

WILL TAKE A HAND

Jerome Wants Report of Arms-
strong Committee.

WIDOW GETS COMMISSION

Counsel of Thomas F. Ryan Confers
With Attorney Hughes, of the Com-
mittee, After Which It Is Announced
that Head of Equitable Will Testify.

New York, Dec. 7.—Attention is now directed to the probability of criminal action, growing out of the investigation of the life insurance methods, by a visit paid by District Attorney Jerome to the legislative committee today. Jerome said he wanted to find out when he could get possession of the copy of the report of the committee. Chairman Armstrong has already said he hopes to have it ready for the Legislature when it meets next January.

Counsel for Thomas F. Ryan, who brought of James H. Hyde, his stock in the Equitable Life, conferred with Chas. E. Hughes, counsel for the investigation committee, today, and said afterward that Ryan was holding himself in readiness to testify before the committee.

Money for President's Widow.

One of the points brought out by Hughes today was the fact that the Mutual Reserve has paid \$134,000 to the widow of Edward B. Harper, former president of the company, since Harper's death in 1895. The money was derived from the commissions which Harper drew on all business written by the company. His widow, who has since re-married, continues to receive the commissions.

The affairs of the Security Mutual Life Insurance Company were again under investigation today.

One of the interesting developments was the statement of President Turner, that he employed a few years ago, D. H. Keefe, one of the clerks of the office of the Superintendent of Insurance, as consulting actuary of the Security Mutual at \$1000 a year. For all Turner knew, the arrangement was still in force.

NO INTENTION OF QUITTING

President McCall Says the Policy Hold-
ers Are for Him.

New York, Dec. 7.—Reports that President John A. McCall of the New York Life would soon follow the example set by George W. Perkins, in determining to leave that company at an early date, crystallized yesterday in a story to the effect that Mr. McCall would certainly resign before the next annual meeting in April, and might place his resignation in the hands of the trustees before their meeting next Wednesday. Mr. McCall himself said last night that he had no intention of resigning.

"I believe that the policy holders are for me," he declared. "Nobody has asked me to resign, and I don't expect to be asked to resign, nor do I expect to resign. The resignation of Mr. Perkins was suggested by Mr. Morgan, to whom the question of Mr. Perkins holding his dual position was referred when Mr. Perkins entered the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. It is solely Mr. Morgan's suggestion that Mr. Perkins is retiring from the New York Life."

Mr. McCall complained that the newspapers had treated his testimony before the Armstrong committee unfairly.

PRESIDENT IS ANGRY

Wants to Know Who Introduced Jap
Exclusion Bill.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—A special dispatch from Washington says: Several Californians called on the President this morning, and among them one or two members of the Congressional delegation. The president was in a temper over the introduction of the Japanese exclusion bill. One of the Californians told this story of what occurred:

"What on earth did you Californians mean by introducing such a bill?" burst out the President as he greeted them. "Don't you know such a thing is preposterous? Why our great trade openings in the Orient, and our peculiar relations with those countries, and with our solemn treaty with Japan, which is the supreme law of the land? Do you suppose I would approve a bill that would be an affront to Japan? Why, I would veto it if it were passed unanimously."

"This bill represents the sentiment of a large part of the population on the Pacific coast," replied a Californian. "It is introduced by the California

delegation composed of Republicans. We understand that a committee is coming here with the intention of having a similar bill introduced by a Democrat, who will try to make it appear that the regular delegation is dilatory or opposed to the anti-Japanese sentiment in California."

"Who are these people?" asked the President.

"Well, the committee is headed by E. J. Livernash, and the other members are Andrew Furuseth, O. A. Tvietsmo and Walter MacArthur."

"Send them to me! Send them to me!" exploded the President, pounding the desk with his fist. "I'll veto the bill and deport Livernash!"

FOR THE NEGRO.

New Auxiliary May Be Formed by
Episcopal Church.

New York, Dec. 7.—As an outcome of a suggestion made by Bishop Coadjutor Greer in the course of an address on the responsibility of the church to the negro, at the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions yesterday a new federation is likely to be formed among the Episcopal schools for the colored race in the South, to be known as the American Church Institute for Negroes. The three schools included by Bishop Greer in this putative scheme are the Bishop Payne Divinity school, Petersburg, Va.; St. Paul's Normal and Industrial school, Lawrenceville, Va.; and St. Augustine's Normal and Industrial school, Raleigh, N. C.

"We have three schools," said Bishop Greer, "representing the normal, industrial and the theological training of the negro, but this splendid work should be presented as a unity to the attention of the Episcopal church. There is a Hampton Institute, a Tuskegee Institute; why should there not be a church institute for the negro?"

The session was held at St. Michael's church. About 40 women attended.

"The time is not far distant when the work of the foreign mission will be over in Japan and the day will dawn when the native church can care for the country," was the prophecy of Rev. H. St. George Tucker, president of St. Paul's College, Tokio. "Already we are laying plans for the creation of the first native Episcopalian diocese in Japan."

Mrs. James L. Truslow, diocesan treasurer of the united offering, said that if 10,000 women in New York would give one cent a day, New York's contribution to the next united offering would be \$109,999. Miss Sorabji and Dr. Arthur S. Lloyd, general secretary of the Board of Missions, brought the addresses to a close with speeches in behalf of home and foreign mission work.

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My Doctor.

My doctor is a merry soul.
He has such funny ways.
I think of little things he does
And laugh for days and days.

He takes a slender, pointed stick,
Then tells me, "Never fear!"
And pokes some cotton up my nose
And pulls it out my ear,
Then stands me near the eight day
clock
To see if I can hear.

My tongue he seizes with tongs
And sits upon my jaw,
Then jabs the handle of a spoon
Into my waiting maw,
Or takes my tonsils in his fist
And sweetly says, "Say aw!"

Attacks of blues I take to him;
They turn to black and blues.
Thermometers I fain must chew
Even though I may not choose.
He gives me dope so active that
It filters out my shoes.

Within one tearful, trusting eye
A crowbar he inserts,
And swiftly in the other one
Tabasco sauce he squirts.
The while he says in tender tones,
"Please tell me when it hurts."

If I admit in bashful tones
A certain sort of ill,
It's marvelous what he can do
With one wee little pill.
I swallowed one three weeks ago—
The thing is busy still.

I dream he kneels upon my chest
When I am sleeping nights.
He turns my liver inside out
And then blows out my lights.
It thus becomes too dark to see
The other ghastly sights.

My doctor is a fearful man.
I thank my lucky stars
That I am still alive to go
And smoke his good cigars.

Explain, Please!

Mrs. McShosh—Do you mean to tell
me, sir, that you were sober when you
came home last night?

Mr. McShosh—Absolutely, my dear.

Mrs. McShosh—Then will you explain
why you filled the refrigerator with
coal and put six shovelfuls of ice in the
furnace?—Cincinnati Leader.

An Opinion.

"What is your opinion of criticism?"
"Criticism," replied the irritated art-
ist, "is an institution which enables
people not clever themselves to make
others apologize for being so."—Wash-
ington Star.

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