

# YOUTHFUL MILLIONAIRES PURCHASING ENTIRE TOWN ON LONG ISLAND SOUND

## FINEST LANDED ESTATE

Happy Young Bride and Groom Doing Strange Things.

Payne-Whitneys Are Preparing an Abode Such as America Has Never Beheld.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—It is not often that a young couple recently wedded can afford to purchase an entire town for the purpose of making a home that shall be exactly to their liking and where nothing can intrude that is not congenial to their tastes.

Yet this is what is being done by young Payne Whitney and his bride of a few months. The groom, who is a son-in-law of Secretary of State John Hay, is doing things in a way that has set the simple folk of Long Island to jabbering in wonder. He and his bride are doing no less than purchasing an entire town. In order to go to house-keeping in a style in accordance with their tastes and great wealth, the young people have made arrangements to buy up the entire village of Manhasset. Butcher stores, grocery stores, main streets and sawmills, as well as land property, are being paid for at fabulous prices.

The intention of the young couple is to convert the property into a vast estate, probably the finest on the American continent.



### FROM WINTER TO SUMMER

An Idaho Man is Enroute to Santa Barbara.

### SQUELCHED



CONGRESSMAN LITTLEFIELD.

Littlefield Fails to Amend Elkins Trust Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—There is comfort in the so-called anti-trust legislation that has passed Congress for Representative Littlefield. The latter, in addition to introducing a bill that was favored by Democrats, attempted to secure an amendment to the Elkins bill which passed the House Friday last.

Littlefield was squelched and prevented from making a speech by a drastic rule in the form of a special order which cut off any opportunity to amend the bill.

Littlefield's anti-trust bill was considered by the judiciary committee of the Senate today. It will probably be amended in committee.

### EAST AGAIN HAS BLIZZARD

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The blizzard continues. Street traffic is blocked and all wire communication is seriously interfered with. In some directions it is cut off entirely.

COLUMBUS, Ky., Feb. 16.—All communication with the outside world is practically cut off, the street breaking the wires. Trains are running slowly and many are abandoned, as even the rail-way wires are down.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Feb. 16.—The heaviest snow in years is sweeping Kentucky. Much suffering and loss is apprehended.

ALEXANDRIA, Ind., Feb. 16.—The roof of the Republic Iron & Steel Mill collapsed early this morning with the weight of snow. Heavy damage was caused and 400 men thrown out of work.

### TRAIN DASHES INTO A SLEIGH

SALT LAKE, Feb. 16.—A sleigh containing ten men and women was struck by a Rio Grande train at Eighth and South streets this morning.

Miss Pearl Quinlan, 17 years old, was killed outright. The following were injured:

H. Fuller, cut head and body; William Bailey, internally; Lizzie Stoker, cut and bruised; Miss Palmer, bruised; William Randall, cut and bruised; Miss Addie Halgner, internally; E. L. Huber, cut; A. Holmes, driver of sleigh, fatally hurt.

The train struck the sleigh in the center, just as it was crossing the tracks. The occupants were thrown in every direction in the slush and snow. Women fainted and men shrieked. The driver could not see the train until too late and the engineer could not stop the train in time.

### STOPS TIMBER STEAL

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ure. If the timely publication of the true inwardness of House Bill No. 197 shall have the effect of causing senators to vote against the measure in sufficient numbers to kill it, as it should be killed, this paper will be well satisfied, although somewhat surprised.

### An Old Scheme.

It was in 1901 that the timber lords first attempted to saddle the lumber interests of the State with a private tax for their own benefit. The bill, introduced by Muller, became a law. Under its operation the timber pirates prepared to corner the timber supply of the State's lumber, but fortunately for justice, the Supreme Court of the State, which could not be tampered with, knocked out the measure on the ground that the body of the bill did not harmonize with its heading.

Since then a conspiracy has been formed to put through some such law. With the same effect as that aimed at in the first bill. And the scheme has found fruition in the present session of the Legislature in House Bill No. 197.

The present bill contains no provision that would prevent the collection of half a dozen or more tolls on each river. The reading of the proposed amendment, while ostensibly protecting prior rights and appropriations of water, does in fact not protect them.

The requirement that the owner of the prior right shall be required to maintain the necessary improvements and furnish sufficient water for the floating of logs absolutely kills the purpose of the amendment.

