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Alexander McWhirter More Than Holds His Own With Counsel for Defense.

BRAFFET TO GO ON STAND.

New Witness Called in by the State to Testify at This Afternoon's Session.

Whereabouts of Parrent Continues to Remain a Deep Mystery-Court\_ room Crowded With Spectators.

Bulletin-With County Atty. Willard Hanson representing the state, and Atty. Soren X. Christensen representing the defendant, former Chief of Police George A. Sheets, the second witness was put on the stand this afternoon. He was Dr. Jim Donaldson, now under sentence of 10 years in the state penitentiary for his part in the Mc-Whirter robbery, and out pending the result of appeal to the supreme court. Donaldson was dressed elegantly, with a new vest, and conciderable jewelry, and he gave his occupation as a mining man. He brought out one important new statement. It was that he met Chief Sheets on the afternoon of Sept. 19, and told him of the card game in which he had won \$2,000, that there had been a "holler" and that it would probably be necessary to return some of the money. The chief had replied he testified that he was then going right up to the office. After telling of the arrival of two men who pretended to be officers, Sheets and Donaldson separated, Donaldson going to the New England addition with the other participants in the matter.

Donaldson testified still more surrisingly with details of the Sheets inerest in the matter a few moments later when he declared that he arranged a meeting with Sheets, over the telephone, at which it was planned to get the McWhirters out of town. Sheets met Donaldson, Jack O'Brien, and Bell on the Knutsford corner, and Donaidson objected to a suggestion of Bell's that \$1,000 would be the proper sum, saying that \$750 would do.

"If you've got to change a \$1,000 bill you better get a hurry on you." is what Donaldson says Sheets remarked, and the bill was forthwith changed by a cierk of the Turf Exchange, at the White House bar.

Denaldson, it is thought, will be kept on the stand all afternoon.

Alexander McWhirter has not lost one bit of prestige as one of the keenest witnesses ever heard in a Utah court, by his testimony in the Sheets trial now on before Judge Morse, siting in Judge Ritchie's court. He ore than held his own with Atty. Wedgwood during a cross-examination that practically took the entire forenoon today. Tilts between the two men were frequent. The attorney frequently appealed to the court to have Mr. McWhirter answer "No" or 'Yes' to certain questions, but this the witness would not do. He was instructed to do so, and let fur-ther explanations be brought cut by der explanations be brought out by the distribut attorney, but when the re-direct examination came, there were but three or four questions left for Mr. Loofbourow to ask as Mr. McWhirter had he one way or another got full statements into the records during the new ayamination statements into the records during the cross-examination. This morning the elder of the two scotchmen who came to Sait Lake as tourists and who, according to the off-repeated story, were inveigled in-to a poker game in which they lost \$2,000 and "bunced" by a fake po-liceman who relieved them of \$8,373 more, went over the erousd for the decman who relieved them of \$5,373 more, went over the ground for the seventh time. Nearly every foot of the down town district was covered as the scene of action shifted from one neighborhood to another, yet Mr. McWhitter told the same story as he has six times before and despite the hardest kind of work on the part of the defense, few, if any, damaging discrepancies were brought out.

under cross-examination immediately upon court being rapped to order this morning. Attorney Wedgwood opened the questioning: The McWhitter, dressed in a neat black suit, sat at ease in the big wit-ness chair with hands folded. When turning over a question in his mind the witness would roll is thumbs. The Scotchman has English at ex-cellent command, but now an some quaint expression escapes him. Whap Attorney Wedgwood would ex-plain some question, Mr. McWhitter would answer: "Quite so; quite so." The witness is regarded as one of the most able and bright men ever heard in this city. When a rather puz-xiling query was shot at him he re-fused to be pinned down to a "No" or "Yes." The court admonished him to answer wouldn't convey his mean-ing Mr. McWhitter managed to get in a satisfactory one later. He was con-testing wits with three able men; Judge Thurman, Soren X. Christensen and Attorney Wedgwood, coached by the defendant at occasional junctures, When he scored some point a smile of admiration would pass around the prom.

