New Jersey Democrats Recite Story of Thousands of Illegal Votes Cast.

POLL WATCHERS ROBBED

Physicians Say Water Is Drugged by Republicans-Three Thousand of Twelve Thousand Votes Held to Be Fraudulently Entered.

ATEANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 20 -That there were startling frauds in the recent election here, especially in the First and Third Wards, was the evidence brought out at the first hearng before the special commission appointed by the New Jersey Legislature to investigate election frauds in Atlantic County.

In a single precinct, the fifth of the Third Ward, a Democratic watcher told the commission nearly 200 persons, none of whom was known to him. youched for by Republican Leader John J. Mahoney."

Another Democratic watcher was surrounded in a restaurant and robbed of his poll books, while two physicians testified they were drugged by water "brought into the booth by Republican politicians."

It also was testified before the com mission that the Sheriff of the county, whose family lives at Mays Landing, registered and voted from a hotel here. ocal Democrats say they will be able

20 sow the commission that at least 2000 of the 12,000 votes cast at the No-Nember elections were fraudulent.

Frank Smathers, a lawyer and Democratic watcher, said that he was grugged by "gansiers in my presenct. They placed a drug in a pitcher of ice water and when I drank of the water I became violently ii." I became violently ill."

DASH FOR LIBERTY FAILS

Tilsoner Feigns Drunkenness and Then Sprints From Officers.

Desperate and shrewd means were employed last night by Frank Howard, an accused forger, in an attempt to escape from Detectives Endicott and Sionne. The attempt failed, however, and Howard is now awaiting extradi-tion to Rainler, Or., where he is accused of having passed four forged

Howard, with his sullcase in his hand, was arrested by the detectives at the Union Depet, whereupon he feigned drunkenness and thereby lulled the distrust of the detectives. The prisoner, taking up much of the side-walk in his apparent drunken attempts to walk, the detectives marched him to Sixth and Davis streets. At the corner he siddenly dashed his grip with all the strength he could command upon

the toes of Detective Sloane and ran.

Before the officer recovered from
his surprise Howard was half a block distant with the officer in pursuit.

After running more than a block sleane tripped the fugitive, felling him to the pavement in the mud. He was then handcuffed and marched to the

SCHOOL BONDS SUBMITTED

Board Orders Vote on Added Issue for High School.

At the meeting of the School Board pesterday afternoon, W. P. Olds presented a petition asking the Board to call an election to submit to the legal voters of this district the question of is-suing \$150,000 bonds to complete the new Lincoln High School. The request was granted and the election will take place

The School Board originally appropriated \$30,000 for the erection of the high school building of mill construc-tion, but with the passing of a new building code it was ruled that the pro-posed schoolhouse should be fireproof. The additional cost will be \$15,000.

The petition was signed by 17 prom hent business men, among them being A.

L. Mills president of the First National
Bank; C. F. Adams, president and eccretary of the Security Savings & Trust
Company; Edward Cookingham, vicepresident of Ladd & Tilton Bank, and
J. D. Honeyman, of the Honeyman
Hardware Company. Hardware Company.
Contracts were awarded for next Win-ter's wood for the schools yesterday, the

amount being about 4000 cords.

MAN BUMPED, WALKS AWAY Streetcar Overturus Wagon Driver

by Ross Murphy.

A streetcar last night collided with a agon, driven by Ross Murphy, a orthorn Express Company driver. The wagon was overturned and Mur-phy was picked up insensible by Police-men Martin and Shaffer. He was not seriously injured. He was able to walk away without assistance

Stray Dogs Must Be Returned.

Provisions for having stray dogs returned to their owners are outlined in an ordinance approved by the health and police committee of the Council at its meeting yesterday morning. The ordinance was prepared by members of the Portland Kennel Club and the Mult-noman Rod and Gun Club, and by request was introduced by Councilman Watkins. The ordinance provides that if any person finds a lost deg and feeds it, instead of keeping the dog, the finder must inform the poundmaster. Any violation of the ordinance is punishable by a fine flot to exceed \$50.