It puts the owner of the prior right to the expense of making improvements for the benefit of the loggers.

He is required to furnish sufficient water for the running of logs. This would take away from the private owner in many cases all of his water, or at least sufficient so that his operations would be severely crippled. It would put nearly every mining company in the State out of business.

### Elastic Charges.

The maximum charge is fixed at 75 cents per 1,000 feet. Also additional rates of toll for booming, etc., to which there is no limit.

Under the bill the franchise owner can charge 75 cents for the use of the river, and:

1. For booming logs.
2. For driving logs.
3. For separating logs.
4. For rafting and delivering, making five distinct charges.

For the last four, booming, driving, separating and rafting, he can fix his own arbitrary rates, over which there will be absolutely no supervision.

Nothing in House Bill 197 prevents an individual firm or corporation now operating on any stream in this State from acquiring rights along the length of a stream under a hundred different names. Each would be entitled to 75 cents per 1,000, plus extras for driving, and other charges.

The bill actually permits a part of a river to be filed on, and as many parts can be filed on separately as the speculator sees fit.

There is no provision made in the bill which compels the owner of a charter to establish improvements to enable logs to be freely transported at any or all times during the year. If the stream is made navigable for one day in the year, say at high water, the requirements of the law will be fulfilled. This is the feature cunningly devised, which gives to speculators the opportunity to tie up the streams of the State.

Bill Passed Back. SALT LAKE, Feb. 16.—The committee on commerce and navigation refused this afternoon to receive the logging bill when it was re-referred by the Senate, and the matter went to the municipal corporation committee.

McGinn, chairman of this committee, is opposed to the bill.

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An old motor from Indianapolis is grinding wheat on Mt. Lebanon.

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| ASSETS.                                                                                                            |                  | INCOME.                                                                       |                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Bonds and Mortgages.....                                                                                           | \$70,006,274.15  | Premium Receipts.....                                                         | \$53,932,423.44    |
| Real Estate in New York, including the Equitable Building.....                                                     | 21,754,047.44    | Interest, Rents, etc.....                                                     | 15,074,588.81      |
| United States, State, City and Railroad Bonds and other investments (market value over cost, \$18,073,302.00)..... | 186,363,110.00   | Income.....                                                                   | \$69,007,012.25    |
| Loans secured by Bonds and Stocks (market value, \$21,392,814.00).....                                             | 17,621,000.00    | DISBURSEMENTS.                                                                |                    |
| Policy Loans.....                                                                                                  | 14,108,674.51    | Death Claims.....                                                             | \$15,281,961.73    |
| Real estate outside of New York, including 12 office buildings.....                                                | 15,439,521.31    | Endowments and deferred dividend policies.....                                | 6,537,545.99       |
| Cash in Banks and Trust Companies at Interest.....                                                                 | 25,852,441.30    | Annuities.....                                                                | 768,095.09         |
| Balance due from agents.....                                                                                       | 978,252.97       | Surrender Values.....                                                         | 2,125,723.83       |
| Interest and Rents. (Due \$225,308.07. Accrued \$142,102.07).....                                                  | 366,501.04       | Dividends to Policyholders.....                                               | 4,477,924.15       |
| Premiums due and in process of collection.....                                                                     | 4,527,992.00     | Paid Policyholders.....                                                       | \$30,191,250.79    |
| Deferred Premiums.....                                                                                             | 2,376,723.00     | Commissions, advertising, postage and exchange.....                           | 6,814,540.09       |
| Total Assets.....                                                                                                  | \$350,395,537.72 | All other disbursements.....                                                  | 5,898,104.57       |
|                                                                                                                    |                  | Sinking Fund. (Reduction of book values of Bonds purchased at a premium)..... | 344,206.00         |
|                                                                                                                    |                  | Disbursements.....                                                            | \$42,248,101.45    |
| LIABILITIES.                                                                                                       |                  | ASSURANCE.                                                                    |                    |
| Assurance Fund (or Reserve).....                                                                                   | 279,450,753.00   | Instalment policies stated at their commuted values.....                      |                    |
| All other Liabilities.....                                                                                         | 4,817,287.95     | Out-standing Assurance.....                                                   | \$1,292,446,595.00 |
| Total Liabilities.....                                                                                             | \$284,268,040.95 | New Assurance.....                                                            | \$281,249,944.00   |
| Surplus.....                                                                                                       | \$75,127,496.77  |                                                                               |                    |

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. FRANCIS W. JACKSON, Auditor. H. R. COURSEN, Assistant Auditor. A. W. MAINE, Associate Auditor. Special Committee of the Board of Directors.

