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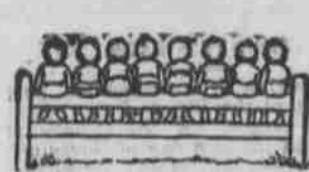
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Of our new and up-to-date Air-
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We figured on considerable cold
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usual quantity; but the weather
has moderated, consequently sales
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From now on these splendid heat-
ing stoves will be sold at a reduc-
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OLEOMARGARINE BILL IS PASSED

Tax Increased on Colored, De-
creased on Uncolored.

PROTECTS DAIRY INTERESTS

Senator Teller Introduced Amendment to Hay-
Pauncetote Treaty in Order to Per-
mit Fortifications at the
Nicaragua Canal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The house
today passed the Groat oleomargarine
bill by a vote of 196 to 92. The sub-
stitute offered by a minority of the
committee on agriculture, which im-
posed additional restrictions on the sale
of oleomargarine to prevent its frau-
dulent sale as butter and increased the
penalties for violations, was defeated by
a vote of 113 to 178.

The bill as passed makes all articles
known as oleomargarine, butterine,
imitation butter or imitation cheese,
transported into any state or territory
for consumption or sale, subject to the
police power of such state or territory
but prevents any state or territory from
forbidding the transportation or sale
of such product when produced or sold
free from coloration in imitation of but-
ter.

The bill increases the tax on oleomar-
garine colored in imitation of butter
from two to ten cents per pound and
decreases the tax on oleomargarine un-
colored from two to a quarter of a
cent per pound.

Mr. Henry (Conn.), who is in charge
of the measure, opened the debate in
its support. He explained the features
of the bill. The increase of the tax
on colored imitation butter, he said,
the majority of the committee on ag-
riculture believed was absolutely neces-
sary to protect the dairy interests of
the country. He produced figures to
show that the cost of manufacturing
oleomargarine, including the payment
of the present internal revenue tax of
two cents, was not more than ten cents
a pound.

Mr. Wadsworth (N. Y.), chairman of
the committee on agriculture, who with
six other members of the committee
signed the minority report against the
Groat bill, explained the substitute
which the minority would offer for it.
Mr. Wadsworth asserted with the
greatest emphasis that the minority
were just as earnest in their desire to
prevent the fraud now practiced in the
sale of imitation butter as the ma-
jority could be. The only difference
was that the minority recognized the
value of oleomargarine as a wholesome
and nutritious article of food and en-
titled to a place as a food product. He
charged that the purpose of the pro-
ponents of the Groat bill was to destroy
the manufacture of oleomargarine, not
to regulate its sale.

Mr. Groat (Vt.), the author of the
bill, at this point assumed charge of
the measure and spoke in support of
it. He declared that the purpose of
the bill was to suppress fraud in the
sale of a food product by preventing
the coloring of oleomargarine in imi-
tation of butter. He did not think that
the enactment of the substitute would
prevent fraud in the sale of oleomar-
garine.

HAY-PAUNCETOTE TREATY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The develop-
ment in the senate in executive ses-
sion today in connection with the Hay-
Pauncetote treaty was an agreement on
the part of the senate to vote on the
amendment offered by committee on for-
eign relations, providing for the policing
of the canal, on next Thursday at 3
o'clock, and an amendment offered by
Senator Teller striking out the treaty
prohibition against fortification of the
Nicaragua canal when constructed.

Senator Lodge did not ask to have
the date fixed for the vote on the trea-
ty itself, believing that the fate of the
measure will be determined by the re-
sult of the vote on the amendment.

PHEASANT MADE NO TROUBLE.

British Gunboat Sent to Panama Has
Left That Port.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 7.—The

British steamer Louisiana, from Colon,
today reports that the British gun-
boat Pheasant arrived at Panama re-
cently and left that port without any
important incident. The Pheasant was
sent to investigate the seizure of the
British steamer Taboga by the Colum-
bian authorities. It is believed the Ta-
boga matter will be settled by the pay-
ment of an indemnity to the Pacific
Navigation Company, owners of the
vessel.

Fighting is proceeding at Buena Ven-
tura. The Colombian government has
not succeeded in dislodging the rebels
at that port, who still hold strong po-
sitions.