MULESKIN VICTIM INSANE

Man Who Is Sewed Up in Carcass Contracts Blood-Poisoning.

BLAIRSVILLE, Ga., Jan. 29 .- Barlow Brown, the man who was sewed up in the carcass of a mule, while in an intoxicated condition, it is alleged, several weeks ago, has gone insane as the result of blood poisoning contract-

ed from the mule carcass. Brown is not expected to recover. The four men responsible for the practical joke, it is said, have fled the TAFT'S SECRETARY WILL RESIGN TO RETURN TO PRIVATE



CHARLES O NORTON.

California Gets Initiative, Referendum, Recall Bill.

SENATOR GATES IS FATHER

Measure Is Introduced in Upper House of State Legislature-Public Service Commission of 3 Men Is Proposed.

upper branch of the State Legislature participation of church life. providing for the initiative, referen-dum and recall. It gives the people the power of initiative for any law or con-stitutional amendment, provided the petition for such bears the signatures of 8 per cent of the total vote for Gov-ernor at the preceding election. The law or amendment thus proposed must be submitted at the next general elec-tion or at a special election.

The recall provision provides for re-

The recall provision provides for recall elections of elective officers upon petition of 8 per cent of the voters af-fected. The incumbent is considered a candidate unless he states in writing that he is not.

In the case of tife state officers, the petition must carry not less than 50,-A bill providing for a public service

commission of three men appointed by the Governor for a term of four years, was introduced in both branches of the Legislature today.

Its chief provisions are the power to investigate public service companies, the management thereof; to pass upon the safety and efficiency of appliances, fix rates of charges and to examine the stocks and bonds of such concerns.

\$33,000,000 IN COURT

THE VIRGINIA'S DEBT.

Bitter Contest Will Be Argued Until Next Thursday -- Certificate Holders Ask for Payment.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The arithmetical problem of how much of the \$33,000,000 debt of the old State of Virginia that West Virginia should bear, was had before the Supreme Court of the United States today for its solution. Recognizing the intricacies of the problem, the court consented to devote practically all its time until next Thursday to a hearing of arguments. This is more time than has been given to any other case argued before the Supreme

Court in years.

The bitterness of the contest was reflected today by the earnestness of Holmes Conrad, of Virginia, in opening the argument. He was, spokesman for holders of \$15,800,800 worth of certificates representing a part of the debt In the present litigation the certificate holders are urging that West Virginia be required to pay the debt represented

the certificates. Mr. Conrad had time to lay before the court only part of the foundation for the contest. He took the court back to the days of 1835 when Virginia in-augurated a system of constructing roads, canals and railways, extending from the Atlantic Ocean to the Ohio River. That, he said, was the time of

the origin of the public debt of Virginia, as it existed in 1861.

The public improvements were begun, "largely, if not entirely, for the development of the coal, oil, mineral and gas that today makes the State of West Virginia the wealthiest state in the Union," Mr. Conrad told the court.

CHURCH FOLD WANTS BOYS

Secretary of "Forward" Movement to Speak on Subject.

A. Whitmore, of New York, field secretary of "The Men and Religion Forward Movement," will address a meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association at noon today on the work and its object. The movement is a co-operative effort of all churches, church brotherhoods and interdenominational men's societies in behalf of the Christian life of men and boys in North

The special campaign will begin in September of this year and end in May, 1912. The movement is to stimulate specialized work for mea and boys and spread the dectrine by literature, press notices and public meetings. September 17, 1911, is designated as Rally day for organized Christianity to launch the campaign in 90 cities with central 80-day campaigns, and in 1350 cities and towns in auxiliary campaigns of four or towns in auxiliary campaigns of four or five days. Sundsy, April 12, 1912, 1s designated as Conservation day, when all churches, brotherhoods. Sunday schools and Young Men's Christian As-sociations will rally and adopt five-year programmes of aggressive Chris-tian effort by and for men and boys. The prospectus of the movement points out that there are 2,000,000 more women and girls in the churches of

omen and girls in the churches of North America than men and boys, and the object is to find the missing

INDICTED GOTHAM BANKER CANNOT RECALL HOLDINGS.

