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The back aches because the kidneys are blockaded. Help the kidneys with their work. The back will ache no more. Lots of proof that Doan's Kidney Pills do this. It's the best proof, for it comes from Oregon.

T. W. Shankland, who is a street car conductor on the Woodstock street car line, residing at 710 Ellsworth St., Portland, says: "Some time last fall I began having considerable trouble and annoyance from a dull aching pain in the back over the kidneys. I think it was caused from the constant shaking and jarring of the car. I thought at first it would disappear quickly as it came, but this was not the case. Learning of Doan's Kidney Pills I procured a box and took them according to directions. The backache grew less and less and soon disappeared and as far as I can tell it has

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Kansas City-St. Louis
Special 11:10 a.m. 6:45 p.m.
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Take Puget Sound Limited or North Coast Limited for Gray's Harbor points
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Double daily train service on Gray's Harbor branch.
Four trains daily between Portland, Tacoma and Seattle.

PATRICK MAY BE SET FREE

Important Papers Depended Upon to Fight Appeal Have Been Stolen From Attorney.

SEARCH FAILS TO FIND THEM

Without Documents Prosecution is Helpless, and the Alleged Murderer of Millionaire Rice Will Escape Electric Chair.

New York, Jan. 12.—All the important papers in the case of Albert T. Patrick, under sentence of death for the murder of the aged Texas millionaire, William Marsh Rice, are reported to have been lost from the district attorney's office. Without them it may be impossible to fight the appeal now pending, and the most intricate case on the court records for a century may result in the freeing of the prisoner after his having spent two years in the death house.

The papers reported to be missing include the famous Rice will of 1893, and all the exhibits collected by District Attorney Jerome with which to fight the appeal of Patrick's lawyers. Every legal means of saving Patrick from the electric chair has been used by his attorneys and the appeal now pending is final. Officials in the district attorney's office know that the documents are still in existence and believe that they can recover them. How strong this hope is based will probably be shown within a few days.

It is understood that the grand jury has called before it two men who are known to spend much of their time around the criminal courts building. One of these witnesses, upon being questioned closely regarding the missing papers, is said to have related that as he was walking along Centre street several days ago he kicked out of the slush a package of papers. He saw that they were exhibits in the Patrick case and that the Rice will of 1893 was among them. He declares that he took them to a lawyer living in Harlem whom he knew. This lawyer has thus far refused to discuss the matter.

Meanwhile, the loss had been discovered and the staff of the district attorney's office were searching for the documents. Finally the matter was laid before the grand jury.

Exorbitant Rates Charged.

New York, Jan. 12.—Of the 400 pool rooms which have been doing business recently in this city and its suburbs it is said that 300 will be forced to close their doors unless the telegraph company which controls the distribution of returns from the race tracks is persuaded to modify the scale of prices just announced. Although the proprietors of the rooms have generally stalled off the police and repeatedly routed private detectives employed to harass them, they admit they are powerless to meet the present crisis. The notice they received from the telegraph company says:

"Beginning next Thursday our service will be charged for at the rate of \$25 for each set of races for each room using the service. We have this day appointed 10 inspectors and they must have ready access to all rooms at any hour of the day. "Every room with telegraph or tele-

phone connections must make a report to the telegraph company stating how many rooms they are serving and for each connecting room full tolls will be charged.

"Our inspectors must have the privilege of tracing and inspecting all the wires and any failure to comply with their demands will result in causing service to be cut off without notice. Reports must be made at this office before Thursday morning."

It is said the price heretofore was \$17 a day for each room. By syndicating and using telephones many of the rooms were supplied at nominal cost.

The poolroom keepers are cast down to say the least. They admit there is no way to circumvent the new order of things. It simply means that many will be compelled to quit.

BROTHER OF ECENTRIC WOMAN

Though Eighty Years of Age She Loved a Youth.

New York, Jan. 12.—John L. Livingston, whose death has just been announced here, was a member of a prominent New York family, says a Paris dispatch to the American. Exactly three years ago his sister Maria died in a hospital at Neuilly and he had been in the French capital during two years past endeavoring on the part of himself and two brothers, to secure possession of her estate.

The sister was a mystery to Parisians for 20 years prior to her death. She dressed fantastically and was possessed of many eccentricities. She continually called at the consulate of the legation at Paris with complaints about her neighbors and there met and fell in love with a clerk at the consulate. On one visit she drew \$40,000 from her pocket and offered it to him as an indication of her regard. Later she sat for hours outside the consulate for a glimpse of the clerk, although she was then 80 years old.

MURDER FOR INSURANCE

Brother-in-Law of Dead Man Arrested for Brutal Crime and Policies Are Found.

WIFE HAD DIED SUDDENLY

Two Deaths Laid at the Door of Leon Soder, San Franciscan—Deliberately Planned Commission of Deeds of Blood.

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—Leon Soder, a brother-in-law of Joseph Blaiz the young German whose lifeless body was found at the base of a high cliff in this city, has been arrested upon suspicion of having committed the murder. At present the evidence against Soder is circumstantial but it has ascertained that within a month he had induced Blaiz to take out two insurance policies on his life. One was for \$5000 with Mrs. Blaiz as beneficiary and another for \$3000 accident insurance, which names Soder as beneficiary.

When Soder was arrested and searched at the city prison these policies on the life of Blaiz were found in his pocket. It is now recalled that the prisoner's wife on whose life he collected insurance, died at Petaluma, Cal., under strange circumstances and the detectives here are now positive in their assertions that they have the murderer of Blaiz. Blaiz, who was a hotel keeper in Germany, with a wife and three children, was induced by Soder to come to America and it is the theory of the police that he planned the crime that has been executed in this city while he was visiting the German hamlet some months ago.

Students Go Out on Strike.

London, Jan. 12.—The Times learns

that 60 students have been imprisoned in Warsaw and that 350 students have been handed over to the professional court by the administrative authorities. Rumors are current, the Times says, that a general strike of students in all the universities will take place in February.

FIGHT BREAKS UP MEETING.

Police Interfere at Gathering of Union Men.

New York, Jan. 12.—A meeting attended by 200 members of the House-smiths union No. 1 has been broken up by the police. When a captain and 18 men broke into the hall, they found a free fight in progress. One delegate was about to tell the secretary with a blackjack when the captain seized him. The delegates were all driven into the streets and prevented from returning to the hall. They had assembled to elect officers and one of them said the fight started as a result of a "misunderstanding." The union is one that was founded as a rival of that once dominated by Sam Parks.

COLD COMFORT FROM DOCTORS.

Doctors say neuralgia is not dangerous. This is poor consolation to a sufferer who feels as if his face were pierced with hot needles and torn with a thousand pairs of pliers. A word of advice to him; stay indoors and use Perry Davis' Painkiller. The blessed freedom from pain which follows this treatment cannot be told. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned doing business under the firm name of Kinkella & Company, proprietors of the New Style restaurant, have this day, by mutual consent, dissolved partnership, John Kinkella continuing in the business. All outstanding accounts will be collected by the new firm, who will pay all obligations.

JOHN BARAGO,
John Kinkella,

Astoria, Oregon, Jan. 11, 1904.

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