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## WANTED TO BE A WANDERER

Merrill West Gone Again. Other News of Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 16.—For the second time in a month Merrill West, the old son of Conductor Charles West of the O. W. & Ry. Co., has left home to take up the life of a tramp. He left Friday evening and is known to have gone to Portland and headed toward the East. He went alone this time. Before he started with two other small boys, but a sound thrashing taught each of his comrades that home was the proper place for them.

After leaving Milwaukee several weeks ago, Merrill worked his way as far south as Roseburg, riding on the front of the blind baggage all of one of the coldest nights we have yet had. Near that city he was taken notice of by a tramp, who was also headed south. After a talk the tramp persuaded the little fellow to return north on a trip into Washington.

On the way up, while riding in a box car filled with about 20 boys, the boy nearly froze to death for want of any bed clothing. When Milwaukee was reached the next evening the boy pointed out a house and said it was his home. After dark the pair entered a barn and the little boy was soon fast asleep in the hay. The tramp then went to Mr. West and took him to the barn and Merrill was taken home. The hobo then resumed his journey to California.

Why the little fellow should run away is hard to explain, as he had a splendid home, attended school and did not have to work. He is rather small for his age, has blue eyes, light hair and is not healthy looking. Although Friday was a cold night, he carried no bundle or clothing other than that which he wore.

New W. O. Lodge. After the regular meeting of the W. O. W. Lodge held Friday night, a new organization, to be known as the Degree Camp, was started. About 30 members assisted in temporary organization. Temporary officers were elected, who will serve until next Friday night, when permanent organization will take place. At that time it is expected by those having the new camp in charge that all members will be present to join. The Degree Camp is an auxiliary to the W. O. W., having for its purpose a sick benefit. Each member is taxed so much, and a permanent sum not less than \$300 is kept on hand for the payment of bills incurred by members through sickness. In Portland this auxiliary lodge costs about \$9 per year for each member.

Minor Matters. Fire was discovered in the shack owned by Tom, the Chinaman, yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The Fire Department was called out, but their services were not needed, as the blaze was extinguished before much damage had been done.

Nightwatchman Shaw was notified last night to watch the trains coming from the South for three runaway Indian boys who escaped from Chemawa last evening.

### TIDES LEAVE OLD VENICE.

(Journal Special Service.) VENICE, Feb. 16.—For two days a most remarkable occurrence in connection with tides has created amazement and great inconvenience.

The waters have ebbed seaward so rapidly and in such volume that they have left all canals, including the Grand Canal, almost dry. Steamers and gondolas are stuck in the mud until the return of the tide. The foundations of the palaces and houses are exposed.

The steamer Ruth, of the California & Oregon Coast Steamship Company, is en route from San Francisco with a general cargo. She is expected to arrive tomorrow.

The Ephraim will finish loading her grain cargo today.

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### FATAL EXPLOSION.

POSTORIA, O., Feb. 16.—Eight were killed in an explosion at the Fox Magazine Case Company this afternoon. Six have been identified, though all are charred and crisped. Three men escaped with their clothing burned off. All are seriously burned. Four of the dead are women. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

### HE WANTS TO KNOW.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—The committee on Cuban affairs favorably reported the Senate substitute for the Caraman resolution. It requests the President to inform Congress of the status of the Isle of Pines, what government exercises authority there, and what protection is being given to Americans having interests there.

### AMES WILL FIGHT.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 16.—Sheriff Deiger has filed with regulation papers for ex-Mayor Ames of Minneapolis. Ames is under surveillance. The hearing before Governor Batchelder at Concord will occur tomorrow. Ames will fight extradition.

### BAER IS BETTER

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 16.—President Baer, of the Reading Coal Company, who has been ill with the grip since he made his speech before the Strike Commission, is better today.

### MORE TROUBLE.

(Journal Special Service.) SALT LAKE, Feb. 16.—Another chapter in the domestic troubles of former Senator Arthur Brown, recently arrested by his wife on a charge of adultery with Mrs. Annie Bradley, was opened today by the filing of a divorce suit by Brown against his wife. Sensational allegations include that she tried to poison him.

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