

CANNON STRIKES BACK AT CRITICS

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DEFIANCE FOR NEWSPAPER

Says They Howled for Repeal of Paper Duty From Selfish Motives—Rules Fight and Proper and Aided Legislation.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Speaker Cannon, at the annual banquet of the New Jersey State Association here last night, took an unexpected turn in his address.

"In the chapter of accidents, I became Speaker of the House," he said. "When the minority undertook to control the majority, they were met with a refusal from the majority and the Speaker of the House. The Speaker would have been like a cat in hell without claws if he had not fought against such usurpation.

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REAL FIGHT IN NEW YORK

Sportsmen See Knockout in Defiance of State Law.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The National Sporting Club tonight witnessed a real fight and the knockout that followed a slugging match so fast and furious as to rival the old days when the Horton and Percival genuine fights in this city.

NEWSPAPER IS DESTROYED

Plant of Mexican Liberal Party Organ Wrecked at Tucson.

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 19.—The plant of El Defensor, a Spanish weekly newspaper published here by Manuel Sarabia in the interest of the Liberal party, was wrecked Thursday night by unidentified persons. Sarabia was prominent in the recent revolution movement and was held in confinement by the military authorities here and in Los Angeles for nearly a year. He states his belief that the outrage was the work of agents of the Mexican government. The Sarabia has charge of the case. No arrests have been made.

WHIPS AUTOIST; 3 MONTHS

Russian Impressed for Losing Temper When Knocked Down.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—Lieutenant Kovalevsky, of the dragons, a son of the Emperor of that name, who has a high social standing, was sentenced to three months imprisonment yesterday, after Kovalevsky was knocked down by an automobile when he drove, he beat the chauffeur and civilians came to the rescue of the latter. The officer then emptied his revolver into the crowd, wounding several persons.

EXAMINE LOCKS AND DAM

Engineers Will Be Appointed by President to Investigate Canal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The President is considering the advisability of having a thorough examination and report made on the character of the formations that underlie the locks and dams along the line of the Panama Canal. It is regarded as important to determine at this time the exact magnitude of the risk of providing stable foundations for these locks and dams.

employ eminent civil engineers now in the service of the Government.

SAVE LOSSES ON OPIUM

Passage of Bill Is Put Off Until Money-Lenders Get Cash.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—A successful effort has been seemingly made to prevent large losses to bankers who have loaned money on opium in warehouses in San Francisco and other ports where opium has been imported, through the enactment of the bill recommended by the Secretary of State to prohibit the importation of opium into this country.

MORELAND TO BE JUSTICE

Will Succeed Tracy in Philippine Islands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The President will soon send to the Senate the nomination of Sherman Moreland, of Elmira, N. Y., to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippine Islands. The vacancy was created by the resignation of Judge James G. Tracy. Judge Tracy will return to his home in Albany, N. Y., to resume the practice of law.

ROBBER RETURNS WATCH

SAYS HE HAS MOTHER ALSO AND APPRECIATES FEELING.

Three Men Suspected of Being Train Robbers Hold Up Saloon

Across From City Hall.

"You may take my money but please don't take my watch. It was given me by my mother and it is the only thing I have in the world to remind me of her," said A. M. Hyatt, proprietor of the City Hall saloon, 306 Fifth street, as he stood in line with six patrons of the resort, all with hands in the air while a trio of hoodlums robbed the place.

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BULLET SPOILS HIS JOKE

Humorous Frenchman, Mistaken for Robber, Shot by Friend.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—(Special)—A joke story of a tragedy following a joke came from the Boulevard des Capucines, an engineer, was in the house of a landowner named Chateau, when a neighbor rushed in with a sword face. He declared that he had been attacked by three men, one of whom had fired several shots at him.

STRANGER TRIES SUICIDE

Michigan Man Attempts Catholic Route Out of Difficulties.

Despondent because his love for the landlady of a rooming-house at 22 North Sixth street was not returned, Herbert A. Chasen, recently arrived from Michigan, attempted to commit suicide Friday night. He passed his last will of clothes for \$2, bought a two-bit vial of carbolic acid, and then wrote a farewell letter to his love. She carried the letter and notified the police, and they got the man before he carried out his plan and pressed him on the charge of disorderly conduct.

WHEN YOU THINK

Of the pain which many women experience with every month it makes the gentleness and kindness always associated with womanhood seem to be almost a miracle. While in general no woman rebels against what she regards as a natural necessity there is no woman who would not gladly be free from this recurring period of pain.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong and sick women well, and gives them freedom from pain. It establishes regularity, subdues inflammation, heals ulceration and cures female weakness.

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THREE ARE RESCUED

Sailors Find Marooned Japanese Near Starvation.

ON ISLAND THREE MONTHS

Live on Fish and Sea Birds and Drink Distilled Salt Water—Contract Scoury and One Dies From Exposure.

MIDWAY ISLANDS, Pacific Ocean, Dec. 19.—Streams of weather, which compelled the Commercial Pacific Cable Company schooner Fluorescence to deviate from her course from Honolulu to a cable station and run for Lee Hermes Island for shelter, was the means of bringing about the rescue of three marooned Japanese plunger hunters and saving them from further torture and starvation.

The Fluorescence was immediately taken aboard the Fluorescence Ward, where they were given food and clothing. Through an interpreter one of the Japanese said they had been for three months without food except fish and sea birds. No fresh water was obtainable and the men were compelled to drink crudely distilled sea water.

