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ANOTHER GRAFT IN TROLLEY LINES

Grand Jury Will Seek Out \$50,000 Deal.

STOCK ASSESSED TO PAY CASH

Ruef's Supervisors Then Promptly Give Permit.

BOSS IN ROLE OF MEDIATOR

Stockholder Unwillingly Tells How Union Street Line at San Francisco Came to Be Electrified After Fire.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 10 - (Special.)-One of the matters most urgently pressing for the attention of the grand jury oncerns the permit granted to the Pre sidio & Ferries Street Railway Company known as the Union-street line, authorizing a change from the cable and horse cars to the overhead trolley system. Current reports are to the effect that a boodle fund of \$50,000 was raised and paid over at the time the permit was granted by the unanimous vote of the Super-

The Union-street line had more difficulty with the Board of Supervisors than United Railroads. The members of the board fell over each other in their hurry to comply with every request of the larger corporation. When the Unioncompany came forward shortly after the fire with a petition for treat ment similar to that accorded the United Railways, the Supervisors rebelled. They first set up the plea that the franchises of the company had expired. In this opinion the City Engineer concurred. The word went out that until the franchises could be produced no permit would be

Stock Assessed, Permit Granted.

After some weeks of delay the franchises were placed before the Supervisors Still the Supervisors were not satisfied They wanted assurance that trolley cars could climb the hills. The plan was all but dropped at this point. Later it was pressed with fresh energy. The Supervisors again called a halt. They wanted a promise that work would begin at once that the company would maintain lights along the streets it traversed.
It was about this time that the stock

of the company was assessed something like \$2 a share. There are 25,000 shares in all, and the assessment yielded \$50,000. On September 11, without discussion, and by unanimous vote, the Supervisors San Francisco refugees resist eviction from passed the ordinance giving to the company a permit to change its road into an overhead trolley system. The ordinance did not call for the payment of any sum into the treasury of the city.

Rumors of Corruption.

Soon after this, rumers were spread a corruption fund had been raised by the company and employed to put the ordinance through. The name of Abe Ruef figured in these rumors, and to him was ascribed the role of mediator. Most of the stock of the Presidio & Ferries Company is held in San Francisco and cities about the bay. George A. Newhall, the president, is one of the heaviest stockholders. Blocks of stock are held by the Alexander Forbes and Kent estate, of Marin County. The Forbes estate is now valued at \$1,000,000 or more. It has been valued at \$1,000,000 or more. It has been separated into three divisions—the Forbes Estate Company, the Forbes Trust and Forbes Bros. James H. Wilkins, super-intendent of construction at San Quentin intendent of construction at San Quentin prison, ex-Assemblyman and prison director, married one of the daughters of Alexander Forbes and has assisted in the management of the estate.

Wilkins Squirms, but Tells.

"Yes," said Wilkins, last night, "the impression prevails that a sum of money was paid for the permit granted by the Supervisors, but for the facts you must

"But, Mr. Wilkins, the permit was at

"Yes: It was held up."

"And about that time an assessment of

"Yes, it was about that time the assessment was levied, but for the facts you

'And shortly after the assessment was levied, the permit was granted?" 'Yes, the permit was granted then."

'Then there was a boodle fund?" Wilkins squirmed uneasily, dug his toes into the carpet and chewed the end of his cigar. "That's the talk, but you'll have

"For what else could the money have been raised?"

Well, it might have been for rehabili-

Rise in Stock Repays Graft.

'Now, Mr. Wilkins, as a matter of fact, was not there some arrangement with the United Railways as to rehabilitation?"
"Well, I understand that the road is to be sold to the United Rallways."

'On what termsT" "After the line has been rehabilitated it is to be sold for a good price."

"Now, I understand that the \$2 a share was more than recovered by the Jump in the stock following the granting of the Dramatic Pages 31-35.

"Yes, that's true. Before the fire the stock was selling around 40. After the Musical matters. Page 28. Household and fushions. Page 47. fire it sold as low as 12, and then fluctu- Youth's department. Page 51

aled between 12 and 15. When the trolley permit was granted, it jumped to 30. It has always been a good investment, paying usually 8 per cent." "But for all this you paid nothing?"

