

BOLD HOLD-UP IN PORTLAND

Six Masked Men Entered Office
of Western Lumber Co.

AT 6 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT

Robbers Secured \$5000 in Gold and Silver
in Envelopes Ready to Pay to Mill
Hands—Clerks Covered by
Revolvers.

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—Six masked men, heavily armed, held up the office of the Western Lumber Company this evening, secured \$5000 and made their escape in the darkness.

The robbery occurred at 6 o'clock when dozens of men were in the vicinity of the mill, which is located at Front and Seventeenth streets. Four men guarded the two entrances to the office while the other two entered with drawn revolvers and ordered the four clerks to hold up their hands.

The money was in gold and silver and was enclosed in envelopes ready to be paid out to the mill hands, this being the regular weekly pay day. One robber, with a revolver in each hand, kept the clerks covered while the other quickly threw the money packages into a sack.

The two backed out of the office, locked the doors and the entire gang escaped before it was possible to give the alarm.

The police station was immediately notified and a number of officers detailed on the case.

DESPERATE BATTLE

Chicago Bandits Caught by Detectives
After Twenty Shots Were
Exchanged.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Fred T. Gilmore, of Baxter, Ia., was knocked senseless late last night near Michigan avenue and Harmon court and robbed of \$11.25 in negotiable paper, \$25 in money and a watch. The robbers, William Cummings and George Hayes, after a desperate battle with detectives, were captured and all the booty save the watch and money was recovered.

Gilmore came to Chicago to exhibit cattle at the livestock show. The detectives saw Gilmore with Cummings and Hayes whom they followed to the scene of the robbery. When the officers approached, the robbers sprang behind a garbage box and began shooting at the detectives. The latter lined up behind a telephone pole and returned the fire. Twenty shots were exchanged at a range of not more than fifty feet, but no one was wounded.

Having emptied their revolvers the detectives made a rush upon the bandits and caught them as they were trying to reload their weapons.

CANNERS MUST PAY.

Held Liable for Taxes of All Japanese
Employees.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 5.—The British Columbia law, making any one employing Japanese responsible for their taxes has been sustained.

Last season six thousand Japanese were engaged in fishing on the Fraser. The salmon cannery employed them for the purpose of breaking the strike of the white fishermen. When the tax collector made his rounds, however, the Japanese had disappeared. The government at once demanded of the cannery three dollars a head taxes on all Japanese employed.

A test case before Magistrate Anderson has resulted in the magistrate ordering the payment by the cannery concerned of the taxes of every Japanese who caught fish at any time during the season for those cannery. The legislation making such a verdict possible was passed at the suggestion of labor unions here.

STRIKE OF SERVANT GIRLS.

Three Hundred Domestic of Manhattan
Island Will Stop Work.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A strike of servant girls on Manhattan island is imminent, according to Mrs. St. Justin Beale, who is planning a servant girls' union. Three hundred domestics, she says, stand ready to stop work as soon as the union is formed, and demand better condition. The union, she says, is to be organized tonight by Herman Robinson, general organizer of the American Federation of Labor.

"I have always taken a great interest in servant girls," Mrs. Beale said, "and I find that with a few exceptions they are badly fed, badly housed and overworked."

DANGER OF INFECTION.

Body of Captain Cook, Who Died of
Yellow Fever in Cuba, Is Now
in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The body of Captain Alexander H. Cook, who died in Havana, Cuba, of yellow fever, has been removed from the undertaking establishment and now rests in a receiving vault at Rosehill cemetery, contrary to the strict rule of the Illinois board of health.

The body was admitted on the

strength of a special order issued by Secretary J. T. Egan, of the state board of health. The rule of the Illinois board of health which prohibits the bodies of yellow fever victims from entering the state was suspended upon condition that the body be buried immediately upon its arrival in the city. Instead of complying with this order the undertaker who was to take charge of the interment is said to have removed the body to his establishment.

The city board of health sent an inspector to the railway station to take charge of the remains. The inspector has not since appeared nor has a report been made by him. The failure of the inspector to report the alleged breach of the agreement is looked upon as peculiar and has cast an air of mystery around the case.

Although the body is enclosed in a copper lined and hermetically sealed casket, it is feared that the fear of the long journey on the train may have opened a crevice in the receptacle thus permitting the spread of germs. If such a crevice was made the lives of the passengers on the train as well as the lives of persons in the depot were placed in jeopardy.

