

WOMAN'S WIT IS LAWYER'S MATCH

Crowd Trudges Through Slush and Mud to Hear Divorce Testimony.

MRS. BROKAW TAKES STAND

Millionaire Husband Gives Out Statement to Press, and Plaintiff's Counsel Promptly Brands It as Falsehood.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The ready wit and cool head of Mary Blair Brokaw, who seeks a decree of separation, with alimony of \$50,000 a year, from her millionaire husband, W. Gould Brokaw, flashed again and again today through the persistent plodding of her cross examination.

"At the times you say your husband threatened to blow out your brains, did you believe?" asked John F. McIntyre, counsel for the defense. "Not when he wasn't drinking," returned the witness adroitly. "Did he say he would or could do it?" pursued Mr. McIntyre.

"I have been grossly misrepresented by Mrs. Brokaw and by members of her family. Proposition after proposition has been made to me by the plaintiff's side to abandon this case if I should submit to a large settlement of money."

"I wanted to die," Her Words. After these preliminaries, both sides got down to the serious business of the day. Mrs. Brokaw, in her opening statement, did not once take poison by mistake with no intention of killing herself.

COLOMBIA TREATY HANGS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The State Department has been officially notified of the adjournment of the Colombian Congress, to meet again June 15.

BLOCK BELL CO. THEIR AIM

CLEVELAND, Dec. 13.—Application was made in common pleas court here today that a receiver be appointed for the United States Telephone Company, the Independent Long Distance Telephone Company in Ohio, and the Cuyahoga Telephone Company, the local independent exchange.

EDITOR'S ENEMY PARDONED

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 13.—Governor Willson today granted a pardon to Adjutant-General P. E. Johnston, who was indicted for striking Denney E. Goode, editor of a Louisville weekly newspaper, for criticizing Johnston.

MILLIONAIRE'S WIFE WHO HELD HER OWN DURING CROSS-EXAMINATION YESTERDAY.



MRS. W. GOULD BROKAW.

CAPTAIN IS GUILTY

Thomas Franklin Took West Point Mess Fund.

PRISON SENTENCE GIVEN

Man Who Rose From Ranks and Who Was Twice Commended for Gallant Service in Orient Now Disgraced.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Captain Thomas Franklin, U. S. A., twice commended by General Chaffee and General Olin for distinguished service in China and at Manila, pleaded guilty today to a long series of petty embezzlements from the mess fund of the West Point cadets.

Total Thefts \$5650. The total amount of his defaultations ran to \$5650, of which \$4831 was represented by false vouchers for approval of the United States Military Academy.

ENGINEERING FEAT UNIQUE

Government Colorado River Tunnel to Be 1000 Feet Long. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 13.—With the completion of a siphon 14 feet in diameter under the Colorado River at Yuma, the United States reclamation service will have accomplished a feat unique in American engineering.

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY PIANOS SACRIFICED IN PRICE. Are you going to secure one for Christmas? Remember you save from \$50 to \$100. You can not afford to overlook this if you need an evening.

question from the opinion of the United States Supreme Court in the case cited, which is found at page 52, in volume 198, United States reports for the October term, 1904, as follows: "All the opinions assume that there is no real distinction so far as this question is concerned between the words 'required' and 'permitted.'"

CEREAL MARKET JUMPING

December Wheat Advances With May Cents Higher. CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—The cereal market took a sudden jump at the opening this morning, when December wheat advanced 3/8c over Saturday's close and May wheat jumped from \$1.09 to \$1.11 1/2.

FROST CAUSES 3 WRECKS

Peculiar Action of Cold on Rails Ditches Trains. WATERTOWN, S. D., Dec. 13.—Three trains were wrecked near here last night and this morning because of the peculiar action of frost in causing the rails to spread.

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An O. W. K. Gift Certificate Will Be Splendidly Appreciated Olds, Wortman & King

With the beginning of the closing weeks of the holiday trade the values offered are getting better and better. No other year, perhaps, has witnessed so many really exceptional sales as this one. The half prices on Tailored Suits, Gowns and Opera Wraps continue.

Tailored Suits Above \$60-- Opera Coats Above \$50-- Evening Gowns Above \$75--

\$48.50 Suits Now \$24.98. Values in this offering run to \$48.50. These Suits include broadcloth, serge, chevot, homespun, mixtures and the wide wale serge.

Toys=Toys

Our Toy Tables are groaning under the weight of hundreds of new ideas for interesting the children. Special values are being offered every day from the largest stock in the city.

Framed Pictures at 98c

A large number of beautiful holiday Pictures specially framed have been displayed on a large table. There are many new subjects and all the frames are carefully selected and well made.

Sample Slipper Stock Rapidly Disappearing

No stock of slippers we have ever placed on sale have proven so popular as this enormous stock of 7000 selected values. They're going rapidly, and the stock will probably be exhausted within 48 hours.

KLAMATH PROJECT HIT

MODOC COUNTY WANTS TO KEEP CLEAR LAKE WATER. Supervisors Ask Congressman to Take Action Looking to Preservation of Supply.

GOODWIN'S FRIEND BACK

REVEREND GENTLEMAN QUILTS CAMPS FOR CHURCH. Henry W. Knickerbocker, Worth \$300,000, Returns to Methodist Pastor.

Aronson Popular Priced Jeweler 294 Washington (near fifth)

Delightful New Novelty Jewelry That will gladden any woman's heart

An exhibit of all that the most exacting taste will consider charming. Ornaments for the hair are simply fascinating in their beauty. Hat Pins with the barbaric radiance of color that dazzles; Pendant Necklaces, too—little affairs that compel admiration.

