

Shakespeare's "dreadful touch of mer-  
chant-marring rocks" is felt, nowa-  
days, chiefly by poor advertisers.

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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

## MARRIAGE OF LILLIAN HAMLIN.

Protestants in Smoot Hearing  
Failed to Connect Pres. Joseph  
F. Smith With Case.

## MRS. FRED ELLIS ON THE STAND

Because Pres. Smith Was of The  
Party She Assumed He Performed  
The Ceremony.

## HUSBAND NEVER TOLD HER SO.

The Lady Was a Reluctant Witness  
And Shed Many Tears While  
Giving Her Testimony.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The failure of witnesses in the Smoot inquiry to arrive in Washington this morning caused an early adjournment of the session of the committee on elections. The only two heard were Mrs. Fred Ellis and J. H. Wallis, who were recalled to correct his testimony as to the oaths in the Endowment House. C. M. Owen expected to prove by Mrs. Ellis the marriage of Lillian Hamlin to Abraham H. Cannon, by President Joseph F. Smith, but in this subject the witnesses failed again to produce anything more than hearsay evidence. Mrs. Ellis swore that Cannon and Lillian were married some time between June 13 and July 2, 1896, they having gone to California for the purpose, and that President Joseph F. Smith was in the party. Because of that fact she assumed that the ceremony was performed by Mr. Smith, although her husband had never told her so. He did, however, admit that he had married Lillian Hamlin. Mrs. Ellis was evidently a reluctant witness and she shed many tears during the ordeal.

Wallis, upon cross examination, changed his statement concerning the character of the oaths, and admitted he had consulted with C. M. Owen since his testimony yesterday.

Atty. Taylor promised to have more witnesses here at 2 o'clock this afternoon and to be prepared to continue the examination of witnesses from this time forward without further delay. Joseph Smith, president of the Reorganized church, has been in constant attendance since Monday and expects to testify, but it is not intended by Taylor to call him to the stand.

Senators Burrows and Overman continued the elections committee when the afternoon session began 20 minutes late. Senator Burrows left shortly after August Landstrom was called to the stand, and remained absent a quarter of an hour. During that time Senator Overman was the sole member of the committee present. In answer to objections by counsel for Senator Smoot to questions submitted by Taylor to Landstrom, Senator Overman ruled that "anything may go into the records." Later, upon the return of Senator Burrows, he decided that some of the questions were "leading," and must be modified. The object of the introduction of Landstrom into the case was first to substantiate the testimony of Wallis relative to the Endowment House ceremony, and second to prove through conversations between him and Apostle Cowley that the church undertakes absolute control over the minds and deeds of its subjects. At 2 o'clock Senators Hopkins and Dubois entered the room, when Taylor announced that no other witnesses are yet here. Adjournment until tomorrow at 10 was therefore taken.

## MRS. ELLIS STORY.

[By Associated Press.]

Washington, Dec. 14.—When the Senator investigation was continued today George Reynolds, a high official of the "Mormon" Church, was called to correct his testimony and then Mrs. Fred Ellis of Salt Lake City, who is the daughter of Angus M. Cannon and married her cousin Abraham Cannon, when she was 19 years of age. She testified that she was Abraham Cannon's first lawful wife and that her husband married Lillian Hamlin on June 13, 1896. He was at that time one of the Twelve Apostles. Mr. Cannon, according to the witness, then had three wives and he told her he intended to marry Lillian Hamlin. He told her that Lillian had been engaged to his brother David, who had died, and she therefore wanted to marry Abraham. Mrs. Ellis detailed a conversation she had with her husband, in which she told him she did not think he could marry Lillian Hamlin. Mr. Cannon said he could marry her outside the state; that he would marry her for time and she would be David's wife for eternity. "I told him that if he did marry me," said the witness, "that I could not live with him when the church or the law would not recognize his marriage."

Mrs. Ellis told of the departure of Mr. Cannon and Miss Hamlin, accompanied by President Smith, who is said to have performed the marriage ceremony on the high seas, and of their return.

They returned about July 6, 1896. Mr. Cannon was ill and died about three weeks later.

He confessed on his death bed that he had married Miss Hamlin," said Mrs. Ellis, "and he said 'I have never had a wife since.' I think it killed him," the witness added, sobbingly.

