

## HOUSE FROWNS ON AUTOMOBILE ITEM

District of Columbia Engineer  
Set Afoot by Legisla-  
tive Action.

### EXPENSE INQUIRY ASKED

Appropriation Bill Progresses Slowly—Secretary Asked for Information Concerning Mining Disasters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Performing the functions of a municipal legislative body the House today devoted nearly five hours to consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The measure carries \$10,125,472 for the expenses of the District for 1911.

General debate was concluded, but the reading of the measure proceeded slowly. Several members made points of order against certain sections in the interest of economy and the reading had not been completed when the House adjourned at 4:35 P. M.

Macon of Arkansas had the paragraph appropriating \$500 for an automobile for the engineer commutator of the District stricken out, in spite of the protests of Tawney, chairman of the appropriations committee, and Representative Gardner of Michigan, in charge of the bill.

Democratic applause greeted an attack by Hitchcock of Nebraska on the conduct of Secretary Ballinger in connection with the Cunningham coal land cases. Hitchcock demanded a Congressional investigation of the General Land Office. Sheppard, of Texas, addressed the House during general debate, urging the House to revive the committees on expenditures for the various departments in order that sweeping investigations of the Department might be made.

In a brief session of the Senate today a resolution by Cullum was adopted calling on the Secretary of the Interior for information respecting mining disasters and facilities of the Federal Government for rendering aid in such cases.

**"WHITE SLAVE" VIEWS DIFFER**  
House Committees Hopelessly at Odds as to Jurisdiction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The efforts of the immigration committee of the House to patch up the breach in the committee on interstate and foreign commerce on the subject of jurisdiction over the "white slave" traffic again failed today, and the subcommittee of three members of the first-named committee, appointed yesterday for informal conference purposes, reported back that there was no hope of a compromise. They stated that the committee presided over by Chairman Mann was bent upon considering and probably reporting the Mann bill, and that there was no disposition there to admit that the immigration committee had any more jurisdiction over the "white slave" bills than the interstate commerce committee.

Representatives Bennett, of New York, and Sabbath, of Illinois, of the immigration committee, were appointed as a subcommittee today to draft a new bill.

**WORTHLESS PAPER ACTED ON**  
Clark of Missouri Sarcastic Concerning House Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—When a House resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of five to make an investigation to ascertain what useless papers were stored in the document room of the House was reported to the House today, Clark of Missouri, the minority leader, demanded to know when action was to be taken on important resolutions.

"It seems to be easy enough," he said, "to get a resolution reported for the disposal of worthless documents, but when an effort is made to get action on the resolutions for an investigation of the sugar trust funds, to see how much money has been stolen from the Government and who is mixed up in it, and for an inquiry into the General Land Office, some kind of a smothering process goes on."

The worthless paper resolution was adopted.

**HAZING TO BE PROBED AGAIN**  
Weary Senators Seek Way to Prevent Political Appeal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Wearied by pressure from political influences for the reinstatement of cadets dismissed from West Point Military Academy for hazing, the Senate committee on military affairs will investigate the whole subject of hazing at the Academy.

The plan is to suggest an amendment to the general law prohibiting hazing, that will make the action of the War Department final when cadets are dismissed for infractions of the rules.

**SECESSION IS RECALLED**  
Louisiana Wants Return of Pre-War Ordinance.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Senator Foster today introduced a joint resolution authorizing the War Department to return to the State of Louisiana the original ordinance of secession adopted by the people of that state.

If favorable action is taken upon the subject of Louisiana, it is expected that other states which seceded prior to the Civil War will request similar returns.

**MCREDIE ASKS BUILDINGS**  
Bills in Congress for Structures in Three Washington Towns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Representative McCredie today introduced bills authorizing the erection of public buildings at Vancouver, Hoquiam and Aberdeen, Wash., to cost \$150,000 each.

The same bills were introduced in the Senate by Senator Jones.

**\$2000 Offered for Girl's Return.**  
LOUISVILLE, Dec. 16.—Although it is eight days since Alma Kellner disappeared, the police today were without a clue and were inclined to await developments which they hope will follow the offer of \$2000 reward.

Police exploration was a passion with Lieutenant Mackintosh from early youth. His first expedition was made under the command of Captain Scott, to whom he offered himself.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN NEW JERSEY WHO FURNISHES  
'BATHTUB MYSTERY,' AND WHOSE MOTHER IS  
CHARGED WITH HER MURDER, TAKEN AS SHE  
LAY ILL AFTER BIRTH OF HER BABY.



MRS. OKEY WARDLAW MARTIN SNEAD.

## SISTERS IN CELLS

Mother and Aunt of Okey  
Snead, Alleged Slayers.

### MYSTERY NEARS SOLUTION

Only Extradition Papers Awaited  
From New Jersey Authorities Before Case Will Come to Trial.

Evidence Is Growing.