CAN'T SAY YES OR NO. "I can't say 'yes' or 'no.'" he would say. "But you must," persisted the law-

"But you must," persisted the law-"I repeat I can't," and in a ma-jority of instances he didn't. Some time was spent in having the witness tell of the events after the "fake" policeman (Bell) started to take the crowd over to the police sta-tion. This was when Bell and Par-rent led him around town to various places, including the Sanitarium, postoffice, into a drug store, on a car and off, and on a bewildering march generally. This ended finally with the visit in the chief's office. By the time this juncture had been reached in the cross-examination, the court room was filled with auditors, evidently anyious to miss no word. They enjoyed the frequent tilts be-tween lawyer and witness immensely, a poorly suppressed laugh going the rounds now and then. GRILLING EXAMINATION.

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Mr. McWhirter was put under a grilling cross-examination on his tes-timony regarding the visit in the chief's office. When asked if he didn't say, in the Donaldson case, that he put a pistol in his pocket before he went up in the Antler rooming house because he knew he was going into a bunko game, the witness asked: into a bunko game, the witness asked: "Are you making a statement or question?"

FEAR DISPELLED.

After some wrangling Atty. Wedg-

After some wrangling Atty. Wedi: wood said he was asking the question: "No!" came the answer. "I car-ried a pistol from the time I reached America. We at first mistrusted the man who introduced himself as Mor-ris, but our fear was dispelled when he asked us to come up and shake hands with his uncle, 'Col.' Rice." Going back to testimony bearing upon the conference in the chief's office, Mr. McWhirter explained the whole visit over again. Bell and himself called first. They also visited Chief of Detec-tives Raleigh's room, where they saw Sergt. Hempel and others. After supper the McWhirters returned. ENTER TRIBUNE REPORTER.

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It was during the second visit a re-porter of the Tribune came into the room with a notebook, and saying he had a story of two Scotchmen getting robbed of \$10,000. Mr. McWhirter said the chief shook his head. "I won't publish it if you like, but if I don't, I hope none of the other fellows will get it."

"The chief continued to shake his head," said the witness, "and the re-porter went out."

TALKED WITH HIS HEAD.

known, however, that the president inclined to take issue with the sheep men in preference to the cattle men. It is said that during the conference the president took occasion to remark while he was a cattle man on th that while he was a cattle man on the Little Missouri, a bunch of sheep grazed on cattle lands and left such odors on the ground that it required two years to rid the range of the smell so that cattle would eat the grass. The sheep, he said, ate the grass down to the roots and destroyed the range com-pletely.

WITH THE AUTOMOBILES

Progress of the Cars Watched With

Interest in Race from New

York to Paris.

the progress being made by the auto-

mobiles which started from this city

in their long endurance race across two

continents in the course planned to carry them from this city to Parls by way of Bering straits. Reports of heavy storms to the west have alarmed

friends of the drivers, but dispatches from along the route have carried no news of accident or break downs.

"stick by" him until the police station was reached so they could get their money back. "Chief Sheets asked me if I wanted

"Chief Sheets asked me if I wanted Bell arrested. 'Has he got your money?' he asked and I told him 'no,' but I said I regaried him as 'an accessory,' ' (meaning accomplice). A few more questions to elaborate statements made in direct examination followed and in turn were followed by re-cross-examination, Atty. Wedgwood still in charge. A few questions fol-lowed and he was then excused after having been on the witness stand a day

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ALEX TOLD OLD STORY.

Alexander McWhirter, the older of

and a half.

New York, Feb. 19 .- All classes of people are watching with great interest

Signed

Mr. Sheridan Says His Paper Has Not Been Sold to the Mormon Church And the Organ of the Crooks is Well Aware Of That Fact.

The Salt Lake Tribune, with that regard for the truth for which it has long since been famous, has been wasting considerable printer's ink during the past few days in giving prominence to fake special dispatches from various Idaho points wherein it is asserted that the Mormon Church has bought the-Evening Capital News, a daily paper published in Boise. The assertion is made that the alleged deal is for the purpose of creating sentiment in favor of certain candidates for office in the Gem State.

That such a deal has been consummated or even contemplated is emphatically denied by all interested parties.

On Sunday evening the city editor of the Descret News was called up by the Tribune and asked whether there was any truth in the report of the alleged sale. The Tribune received assurances that there was not. The Tribune correspondent in Boise was also assured by the owners of the Capital News that no such deal had been undertaken. In the face of these denials the Tribune persists in sticking to the Lie-with "a capital Hell," as Kipling says.

