GAYNOR PUZZLE TO NEW YORK BOSSES

Mayor's New Commissioners Kept Busy Digging Up Interesting Facts.

TAX SYSTEM IS REFORMED

Charles E. Murphy, Petted and Sent Home Without Patronage, Is Dazed-Tammany Loses Long String of Fat Jobs.

BY LLOYD F. LONERGAN. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—(Special.)— With Governor Hughes still on the

With Governor Hughes still on the job at Albany and Mayor Gaynor making a record in the city, the lot of the political boss, regardless of party, is not a happy one. We have had reformers before, and have usually managed to fool them, but these two are of the kind that keep the old warhorses snorting bitterly.

The previous reform Mayors were Strong and Seth Low, both personally on as high a standard as is Gaynor. But they so bothered and annoyed the people that they were promptly turned out at the expiration of their terms. Their principal effort seemed to be to give us a good old New England Sabbath, which falled to please the average voter, and it is average voters who decide elections.

Gaynor Begins Harmoniously. The present administration is start-

ing out in the most harmonious fash-ion. Gaynor is working hand in glove with the fusionists, and apparently is as good a non-partisan as the rest of

The most pitiful object in town at present is Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall. Murphy could stand abuse, neglect or ingratitude. He has experienced them all. But the Gaynor brand of diplomacy has made his head ache.

ache.

No person is greeted more warmly at the Mayor's office than is Charles F. Murphy. Gaynor is always glad to see nim; in fact, he almost cheers. He pats Murphy on the back, and after he leaves the Mayor usually gives out a statement telling what an excellent man is the leader of Tammany and severely rebuking all who attack him.

Murphy Petted but Ignored. But Murphy has not landed a mun in any kind of an office, and as all the places are gone, his chance of influencing the Mayor has also departed. Gaynor's actions up to date have met

with general approval from the mass of citizens who are not seeking office. His appointers are high-class men, all of whom seem to be carrying out the May-or's injunction that there shall be no favor and no politics in this administra-tion.

One of the worst evils heretofore has been our unequal system of taxation. Per-sons who had a pull paid little. The poor chap who did not stand in with the or-ganization made up for it. Often two adjoining parcels would show a difference in valuation of from 50 to 100 per

Gaynor made practically a clean sweep of the Tax Board of his predecessor. Then he lined up the new men and read the riot act to them.

Tax Board Begins Well. He gave facts and figures concerning ompanies that had been favored in the ast and proved that he had studied the object carefuly. Then he continued:

"Favor no one and see that your depution of state." subject carefuly. Then he continued: "Favor no one and see that your depu-ties favor no one for political influence, love or money. If political leaders come ove or money. If political leaders come asking favors in valuations, tell them to go away; that that day has gone by. Pol-tics must be banished from your departent. Let every deputy who puts down manifestly wrong valuation be dis-issed at once.

Try to find out some owner trying to corrupt a deputy and we shall have him indicted. No meaner person exists than one capable of trying to get rid of some part of his taxes by throwing it on his neighbors. No jury would spare him." The new Commissioners have been en-The new Commissioners have been enthusiastically stirring things up, and nearly every day have unearthed something new and interesting. For example, Fire Commissioner Waldo discovered that he had a private stable, full of all sorts of wheeled vehicles, including a sleigh and an auto, which was provided at the expense of the city. He closed up the stable, discharged the help, and has ordered the wagons to be sold.

Park Commissioner Higgins made a tour of the Bronx the other day and found men digging postholes in the frozen

men digging postholes in the frozen earth. The ground was in such bad shape that they could have made very little progress, even if they had tried. The Commissioner decided that unnecessary digging is foolish in the Wintertime and was able to dispense with the services of 300 men, for they formerly kept as big a force in the Winter as they did

Controller Prendergast found eight cashlers in the Brooklyn office of the

cashlers in the Brooklyn office of the finance department. There was work for only four of them, and the others just steed around. He promptly discharged four, much to their supples.

The Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity has laid off nearly 100 inspectors who never "inspected" anything so far as could be ascertained. The Tenement House Commissioner does not see why his department requires five see why his department requires five automobiles, and has turned them all in And so it goes through all the various municipal bureaus.