Mrs. Ellis could not testify from her own knowledge who performed the ceremony between her husband and Miss Hamlin, and said she had supposed President Smith had done so until he testified on the stand here last spring. On cross-examination Mrs. Ellis was

## Greeting.

The people of California and the people of Utah will exchange greetings over the early approach of the union of the two cities, through the Christmas News. Special articles will be contributed by the Governor of California, the Governor of Utah, the Mayor of Los Angeles, and the Mayor of Salt Lake.

asked why she opposed the marriage between her husband and Miss Hamlin. She said it was because she believed the manifesto prohibited such marriages. She went to President Smith and asked him if such a marriage, explaining the case but withholding the names, could be legal and was told it could not.

Atty. Van Cott asked the witness what she meant by saying that she believed her husband's last marriage legal.

Mrs. Ellis ascribed worry and conscience as the cause of her husband's illness. She believed her husband knew he had broken the laws of the land and of the church.

J. H. WALLIS RECALLED.

James H. Wallis, Sr., who divulged the Endowment House fact, was recalled by Atty. Worthington, representing Mr. Smoot, and said that he had been telling of these obligations for several months, perhaps a year, but he could not remember any names except Mr. Owen, who is employed in Salt Lake City.

Mr. Wallis corrected his testimony in regard to the oath of vengeance. This oath, he now says, contains nothing concerning vengeance upon "inhabitants of the earth," but is a pledge to avenge the blood of the slain prophets upon the nations of the earth.

## SOMETHING ABOUT JAMES H. WALLIS SR.

A leading feature of the Smoot investigation yesterday, was the testimony of J. H. Wallis, Sr., who, according to the report, said that he had participated in a "Mormon" ceremony, 20 times, and further that he considered the vows of the service to be merely jokes.

Investigations made today, attempting to locate the witness' home in Salt Lake, disclosed the fact that he is a shoemaker with a shop at 417 Fifth East, and that he is about 65 years old. Once he was a member of the "Mormon" Church, and lost his standing in it, through drink, it is said. For the past six or eight years he has not been in Salt Lake, but he has been in the city, although prior to that period he secured a recommendation from his Bishop to visit the Temple, and on this recommendation worked there for some time.

AN INCIDENT.

William Langton, superintendent of the People's Cash Store, was seen today by the press, and whether he knew J. H. Wallis, said: "Well, I should think that I do. My experience with that man is one of the bitterest of my life."

One night, following the fire we had in the store, Wallis entered the place and asked for me. I came down to the front and asked him what he wanted. He told me that he wanted to see me in private and insisted that we retire to the office. Once inside he said, "Mr. Langton, unless you call my back rent owing for the last ten months, square up and give me \$5,000 before midnight. I will have you arrested for arson." I was horrified and asked him what he meant. "I have just left the book-keeper of Brother Arrowsmith, your book-keeper who is dying, he said, and he made a dying confession to me that he saw you set fire to the store."

"I did not lose a minute, but rushed down into the store and called my partner, Mr. Nott, and told him what Wallis had said. 'I do not believe it,' said he, 'have him arrested for blackmail.' I then went down to see him as I could not go to his residence and saw him. She told me that Wallis had been there, but that her husband was unable to talk, and she had been in the room during the whole time that Wallis was there. I then went to Bishop Kesler of the Sixteenth ward and told him that Wallis had told him the same story. After talking with the Bishop he implored me to take no action against Wallis. It was one of the hardest trials of my life to live under the suspicions started by that scoundrel. Wallis, but I agreed to let Bishop Kesler's sake to be silent. The unpleasant notoriety that followed was the outcome of this scandalous story, but I was acquitted of any connection with the matter."

Arrowsmith eventually recovered and is now in Denver in the employ of the auditor's department of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad company. His wife is in Salt Lake City at the present time, I believe. When Mr. Arrowsmith recovered he emphatically denied the story in toto and furthermore admitted that he lied both to Mr. Arrowsmith and myself, subsequently.

"Now that Wallis has left the church and gone over to her traducers I think I am justified in telling this story to warn the public against this man. Otherwise, in response to my promise, I would have kept silent on the matter."

A PECULIAR OLD MAN.

Wallis is described as a peculiar old man, of strong opinions and radical in his ideas. He would not let his son's name be mentioned in his presence and claimed to be greatly insulted when the name was spoken before him. He lived in the Sixteenth ecclesiastical ward for many years, and removed from there to the Fifteenth ward two and a half years ago, without securing a transfer of his name from the Sixteenth ward to the church. He has lived at his present address about 13 months. Before leaving for Washington it was known that he was a "friend" of Charles Mottlyn Owen's and could be induced to tell all the "terrible secrets" of the Temple ceremony.

His son, whose name is so offensive to him, is J. H. Wallis, Jr., a prominent resident of Sugar City, Idaho, where he edits the Times. The father is also addicted to writing. At a birthday celebration of Bishop Kesler, he once furnished a poem in which the Bishop's name was worked into an acrostic highly complimentary in nature.