Vets in Minstrelsy Make Good

BY ARTHUR A. GREENE. That was some show which the heroes in burnt cork gave us at the Hellig. To be sure, Jay Upton, Interlocutor, extraordinary, suffered untold agony from stage fright, which was strange, for Jay and some of the others who were concerned displayed more self-consciousness than was compatible with an ideal performance.

STEAL PRIEST'S FORTUNE

Unscrupulous Couple Hold Old Man Prisoner and Then Rob Him.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—(Special)—A priest named Petit, who was formerly a clerk of Bouz Tracay, near Versailles, has just had an unpleasant adventure, which cost him several thousand francs. He is old and has been for a quiet place in which to end his days. A couple of his parishioners recommended him to the commune of Lihabit, near Angoulême-de-Touraine, where their son had settled.

FISHING VESSEL SEIZED

Canadian Cruiser Finns Tacoma Steamer for Violating Laws.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 19.—A dispatch from Prince Rupert, received today, stated that Captain Newcomb, commander of the Dominion fisheries protection cruiser Keestrup, recently captured the Tacoma fishing schooner Zapora and fined her \$500 for an alleged infraction of the Dominion fishing regulations.

HAD MILLION BUT STARVES

Budapest Millionairess Dressed in Rags and Lived on Scraps.

VIENNA, Dec. 19.—(Special)—A woman named Pleischer, who was reputed to be worth a million, has just died from starvation at Budapest. The millionairess was clothed in rags and lived on scraps. She lodged in a hotel in the poorest quarter of the city.

GRAY'S GREAT REMOVAL SALE

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The splendid enthusiasm that welcomed this great sale attests the popularity and efficiency of this great store. Never in our history have we offered such values. Never before have the public taken advantage of our great reductions as at this great Removal Sale. It is our purpose to entirely close out all stock on hand, so we may open the new home of Chesterfield Clothes with an entire fresh stock. Following are the great price reductions:

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W. G. Sweeney, 'I've Been Looking For a Girl Like You'

W. G. Sweeney, 'I've Been Looking For a Girl Like You,' by Messrs. Carr and Larrimore; 'The Armorer's Song,' and 'The Sentinel's Ascent,' by George Evans; 'Bon-Bon Buddy,' by M. Marks, Jr.; 'Went You Lay Me Put My Arms Around You,' by Messrs. Fleming, Callahan, Camp, Soule, Hicks and Salisbury; 'Take Your Time,' by Lincoln Hart and a final chorus, 'You're a Grand Old Flag.'

600 CHILDREN IN FIRE

Escape From Schoolhouse Blaze Which Caused Loss of \$100,000.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 19.—A fire that threatened the destruction of the Altoona high school building, erected at a cost of \$300,000, started yesterday while 600 pupils were busy with their studies.

BOMB BLOWS UP CABOOSE

Tramp Tries to Kill Conductor of Freight Train.

EDUCATIONAL CONTEST

To Be Given Away To Contestants One \$80 Ball-bearing, Automatic Lift, Automatic Tension, Rotary WHITE SEWING MACHINE

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'THE WHITE IS KING'

Take a piece of paper the size of a Government postal card and write the following sentence: 'The White is King of sewing machines,' as many times as you can. On opposite side of paper answer the following questions: Have you a sewing machine? Old or new? What make have you? Write your name and address plainly. How many times did you write the sentence? The prizes will be awarded as follows: FIRST PRIZE—The one writing the sentence the greatest number of times will receive a beautiful \$80.00, style 35, drop-head Automatic White Sewing Machine, complete, with a set of the latest improved case-hardened steel attachments. One hundred other prizes will be awarded. The Contest Closes December 26 at 10 P. M. Address Letters H. D. JONES, (Contest) 420 WASHINGTON STREET PORTLAND, OREGON

New Position for Paul Shoup

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Paul Shoup, assistant general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific Company, has resigned and will be succeeded by F. E. Balfour, general passenger agent of Morgan's Louisiana & Texas Railway, a Harriman line, with headquarters at New Orleans. He will take up business affairs that will have to do with the affairs of the company which from under the jurisdiction of William F. Herlin, chief counsel.

11 DRINK ACID AND DIE

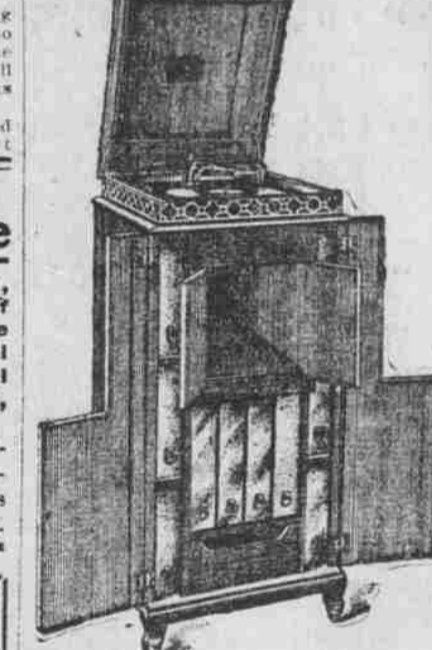
Soldiers Served With Poisonous Deception on Mindanao Island.

MANILA, Dec. 19.—Eleven deaths have occurred and 13 men are seriously ill at Keittler Camp, Mindanao Island, as a result of the men of the 14th Infantry drinking calumbe acid, a vegetable compound extract from the calumbe root.

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