WIFE SUED IS OWN DIVORCE LAWYER

Husband, Attorney, too, Pleads His Side.

W. A. Leet, Plaintiff, and a Spouse Are Grandparents.

MAN OFFERS WOMAN ALL

Portland Portia Professes Love for Mate, Who Says Home Life Is Unbearable-Novel Case Is Under Advisement.

Married 30 years and professing love for her husband, Mrs. Catherine Leet, an attorney and wife of an attorney,

Adding further novelty to the case Attorney W. A. Leet, the husband suing to sever his marriage ties, offers to give his wife every cent of his money, every inch of his property if a divorce decree The litigants are grandis granted. parents, their daughter's son being years old.

Mrs. Leet filed all the legal documents in her defense and signed them as her

own attorney. The Leets were married in Ovid, Mich. in 1880. The husband testified yesterday that his home has become so un bearable that he has been compelled to leave it and live elsewhere, pending the settlement of the divorce proceedings. Judge Cleland, after listening to the evidence, took the case under advisement.

Couple Had Only Quarreled.

In the testimony submitted yesterday there was nothing to show that either the husband or the wife had done any thing more seriously wrong than to quarrel with the other. The husband declared that his wife had accused him of being unfaithful to her, while she, in turn, declared that she had absolute faith in his moral character and dld not believe that

he had committed any wrong.
"I love my husband." said Mrs. Leet on the witness stand, "and I have done all I can to make him happy. I have helped him get his education and I have done all I could to furthe So I told him once that if he thought he could find more happiness without me, I would let him have his freedom."

According to the evidence presented to the court, the Leets came to Oregon from Michigan a little more than a year ago. The disturbance in the family has heen growing, the husband declared, for many years, reaching climax last July, when his wife received an unsigned letter telling her that her husband was keeping company with other women. The wife took this letter seriously, according to McMullen, who has been staying at the of her parents since the death of her husband. A domestic storm followed the receipt of this letter, and the husband left home.

Mrs. Leet acknowledged that her hus band had treated her well, and had generally furnished servants for her. Concerning her practice of law, she made but little reference, with the exception to say that at one time she was with her husband in his office in a legal way. and that she had been formally admitted to the bar.

Hubby Says Wife Finds Fault. In answer to questions, Leet said he had loved his wife until she began to find fault with him. How long this faultfinding had lasted, he was not prepared

"Has your wife any means of support at the present time?" Leet was asked "None whatever," he replied.

In case she is divorced from you, ould you be willing to provide for her?" "She will never be in want as long as I live, if I can help it," he declared decidedly. "I have offered her all the property I own, as a settlement, if she will

Whether the two grandparent attorneys are to be separated for the remainder of their lives will probably be determined today or tomorrow.

BATTLESHIPS SHOW SPEED

Some Faster After Years' Service Than on First Trial.

WASHINGTON, March 9,-Admiral chroeder has pleased the Naval officials by a report on the trials of the battle ships composing the Atlantic fleet off Guantanamo. The remarkable showing was made that ships II years old, like the Wisconsin, were capable of exceed-ing their contract speed, which is re-garded as a high testimonial to the ef-ficiency of the engineer forces and to firlency of the engineer forces and to the care taken of the machinery.

The general statement is made that horsepower realized by the fleet ex-eded that developed on the contractors als. Although in the case of the

SISTER'S LETTER JAILS BROTHER

FUGITIVE FROM CALDWELL, DRUNK, SWAPS COAT.

Wife of Companion Finds Baker City Girl's Missive Referring to Flight-Arrest Follows.

COLUSA, Cal., March 9 .- (Special.)-A letter written by Miss Ruth Hemple, of Baker City, Or., to her brother enclosing \$50 for him to use in avading LITIGANTS WED 30 YEARS AGO justice by fleeing to Central America to escape arrest for embezzlement or forgery committed in Caldwell, Idaho, was the cause of landing the brother in prison here to await the arrival of warrant from Idaho. However, it was the brother's fault.