## MRS. CHADWICK REACHES CLEVELAND

Deputy Marshals Watched by  
Her Berth During the Entire  
Journey.

## THE FEDERAL GRAND JURY.

Work of Empaneling it for Consideration  
of the Case Has  
Commenced.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The Buffalo and Cleveland special which is carrying Mrs. Chadwick on board reached here at 8:20 o'clock. Mrs. Chadwick rested comfortably during the night, although she had one nervous attack which required the services of her nurse. Mrs. Chadwick occupied the lower berth of the drawing room and the nurse the upper berth. Deputy Marshal Kumb sat up on the couch during the entire night while just outside the door at Deputy Marshal Koller. The vigilance of the officers was not relaxed in the slightest degree. Mrs. Chadwick awoke shortly before reaching Buffalo and appeared much refreshed. To the Associated Press representative she spoke optimistically of the ultimate outcome of her difficulties in Cleveland.

GRAND JURY AT WORK.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 14.—The task of empaneling the federal grand jury which is to consider the case of Mrs. Chadwick, began this morning, but it is not certain that there will be any indictment returned immediately. United States Dist. Atty. Sullivan said this morning:

"The action of Mrs. Chadwick in waiving examination is in itself sufficient in connection with the \$5,000.00 Carney note. The federal court even if no indictment is found before the day on which the term opens. We shall not, of course, delay matters in the slightest degree, but there is now no such need of quick work as would have been necessary if she had elected to stand an examination in New York. They would have been compelled to present our case in order to hold her, but now we will be able to take our time, as she has by her own action bound herself to appear in court."

The county grand jury also was in session at the same time as the body in the federal building. It was admitted at the office of County Prosecutor Keller that an indictment would probably be found against Mrs. Chadwick in connection with the \$5,000 Carney note. The indictment has been written out and lacks only official action.

The train on which Mrs. Chadwick is traveling toward Cleveland, it was announced by the railroad officials today, was two hours late at Buffalo and owing to the weather conditions it was not expected any of the time would be made up. This would delay the arrival of the woman somewhat, bringing her here shortly after 1 o'clock if no further delay was caused.

In the meantime the federal and county authorities and the great array of legal talent involved could make no further move in the case and seemed to be awaiting the arrival of the federal prisoner.

The case, especially Mrs. Chadwick's determination to come to Cleveland and face the charges against her, was the topic of local gossip today to a greater extent than at any time since her arrest.

Col. William L. Moore of Toledo, an inspector for the postoffice department in the city to make an investigation. Col. Moore will endeavor to ascertain if the postal laws have been violated by anybody connected with the Chadwick case.

Wallace to be Extradited.

London, Dec. 14.—At the Bow street police court today James Wallace of Marquette, Mich., was committed for extradition on the charge of having stolen stock certificates valued at \$39,000 from the residence of a banker of Marquette. Wallace was arrested in Liverpool upon his arrival there Nov. 20 on the steamer Saxonia from Boston.

## NO FURTHER TROUBLE AT HUNGARIAN DIET.

Buda Pest, Hungary, Dec. 14.—The lower house of the Hungarian parliament opened today in perfect calm. The royal rescript appointing the diet was listened to attentively and the house thereafter adjourned, without the least attempt on the part of the opposition to renew the rioting of yesterday. The orderliness of the proceedings was attributed to the absence of Premier Poczai and his parliamentary body guard, who yesterday were driven from the house. Had these been present undoubtedly there would have been repetitions of yesterday's scenes.

The opposition under the leadership of Count Apponyi and Francis Kosuth, took possession of the house as early as 6:30 in consequence of the rumor that the government proposed a sitting at 7 a. m. The deputies took up a strong position on the president's platform prepared to repel any attempt of the guards to dispossess them. The latter, however, made no effort to enter the house and on the assurances of Count Andrássy that President Perczel would not preside and that the guards would not enter the house the platform was cleared.

Frederic Tisza and the members of his cabinet entered about 10 o'clock and occupied the front bench as all the ministerial armchairs had been destroyed. There was no demonstration. The house listened to the rescript in profound silence and voted to refer it to the upper house. The sitting lasted only a few minutes.

Outside a cordon of foot and mounted police had taken up positions in Parliament square, where small groups of curious people collected, but there were no disturbances.

A Very Profitable Season.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The season just closed probably has been the most profitable one to ship underwriters in the history of a business on the great lakes. Vessel owners who carried no insurance were equally fortunate. The dangers of lake navigation reached the lowest point since boats sailed the lakes. Several causes for this remarkable decrease in disasters are given. Some were freed from the grip of great storms, the nearly complete absence of

fog, and a mysterious rise in the stage of water on all the upper lakes.