Mr. Sheridan, manager of the Capital News, was wired to last night by the Deseret News and asked to put the rumors to rest one way or the other. Here is his answer:

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 18, '08.-There is positively not a word of truth in the report, nor semblance of anything on which to base it. It was started by the Dubois outfit with intent to injure the paper, and is manufactured out of the same cloth as all their anti-Mormon utterances. It is the work of a lot of hyenas, devoid of decency, morals or respect, who never earned an honest dollar outside of politics in the course of their miserable existence, and whose chief aim in life is to lie about their neighbors. The Tribune correspondent was assured of the utter falsity of the report before he sent it out.

#### SHERIDAN, Manager, The Capital News Publishing Co., Limited.



J. B. CRESSEY & CO. ASSIGN. Boston, Feb. 19.-J. G. Cressey & Co., grain dealers, have made an as-signment. Inability to realize on customers' notes is given as the cause. The liabilities are given as \$125,600 and the assets are said to be large.

IN IOWA. Marshalltown, Ia., Feb. 19.—The bliz-zard has completely tied up traffic on the Iowa Central. In the drifts near Gifford a passenger train is snowed in. The Chicago & Northwestern train with two locomotives and double sections for through urains, are from four to seven hours late.

and snow fell during the night, follow-ed today by a cold wind, causing much suffering amongst the refugees.

IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Scranfon, Pa., Feb. 19,-Heavy snow has fallen today throughout north-eastern Pennsylvania. Street car traffic in the Lackawanna valley is blockaded and steam roads are greatly handicapped.

IN ILLINOIS.

Joliet, Ill., Feb. 19.—A relief party has left here to rescue the passengers on a Joliet & Southern Interurban car which is said to be stalled in the snow near Plainfield.

IN INDIANA. Goshen, Ind., Feb. 19 .-- The worst snowstorm in 20 years is raging here, 18 inches of snow having fallen and in places it has drifted badly. Southbound trains from Michigan are blocked. Other points in northern Indiana are re-

## ACTION BY COMMISSION ON WORKING HOUR LIMITS

porting similar conditions.

Washington, Fab. 19,—President Roosevelt has sent a letter to the inter-state commerce commission in which he indicated the importance of the com-mission's action with respect to the lim-itation of the hours of labor of rail-road employes and points out the possi-bility of serious differences arising be-tween the railroad companies and their employes with respect to wages and hours of labor. It is understood the letter of 'the president will be made public by the commission.

# STATE DEPARTMENT DENIES PROTEST CONTEMPLATED

Washington, Feb. 19.—Rumors to the effect that the state department is about to address a protest to Japan against her attitude in Manchuria and that this was to be done upon the in-stance of the government met withsun-equivocal denial at the state depart-ment. It is admitted that complaints have been made to the department that American trade is suffering in the orient but it is believed that other causes than Japan's attitude are prin-cipally responsible.

## **EXPLOSION INJURES ELEVEN.**

Accident in Cotton Manufacturing Establishment Pare 1,800 Out of Work.

b. 19.-Eleven mer Lowell, Mass. Lowell, Mans. 6, 19.-Eleven men were injured, two probably fatally by the explosion today of the economizer attached to one of the bollers in the new powerhouse of the Hamilton cor-poration, a cotton manufacturing es-tablishment in this city. The explosion necessite d the shutting down of the entire plant, throwing out of employ-ment more than 1,800 operatives.

# ILLINOIS CENTRAL CASE IS NEARING DECISION.

Chicago, Feb. 19 .-- Judge Ball, in the

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Judge Ball, in the superior court, will tomorrow morning render his decision in the famous Illi-nols Central railroad case. The chief legal point involved is whether or not it is lawful for corpora-tions outside of Illinois to control and vote stock in Illinois corporations. Incidentally the decision will settle whether Stuyvesant Fish or E. H. Har-riman is to control the Illinois Cen-tral railroad during the ensuing year.

FAVORS FRENCH TREATY. Senate Committee Will Recommend Affirmative Action for Arbitration. Washington, Feb. 19.—After hearing Seey. Root in explanation of the new proposed French arbitration deal today the senate committee on foreign rela-tions ordered a favorable report on

tions order the treaty. DELAY IN SIGNING

ANGLO-CHINESE TREATY



company, as well as that of this com-pany's Russian and Roumanian hold-ings.