> Hemple is a printer by trade and is alleged to have fled with money belonging to his employer at Caldwell. He left intending to get out of the country, but stopped at Arbuckle, this country, when his funds gave out three weeks ago. He worked on a ranch until the \$50 check arrived from his

> This money he used to go on a de bauch with an Arbuckle man Saturday night. They got their coats mixed and Henple's coat was worn home by the other man; whose wife searched his pockets and found Miss Hemple's letters and other papers that showe Hemple to be a fugitive from justice. She informed Constable Leverett, who arrested Hemple and brought him to

pleaded her own case yesterday in the HOGS SOAR HIGHEST YET

\$10.675 a Hundredweight Chicago Price, Lambs \$9.65, Cattle Jump.

CHICAGO, March 9 .- (Special.) - Not since the cow jumped over the moon have Chicago stockyards known such high prices as developed today. Hogs indulged in their daily flight and made a new record. Cattle sold up to 10 cents and 15 cents; sheep did likewise, while lambs did a bit of record making themselves, touching \$9.65.

The stolld hog was the liveliest of all however. The market opened 15 cents higher than yesterday's close, and soon ook a jump to 30 cents. The top price of the day was \$10.67% a hundred pounds for porkers just as they came from the cars, dirt and all. The trouble was that there were not enough to go around, the total receipts being less than half of ast year's figures.

Eastern buyers took all they could get and soon after the market opened Armour became an active buyer. There was serious shortege in the cattle market,

LAD EATS CANDY: SLEEPS

Pendleton Boy in Comatose Condition Four Days; Puzzles Doctors.

PENDLETON, Or., March 9 .- (Special.)-Local physicians are baffled by the case of George Moran, the 4-yearold son of O. R. & N. Section Foreman M. Moran, of this city. The boy was given a quantity of candy by a friend Sunday and has been in a sound sleep or comatose condition since eating it.

Physicians have been able sufficiently to administer medicine, but after four days he seems no nearer an awakening than he was at the beginning. Other than to say that "sleeping sickness" was caused by the the testimony of her daughter, Mrs. Alta poison in the candy, the doctors are unable to make satisfactory explana-

ROUTE IN AIR ESTABLISHED Dirigible Balloon Will Carry People

Regularly From Munich.

MUNICH, Bavaria, March 9.-The first regular air navigation service in Europe will be inaugurated on May 15. Regular trips will be made from this city alternately to Starnberg and Oberammergau. A dirigible balloon of the Passeval type and driven by two motors of 100-horsepower each will be used.

The serial carriage will accommodate 12 passengers besides the crew. The fare for the round trip to Stranberg will be \$55 and for the round trip to Oberammergau \$175. The regular service will close for the season on September I. An officerfrom the German Aeronautic Corps has been detailed to serve as captain of the

BABIES EAGERLY CLAIMED

Carload of New York Orphans Welcomed in New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, March 9 .- This was the day they gave babies away in New Orleans. A carload of the little tots arrived today from New York foundling and orphan asylums, with an eager crowd of claimants awaiting their arrival.

In addition to those who had previously made successful claim to a baby, many pressed about the car in the hope that there might be some "left over," but those who had applied in advance got every baby in the car.

NEGROES FIRE PRISON

North Carolina Jail Burns; Blacks Fail to Escape; One Shot-

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., March 2.— Four negro prisoners set fire to the County Jali here early today. Guantanamo triais the crews were regular Navy men, the ships were all leaded and long out of dock and the crews were not specially seasoned. The ships are now ready for any kind of service, notwithstanding the savere test.

The Nehraska appears to hold the speed record at 18.11; the Virginia second, with 18.64, and the Georgia third, with 19.00 knots an hour. The Vermont made the lowest record, with 15.14 knots.

Croesus' Hand Seen in Sale of E. M. F.

TRANSFERS PRECEDE MERGER?

Report, "to End Litigation," Prompted Deal, Scouted.

RELATIVE IS ORGANIZER

It Is Believed Studebakers, U. S. Company, Maxwell-Briscoe and Others Will Join General Motors Co .- \$6,000,000 Paid.