The undertaker when questioned said the body was expected to arrive at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, but owing to some delay it did not reach the city until midnight. It was then too late to gain entrance to the cemetery. The interment of the body is arranged for tomorrow.

A dispatch from Springfield, Ill., quotes Secretary Egan on his action in suspending the rules of the board as follows:

"I issued an authorization for the transportation of the body of Captain Cook, who died of yellow fever in Havana, Cuba, on the recommendation of the Chicago health department after receiving assurances that the body had been properly embalmed and disinfected, and was incased in a hermetically sealed casket. In my opinion there is no danger to be incurred from the transportation of this body at the present time. Yellow fever is not prone to spread in Chicago at any time and the disease will certainly not make its appearance in the month of December."

HAZING CAUSED DEATH.

Father of Deceased West Point Cadet
Believes There Is No Doubt
About It.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A special to the Herald from Bristol, Pa., says: William H. Boos talked freely of the physical force used in hazing his son at West Point.

"My son was the victim of brutal hazing," said Mr. Boos. "He came home broken hearted and physically wrecked. He never saw a well day after he left the academy."

"I know they forced something down his throat which permanently injured him. He was forced into a fight. He was wounded in some way over the heart and his flesh was bruised and discolored for several weeks afterward. His eyes were injured by the blows from a fellow student's fist."

"They threatened to cripple him for life. While they were beating the spirit out of my boy they told him that what they could not accomplish by physical brutality they could still do by demeriting him along the line of discipline."

"It is a very severe blow for us. It has fallen heavily upon his mother. We wish other boys to escape what he suffered. He never took any lessons in boxing. We did not suppose it was required. He went there to study. They called him a coward, but he went out to fight them."

"I went to the academy three weeks after he was hazed. He was looking haggard and I asked him for an explanation. He said he had been beaten in a fight and was feeling badly around the heart. He had been knocked down. They gave him a burning mixture which injured the lining of the throat. My theory is that the stomach was affected and that tuberculosis set in and then affected the throat. It is not in me to give anything misleading. I know the boy was injured by his fellow students and those injuries resulted in his death."

AFRAID OF CHALLENGER.
Lipton's New Yacht Will Be Hard to Beat.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The conviction among yachtsmen on this side of the Atlantic that Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger for the America's cup carries with it real menace to the continued residence of the famous trophy in this country has grown with the cable reports from abroad concerning the elaborate preparations being made for the building of the challenger, Shamrock II.

The reason for this fear is set forth in a letter by Designer Clinton H. Crane, of this city. He says in part: "The fact that the Shamrock is building at Denny's yard at Dumbarton does not seem to have excited the interest of yachtsmen in this country that it should have done, perhaps because it is not known that this is the first sailing yacht that the Denny's have ever built and that the Denny's have the only private model testing tank in the world—two very suggestive facts. It is known that the speeds of the warships and merchantmen of unusual model have been predicted with absolute accuracy after experiments in such a tank."

W. Butler Duncan, the prospective manager of the new defender, when shown a copy of Mr. Crane's letter last night declined to comment upon the comparative thoroughness of the preparations made by the challenger and defender of the cup.

INCREASED PENSION ROLL.

Secretary Hitchcock Says That Four
Million Dollars More Will Be
Expended in the Coming
Year Than the Past
Year.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Secretary Ethan Allen Hitchcock, of the department of the interior, who is here on private business, will return to Washington tonight.

"The pension roll for the coming year will call for the expenditure of about \$12,900,000 as against \$10,000,000 for the year just closing," said the secretary last night. "There are a little less than one million names on the roll now and these are being added to by recent legislation. Under the old law soldiers' widows not wholly dependent on their own labor for their support were not entitled to draw a pension. A recent law made it legal for a widow receiving an income not above \$250 a year to receive a pension. This and certain amendments bearing on the construction of the disability of veteran applicants have added several thousand names to the roll."

"No country in the world is so liberal with its pensioners as this government and this fact has prompted dishonest men to take every sort of mean advantage of the government. No doubt there are many fraudulent pensioners on the rolls today but as fast as trickery is discovered the proper measures are taken to check it."