'Nothing to the city."

WAS LAWLER COUNTED OUT? Grand Jury Will Investigate Elec-

tion-Voting Machines Guarded. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13 .- The elecion officials in the Fortieth Assembly District will have an opportunity to explain to the new grand jury why an error of an even 100 votes was made

in Judge Lawler's count at the election last Tuesday. Believing that other erors of like character might have been ande, Judge Hosmer, the only defeated udicial candidate indorsed by the Bar Association, has decided to investigate the majority of 252 votes by which he was beaten.

The Bar Association, which offered a reward for the detection of election frauds, has interested itself, as has likewise Francis J. Heney, and special deputy patrolmen have been sworn in to guard the machines, some of which have not yet been returned to the mu nicipal warehouse, and are still lying insecure throughout the city, though it is said the machines have been watched unceasingly since the morning of elec-tion day by men interested in clean government. They are also assisted by men picked for that purpose and well armed.

Conference on Stanadrd Oil Case. WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Special Coun-sel Morrison and Kellogg, having in charge the investigation of the Standard Oil Company, had a conference today with Mr. Purdy, assistant to the Attor-ncy-General. Another conference prob-ably will be held Monday and it is be-lieved that the Attorney-General will be ready, late in the coming week, to an-names whether or not be will begin pronounce whether or not he will begin pro-ceedings against the Standard Oil Com-pany for violation of the Sherman anti-

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COMPELS WIFE TO ROB HER HUSBANU

Highwayman Turns a Clever Trick.

VERITABLE "RAFFLES"

Polite Footpad Holds Up Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Donald.

ROBBED UNDER ARC LIGHT

Bandit Accepts Victims' Valuables With Thanks; Bows, Scrapes and Runs Away-Police Have a Good Description of Him.

HOLD-UP UNDER ARC LIGHT.

A well-dressed, unmasked highwayman, with a most obliging na ture, held up and robbed Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Donald, of 406 Tenth street, in the full glare of an arc light at Tenth and Montgomery streets at 9 o'clock last night, as they were going to their home. He secured a gold watch and chain, \$25 and a gunmetal pencilholder for his trouble, after which he escaped The polite highwayman did not at-tempt to rob Mrs. Donald, whose husband is second vice-president of W. S. Barstow & Co., but he kindly band's pockets and to hand to the robber Mr. Donald's valuables.

Under the glare of an arc light at Centh and Montgomery strets, an unmasked, stylishly-attired young man held up and robbed Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Donald, prominent Portland people, living at 466 Tenth street, at 9 o'clock last night, and then made his escape. He secured a gold watch and chain, \$25 and a gunmetal pencilholder.

As soon as Mr. Donald had escorted his wife home he called up police headquarters and notified Captain of Detectives Patrick Bruin. Plucky Mrs. Donald remained at home, while her husband went out with a squad of detectives, scouring the city for the daring, yet polite robber.

the most unique in the annals of local assigned to the case. Donald accompolice history, as the perpetrator was Donald to have her way about the whole affair, so far as her requests to him were concerned.

nome, after a trip downtown. As they approached Tenth and Montgomery streets thy saw, about half a block ahead of them, a well-dressed man, little more than 5 feet in height. Mrs. Donald declares that she and her husband felt sure the man was waiting there to hold them up and rob them. "Hold up your hands and turn your

same time thrusting a short, nickelplated revolver into their faces, Mr. and Mrs. Donald obeyed the commands quickly.

'Now, I want everything you've got.' said the robber, calmiy and very po-

Mrs. Donald stood close to her hus- aware of her purpose.

band, and she told the footpad just what valuables her husband possessed and the highwayman gave her words close attention. He told her that she might search Mr. Donald and give him whatever articles of value her husband had on his person. She did so, first taking out her husband's pocketbook, fishing out its contents and handing the plunder over to the rebber, who received it with thanks. Next, she handed over her husband's watch and chain,
and then his gunmetal pencilholder.