DETROIT, Mich., March 9 .- (Special.) The report from New York that J. Morgan & Co. had purchased the E. M. F. Automobile Company for the litigation between the companies is not given credence in automobile cir-

in Albany is regarded as significant only in a passive sense. It is believed that the Studebaker Company and the E. M. F. will go into the United States Motor Company, with many other large companies, and that all will then be linked with the General Motors Company, under the control of J. P. Mor-

It is considered but a first step in the open that J. P. Morgan & Co. has taken toward control of the automobile industry of the United States.

When the General Motors Company began to demand the attention of the automobile world, it was found that the principal interest identified with the great corporation was that of Herhert L. Satterele, son-in-law of J. P.

Satterele Among Organizers.

When it was announced recently that the United States Motor Company had organized, with the Maxwell-Briscos ompany as its nucleus, it was found that H. J. Satterele was one of the organizers of the second great autoobile and automobile parts combine. Herbert L. Satterele was also one of the principal stockholders in the Maxwell-Briscoe Company.

In the purchase of the E. M. F. Com pany, however, the automobile industry finds J. P. Morgan & Co. openly interested for the first time. The announcement that this purchase is for the recently organized United States Motor Company capitalized at \$16,000,000, would not sur prise the automobile trade. In fact it

is confidently expected. Color is given this conclusion by the statement of Dr. J. B. Book, one of the principal stockholders of the E. M. F. Company, to the effect that Morgan & Co. will increase their Detroit capitalization between \$30,000,000 and \$50,000,000. This cannot mean solely E. M. F. plans but must contemplate extensions to an industry that the Morgan people plan making in Detroit.

The actual profits of the E. M. F. Company in 18 months of its existence were (Concluded on Page 3.)

BURKHARDT FALLS WITH AEROPLANE

PORTLAND, OREGON, THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1910.

PORTLAND AVIATOR, HOWEVER, ESCAPES INJURY AT ALBANY.

Inspired by Hamilton's Performances Here, Inventor Flies, Only to Drop Thirty Feet.

ALBANY, Or., March 9 .- (Special.)-After testing the engine of his mawith ground runs the past two days, John C. Burkhardt, of Portland. today attempted flight, the machine rising to a height of 30 feet, when it careened and fell on its side, breaking one runner, Burkhardt escaped in

Burkhardt is planning to conduct experiments in aviation here this Summer with the biplane airship of his own design and construction at Goltra

The first time the machine left the track it rose only five feet and Then came down, but it was on the second attempt that it rose gracefully to a height of 30 feet, and, after a short flight, careened to the left and dropped.

An unusual feature of the flight was that the machine rose from the track after a run of only 60 feet. Burkhardt expects to repair the air craft in less than a week. He says today's accident was due to the fact that the wires controlling the rudder jarred loose and prevented him from controlling the machine properly.

When a student at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., Burkhardt made several successful flights, but this was his Studebakers for the purpose of ending first experiment with his new machine.

Burkhardt made his machine in Portland. It is designed after the Wright brothers' biplane, with some of the features of the Curtiss. Like the Curtiss design, it has balancing planes on the sides between the two supporting planes. The rudder, too, is much the same as the Curtiss make, as to horizontal and altitude directions. Instead of the tricycle runners used

by Curtiss, he equipped with wooden runners, making it necssary to erect an inclined platform to start from, as is done by the Wrights. Burkhardt first exhibited his machine at the Portland automobile show in the Armory, January 24 to 29 last. During the recent aviation meet here he was one of the most interested spectators. At that time he expressed the intention of not attempting flights until April.

EXILE SYSTEM CURTAILED Duma Cuts Down Appropriation for

Administration. ST. PETERSBURG, March 9 .- The committee of the Duma has struck at the root of the system of Siberian exile by cutting the appropriation for

The committee admitted that the Government had greatly reduced the number of exiles in recent years and declares that the system was bad and must go.

SOUTH HONORS ITS WOMEN

Confederate Veterans Unveil Monument at Rome, Georgia.