"How about the Comanche-Kiowa allotments in the Indian Territory?" Mr. Hitchcock was asked.

"The time for the completion of the allotment of the 480,000 acres in the southern part of the Indian Territory to the Comanches and Kiowas expires this week," replied Mr. Hitchcock, "and only about 300 of the 3000 allotments of 160 acres each have been made. The surveyors encountered great difficulty in tracing the boundary lines where certain corners had been marked by blazed trees by the earlier surveyors. Some of these tree trunks were sent to Washington for our inspection."

"After these Indian lands have been allotted there will be left more or less territory for public retirement. I don't know how much prospective settlers ignorant of the law rushed in and settled on these lands and had to be removed by the government agents. There was no particular resistance. They simply did not understand the law. With reference to the attempt of a certain Kansas City syndicate which tried to secure the passage of a law permitting the transference of certain nomadic tribes from the Indian Territory to old Mexico, I do not believe that anything of the kind will be done."

POWER HOUSE BURNED.

Loss of \$150,000 to Brooklyn Rapid
Transit Company.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—What is known as the Ridgewood power house, owned by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, was totally destroyed by fire last night, causing a loss of \$150,000.

The fire started in some unknown manner and at the risk of his life Chief Engineer C. F. Windlar shut off the power from each of the 750-horse power dynamos, of which there were six in the building. The building was soon a mass of flames and the firemen bent most of their energy toward saving the adjoining property.

Immediately after the fire broke out all the various car lines receiving power from this source were brought to a standstill and remained so for over two hours.

GUATEMALA RAILROAD USELESS.

Bridges Are Broken and Are Not Being
Repaired.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Herald's correspondent at Guatemala City, Guatemala, writes:

SORES AND ULCERS.

Sores and Ulcers never become chronic unless the blood is in poor condition—it is sluggish, weak and unable to throw off the poisons that accumulate in it. The system must be relieved of the unhealthy matter through the sore, and great danger to life would follow should it heal before the blood has been made pure and healthy and all impurities eliminated from the system. S. S. S. begins the cure by first cleansing and invigorating the blood, building up the general health and removing from the system a constant drain.

When this has been accomplished the discharge gradually ceases, and the sore or ulcer heals. It is the tendency of these old indolent sores to grow worse and worse, and eventually to destroy the bones. Local applications, while soothing and to some extent alleviating pain, cannot reach the seat of the trouble. S. S. S. does, and no matter how apparently hopeless your condition, even though your constitution has been broken down, it will bring relief when nothing else can. It supplies the rich, pure blood necessary to heal the sore and nourish the debilitated, diseased body.

Mr. J. B. Talbot, Lock Box 25, Winona, Minn., says: "Six years ago my leg from the knee to the foot was one solid sore. Several physicians treated me and I made two trips to Hot Springs, but found no relief. I was induced to try S. S. S., and it made a complete cure. I have been a perfectly well man ever since."

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temala, telegraphs that only 60 miles of the Northern railroad remain in operation, 40 miles having been rendered inaccessible owing to broken bridges.

As the part in working order is situated at either end, the line in the middle sections being damaged by the heavy rains and swollen rivers, the road is almost useless for traffic at present. No repairs are being effected and the whole line is in a deplorable condition.

COMMENTS OF AUSTRIAN PRESS.

President's Message Does Not Meet
With a Friendly Reception.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A dispatch to the Herald from Vienna says:

President McKinley's message does not meet with a very friendly reception in the Austrian press. The Neue Wiener Tageblatt says:

"Imperialism in deed has now developed into imperialism in word. It is easy to satisfy Americans with the one solitary restriction in regard to China." The Neue Freie Presse says:

"The message gives the impression that there is a much better understanding between the United States, Russia and Japan than there is between these three and the other powers."

The Presse finds it surprising that President McKinley should speak of America seeking to confer the benefits of freedom upon the Filipinos, seeing that the Filipinos are fighting for that freedom.

INTERNATIONAL CHESS MATCH.

Four American Colleges Will Compete
Against Cambridge and Oxford.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 5.—Negotiations are now on the way between the University of Cambridge and Oxford in England and four American colleges with regard to the international chess match this year. The trophy was presented by I. N. Rice, of New York, and has been won twice by Cambridge and Oxford and unless the American colleges win the match this year the trophy will become the permanent property of the English university.