"That is all he has of value," said
Mrs. Donald to the highwayman, "Please
do not point that revolver so directly at
my husband's head."

"All right, madam," replied the highwayman, politely. "By the way, has
your husband any diamonds or any other
valuable jewelry?"

"You have all my husband's valuables." ceived it with thanks. Next, she hand

"You have all my husband's valuables," replied Mrs. Donald.

"Very well, you may go," said the po-lite highwayman, as he pulled down his



M. Linn Bruce, Republican Candidate for Lieutenant-Governor of New York, Whose Election Is Still in Doubt.

evolver, still clutching it in his hand He then fied at a fast pace, running south on Tenth street to Morrison, thence turnng east, where he was last seen.

As the hold-up and robbery occurred right under an electric arc light, and as it required at least two minutes, Mr. and Mrs. Donald secured an excellent description of the robber, which they gave to the police. He was about 32 years old, little more than 5 feet in height, was smooth shaven and was attired in a black suit, with light gray box overcoat, very light brown hat, apparently with a stiff crown and soft brim. He used a small, short revolver, with a nickel-plated barrel.

The Donalds hurgied to their home af ter the robbery and communicated with the police, Captain of Detectives Bruin was at headquarters and went to the scene at once. He interviewed the victims of the daring crime, secured a description of the robber and returned to headquarters, where Acting Detectives The hold-up and robbery was one of Mallett, Kienlan, Hill and Burke were one of the most accommodating thugs he see the robber anywhere, he would ever engaged in the business. He was know him at a glance. All patrolmen a veritable "Raffles," and allowed Mrs. | were notified of the affair and were furnished with the bandit's description,

The Denalds were nearing their STEALS HER CHILD AGAIN

Woman Flees Across State Line With Husband in Pursuit.

EUREKA SPRINGS, Ark., Nov. 10 .-(Special.)-After a wild ten-mile ride across the country in an open wagon with her husband in pursuit, Mrs. Evefaces toward that hedge," said the lyn Blakeley, prominent in society highwayman, very politely, but at the here managed to get across the Arkansas line with her 8-year-old daughter, and it is said the officials will not honor a requisition for her return to court by her act. Braving the danger of imprisonment, the woman delibersaid the robber, calmiy and very po-litely, but firmly, flourishing his re-voiver.

ately planned the kidnaping, and got away with the child before her di-vorced husband. Ben Blakeley, was

GREAT SCALE

Government Is After Rio Grande Road.

GRAND JURY TO TAKE ACTION

Regular Business in Perjury by Fuel Company.

WORSE THAN UNION PACIFIC

Interstate Commission Will Hold Inquiry and Federal Grand Jury Will Indict-Wholesale Use of Dummy Locators.

SALT LAKE, Utah., Nov. 10 .- (Special.) -Agents of the Interstate Commerce Commission and of the Government are said to have uncovered land steals by the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Company and by the Utah Fuel Company in this state which make the Union Pacific peculations look insignificant by comparison As a result of the disclosures, the Interstate Commerce Commission is prepar ing to make an early and searching in vestigation in sessions to be held in this city, in Pueblo and in Denver. A large part of the preliminary work is said to have been done by Fred A. Maynard, special attorney for the Government, who has been working on the alleged landfraud cases for several months, Ex-Judge Elmer E. Thomas of Omaha, also special counsel for the Commission in the land-fraud investigations, has taken a frequent hand in the matter and both have been in consultation from time to time with J. T. Marchand, attorney for the on, who directed all of the work in the Union Pacific disclosures.

Indictments Likely This Week.

in connection with the Union Parific scandal, the Federal grand jury, which meets here next week, is going to take up the matter and indictments will probably follow against many individuals and against the two companies involved. Evidence which is said to be sufficient to secure true bills has been marshaled for presentation to the jury.