Examination in Bankruptcy Court Develops Little Positive Information-His Health Good.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Joseph G. Robin, the indicted head of the Northern Bank and Washington Savings Bank, both of which were closed by the State Superintendent of Banking, was examined in the United States Bank-

ruptcy Court today.

Robin's examination is the first step by his creditors to ascertain the amount of his estate. The indicted banker appeared in excellent health,

but of uncertain memory.

Of the exact amount of his holdings,
Robin was uncertain. He owned, he
said, approximately 4000 shares of Northern Bank, 1000 shares of the Fidelity SUPREME COURT ASKED TO SET
THE VIRGINIA'S DEBT.

ALLIANCE GROWS STRONG Jap Premier Says Empire Bound

More Closely to Britain.

TOKIO, Jan. 20 .- When the upper house of the Diet opened this morning, Premier Katsura said the alliance between Japan and Great Britain was strengthened with age, and he ex-pected to complete new treaties with all the powers in a satisfactory manner. Corea, the Premier said, was annexed because conditions there were unsat-

BOTH HOUSES ADJOURN TILL MONDAY.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Both houses adjourned late this afternoon until Monday. The House will reassemble the Senate will not resume its ses-

It was the fixed policy of Japan to develop the peninsula and bring the people into harmony with

With regard to armaments, the Pre mier said it was Japan's policy to maintain her defensive strength. Expenditures in this direction would be restricted absolutely to necessities coupled with fiscal considerations.

SPECIAL TRAIN SATURDAYS

Te Clatsop Beach Points.

Hotels at Gearhart and Scaside are open all year. Splendid salt air resorts for Winter rest and recreation. Astoria & Columbia River Railroad trains 8 A. M. daily, 6:30 P. M. Saturday. Round trips 33 weekend; 34 daily.

WILL RESIGN POST

Norton Discloses Fact While Arguing for Increase in Salary.

HE WILL NOT GET BENEFIT

It Is Said That It Has Been Understood at White House That He Would Quit to Return to His Private Business.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The fact that Charles D. Norton, secretary to the President, would retire from that position in the near future and return to private business in Chicago, was disclosed to-day in connection with the proposal to increase the salary of the position from \$2000 to \$10,000 a year.

It was said in the sub-committee of the Servic committee on these while

Senate committee on finance that while Mr. Norton strongly urged the increase, in connection with the reorganization of the White House staff, he had declared that he would not himself get the benefit

Neither the President, nor Secretary Neither the President, nor Secretary, Norton could be seen tonight, but it was said at the White House that from the beginning of his work as secretary, Mr. Norton had an understanding that after the White House staff had been reorganized on the basis of the new appropriation, he would be free to return to private business at such time as the President found convenient, but that the date of his leaving was still uncertain and not near at hand. It was further said that Mr. Norton's successor was long ago decided upon, but that no unnouncement on that subject would be made at present.

CHECK TORN IN DISPUTE

Partners Disagree and Charge of Assault Results.

Tearing up a check for \$1250, in an effort to get his share of it, caused the arrest yealerday morning of Fred A. Williams, a contractor, upon the complaint of Sylvester S. Gill, his former associate, on a charge of assault and battery. The men worked together on a contract with the Mount Hood Railway Company and in a recent suit, se-cured a verdict for \$1250. The check was turned over to Gill by Attorney

The former partners met yesterday at Fourth and Stark streets and engaged in an altercation over the di-vision of the money. Williams claimed \$400 as his share, while Gill asserted that his partner was entitled to only that his partner was entitled to only \$40. Welliams seized Gilli by the coat, reached in his pocket, drew out the check and tore it up. Gill then grap-pled with him and both men were ar-rested by Detectives Carpenter and Price. Gill is 64 years old and Wil-liams is just half his age.