Baron von Zedlitz, leader of the Free Conservatives in the Russian diet, who Conservatives in the Russian diet, who has made a special study of the sub-ject says the empire would have to make an initial outlay of \$18,009,000 for oil plants, tanks and the necessary tank steamers and cars and that year-ly profits of from \$10,000,000 to \$12,500,-000 are to be expected.

MUST FIGHT ROCKEFELLER.

MUST FIGHT ROCKEFFILLER. The baron is of the opinion that the government can deal successfully with the probable refusel of the Standard Oil company to supply crude petroleum at a reasonable rate and he thinks the requirements of the government in American oil would be supplied by the Texas rivals of the Standard. Experis have found that the oils of Roumania, Galicia and Russia can not be used successfully with the burners graenally empkyeed in Germany without consid-erable mixture of American petroleum; consequently the projected monopoly must include the buying of about 200-000 tons of American oil a year. The imperial treasury finds this mat-ter full of difficulties, but its examina-tion will be continued along with the study of the norshifting of amounts.

tion will be continued along with the study of the possibilities of creating a state monopoly in alcohol.

# NEWS FROM THE FLEET.

White Squadron Nears Chilean Coast -Admiral Evans "Under Weather."

#### FAMILIAR STORY.

The story is one as familiar as "Uncle Tom's Cabin" to Salt Lakers, yet a crowded court room maintained silence so not a word would go unheard. In-terest is kept at high pitch by the solity of Alexander McWhirter to stand unshaken. The first three objec-tions were registered by the defense and were overruled by the court. Ex-ceptions were noted. The fourth objec-tion came from the prosecution said the defense scored a point. The fourth objec-tion came from the prosecution and the defense scored a point. The objections were, of course, against the admission of certain bits of evidence of little or o special interest to the public gen-erally.

It is evident the state has gone to no end of care in preparing its case. This was driven home when Ezra Thompson, ex-mayor of the city was called to the stand yesterday to con-tribute the sworn statement that George A. Sheets was chief of police istween certain dates The defense between certain dates. The defense said it would admit that much, so Mr. Thompson was excused. J. D. H. Mc-Allister, deputy county surveyor was also called to identify a plat of room 4. Anlier house, west Second South, the scene of the famous game of "hokey-pokey."

#### NEW WITNESS.

A new WITNESS. A new witness will be M. P. Braffet of the Utah Fuel company, who took an active part in bringing the affair to surface. It will be remembered the McWhiters told attaches of the Sait lake Route about the affair while en-route to Los Angeles and through the aff of these attaches they returned to sait take prepared to get some under-standing of various puzzling matters. Mr. Braffet was engaged as their attor-ney upon returning to Sait Lake. Ho may be called to the stand this after-noon.

#### PARRENT ABSENT.

The sheriff's office continues to assert the deepest ignorance as to the where-abouts of W. H. Parrent. From the same source comes the information that when Mr. Parrent returns he will have to stand trials for various charges which can be filed against him.

UNDER CROSS-EXAMINATION. Alexander McWhirter was placed

Atty. Wedgwood attempted to shat-ter the testimony on this point. From a transcript taken in a Raleigh hearing before Justice Marshal in May, Atty. Wedgwood read a few paragraphs which had McWhirter say then that Mr. Sheets had takked, and Mr. McWhirter was today firm that Sheets had not opened his mouth during the visit of the reporter.

'I insist that with shakes of the head he did considerable talking, however," "Do you mean to say that no one but the reporter did any talking?"

SCOTCHMAN'S COMMENT.

"Quite so! I had been told to keep silence by the chief." "Then the chief didn't tell the report-

Whirter

It is believed that the president will There are the brothers; talk to "Oh, what a lie!" exclaimed Mr. Mo-

not take up the cause of either side in this controversy, but should he, it is believed that he will be inclined to fa-vor the interests of the cattlemen rathvor the interests of the cattlemen rata-er than those of the sheepmen. The labors of the sheepmen are not completed, for, having falled in their mission with regard to the president, if they have, they will begin active lobby-ing with members of both houses of Congress to secure the defeat of the Burkett bill if possible. MCWHIRTER EXPLAINS.