ROME, Ga., March 9.-The first monu-Confederate Veterans.

"HURRAH! I WIN."

MACON QUESTIONS PEARY'S PROOFS

Sub-Committee Votes to Deny Reward.

SPEED SUSPICIOUS

Greatest Marches, Singularly, Made After Bartlett Left.

SHACKLETON IS QUOTED

Inference Given That 26 Miles Day, Reported by Explorer, Exceeds Limit of Human Endurance in Polar Region.

WASHINGTON, March 9 .- By substantially a unanimous vote today, the subcommittee of the House committee or naval affairs decided against bestowing a substanttal reward upon Commander Robert E. Peary until he has submitted openly proofs that he reached the North

Representative Macon attacked Com mander Peary's proofs. Macon told the committee that he regarded the sudden acceleration of the speed of the explorer after Captin Bartlett left him as suspicious. Before the captain left the party, it had traveled only 9.6 miles a day. When Peary was alone, except for a negro valet and four Eskimos, he reported a speed of 28.4 miles a day for five days.

Limit of Endurance Exceeded.

Macon quoted Lieutenant Shackleton, eneral Greely and others to the effect that 10 or 12 miles a day of traveling over Polar seas was the limit of human "I confess that I am exceedingly

akeptical about Mr. Peary's ever having discovered the Pole," declared Mr. Macon today before the committee "and I am going to protest against any honor being conferred upon him by Congress until he has established beyond a reasonable doubt that he did discover it. It must be established in the open, and not in the dark."

Macon then said that he wanted to call attention to "one discrepancy in the administration of the system to Mr. Peary's story." This was the re- ost-developed at the St. George Hossingular.

"The astonishing part of Mr. Peary's statement," said Mr. Macon, "is the number of miles he traveled per day white man was with him as a witness, his only companions being his negro valet and four Eskimos.

Great Marches Made Alone.

ment in the United States in honor of the women of the Confederacy was unveiled here today, the principal address being delivered by General Clement A. Evans, Commander-in-Chief of the United Pole and returning to Cape Columbia, he claims to have made an average of 26.4 miles per day until he reached The shaft is 30 feet high, decorated with two groups of figures at the base, representing "News from the Front," and "The Ministering Angel."

28.4 miles per day until he reached the Pole; 44 miles per day on his way back to Bartlett's camp, and 28.2 miles (Concluded on Page 3.) (Concluded on Page 3.)

KHARTOUM READY TO GREET "TEDDY"

LIKE RETURN OF CONQUERING HERO WILL BE RECEPTION.

Largest Fleet Ever Seen in African Port Will Escort Hunter-Everybody Charters Craft.

KHARTOUM, Egypt, March 9 .- Although ex-President Roosevelt is not expected to reach here until March 17 the entire settlement in both native and European quarters is already it excitement over his visit. The noisies and most enthusiastic reception ever accorded an American is planned for Roosevelt. The country of the Lower Nile has been drained for novelties European and native musicians, aided by hundreds of tourists, will raise a

din that will resound over the desert Roosevelt's reception will be that of hero and his journey to Cairo will be, at every stage, that of a conqueror. A battalion of newspaper correspond ents, chartering every kind of craft. has proceeded up the river, each sim ing to be the first to greet Colone Roosevelt. The principal question they will ask is. "Will you run again for

Parties have chartered a steamer to proceed up the river and escort Colonel Roosevelt to this historical post of civilization. It is expected the boat, which will bring the Roosevelt party will be accompanied by one of the largest fleets ever seen in this part of

\$100,000 CLAIM AWARDED Interest and Charges Grow on Orig-

inal Suit for \$17,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 9 .- Ending Itigation which dragged through a dozn courts, from the District Court of through the Federal tribunals and to the Supreme Court of the United States during a period of 20 years, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth District today handed down a decree awarding \$100,000 damages against the Northern Pacific Railroad to Joseph H. Boyd, of Bolse, Idaho.

