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THE LEADING HOUSE OF ASTORIA

## DRESS SUITS

Flannigan's Definition  
of Them.

N' phat's dress suits, anyway? The  
difference between a lady's and men's  
dress suit is in the way you look at it;  
they're both out de collect, which in plain  
Bacon means: cut low down from the  
top iv the collar bone to the middle iv the  
wath bone; but there is a difference.

A gentleman, when he wears a dress suit,  
he displays the bosom iv a white shirt;  
a lady, when she wears a dress suit,  
she displays the bosom iv no white shirt.

I wore a dress suit wanst, an' that was  
at O'Hoolihan's wake. The hostess inter-  
viewed me to Mr. O'Donovan, an' who  
is this Mr. O'Donovan, sez I; oh, he's a  
civil engineer, sez she; a civil engineer,  
sez I; the next thing I know, I'll meet a  
civil conductor, or a civil porter;  
they're all civil enough when ye don't hev  
any business with 'em.

Talking about dress suits, in course  
we hev 'em, but our strong pint is, solid,  
sensible business suits; we have the  
sack suit with round or square corners,  
three of four button cutaways—for that  
matter, they're all cut away in the  
price.

We also have small boy's suits, an'  
suits that'll fit larger boys and boys.

An' then we have hats with a little  
German bend an' French linings an' Turk-  
ish bath sweat bands.

An' then we have a hat machine that'll  
iron the wrinkles out iv yer hat, the  
morning after ye have shorn off.

An' then we have soft hats, Fedoras  
an' Lapadores; we have caps—night caps  
an' caps de climax (that's French).

An' then we have Xmas presents that's  
both useful and ornamental.

I'd like to write more about our goods  
an' our prices, an' about what happened  
to Jones, but I've ketch'd a cold in me  
head, so that I can't go ahead with me  
shitory, so long.

Throoley yours,  
FLANNIGAN.

In Care iv HERMAN WISE,  
The Reliable Clothier & Hatter,  
P. S.—Johnnie, the rain maker; sez it'll  
be a clear day on Xmas morning, if it  
don't rain betweon 12 o'clock Xmas eve  
an' 12 o'clock Xmas evening. I'll write on  
pants in me next effort.

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## THE PROOF

of the pudding is in the eating  
and the proof of liquors

## IS IN SAMPLING

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clusive—a demonstration.  
Ours will stand the test.

HUGHES & CO.

## COUNTRY'S NEW ARMY

Plan of Reorganization Sub-  
mitted to the House by  
Military Committee.

ARMY DENTISTS ADDED

Minority Report Will Recommend  
That Army Be Not Enlarged,  
Except Temporarily.

THE SANTIAGO EXPEDITION

Before the War Investigating Com-  
mission General Shafter Expresses  
Satisfaction With Its Operations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The House  
committee on military affairs completed  
consideration of the army reorganization  
bill today and ordered it reported to the  
house. The most important changes  
made today were those fixing 50 years as  
the age-limit for an appointment to the  
several staff corps and adding a new pro-  
vision for 100 army dentists, with the rank  
of first lieutenants.

A new section was inserted making  
the chief clerk and pension officer a  
brigadier general, with an assistant hav-  
ing the rank of lieutenant colonel. Signal  
corps appointments were opened to those  
from civil life as well as volunteers.

The minority gave notice of a minority  
report and substituted a bill, the main  
feature of which will be a standing army  
limited to that existing before the recent  
war, and authority to the president to  
enlist a large temporary force for service  
in outlying territory.

SHAFER IS SATISFIED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—General Shafer  
appeared unexpectedly before the  
war investigation commission this after-  
noon and told the story of the Santiago  
expedition. He was supported by his aide,  
Colonel Miles, and flanked by a large  
portmanteau of papers. Briefly summed  
up, his estimate of the Santiago expedi-  
tion was that it had been a military suc-  
cess, and cheap at a cost of 500 men lost.  
He considered the expedition as well fitted  
out as was permissible, and said he had  
no criticism of his plans to make, and  
would not change them if the events had  
to be gone through again.

The committee stated that General  
Miles today communicated to the com-  
mission an unwillingness to volunteer  
testimony. Messages were accordingly  
sent to the adjutant general directing him  
to request the appearance of Miles before  
the board.

JOHN SHERMAN GIVES  
AWAY CABINET SECRET.

Ex-Secretary Says Negotiations Were  
in Progress for the Purchase of Cuba  
When the War Broke Out.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—A special to the  
Tribune from Washington says:  
Former Secretary of State John Sher-  
man, in an interview tells an interesting  
cabinet secret which in the days before  
the war was frequently suspected, but  
never established. With considerable  
emotion the ex-secretary said:  
"I tried to prevent this foolish war  
with Spain. As a matter of fact negotia-  
tions were already in progress to pur-  
chase Cuba from Spain when the war  
feeling suddenly arose and swept every-  
thing before it. And Spain would have  
accepted the terms.