When a discrepancy of an hour was discovered between the testimony now being brought out and some taken a iong while ago. Atty. Wedgwood jumped to his feet. "How is this?"

jumped to his feet. "How is this?" he thundered. "It's like this," calmly answered Mr. McWhirter, "This is the fourth time or so I've gone over this. You have gone over the various records and checked each statement I have ever made. I never have checked myself off. But in going over the events I find it was § o'clock instead of 10 c'clock.

"You are testifying then to what you presume most reasonable?" "I am testifying, sir, to facts," al-most shouted the witness, slapping the arm of the witness chair. "Did not the chief ask you to stay over for a day or so?"

"No, I made the suggestion myself. He said it would not be worth while, probably, as the chances of getting the men were so slim. Outside of this we had no reason for staying over; we had no money."

RALEIGH CAME IN.

"The next person to come in the room as Detective Raleigh." "Sure of that?"

"Sure it was not Capt. Burbidge." "I never would mistake the two never would mistake the two." Then Bell came in and said he had \$750

"That isn't very much money," I said.

"That isn't very much money," I said, "especially in America." "Oh, there's great opportunities in 'Frisco for a man with \$750," said Bell, who started out of the room. I called the chief's attention to the fact that the money had not been shown. Thereupon Bell produced the money. Then everybody shook hands." Continuing, Mr. McWhirter said, "Mr. Scheets told us not to say anything to any officers or reporters, 'it is imperi-ment,' he said. 'If it comes out it will go very hard with me.' He also said. "These d--- reporters are a nuisance." REPORTERS UNPOPULAR.

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Atty. Wedgwood read a paragraph from the transcript of the testimony before Judge Whittaker in which Mr. McWhirter said further "The chief also said 'complete success depends on silence; we would meet reporters at the Cullen but must keep quiet or the chances of capturing the fellows would be spoiled.""

that Correct?" 'Is th 'Yes,' "Why did you leave that out now?" "It slipped my memory."

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION.

This closed the cross-examination. At 11:36 the redirect examination began with Mr. Loofbourow doing the ques-tioning. Mr. McWhirter explained that Bell had told them (the McWhirters) they were under arrest and must

# MOTHER AND BABY

# INJURED IN FIRE.

Boston, Feb. 19.-Mrs. Marie Mc-Donald and her 19-months-old baby were dangerously injured in escaping a fire in their tenement in Tremont street today. The husband, Patrick McDon-ald, jumped to the street from the third floor without sustaining serious injury, and the wife threw her two babies to him. The first, four months old, he caught in his arms safely, but the older one fell to the street. The woman herself received a fractured woman herself received a fractured skull.

#### SECRETARY TAFT LEADS THE STRENUOUS LIFE.

Manchester, N. H., Feb. 19.—Follow-ing a crowded day and night of travel-ing, speech-making and sightseeing, Secy. Taft arose early today and began another strenuous day's campaign. He started on an early tour about the city this morning accompanied by the gov-ernor and by former Gov. Rollins. The weather was cold and a light snow was falling, but Secy. Taft and his escort drove in an open carriage. A committee of Nashua citizens came to Manchester this morning to escort the secretary to their city, where he will make an address this afternoon.

#### LAKE STILL RISING.

The present lake level reading suggests unsually high water the coming season. The level as indicated on the Saltair scale, is 3.6 feet above the zero mark, where a year ago it was 1.3 feet, an increase of 2.3 feet. As the high-est water, July 15 last, was 3.8 feet, it will be seen that the present level is only .2 of a foot below the maximum high water mark. As between Feb. 15, 1907, and July 15, 1907, the great lake rose 2.5 feet, the local weather office figures that the rise this year between the same monthly dates will be not less, which will bring the lake level before the stationary per-iod, up to 6.1 feet above the zero mark. The weather office expects that the substationary distribution of the solution of the stationary per-iod, up to 6.1 feet above the zero mark. The weather office expects that the southern Pacific road will have to raise its tracks over the Lucin cut-off, and the Saltair resort management will have to elevate the outer end of its bathouses, On Utah lake, the expecta-tion is that the Battle Creek flats will all be under water. Saltair scale, is 3.6 feet above the zero

A lexander MoWhirter, the older of the two Scotch brothers who were the binomized principals in a \$10,000 gam-bitth or sixth time yesterday afternoon. It took him two hours, and longer to they were enticed to the room to meet "Col." Rice; how a card game followed which resulted in McWhirter losing \$,000, and being robbed by a fake po-liceman of the rest of his roll, \$. Sixt, how he and his brother tried to recover the money and how they had placed so their or police. Just before court ad-ficurned Mr. McWhirter was placed un-ther coss-examination by Atty. Wegs wood for the defense and on the sixth of seventh question there was a clash wood sppealing to the court to instruct the witness not to lecture.