Tammany Is Amazed.

Do you wonder that Tammany, accustomed for years to "honest graft," can-

"We have lost all the jobs and there is not a man in office today who would dare to give us a contract," remarked one district leader bitterly. "Not even in the days of Seth Low were we as hadly off as we are at the present

The Brooklyn organization is in nearly as bad a fix. The new leader over there is John H. McCooey, who suc-ceeded the late Senator McCarren. He is warmly indorsed by Gaynor. In fact, the Mayor freely admits that McCooey is an excellent man and a credit to the Democratic party. But— McCooey has not landed a man in

office under his friend, William J. Gay-

True, he has the county patronage, under the Sheriff, Register and County Clerk, but that amounts to less than 50 places averaging about \$2000 a year. And McCarren had 140 places in the innance department alone, to say nothing of his more or less extensive resources in the departments under McClellan.

Some of the district leaders are talk-ing of deposing McCooey, and others say that he is not to blame, and that any other man would get the same kind of a deal from Gaynor. But there is fittle happiness in the ranks of the regulars in Brooklyn.

THREE OF MAYOR GAYNOR'S DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO ARE MUCH IN THE PUBLIC EYE.



-Photo Copyright, 1910, by George Grantham Bain. ABOVE - STREET COMMISSIONER "BILL" EDWARDS. BELOW-DISTRICT ATTORNEY CHARLES S. WHITMAN AND CHAMBER-LAIN CHARLES H, HYDE.

SENATE CUTS BILL

No New Stars to Be Added to Flag Until 1911.

TAFT INDORSES SCHEME

Hamilton Measure May Give Way to Entirely New Document, Which Will Authorize Elections to Make It Fully Effective.

WASHINGTON. Jan. 19 .- No new stars will be added to the American flag before the Summer of 1911, according to the plan under consideration Senate Committee on Terri-

The programme is said to have the endorsement of President Taft. It provides for the reporting of an entirely new bill for the admission of New Mexico and Arizona as states.

The Hamilton bill which was passed by the House is declared to be objectionable to the Senate Committee on

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officers and members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

The other objection relates to the protection of public interests in re-

lation to existing and proposed land grants.
Under the terms of the Hamilton bill, elections of officials of the new states and Representatives in Congress could be held almost immediately after state

constitutions were adopted and ap-proved by the President. The new bill will authorize New Mexico and Arizona to hold elections for the adoption of constitutions, but no election for state officers and mem-bers of Congress could be held until after the constitutions had been approved by the President and Con-

Effect of Proviso Revealed.

The effect of this provision would be to permit the territories to hold con-stitutional conventions during the present year, but the constitutions could not be ratified until Congress met next December.

After ratification the state elections ould be held.

Under the terms of the proposed Senate bill the two territories could not possibly be admitted before the Summer of 1911. The Republican mem-bers of the committee, headed by Senator Beverldge, have conferred with President Taft and it is under they are unanimously in favor of this

SPANKED, WIFE LAUGHED

SISTER TELLS OF CORRECTION OF MRS. CHRISTY.

Wife's Love for Chanffeur Is Restrained by Thought of Child, Maid Testifies.

ZANESVILLE, O., Jan. 19 .- Howard handler Christy spanked his wife one time when she swore at him, according to the testimony in today's hearing of

Mrs. Christy's suit to gain possession of Natalie, the couple's 12-year-old daughter. That interesting event was portrayed by Miss Rose Christy, sister of the artist, in her testimony.

Miss Christy said that one night she overheard Mrs. Christy in her room at the Christy home at Duncan Falls rumaging through a trunk and numbling

maging through a trunk and mumbling and swearing when Mr. Christy said if she did not stop her talking and go to bed he would spank her.

"I guess he did spank her," Miss Christy said, "judging from the sounds which came from their rooms. The next marning Mrs. Christy laughed and next morning Mrs. Christy laughed and said she 'guessed she deserved it.'" Anna Washington, a colored maid, formerly at the Christy home in New York, said she often saw Mrs. Christy intoxicated and that she often called Purdy, the chauffeur, for her mistress Purdy, the chauffeur, for her mistress and that she served drinks to both in Mrs. Christy's boudoir. On one occasion, the maid testified, Mrs. Christy said to her regarding Purdy:

"I'm crazy about that man; isn't he handsome?" and that "'if it were not originally had decided upon.

for Natalie she would be with him al-

ways."