There are six men in each team to be chosen after the intercollegiate match in New York in December after Christmas. Princeton, Yale and Columbia will be represented on the team. Hightower the match has been played at New York, but this year efforts are being made to have it played in Boston.

EMERGENCY RATION.

Fourth and Final Test Is Now Being
Made.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—A special to the Record from Wichita, Kas., says: The emergency ration of the war department, under Captain S. M. Fountain and Captain F. W. Foster, has reached Anadarko from Fort Reno with a detachment of fifty men of troop A and C, Eighth cavalry. This is the fourth and final test in Oklahoma of the prepared ration.

The board will reach Fort Reno Friday after a trip through the Wichita and Caddo reservations. After two days of sunshine rain began falling last night with a cold, raw wind from the north. This condition of weather will enable the board to test the ration fully.

LARGE COFFEE CROP.

Heaviest Ever Known in Central
America.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says: This year's coffee crop is expected to aggregate about 900,000 quintals, being the heaviest crop in this country's history. Shipments have already begun starting a lively competition between the four steamship companies running on the coast to obtain the coffee freight, most of which will pass over the Panama railroad.

An epidemic of suicides has broken out in this city. Three that have occurred this week were those of a student of the polytechnic school, the proprietor of the Hotel Germania and Jonas Keister, treasurer of the American club.

SHINGLE MILLS CLOSED.

All Mills in Washington Have Shut
Down for Sixty Days.

SEATTLE, Dec. 5.—To prevent a general demoralization in the prices of shingles, fully three quarters of the shingle mills in this state have closed down for a period of sixty days.

The action has been taken in response to a ballot sent out some days ago by the Washington Red Cedar Shingle Manufacturers' Association. There is no demand for shingles in the eastern markets at present and the manufacturers are afraid of a raid of the bears which will put prices down too much. So they have decided to cut off the supply for a time.

SCATTERED TO THE WINDS.

Body of Justice Hoffman Cremated and
His Ashes Thrown Away.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—In the presence of a number of his lifelong friends, the ashes of the late Justice Albert Hoffman, of Hoboken, were scattered to the winds.

The body was incinerated at Fresh Pond, L. I. When the work had been done the ashes were taken charge of and thrown into the air.

This was in accordance with the wishes of the former judge. He had expressed a wish to be cremated and said he did not want his ashes taken home to be knocked about. He wanted them to return to mother earth.

IRON WORKS BURNED.

One Man Killed at an Evansville, Ind.,
Fire.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 5.—The Mesker Iron Works burned early today. Falling walls buried several firemen. Three men were taken out of the ruins more or less injured while the fourth, Gottlieb Surbeck, was killed outright. The Helman foundry, Vulcan plow works and Goodwin's clothing factory, adjacent buildings, were threatened and it was thought at one time they could not be saved. The loss at Mesker's will be heavy but no estimate can be given at present. Many workmen will be made idle by the fire.

COLLEGE PRESIDENT MARRIED.

Rev. Robert S. Jones, of Hobart College, Geneva, N. Y., Weds a
St. Louis Girl.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Rev. Robert S. Jones, president of Hobart college, Geneva, N. Y., and Miss Lottie T. Gill, daughter of the late Charles T. Gill, of St. Louis, were married last night in this city in the Church of the Holy Communion by the Rev. Dr. W. E. Huntington. The bride was given away by her uncle, C. W. Brega, of Chicago.

OPPOSITION LINE TO ASTORIA.

Steamer Del Norte Will Hereafter Run
Independent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—The steamer Del Norte has sailed for her last voyage under her present charter to Eureka, Coos Bay, Astoria and Portland. Upon her return the steamer is to be operated on the same route by her owners, Hobbs, Wall & Company, in opposition to the two lines now in operation.

SALE OF TROTTERS.

Seven Hundred Horses Sold at Auction
for \$25,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Fasig-Tipton Company today closed the most successful auction sale of trotting and pacing horses in its history. The proceeds of the sale were \$25,180 for 702 horses, an average of \$35 per head.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 54½; bluestem, 57.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Wheat, May, opening, 74½; closing, 74½.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 5.—Wheat, March, 6s. 3½d.

PRICE OF SILVER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Silver, 64½.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

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