The claim, originally for \$17,000, was for the payment of construction work for the Coeur d'Alene Rallway & Navigation Company, which was absorbed on its fallure by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Interest and charges brought the sum up to the amount awarded to Boyd by

the court teday. NEEDLE IN BRAIN GUILTY

That Explains Crimes and Vices of Nevada Convict. RENO, Nev., March 9 .- A case of sin-

gular surgical and criminological intercord of marching reported by the ex- pital here today, when Frank Everett, plorer. Macon said he regarded the a life-termer, who was brought over sudden acceleration of speed as "very from the state prison at Carson to receive surgical aid, was found to have a

For nearly his entire lifetime Ever ett suffered from what is termed "Jackafter Bartlett left him and when no sonian epliepsy," during fits of which he acted in a strange manner, getting drunk one day and exhorting at a religious meeting the next. At times he acted in an ordinary fashion and was successful mining man.

Four years ago, without apparent provocation, he shot and killed Foreman Malone of the Mina shops. sanity was his defense at his trial, but he was sentenced for life.

ROSEBERY LAUNCHES PLAN Peer Makes Known Ideas of Re-

forming House of Lords.

LONDON, March 9 .- When Lord Rosebery launches his plan Monday for the reformation of the House of Lords he will present a set of three resolutions embodying in general terms the course that the peers propose to follow. There is little question that the resolutions represent the general views of

The first resolution will affirm the necessity for a strong and efficient sec ond chamber. The second will se forth that such a change will be best obtainable by the reform and reconstitution of the House of Lords. The third will declare that a necessary preliminary to such reform is the ac-ceptance of the principle that the pos-session of a peerage in itself should no longer afford the right to sit and vote the House of Lords.

COOS BAY PORT UPHELD Permanent Injunction Denied, Elec-

tion Result Is Sustained.

MARSHFIELD, Or., March 9.—(Special.)—Judge Coke, in the Circuit Court today, gave his decision in the injunction suit of the Bennett Trust pany and the Southern Oregon Com-pany against the Port of Coos Bay The petition asking that the Port Commission be permanently restrained from acting was dismissed. The chief claim of the petitioners

was that the proper number of notices for the special election adopting the port law had not been posted. The judge held that as the vote carried 5 to 1, it had not been shown that the result would have been different had more notices been posted. The case will be taken to the higher courts by the petitioners.

\$18,000 CUT FROM MAILBAG Ontario Banks Involved in Stolen

Checks and Drafts.

WINDSOR, Ont., March 9.-It becam nown today that checks and drafts amounting to about \$18,000 were stolen from a mail bag while in transit between Windsor and Toronto. Nearly

UNEXPECTED HELP INSPIRES STRIKERS

Action of State Labor Body Gives Impetus.

NATIONAL TIE-UP THREAT MADE

Walkout of 1000 in Baldwin Works Also Factor.

MORE TROUBLE IN SIGHT

Labor Leaders Announce Meeting for and Police Forbid It. Some Say Interest Lags.

PHILADELPHIA, March 9.-Promise of help from without and development of strength in its own field, which appeared to take even the strike leaders by surprise, injected new life into the Philadelphia general strike movement today.

The campaign received impetus from the declaration of the State Federation

of Labor at Newcastle that a Nationwide tieup would not be too great a price for the success of the local cause.

Non-Union Men Help. The movement in sympathy with the striking employes of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company today invaded what was supposed to be a citadel of the opposing forces. The strike leaders induced over 1000 employes of the Baldwin Locomotive Works to walk out this aftersoon, following the early morning descr-

tion of an equal number. To the threat of a country-wide strike, because the local traction comcany did not agree to arbitration, the company officials made curt responses announcing that they had said their iast word on arbitration and if the widespread strike depended on their yielding the strike would come. Evidences, however, were given by employes of the many classes that they were confident a National strike would not be forced and that the sympathetic movement here would wear itself out, Several companies announced their hands were returning to work.

Meeting May Be Stopped. Possible trouble was indicated by the announcement that the strikers would hold an open-air in the National Lesgue baseball park tomorrow. Director of Public Safety Clay declared that the meeting would not be permitted. The men reiterated

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