She also quoted Purdy as saying:
"God only knows how much I love
this woman." referring to Mrs. Christy.
When the maid was excused each
side announced that it had completed
its case. Then Judge White prepared
to go to the home of Attorney Durbau,
representing Mr. Christy, where Natalle Christy has been visiting during
the trial, for the purpose of questionthe trial, for the purpose of question ing the little girl.

SPRING TO BE SET APART

Ballinger Impressed by Plea for Possible Health Resort.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 .- Representative Ellis today recommended to Secretary Ballinger that the nine springs on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation be set apart as a resort, so that a sanatorium may be erected for the benefit of those desiring to make use of the springs. These springs will be readily accessible as soon as the railroads are built along

the Deschutes River. The secretary was favorably impressed with the idea, and asked Mr. Ellis to lay the matter before the In-dian Commissioner for his views. He will do so when Commissioner Valentine recovers from his illness. the plan that several sections on which the springs are located, be cut out of the Indian Reservation, and leased to private parties, the Indians to

MIKADO GREETS SEBREE

Officers of American Fleet Present Loving Cup to Saito.

TOKIO, Jan. 19 .- Rear-Admiral Se bree, Commander-in-Chief of the Paclfic fleet; Rear-Admiral Hubbard, commanding the Asiatic squadron, and the captains of the United States warshins cere were received today by the Em-eror, who was extremely cordial. The fficers were presented by Ambassador

Following the audience, the Americans were entertained at dinner by Vice-Admiral Saito, to whom Rear-Admiral Hubbard presented a loving cup. the gift of officers of the American fleet. Guests at this affair included

****************** TAFT PROMOTES NAVAL OF-FICER TO GRADE OF REAR-ADMIRAL.



Captain Aaron Ward, Whose Ap-WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—President Taft sent to the Senate today the appointment of Captain Aaron Ward to be Rear-

Admiral.

Captain Ward is president of the Board of Inspection and Sur-vey. He was commissioned cap-tain June 6, 1996.

Admiral Togo and 16 other officers of the Japanese navy, Ambassador O'Brien and the staff of the American Embassy. The squadron will sail homeward tomorrow. Officers and men are in fine condition.

Family Disgraced, Judge Relents. CHICAGO, Jan. 19 .- "Unto the fam-CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—"Unto the fam-lly of man or woman, who shall be im-prisoned, shall be brought disgrace." is an ancient Chinese saying, and it had a telling significance when Mrs. Wong Chan, wife of Chin Chan, of the King Joy Lo Company, was arraigned here charged with shoplifting. Rather than see it affect the future of her two sons and two daughters, the court im-posed a fine of \$25 and costs, suspend-ing the sentence of one day in jall he

CHURCH IS ASSAILED

French Minister of Education Upholds Public Schools.

CATHOLIC CHARGES DENIED

Declares Enemies of Re public Would Force Creed Superlority--Impartial History Caused War, His Belief.

PARIS, Jan. 19.-Minister of Public In struction Doumergue replied today to vio-lent attacks made by Catholic deputie-upon the character of the teaching in

the public schools.

He said the war proclaimed by the church against public schools was directed exclusively by enemies of the Republic, insisting that the letter of the episcopate constituted an attempt by threats to enforce the superiority of the hurch's authority over that of the gov

nment.
M. Doumergue alleges that Catholi omplaints against textbooks of history sed in the public schools were due solely to the fact that these histories gave facts impartially. Contrasting these with the histories used in the Catholic schools he quoted from them to prove that they taught, not the history of world events, but the history of the church and condemned everything inimical to the church's interest. The Minister Instanced a case where

priests had refused the last sacrament to a farmer unless he would agree that his son should be placed in a Cathelle school. He amounced that the government would introduce bills requiring diplomas of the Cathelle school teachers in conformity with the laws of hygiene and others.