The Utah Fuel Company has already learned through some channel that an with the coal lands and has employed the law firm of Young & Snow, of this city, to represent it before the Commis sion. The Utah Fuel Company is the coal company which stands in the same relations to the Denver & Rio Grande as does the Union Pacific Coal Company to the Union Pacific Raliroad Company. That is, the coal company is owned by the same interests as the railroad company. The Morton Trust Company, of New York, will also be drawn into the alleged fraudulent transactions and this concern will also be represented by the

Salt Lake attorneys mentioned. Regular Fee for Perjury.

It is stated that the Government's agents have discovered that the railroad and coal company paid a regular fee of Oklahoma, where she is in contempt of \$50 for people to file on Government land and to later transfer it to the Utah Fuel Company, in the case of the Union Pacific the "dummies" were presented from \$2 to \$10 and in one case \$200. With the Denver & Rio Grande, however, the price street.

was stable and a rushing business see

As a rule the evidence which will be given to the Commission will show that the Morton Trust Company is the concern that now holds or did hold mortgages against many thousands of acres of land thus acquired by the railroad company. In many instances the Utah Fuel Company would, as soon as the "dummy" had qualified by committing perjury and filing on land, secure the conveyance of the land to the fuel or the railroad company. Then the land would in many instances, be mortgaged to the Morton Trust Company, of New York, and the money used presumably to

develop the property.

The agents of the Government who have been making the investigation are very reticent regarding the matter, but idmlt that an investigation is soon to follow. It is also stated that the alleged frauds cover many thousands of the mos valuable coal land in the State of Utah which aggregate in value many million

DRAWS NEAR DEATH'S DOOR

GENERAL SHAFTER STRICKEN WITH PNEUMONIA.

Faces Death With Little Chance Held Out for His Ultimate . Recovery.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Nov. 16 .- Soon after 10 o'clock tonight General Shafter took a decided turn for the worse and is

took a decided turn for the worse and is now very weak.

Major-General Shafter, ex-commander of the Department of California, is lying at his ranch near this city suffering an attack of pneumonia. His condition became so serious that Dr. E. W. Thorne, of San Francisco, was sent for and during last night the specialist, together with local physicians, were in attendance upon the stricken soldier.

General Shafter's advanced age and cor-

General Shafter's advanced age and cor-pulent physique make his illness more than ordinarily grave. At 1 o'clock this afternoon Dr. Thorne issued a bulletin stating that General Shafter is resting considerably easier, but that his condition is still extremely critical. At 3 P. M. the General was resting slightly more comfortable. His condi-tion showed slight improvement and he was able to take a small amount of nour-

Early tonight the following bulletin was

issued:
"General Shafter is resting more com-fortably, his condition slightly im-proved and he is able to take a small amount of nourishment. Pulse 72; respir-ation 28; temperature 199.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

L. Sewell, Pamous Jeckey,

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—L. Sewall, one of the most successful jockeys of the American turf, died last night as the result of injuries received in Aqueduct track yesterday.

Sewell had the mount on Lichtman and fell with his horse, as the result of crowding at the half-mile post.

Sewell was a finished horseman, and rode many notable winners, including Ram's Horn in the \$25,000 Brighton handicap last July. Sewell, hefore riding in the fats! race yesterday, had announced that it was to be his last ed that it was to be his last ride for the season.

Mitchell Storms, Pioneer Miner.

DENVER, Nov. 10 .- Mitchell Storms, a ptoneer mining man of Idaho and Mon-tana, died of general debility today at St. Luke's Hospital in this city. He was 83 years old and had been one of the most familiar figures in Denver for 47 years. He was secretary of the Colorado Pio-neers' Association and had the distinc-tion of being the oldest active miner in his state as well as founder and recorder f Colorado's first gold camp, now Central City. He was born in Ohio and joined in ush of '49 to California, coming from

Cavalry Allays Rio Grande Panic.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 16.—Dispatches from Rio Grande City, Texas, where Mexicans attacked the Rangers, say that the arrival of United States cavalry there today somewhat subdued the panic which has existed since election day, but that many people are still cautious about venturing into the

REMOVE TARIFF ON NORTHERN BORDER

J. J. Hill For Reciprocity With Canada.

WOULD BENEFIT BOTH NATIONS

Just as Much as Reciprocity Among States.