DOES THIS MEAN WAR?

American Men-of-War Receive Hurry
Orders to Proceed to South
America.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 7.—Admiral
Kautz received orders this afternoon to
sail without delay to South America
and in accordance with these instruc-
tions preparations are now being hur-
riedly made for both the Iowa and the
Philadelphia to leave this port tomor-
row.

The cause for this hurry order is not
made public.

CONSERVATIVES SNOWED UNDER.

Have Seven Members Out of Seventy-
Four in Provincial Legislature
of Quebec.

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—The provincial
elections took place today and as a
result the Conservatives will have just
seven members in a house of 74, as they
were successful in but seven of the
thirty-eight counties where there were
contests.

AMERICAN TROOPS COMMANDED.

Li Hung Chang Informs General Chaf-
fee That the Chinese Are Much
Pleased at Their Conduct.

PEKIN, Dec. 7.—Li Hung Chang has
informed General Chaffee that he and
all the people of the province of Chi
Li are extremely pleased and gratified
at the behavior of the American troops
toward the Chinese. This is considered
no little matter.

HOME PORT SAN FRANCISCO.

British Ships Drumblerton, Drumblert
and Drumrock Bought by West-
ern Commercial Co.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—The British
ships Drumblerton, Drumblert and
Drumrock and the American bark Guy
C. Goss have been purchased by the
Western Commercial Company and
their home port will in future be San
Francisco.

WAR SCARE A FAKE.

No Trouble Between Holland and Por-
tugal.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—There has been no
dramatic rupture between Holland
and Portugal, says the correspondent
of the Standard at The Hague, and
the ministers will return to the respec-
tive courts to which they are assigned,
in a few days.

DEMAND ON GUATEMALA.

American Engineer Must Be Released
at Once.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The state
department has instructed Minister
Hunter at Guatemala City to demand
the release of Mr. May, an American
engineer who was arrested while about
to leave Guatemala.

CZAR ATTENDS TO BUSINESS.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Emperor Nicholas,
according to the St. Petersburg cor-
respondent of the Times, is again at-
tending to state business.

DENNY VICTORIOUS.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 7.—Martin Den-
ny was given the decision tonight in the
20-round fight with Jimmy Riley at
the Exposition building.

GOES TO SALT LAKE.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 7.—W. E. Coman,
general agent of the Oregon Short Line
at Portland, Oregon, was today ap-
pointed general agent of the company
at Salt Lake.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT BOERS PROMISED

Lord Chamberlain Takes Every-
body by Surprise.

BOERS MAY HAVE REPUBLIC

Preparations Being Made to Carry Out Re-
concentrated Policy—Trouble Feared
at Cape Town—No Hope
of Arbitration.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Mr. Chamberlain
still fills the political stage. His un-
expected but adroit announcement in
the house of commons yesterday that
civil government would be given to
the two Boer republics, coupled with
his promise to limit farm burning and
other severe military measures as far
as possible, has taken the bottom out
of the chief amendment of the oppo-
sition to be adopted.

This new phase, combined with the
failure of Kruger's mission and the
fact that the Worcester Dutch congress
passed off without trouble will "ur-
suade the public that the South Afri-
can situation is less menacing than has
been recently supposed and will help
to accomplish the main object of the
government—the securing of the con-
sent of parliament to necessary finan-
cial measures.

Mr. Chamberlain went on to say that
he hoped that the civil government as
outlined would be inaugurated in Feb-
ruary. Municipalities would be cre-
ated as soon as possible, notably at
Pretoria, Bloemfontein and Johannes-
burg, with all municipal privileges.
Africans would be employed as of-
ficials as far as possible and every
man, Boer or Briton, would have equal
laws and equal liberties.

Timothy Healy, Nationalist, op-
posed the Boers against accepting "British
shams." He said it was a question
whether it was better to be a dead
Boer or a British subject, but he de-
clared that he did not believe the con-
duct of the British soldiers in South
Africa had been as black as that of
the Americans in the Philippines.

BIDS FOR MEN-OF-WAR.