An unidentified man, about 40 years of age, was struck by a freight train on the Chicago & Northwestern road and died about an hour later at St. Ann's sanitarium. Two men, who had been overcome by the storm were found by the police almost complete-ly buried by the snow. An abandoned automobile was found in a snow drift early today at Stewart avenue and Sixty-sixth street. The head lamps were missing and nothing was found by means of which the identity of the owner could be learned.

learned.

Service on the electric line running between Elgin and Chicago was al-most at a standstill. Trains operat-ing east of Wheaton on the same line, however, were only slightly delayed.

# MICHIGAN STORM SWEPT.

Reports from Over State Show That Wind and Snow Continue.

Wind and Snow Continue. Detroit, Mich., Feb. 19.—The blizzard which swept down upon the lower por-tion of Michigan from the west yester-day afternoon, still prevails with great severity and the snow fall ranges from eight inches in Detroit to 18 inches in the southwest section of the state. Ac-companied by a 20 to 30 miles an hour wind the snow is detting badly. companied by a 20 to 30 miles an hour wind, the snow is drifting badly throughout the country districts and roads are badly blocked. Trains are late everywhere, although railroad offi-cials generally express themselves as greatly pleased over their success in keeping the lines open. The storm is most severe in that part of the state below a line drawn from Saginaw bay across to Lake Michigan. Kalamazoo reports that all trains in the southwest-ern section of the state are from one half an hour to four hours late, and that the Lake Shore railway has entire by abandoned traffic on its branch through there today. and on its branch

#### AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Feb. 19.-The temperature dropped down to 22 degrees above zero today and a snow storm prevails, be-ing driven by a hard northwest wind blowing 26 miles an hour.

#### AT KANSAS CITY.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 19.-A fall of 20 degrees in temperature was regbig to degrees in temperature was test istered over Kansas and western Missouri during the past 24 hours. A brisk north wind during the night caused the three inches of snow that had fallen to drift, but trains are re-suming their schedlues.

#### AT CINCINNATI.

Cincinnati, Feb. 19.—The danger line, 50 feet, was reached by the Ohlo river here at noon today and the rise con-tinues. Weather Forecaster Paster es-timated the creest at 52 feet and said he expected the river to begin failing by Friday.

#### AT INDIANAPOLIS.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 19.—The flood situation in southern indiana is more serious today. Swellen rivers increas, ed their depth during last night and thousands of additional acres of low-lands are submerged. At Evansville, the Ohio is rising an Inch an hour. Rain

# AMERICAN ORDERED TO LEAVE

Imperial Government Directs Dr. Du-

## bouchel to Quit Russia.

Odessa, Feb. 19 .- Dr. Dubouchel, the American citizen, who was arrested recently in this city on the charge of being connected with the revolutionary organization, was released today, but he was ordered to leave Russia within 10 days. He probably will join his wife in for the standard Switzerland.

Switzerland. Mrs. Dubouchel is a Russian woman of noble birth. It has been declared that she spent a large part of her for-tune in alding the Russian revolutionary movement.

## **ROOSEVELT'S REWARD.**

# President Issues Commission to Man

## Who Knocked Down Hoodhum.

Who Knocked Down Hoodium. Washington, Feb. 19.—Postmaster-General Meyer, after conferring with the president today about postoffice nominations, said the president would send to the senate today or tomorrow the nomination of Daniel E. Sullivan to succeed himself as postmaster at Crip-ple Creek, Colo. When the president was campaigning in 1900 for vice presi-dent, he was insulted by a hoodium at Cirpple Creek, and it was Sullivan who promptly knocked the man down and settled the disturbance.