FREE RAW MATERIAL FIRST

Volume of Commerce With Canada Greater Than All Affected by Panama Canal - Canada Threatens Reprisals.

CHICAGO, Nov. 10 .- James J. Hill wast the guest of honor at the banquet of the Merchants' Club tonight and delivered an extended address upon "Chicago's Interest in Reciprocity with Canada."

Mr. Hill said: Today the entire country is suffering from rollay ine entire country is suffering from want of transportation facilities to move its business without unreasonable delay. The prevailing idea with the public is that the ratiways are short of cars, while the facts are that the shortage is in tracks and terminals to provide a greater opportunity for the movement of the cars.

The speaker declared that the country oday faced a transportation problem which only time, patience and the expenditure of enough sums of money will remedy. He asserted that there is a cryng need now for the construction of a 15-foot canal between St. Louis and New Orleans, and he said that the necessity or this would increase with time. There was no more important general work for the Government to form, he said, than o construct a canal capable of carrying essels of 15 feet draft.

Immense Canadian Trade.

Mr. Hill recited figures showing that on trade with the people whom the United States will be able to reach by he construction of the Panama canal amounts to only about \$54,500,000 annually. while the United States' trade with Canada is over \$200,000,000 per annum. He asserted that the conservation and increase of this trade is of greater importance than anything that will accrue to the United States because of the construction of the canal. Concerning reci-

ocity with Canada, Mr. Hill said The plea for more liberal trade relations is negatived by only unreasoning individual selfathness. The conclusive argument for reciprocity with Canada always has been American states. Had it not been prohib-lied by the Constitution, each state of the Union would have levied a duty on all commerce crossing its borders. Yet all acknowledge now that the one great factor in the development of the United States has lines. Unrestricted trade between the states

has favored all of them. No Danger to Manufacturers.

Whatever commercial policy confers the greatest benefits on the whole continent will best advance the various parts, and this city would receive and confer inestimable profits nder a more liberal trade convention. Canads will, in any event and under any rgs-tern, be opened up and highly developed. Would it then be disadvantageous for us to share in the products of the fields of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan? The manufacturing interests of both countries are the first to raise alarm, but there is no danger here. We have as much rea-

ylvania to cry for protection against North Dukota. Canada would be no more in danger than is Montana by the competition of The time is opportune for a practical movement loward better trade relations with Canada. There has been increasing irritaon toward our attitude and already the

son to dread Canadian competition as Penn

fact that our average tariff against the Dominion is 49.83, while that of Canada against the United States is 24.83, causes omment and suggests reprisals. Free Trade With Canada Best.

In closing, Mr. Hill said: What is the first practical step? The consummation most to be wished is the wiping out of custom houses along the northern frontier and the establishment there of absolute free trade. If the time is not ripe. for that, the least that it demands is ample for that, the least that it demands to a periodically. There cannot be a beginning until we have fixed in our minds the desirability of a free interchange of natural products and raw materials, giving to the New England manufacturer his fuel and to the farmer of the Western plains his lumber and to the makers of books and newspapers everywhere their print paper free from the exactions which a needless tariff now permits monopoly to impose. From this as a beginning, work may go forward toward larger liberty by an enlargement of mar-kets and a progress of public sentiment that

DENIES ALL INTERVIEWS

Executive Officers Say President Must Not Be Quoted.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16 .- The following statement touching on the quoted conversations with the President has been made public at the White House: For many years it has been the in-variable practice never to attempt to quote a private conversation with the President. It has been found that as a matter of fact, the man who quotes such a conversation usually misquotes it, whether consciously or unconscious-ly, and such an alleged conversation is under no circumstances to be held as calling for explanation or denial by the President. The President is responsible only for what he himself says in public, for what he writes, or for what he explicitly authorizes the proper Government officials to state in his

PUZZLE PICTURE-WHICH IS THE CONSUMER AND WHICH THE PRODUCER?