STUDENTS PRODUCE PLAY

Robert Jones as Tom Horton, the col-lege poet, is the "hero," who has sev-eral love affairs with the college girls. Hiram Hicks, a representative of the Braino breakfast food, who visits college to obtain a good advertising man, is portrayed by Wheeler Dodds. Fay Tremblay, as the gum-chewing waitress.

furnished a great deal of comedy, while Lloyd Carrick, as Bastian Briggs, and H. M. Dickerson, as a dude from "deah Boston," caused much laughter. Dorothy Cleave, as June Grant, the "girl," was pleasing. Eleanor Ewing, as the "housekeeper," did some clever charac-

Much fun was created by the "Ger-man band," who favored the audience with several selections, when each member played in a key to suit himself. They responded to several encores.

A well-arranged musical programme was given by the high school orchestra.

DEVOTED WIFE MAY WIN

Parole Likely for Captain Van Schaick, of Steamer Slocum.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Captain Wil-liam H. Van Schaick, master of the excursion steamer General Slocum, on which more than 1000 lives were lost June 15, 1904, by fire, may be paroied soon, it was reported tonight.

The president of the parole board in Washington, the World will say tomorrow, has, it is understood, promised to recommend to the Attorney-General that Van Schaick be released. He has served more than one-third of the ten years' sentence at Sing Sing for misconduct and negligence as master of the

The parole, if granted, will be due to the efforts of Captain Van Schalck's wife. She, as Grace Mary Sprut, was superintendent of nurses at Lebanon Hospital, this city. Captain Van Schalck had courted her for 14 years and she married him soon after he was

LAUREL AFTER PUBLICITY Town Near White Salmon Organizes

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Jan. 26.— (Special.)—Laurel, 15 miles northeast of White Salmon, has organized a De-

elopment League with 25 charter bembers. C. E. Rick is president, M. H. ennett vice-president, R. H. Chubb Within a radius of two miles of the postoffice of this place are four or five million feet of merchantable timber,

which Peek Brothers control.

LAKME NEARING EUREKA Wrecked Steamer Towed by Nann

Smith Makes Slow Progress.

EUREKA, Cal., Jan. 20 .- A wireless nessage was received here this after-oon from the steamer Nann Smith,



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erate sea, light north wind. Making 51/2 miles an hour. Lakme in tow. At 8 o'clock this morning sighted the power schooner Washcalore, bound south, her deckload gone."

Steamers arriving in port today report a heavy gale blowing north of Cape docino, and fear the Nann Smith will make slow time with the Lakme in

LAWYERS TRY TO SHOW SICK-NESS ANTEDATED POISONING.

Defense Fails to Prove That Detective-Nurse Was Addicted to Use of Morphine.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 29.—The defense in the trial of Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk today introduced testimony to show that her husband, John O. Schenk, whom she is charged with poisoning, had been ill long before the time the state alleges she administered poison to him. In support, the lawyers for Mrs. Schenk

put upon the stand Charles R. Hughes a railroad man, and Dr. A. B. Best, the Schenk family physician.

Schenk family physician.

The afternoon session was enlivened by tilts between attorneys. The defense sought to put on the stand Dr. Robert E. Sleppy, of Pittsburg, to impeach the testimony of Miss Eleanor Zoeckler, or "Mrs. Klein," the detective nurso.

Attorney Boyce said he wished to show that she was addicted to the use of morphine. The state objected and was sustained. sustained.

The defense then put Charles B. Hughes on the stand, who testined that long before Mr. Schenic's trip to Europe be had told him of suffering from nausea, vomiting and abdominal pains, the same symptoms the physicians had testified Schenk had been suffering from when then attributed the cause to

Dr. Best testified he had treated Schenk for tonsilitis in September, 1903, and also had attended him on other oc-"Hicks at College" Is Well Acted at
Washington High.

