered in settlement of a suit against the concern in May, 1908.

Hobbs and John Hays Hammond are made defendants. Hobbs said, according to the complaint, that he was in a position to effect a compromise in litigation which was then pending to acquire a block of stock, promising the attorneys a portion of such stock as their fee, Hobbs noney soon enough, we will give you till afterward said he was able to obtain only

> The complaint states that Hobbs obtained in all 135,000 shares, of which he retained 115,000, afterward transferring 90,000 of them to Hammond for the purpose of placing them beyond the reach of the plaintiffs.

Careful directions are given as to how COURT SEES MAKE-UP KISS

cemetery. A crude drawing indicates the Wife Drops Affinity and Husband Forgives Her.

> In the Police Court yesterday morning Mrs. Mary Andrews discarded her affinity and threw herself in her husband's arms. Then a reconciliation being effected, the elopement charge against the woman and her affinity was dismissed. Wife, husband and affinity cried.

Mrs. Andrews is the wife of J. H. Andrews, and with M. E. Pugh, a drygoods salesman, had run away from home. Mrs. Andrews has two small children, and Pugh is a married man. The accused woman and her husband met in the courtroom and talked the case over. She finally promised to leave her affinity and return to the care of her children. Mrs. Andrews did all of her shopping in

SUICIDE LOVED UNSEEN

Shanahan's drygoods store, where Pugh

works, and became acquainted with him

Man, Known but Never Seen, Cause of Girl's Rash Act.

through his engaging manners.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 8 .- Leaving note which is accepted by her parents as a confession of unrequited love for a man whom, they declared, she had never seen, Miss Mary Scott, of this city, committed suicide today by taking carbolic acid.

Her parents declare their daughter knew of the man, C. L. Skull, of Harrisburg, Pa., only through a friend.

TREE CUTS DEPOT IN TWO

Stiff Gale From the East Wrecks Chinook Station.

ASTORIA. Or., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-Chinook, in the grip of a stiff gale directly from the east, suffered the loss of its railway station, a tree falling and cutting the depot completely in half. It is unusual for Chinook to be visited by an east wind. The tree which fell was large and perfectly sound and had president Ayer, of Library Association. The tree which fell was large and perfectly sound and had president Ayer, of Library Association. The recommends sale of old Public Library that new structure may be built on alter further removed. Page 4. directions.

MISS CASE TO WED; WILL GO ON STAGE

Singer Frankly Admits Engagement.

PARIS OPERA OFFERS HERPLAGE

W. M. Beam, of San Francisco, Will Claim Bride.

My Music Work," Says Girl Who Denies Her Engagement

Mary Adele Case, the young contraite singer, who has attracted much attention in society and musical circles, admits lard Merrill Beam, nephew of Victor H. Metcalf, ex-Secretary of the Navy. Beam resides with his mother, Mrs. I. W. Beam, whose late husband was one of the prominent business men of San Francisco.

The engagement was announced by the young singer can be Mrs. Beam, at whose ouse Miss Case is residing while fulfilling local musical engagements. Never Engaged Before.

"Yes. I am to marry Mr. Beam," adoitted Miss Case this afternoon. has been my intention right along, and I have not been engaged to anybody else, Notwithstanding this engagement, it will not interfere with my plans to continue the musical career that I have mapped No date has been set for the wed-

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. - Mrs. Carrie She was at once arrested, charged with destroying private property,

and Husband Shot.

Marked Coin Not Wanted.

directed to the Parsons residence, on I street. The writer demanded that Mrs.

Woman Herself Threatened.

Information Secured in Omaha. The letter closes with a postscript,

real estate dealer in Grants Pass.

Careful Directions Given.

DIE; DEATH COMES

PLAN FOR CAREER MUTUAL

"We Will Marry and I Will Continue to Young Spreckels.

Beam has succeeded his father in business and he and his bride will make San Francisco their permanent home.

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