"This is a matter of secret history.  
And now what have we got to show for  
all this expense? Some islands in the  
Philippines for instance, which are worth  
about \$200,000 per annum income; in-  
creased indebtedness of \$200,000,000 and  
a lot of islands inhabited mainly by man-  
eaters. And the most distressing feature  
of the affair is that we are now about  
to be called upon to pay \$20,000,000 for  
territory that we could have taken with-  
out expending a dollar."

ASSIGNMENT OF WARSHIPS  
UNDER CONSIDERATION.

But Few Good Ships Available for the  
Squadron Which Is About to Be  
Sent to Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A special to the  
Herald from Washington says:  
Secretary Long, Acting Secretary A'len  
and Captain Crowninshield, chief of the  
bureau of navigation, have been giving  
a great deal of attention to the number  
and character of ships to be distributed  
among the North Atlantic, European  
and South Atlantic squadrons. It is de-  
sired to retain a strong force on the  
home station and to send a respectable

naval force to Europe, but the ships avail-  
able in view of the strengthening of Rear  
Admiral Dewey's command are very few.

The only armor clads under the com-  
mand of Rear Admiral Sampson are the  
battleships Indiana, Massachusetts and  
Texas and the cruisers Brooklyn and New  
York. Only four protected cruisers are  
in commission on the North Atlantic  
coast, the Chicago, Cincinnati, Newark  
and New Orleans.

The New Orleans will be placed out  
of commission to receive several improve-  
ments and the smokestack of the Newark  
is to be lengthened. The Cincinnati upon  
arrival at New York will also be placed  
out of commission. It is expected that  
the cruiser Atlanta will be commissioned  
next month. The Newark will likely be  
sent to the South Atlantic as the flag-  
ship of that station, and she will be re-  
inforced by the Wilmington and Castine.

Most of the gunboats which are being  
prepared for the navy yards will be re-  
quired for service in Cuba and Porto  
Rico waters, and those will be attached  
to the North Atlantic squadron.

SIX PEOPLE LOSE THEIR  
LIVES ON CHILKOOT PASS.

Buried by an Avalanche Which Occurred a  
Mile Beyond the Summit—Camping  
Party Partly by Ice.

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—The steamer AL-KI  
from Alaska, brings meager particulars  
of an avalanche on Chilkoot pass in which  
six people were killed. Five bodies have  
been recovered, as follows:

Mrs. Darling and two sons.  
Bert Jones.  
Bert Shaw.

The slide occurred December 9 at Crater  
Lake, a mile beyond the summit on the  
Lake Linderman side. Mrs. Darling's  
husband was at Lake Linderman and she  
had arranged to meet him with her sons.  
Shaw was a Skagway man. Bert Jones  
was from Juneau. The name of the sixth  
person has not been ascertained.

Contrary to the advice of old-timers the  
party set out with light outfits. It was  
storming hard when they crossed the  
summit, but they succeeded in reaching  
Crater lake, where the blizzard forced  
them to camp.

## BOTH SIDES DISCUSSED

Senator Teller Favors An-  
nexation; Congressman  
Williams Opposed to It.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Colorado Statesman Would Not  
Haul Down the Flag Where  
Once It Was Planted.

THE AGRICULTURAL BILL

Measure Passed and Carries Nearly  
Four Millions—Nicaraguan Canal  
Bill Occupies Senate's Time.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Senator Teller  
occupied the first half of today's session  
of the senate with a speech in advocacy  
of the bill that there are no restric-  
tions upon the right of the United States  
to expand its borders. He went thor-  
oughly into the legal points of the question  
and incidentally discussed the form of  
government for the Philippines, saying  
he would encourage self-government  
among the islanders and give them the  
most liberal government which they are  
capable of conducting, but he would not  
take down the American flag where it  
once had been planted.

The remainder of the session was  
given up to the Nicaraguan canal bill.  
Several private pension bills were dis-  
posed of, after which Elkin called up the

another woman in the case.

When Rollinger some time ago was a  
cook in a Randolph street restaurant, it  
is said, he became enamored of a wait-  
ress named Lena. This woman was  
afterwards, and until within a few days  
previous to the tragedy employed in Rol-  
linger's restaurant on Milwaukee avenue,  
and is now supposed to be in Michigan.  
The police are trying to locate her.