Before an audience which packed the
assembly hall of the Washington High
School to its doors last night, "Hicks at
College" was capably played by members
of the student body of the school.
Robert Jones as Tom Horton, the colbout, but Lee landed some telling blows in the third round, which rocked the sallor's head. Sharkey started some hard punches himself, but Lee was too

In the night session, the defense in-troduced witnesses to impeach Dr. W. J. Myers, who testified Mrs. Schenk had procured sugar of lead from him and who also said he refused to sell her a solution of arsenic. The defense has decided to place Mrs. schenk on the stand.

ONE DEAD IN HOTEL FIRE

Clarksburg, W. Va., Loses Hostelry and Opera-House.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 20 .- One person is believed to have met death under falling walls and a financial loss of \$300,000 caused in a fire which destroyed tonight the Traders Hotel block and the Grand Opera-house. The fire started in a servant's room of the Traders Hotel and spread rapidly. When the blaze was discovered the fire de-partment was fighting a small fire in another section of the town. Before ap-paratus arrived at the fire it had gained erious headway. The walls of the hotel collapsed and at least one employe is thought to have been caught in the debris.

'DENVER' ED WINS ON FOUL

Ed Hagen, ex-Policeman, Disqualifled for Butting.

SEATTLE, Wash. Jan. 29.—"Denver" Ed Martin, of San Francisco, was awarded the decision over Ed Hagen,

the ex-Seattle policeman, in the third round of a scheduled four-round bout tonight when Hagen was disqualified for butting.

WASHINGTON FIVE WINNER

Missionaries Lose Basketball Contest by Score of 31 to 17. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 20 .-

walla Walla with a clean record, having defeated both the University of Idaho and Washington State College, met Whitman here tonight. Both teams played good ball, and, while Whitman was much weakened by the loss of Cox, the star forward, and had but over reternation the fears, the but one veteran on the team, the Missionaries played a better game than had been expected. The contest was played in the college cage, and was fast from start to finish.

For Whitmap, McCoy, Johnson and
Hill were stars, while for the visitors Sugg. Olson and St. John occupied the limelight most of the time. The playto team work than individual starring.

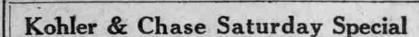
GUY LEE DEFEATS SHARKEY

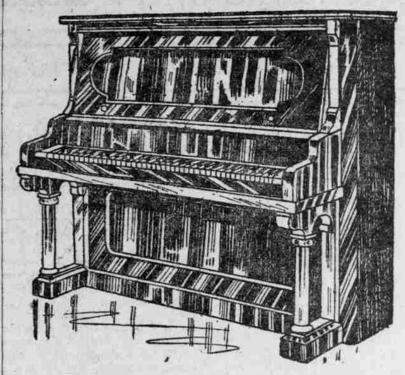
Clever Portland Boxer Gives Good

Account of Himself in Match. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20 .- (Special.) -for Winter rest and recreation. Astoria & Columbia River Railroad trains S A.

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left and at the end of the four rounds had a big margin in his favor.

At the outset both men were cautious, but Lee warmed up in the second round and went after his man. The sailor was game and did not hesitate once, but Lee game and did not besitate once, but Lee had little trouble outboxing him. Time and again Lee brought his left into play and had his opponent's face badly cut up at the end.

with hardly a scratch

There were no kneckdowns during the

"RUSSIAN LION" MEETS MATCH Hackenschmidt Fails to Put Shoulders

of Schoenlein to Mat. BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 20.—George Hackenschmidt falled tonight in his at-tempt to throw Gus Schoenlein of this city twice within one hour. He did not succeed in putting the Baltimorean's shoulders to the mat ence within the required time. The men were not off their feet the total of

five minutes in the entire hour. Coulon Will Fight in England.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 26.—Johnny Coulon, claimant to the bantamweight hampionship, through his father and manager, has accepted a tentative of-fer to make his first appearance in England against an Australian bantam to be named by Promoter McIntosh. The guarantee in expenses and percentage of purse was cabled yesterday

Crimson to Play Tigers Football. PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 20.-B. D. McClose, manager of the Princeton football team, officially announced tonight that Harvard will play Princeton November 4. This will be the first time

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