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headquarters today, was equally reticent. Mrs. Martin's pitiful infirmity saved her the indignity of being manacled and photographed, but Mrs. Snead escaped none of the humiliating details of police routine. She will be examined tomorrow in the Toms Police Court to determine whether she can justly be held for extradition.

The notes found yesterday among Mrs. Martin's effects, all similar in handwriting and wording to the suicide note found pinned to Okey Snead's clothing beside the bathtub in which she was drowned, are deemed sufficient evidence against Mrs. Martin.

The point made against Mrs. Snead is that she was a party with Miss Wardlaw to the renting of the unfurnished house in East Orange in which Okey Snead was found dead.

### KING LEOPOLD IS DEAD

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Crown passed to Prince Albert, the only son of Leopold's brother, the late Philippe, Count of Flanders.

The new monarch was born April 8, 1855, and on October 2, 1900 married Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria. Their children are Princess Marie-Jose, 3 years old; Prince Leopold, 8 years old, and Prince Charles, 4 years old.

Prince Albert is one of the most popular members of the reigning house of Belgium. His wife is equally popular, their home life being such as to attract the love of the people. Prince Albert has traveled extensively and is a man of affairs. In appearance he is strikingly like the late King, but their dispositions and temperaments have always been in marked contrast.

**New King Popular.**

Prince Albert has been a great student of politics and economics and has frequently lectured on these subjects. He has visited the United States and other countries, always studying and always adding to his store of knowledge and philosophy.

Another side to the new King appeals to popular fancy. He dearly loves clean and healthy sport. He is an accomplished horseman, enjoys motoring and has taken a flight or two in a dirigible balloon.

In his intercourse with others he is most gracious. His frank, good-natured face bespeaks intelligence and invites confidence. Democratic in his tastes and manners, he is nevertheless a man of firm decision and kindly dignity.

**Annexation of Congo Brought.**

While always conspicuous before the public on account of the nature of his late life, particularly in recent years, King Leopold has lately had much of the world against him on account of his attitude towards the Congo Independent State. He was practically its founder and its ruling sovereign.

The Congo Free State, in Western Africa, succeeded to the International African Association, established by Leopold and organized by Stanley. In 1885 Leopold was constituted its sovereign. By a will dated August 2, 1888, Leopold bequeathed to Belgium the right to annex the Congo State after ten years.

The methods of its government resulted in a world-wide dispute and a demand that European powers interpose in the interest of humanity.

**Leopold Proud of Work.**  
Since November 16, 1893, Belgium has controlled the state and efforts at reform have been inaugurated, but not carried out in an entirely satisfactory manner. Criticisms against King Leopold in this connection are said to have shattered the buoyant spirits of the sovereign, although it was only in private that he gave expression of these feelings. He was proud of the work that had been done.

plished in that territory and in a remarkable speech at Antwerp he said the annexation of the Congo Independent State was the greatest satisfaction of his life. He declared that the Congo would play a most important part in the expansion of Belgium. It was because of his whole-hearted interest in the development of Congo and in the progress of Belgium that his own people in a measure overlooked the alleged atrocities.

**Leopold High Spirited.**

King Leopold was looked upon as one of the shrewdest and ablest men of the time. He was essentially a man of business, cold, reticent and calculating. He was particularly high spirited and more than once has been said to have told other sovereigns who attempted to advise him in connection with his private affairs to mind their own business. For this reason King Leopold had been estranged from many courts of Europe.

**Morganatic Wife Gives Concern.**

Baroness Vaughan, who is said to have been the King'smorganatic wife, occupied a chateau close to the pavilion where Leopold died. The Baroness is the daughter of parents named Delacroix, who were concierges or janitors, first at Liege and afterwards in Paris. Her mother is dead and her father is an inmate of an asylum for the insane. She is the mother of two children. King Leopold spent much time with the Baroness and gave his Ministers much concern on this account. At one time there was talk of his abdicating.

King Leopold's recent illness dated from about two weeks ago, when he was compelled to take to his bed, suffering with rheumatism. It was thought at the time that he had a stroke of apoplexy, for he was paralyzed on one side and the paralysis seemingly spread over the entire body. His confinement brought about an intestinal obstruction, for which an operation was performed on Tuesday.

**Conservation of Yosemite Asked.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Conservation of all the timber lands lying within the bounds of the Yosemite National Park in California is urged by Major Forsythe, acting superintendent of the park, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior. The park contains approximately 1100 square miles and within its boundaries there are some 20,000 acres covered by timber and homestead claims upon which Major Forsythe says there are valuable forests. A timber concern, the Major reports, is cutting timber within three-quarters of a mile of the southern boundary of the park, where the mountains are fast being denuded of all timber.

In the absence of any form of census, the population of Morocco is estimated as between 8,000,000 and 10,000,000. The great majority live in the interior.

### President Taft Is Pleased



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Gloves... \$1.00 to \$3.00  
Initial Handkerchiefs... 25c to 50c  
Silk Handkerchiefs... 50c to \$1.00  
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