Prices of Pacific Coast Firms Were
High but They May Secure
Contracts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Never since
the birth of the new navy has there
been such a gathering of shipbuilders
and metal kings as were assembled in
the office of the secretary of the navy
today to witness the opening of the
bids for an amount of naval construc-
tion which Secretary Long demonstrated
as the greatest industrial event
this or any other country had ever
seen, involving the placing of contracts
for about \$50,000,000.

The bidders from the Pacific coast
were the Union Iron Works and the
Riadon Iron Works of San Francisco,
and Moran Bros. of Seattle. Their bids
were somewhat higher than the East-
ern firms', but the differential allowed
to Pacific coast firms on account of
freight charges may enable them to
secure one or more contracts for bat-
tleships or cruisers.

Acts of congress limit the cost of
cruisers to \$2,000,000 each, and of bat-
tleships to \$4,500,000 for sheathed and
\$4,000,000 for unsheathed.

BULL FIGHT PROHIBITED.

Acting Governor of Arizona Deprives
Carnival of Its Star At-
traction.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 7.—Acting
Governor Akers this evening issued an
order prohibiting the Spanish bull fight
scheduled to occur next Monday, the
opening day of the Phoenix cowboy and
Indian carnival.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—Wheat, Walla
Walla, 54½¢; bluestem, 57¢.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Wheat,

May, 104½¢; cash, 97½¢.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Wheat, May,

opening, 73½¢; 74¢; closing, 73½¢, 74¢.

... ASK FOR ...

"Charles Carroll" - 10c

"General Good" - 5c

*** CIGARS ***

TWO UNEQUALED SMOKES

ALLEN & LEWIS,

Distributors, Portland, Oregon

JESSIE MORRISON ON WITNESS STAND

She Proved an Unexpectedly
Strong Witness.

SHE SLEW IN SELF DEFENSE

Mrs. Castle Began Slashing Her With a
Razor and Miss Morrison Attacked
Her Antagonist to Save Her
Own Life.

ELDORADO, Kas., Dec. 7.—Jessie
Morrison today took the stand in her
own defense and in a quiet determined
manner told minutely of her relations
with Olin Castle before his marriage.
She proved an unexpectedly strong
witness.

She related her story without hesi-
tating. She denied most of the damag-
ing testimony adduced by the prosecu-
tion. She flatly denied many of the
statements made on the stand by Olin
Castle and declared that he had tried
to make Mrs. Castle jealous and that
Mrs. Castle had flouted her husband's
act in her face.

On the day of the tragedy she de-
clared Mrs. Castle had called her into
her house as she was passing, had ac-
cused Miss Morrison of trying to sepa-
rate her and Castle and when she de-
clared it called her a liar. Mrs. Castle
began the fight, slashing her with a
razor again and again and compelling
the defendant to attack her antagonist
in self defense.

In all her testimony Miss Morrison
was direct and positive. Not once did
she flinch and only once during the
cross examination did she shed a tear.
The state did not succeed in making
her contradict any of the telling points
in her testimony.

RUSH TO CALIFORNIA.

Heavy Passenger Traffic Has Forced
Roads to Put on Extra Trains.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—According to
western railway officials, the flow of
travel from Chicago and the East to-
ward California winter resorts is now
breaking all records. So heavy has
the traffic become that nearly all the
roads have been compelled not only
to put on extra coaches to regulate
westbound trains but in some instances
to run additional trains to accommo-
date the heavy traffic. Berth accom-
modations for California points have
been engaged as far ahead as Febru-
ary.

TRAGIC DEATH.

Vice-President Hayden of New York
Central R. R. Fell From Fourth-
Story Window.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Henry J. Hay-
den, vice-president of the New York
Central and Hudson River railroad,
jumped or fell from the fourth-story
window of his residence tonight and
was killed.

The deceased was a sufferer from
nervous attacks and heart trouble.
Hayden was a director in many railroad
companies. He was subject to attacks
of shortness of breath and it is sup-
posed that he had been seized with
one of these attacks and had opened
the window to get fresh air.

FAILURES FOR THE WEEK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Dun's Review
tomorrow will say:
The failures for the week were 287
in the United States against 221 last
year and 25 in Canada against 35 last
year.