#### MRS. COLEMAN IMPROVING.

Chicago, Feb. 19 .- Mrs. Jos. G. Cole-Chicago, Feb. 12,—MITS. JOS. G. Cole-man, whose nervous system collapsed after she had netted \$57,000 for charity by working night and day managing the famous fete of "The Streets of Paris," was reported to be in "splendid condition" today at the Augustana hos-pital, following a surgical operation which was performed as a last resort.

#### DEFENDS FOWLER BILL.

DEFENDS FOWLER BILL. Washington, Feb. 19.—The principles of the Fowler financial bill were de-fended today by former Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage, Charles A. Conant, of New York, and Prot. Joseph French Johnson, of the New York university, before the house com-mittee on banking and currency. Secy. Gage said that we have reached the most important period in the financiar history of the country for the past 40 or 56 years, and that the solution of the problem depended largely upon the men making up the banking and cur-rency committee. rency committee.

#### SPLIT ON COLOR LINE.

Jackson. Miss., Feb. 19-The first test of strength between the white and negro members of the Republican par-ty in Mississippi took place yesterday, when the executive committee of the ty in Mississippi took place yeaterday, when the executive committee of the Eighth congressional district met, and by a vote of 11 to 8 adopted a resolu-tion endorsing J. B. Foraker for presi-dent. Only three white Republicans attended the meeting. Indications are that both factions will elect delegates to the national convention.

#### POWDER MILL EXPLOSION.

Wharton, N. E., Feb. 19.-An explo-sion in the mixing department of the General Explosive company in this village vesterday killed three employes -Joseph Hough. David Utter and James Kevern, and broke nearly every window in stores and residences in Wharton and some windows in Dover, Pekin, Feb. 19.—The final signing of the Anglo-Chinese treaty concerning Tibetan trade has been delayed by dif-ferences which have arisen over sev-eral minor points. The British legation here, however, has informed China that the British troops that have been sta-tioned in the Chumbi valley, in Tibet, are being withdrawn and this movetioned in the Chumbi valley, in Tibat, are being withdrawn and this move-ment to evacuate Tibet before the sign-ing of the treaty is interpreted as an act of good will, the purpose of which is to facilitate the agreement. The Dalai Lama, the ruler of Tibet, who ded from Lhassa when the British force under Col. Younghusband entered that city in 1904 is expected soon at Wu Tai in Shansi province. Tai in Shansi province. .

**GOULD DENIES RUMOR** OF RECEIVERSHIP.

New York, Feb. 19.—Reports that have been circulated in the west for several days to the effect that a ro-ceivership was appointed for the Mis-souri Pacific railroad was given de-nial today by Geo. G. Gould, president of the road.

"There is absolutely no truth in these "There is absolutely ho truth in these reports or any reports of that kind in-volving this property," said Mr. Gould. "Receivership proceedings have not been thought of or even dreamed of and there is not even the most remote possibility that they will."

#### BRYAN ON THE STUMP.

Columbus, Feb. 19.--William J. Bryan left Columbus today for Hamil-ton, O., where he will make an address in the evening. Many friends bade him goodbye, Mr. Bryan expressed mmself as being very much pleased with his re-ception in Columbus.

#### GRAND CHIEF RANGER DEAD.

Rochester, N. Y., Feb. 19.-Charles F. A. Young, grand chief ranger of the Foresters of America, died today at his home of typhoid pneumonia.

#### OWNERSHIP OF CAT QUESTION BEFORE COURT

New York, Feb. 12.—The appellate rivision of the supreme court has been called upon to decide the ownership of or cat. It seems that the cat criticinally beinged to an actress who, when she left town, turned the animal over to the raking her meals. The restaurant belong-employ as a cashler was his the habit of while who was friendly with the woman will be the former cashler remembered and the former cashler remembered the cat and decided that it would be would be was directed the for a wedding trib and when they here a number of the home. So Doring who to the restaurant and carried the cat away. Brown promptly had Doring which do and the case we to the appellate him 500 and the case we to the appellate him so and appeal by Brown. Brown anys he will carry the case through all he courts in the land before he will pay, histoppeared.

#### CAPITAL OF \$30,000,000.

Chicago, Feb. 19.-The state of filinols has given the Chicago. Telephone com-pany permission to increase the company's capital of \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000.

AT MILWAUKEE.

vicinity.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 19.—The bliz-zard which started in this section yes-terday continued with but slightly abated ferceness today. About a foot of snow has fallen in Milwaukee and