It develops that two days before Mrs.  
Rollinger mysteriously disappeared she  
told a friend that her husband had  
threatened to kill her unless she left him  
within ten days. It has also been discov-  
ered that before the fire Rollinger left  
in a nearby cabin a valise containing  
an insurance policy on Mrs. Rollinger's  
life for \$50 and deeds for \$2,000 worth of  
property in Astoria belonging to her.  
The police comment on the similarity of  
the case to that of the Leutiger murder.  
They have arrived at the conclusion that  
Rollinger murdered his wife in order to  
get possession of her property and marry  
the other woman.

BRITAIN SHOWS ANOTHER  
EXAMPLE OF FRIENDSHIP.

Filibustering Expedition to Aid Again,  
also Suppressed at Hong Kong by  
Order of British Government.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—A special to the  
Times Herald from Washington says:

Great Britain has given another strik-  
ing example of friendship for the United  
States, and at the same time has taken  
action which is looked upon in the light  
of a recognition of the sovereignty of  
the United States over the Philippines.  
A filibustering expedition organized to  
go to the support of Aguinaldo has been  
suppressed by order of the British au-  
thorities.

This information came to the state  
department a few days ago in a cable-  
gram from Consul General Wildman and  
has just been made public. The reason  
for keeping the information secret was  
that the department desired to ascertain  
if possible the source of the expedition  
and who was responsible for its organi-  
zation.

Consul General Wildman, so far as can  
be learned, has not yet been able to get  
these details.

VOLUNTEERS SUE A RAILROAD  
COMPANY FOR DAMAGES.

Members of the Sixty-ninth Volunteers  
Bring Action Against the Louisville  
& Nashville for Injuries Sustained.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Joseph P. Ben-  
nett, William H. Travers, and 23 other  
members of the Sixty-ninth volunteers  
have begun action in the supreme court  
of this county to recover damages from  
the Louisville and Nashville Railroad  
Company for injuries suffered on August  
23 last by an accident when they were  
on their way to Huntsville, Ala.

While their train was en route to Hunts-  
ville, ten miles from Birmingham, the  
front car jumped the track and the  
others followed and were overturned.  
In several instances the men allege that  
their injuries will be permanent. Some  
of them recovered from their injuries  
after weeks of treatment in the hospi-  
tals.

The largest amount mentioned in the  
suits is \$20,000 and the smallest \$2,000. It  
is the contention that the accident was  
the result of negligence on the part of  
the railroad company.

TO DISQUALIFY ROBERTS.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 20.—The Cincinnati  
Presbytery has considered polyanth and  
the question of refusing the seat to Con-  
gressman-elect Brigham Roberts, of  
Utah. Rev. John H. Walker, W. H.  
Reynolds and W. A. Bulaly, as a com-  
mittee on bills and overtures, reported  
resolutions calling upon Congressmen  
Shattuck, Brownell and Brown to pro-  
pose and vote for an amendment to the  
constitution of the United States defen-  
ding marriage as monogamous and forever  
forbidding and making unlawful and  
punishable as a crime all polygamous,  
plural, celestial or any other so-called  
marriage except that of monogamy.

RUMORED ASSASSINATION.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Cape  
Haytien says it is rumored that the Do-  
minican president, Heuereux, was as-  
sassinated while innocently attending a  
christening.



GENERAL WILLIAM R. SHAFER.  
Who appeared before the War Investigating Commission at Washington yesterday.

While encamped there tons of ice and  
snow, mixed with rocks and timbers,  
swept over them and went on down the  
valley, leaving them buried under several  
feet of hard snow.

Their bodies were found two days later  
by a searching party.

THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY  
RETURNS TO WASHINGTON.

The Trip Pronounced Most Enjoyable,  
and Believed to Have Cemented Good  
Feeling Between North and South.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The presi-  
dential party, after an absence of seven days  
in the south, arrived at Washington this  
morning. Every member of the party  
pronounced the trip most enjoyable and  
a splendid success in every way. The  
general impression prevailed that the  
trip had cemented to a marvelous degree  
the good feeling between the north and  
south, and had brought into prominence  
the excellent condition and capabilities  
of the army.

The original object of the visit, to cele-  
brate peace with Spain lost its significance  
directly after the president's memorable  
utterances regarding the care of the con-  
federate dead.

CENTURY THEATER SOLD.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—Negotiations for  
the transfer of the new Century theater  
of this city to the control of Charles A.  
Spaulding, owner of the Olympic, have  
been concluded between Mr. William S.  
Davis for himself, and Mr. Al. Hayman,  
of New York, and Mr. Pat Short, man-  
ager of the Olympic and representative  
of Mr. Spaulding. The transfer was  
made as operative on and after January  
1, 1899. Mr. Short will assume the active  
control after that date.

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