Deputies Lascies and Denyschoin advanced the submission of the question of nature study in the schools to a

FAITH IN COOK NOT DEAD

COPENHAGEN PROFESSOR SAYS SWINDLING NOT PROVED.

University Decided Only That Scientific Proof Lacking Cook Reached Pole.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 19 .- (Special.)in four articles occupying more than 12 olumns of space in the National C. Henrik Scharling, profidende. fessor of religious philosophy in the University of Copenhagen, declares that he still has unshaken confidence in Dr. Frederick A. Cook. He asserts that the University's decision said and meant no more than that the Doctor's observations did not prove scientifically that he had reached the Pole, did not say that Dr. Cook had not been at the Pole, simply because neither the university nor anyone else knew whether he had been there or

Professor Scharling used plain lan-guage in criticising the Danes for fropping Dr. Cook as soon as the University's decision was made public "Danes," he says, "ought not to kill Dr. Cook before he has been con-victed as a swindler. Thus far no swindle has been proved."

John Hansen, ex-Minister of Commerce, publishes a long article in merce, publishes a long article in which he says that he still believes in Dr. Cook, as he had found much in his character that gave the impression

SOME YET CALL COOK HONEST

that he was a good-hearted and strong

Explorer" No Scientist, but Copenhagen Lets Degree Stand.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 19.—The commit-tee of the University of Copenhagen has completed its examination of Dr. Freder-ick A. Cook's original notes and today confirmed its previous conclusions that not the slightest proof that the explorer reached the North Pole had been submit-

The report was submitted to the consistory of the university today. The committee finds that the copy of Cook's data, on which its previous decision was based, conforms in the main to the original notebook now in its possession. The latter, the examiners say, contains various alterations, but there is nothing to show whether the changes were made with the purpose of deceiving. While the consistory was unanimous in declaring Cook's claims absolutely unitrue, some of its members declare ook is an honest man, though not a scientist.

scientist.

No immediate steps will be taken to rescind the honorary degree conferred upon Cook, as the verdict is merely the Scotch one of "not proven."

However, Rector Solomonson and Professor Stromgren, chairman of the examining committee, have been delegated further to consider all evidence at their disposal, after which final action concerning the university's honoring of the explorer may be taken oring of the explorer may be taken.

PAULHAN SOARS OUT OVER OCEAN

French Aviator Establishes Another World's Record in the South.

FLIGHT MOST PERILOUS

With Wife as Passenger, Record-Breaker in Biplane Sails 22 Miles in 33 Minutes, Reaching Altitude From 500 to 1000 Feet.

AVIATION FIELD, Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 19.—By carrying one passenger in his biplane on a 22-mile crossountry trip from the aviation field to a point half a mile out over the ocean, and by taking another passenger on a 12-mile flight over the fields, and three other passengers, one at a time on short flights, Louis Paulkan today established a new world's record for heavier-than-air machines.

No other aviator has taken up so nany passengers during one day and no other aviator has taken a woman for a high flight over fields and woods and villages and hungry surfs for more than 20 miles.

than 20 miles.

Paulhan sailed at an altitude of from 500 to 1000 feet over Redondo Beach, Venice-by-the-Sea and other resorts toward Point Firmin. There were no life preservers tied to the machine to save them from death in the wayes should they fall. He made the trip and the other prefluct flights of the first terms.

should they fall. He made the trip and the other perilous flights of the afternoon with the ease of a run to your club in a taxleah.

The passenger-carrying record is beld by Orville Wright, who flew with Captain Englehardt for one hour and 35 minutes at Berlin hast Fall, but Wright did not leave the course, where ne could land at will.

Paulhan Nears Mile-a-Minute Mark. Paulhan was gone 33 minutes on this 22-mile trip. He had his wife as a passenger. His 10-mile trip was made with Clifford B. Harmon, of New York. Beside these, he took up Mrs. Cortlandt Field Bishop, wife of President Bishop, of the Aero Club of America; Lieutenant Paul Beck, of the United States Army Signal Corps; William Randolph Hearst, the newspaper publisher, and another newspaper man. The flights were made under perfect atmospheric conditions. Earlier in the afternoon the wind had been "puffty," and the other aviators had gone back to their tents after trying the course for a few lans.

While the crowd waited patiently in the burning sunshine, Paulhan went over the parts of his machine. At 2:27 o'clock he put on his yellow coat and helped his wife up to her high perch. Then he flew out over the grandstand

Then he flew out over the grandstand to give the big crowd greeting.

With their cheers of delight sounding faintly, he left the course on his next lap and headed for the ocean. In 10 minutes he had become a blur against the sunlight clouds that curtained the Pacific. A few minutes later he disappeared behind a telegraph wire, as it appeared through the field glasses. He was again giving an exhibition of something for which the world has walted for centuries. The dirigible balwalted for centuries. The dirigible bal-loons entertained the crowd while wait-ing for Paulhan's reappearance. Several times it was cried that he was coming, but it was found that it was only a bird. The Frenchman was chasing the seagulls away from their

Crowd Goes Wild.

At 2:50 o'clock Paulhau again came at 2.30 belock Fauthan again came into sight and at 3 o'clock he landed directly in front of the grandstand. He received wild congratulations, and was taken down the narrow aisle of frantic people so that all could get a good look at him. As he was in an amiable mood, he was besieged with pleas to take friends up.

he was besieged with pleas to take friends up.

He returned to his machine and began this part of the programme. Lieutenant Beck, on his trip, took dummy dynamite bombs to attempt to throw them from a height to a measured place on the ground. This was a test made for the benefit of the Army. The result is that gunpits may have to be covered to protect them from aerial enemies in time of war.

While Lieutenant Beck was not successful in placing the bombs within the

cessful in placing the bombs within the square, they did not land far away, and it was demonstrated that the aerocould be used for this pur and that it was but a matter of practice to place bombs where wanted. Paulhan's flight, with Mr. Harmon,

was not made until 5 o'clock. Again he disappeared in the direction of the ocean, but he did not go to the shore. He returned after circling the fields in the west, an approximate distance of 12 miles, made in a little over 20 minutes. Other Aviators Accomplish Little.

The other aviators did not accomplish

Charles K. Hamilton made three starts in an attempt to break Paulhan's alti-tude record of 4165 feet. On his first trail, Hamilton rose 455 feet; on his sec-ond 300 feet and on his third approxi-mately 700 feet. Paulhan, on the sea-shore, exceeded this without any effort at record-breaking. Hamilton's machine was not working well enough to encourage

him to go higher on the spiral pathway.

The Gill-Dosch machine met with an accident that eliminates it from any work tomorrow. This is an American machine owned by H. W. Gill, of Baltimore. It has been tested out several times, but each time it has met with trouble. This time the trouble was serious. At a height of from 20 to 100 feet it circled the field ce and then came down with a crash that wrecked its left plane.

Hillary Beachey, the driver, was not

Curtiss Tries for Record. Glenn H. Curtis made two appearances,

The first time he went around the course three times and the second time he tried for a speed record. His lap was 2:19, seven seconds from the record. Tomorrow is the last day of the meet. Curtiss will go to Hammondsport, N. Y., to start work on a new model biplane, a heavier one than he has used here. He claims that he will demonstrate with this new machine that he can get along without the Wright patents.

After the meet Paulhan, it was given out by his manager tonight, will go to San Francisco. He will make several flights there if the weather permits. From San Francisco he will start on a trip around the world. Hamilton may attempt the flight from here to San Diego for which San Diego business men

have offered a prize of \$1200.

The plans of the French syndicate controlling Paulhan, to take the aviator on a trip around the world, have not been de-cided. Negotiations are now on with sev-eral cities, particularly Sait Lake City, St. Louis and New Orleans. If terms are



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lake and rail, practically has been agreed upon according to dispatches from the East last night. All lines

reached, the world trip will be postponed until exhibitions have been given in these bear on this line to induce it to join in bear on this line to induce it to join in the increase. This boost will be worked out by the reduction of the differential of the lake and rall under the all-rail rates. This differential has been 10 cents a 100 pounds on first-class freight. The water lines are said to have agreed to cut this differential in half, giving them a rate of only 5 cents lower than that by all rall.

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