Because of the straits of masters and pilots and navigation did not begin until after June 1. From that time until the close of navigation 430 disasters were noted in the official record of the underwriters. In 1903 there were 322 losses.

The aggregate losses on vessels in 1904 were \$1,250,000 and on cargoes \$294,100. Thirty-seven vessels of all kinds passed out of existence. Their total tonnage was 17,687. The total tonnage lost the preceding years was 31,044.

Opera House Burned.

Stamford, Conn., Dec. 14.—The Grand Opera House building, containing a theatre, a number of stores and two stores, was burned today. Loss, \$100,000.

## JURORS INSTRUCTED IN NAN PATTERSON CASE.

New York, Dec. 14.—All interest in the Patterson murder trial today centered in the ruling which Justice Davis announced that he would make at the opening of court regarding the admission of testimony in the alleged conspiracy referred to by Asst. Dist. Atty. General Sweeney. Upon this ruling depended the question whether the prosecution would be permitted to attempt to substantiate in the presence of the jury its allegation that J. Morgan Smith was spirited away from the jurisdiction of the court by Miss Patterson's counsel. These facts, which had been forecasted by rumor for several days, was made yesterday afternoon. The jury had been dismissed for the day, however, and heard none of the arguments between counsel. The testimony by which Mr. Hand asserts he will prove the plot to wrong Young may be as sensational as the charge of conspiracy itself. So far it has only been hinted at in the testimony of the newswoman, with a link offered in the testimony of the pawnbroker, Hyman Stern, who sold the revolver which Young used. These links of evidence are wide apart, and in order to forge a connecting chain of circumstances, witnesses will have to be called who have been kept in the background since the district attorney's office has been building up its case. Mr. Hand spoke of the prosecution as being documents important to their theory, but so far the name of Smith has not been connected with these alleged threats.

When the trial was resumed today, and before Justice Davis had an opportunity to announce his decision on the conspiracy, Asst. Dist. Atty. General Sweeney closed the incident by withdrawing his request that the grand jury subpoena served on J. Morgan Smith be admitted as evidence. Mr. Hand said he was informed in withdrawing his request that the admissibility of the subpoena was not free from doubt. At the conclusion of Mr. Hand's statement and upon suggestion of attorney for the defense, Judge Davis directed the jury to disregard all references made to the missing witness.

## REV. F. S. SPALDING.

Formally Consecrated Bishop of  
Salt Lake.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 14.—Franklin Spencer Spalding, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church of this city, for the past six years has been consecrated Bishop of Salt Lake City today. The impressive ceremonies took place in the church where he had officiated for the past six years. The consecration was performed by Bishop Tuttle of Missouri, who was assisted by the co-consecrators Bishop Whitehead of Kansas and Bishop Schuyler of New Jersey. The consecration sermon was delivered by Bishop Vincent. Bishop Spalding's father, now deceased, was consecrated bishop of Colorado in the same church as the son, almost exactly 37 years ago.

## SASONEFF'S IMPRISONMENT.

Czar's Proclamation Reduces it  
To Fourteen Years.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—It turns out that at the trial yesterday of Sasoneff, the assassin of Interior Minister von Plehvie, and Sikorsky, his accomplice, while Sasoneff did not present the apology he had written in the hospital, he delivered a speech in his justification. Both prisoners were dressed in civilian clothes. Sasoneff walked with a cane, three of his toes and one finger having been amputated as the result of wounds received by the bomb explosion. He also was very deaf, one of his eardrums having been smashed. Sasoneff being still an invalid, was taken back to Viennaprisson after the trial. Sikorsky was taken to the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress. The effect of the application of Emperor Nicholas' manifesto on the occasion of the birth of the heir to the throne upon the sentence of Sasoneff's term (penal servitude for life), and left the locality askance.

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## FIRST STREET HILL.

Asphalt Pavement Renders it Both  
Slippery and Dangerous.

The First street hill is proving a regular "slide-down-hill" for horses, with the new asphalt pavement; and if it is so slippery, the question is, what will be the result when the hill is covered with ice? Local coal men say it will be nearly an impossibility to deliver coal along that part of the street, and other merchants whose goods require heavy teaming for delivery, are expressing local askance.

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## THREE INCHES OF SNOW.

This Amount of "The Beautiful" Fell  
Yesterday Afternoon.

The protracted drought that has lasted since October 17 last, has broken, and wintry weather is now on. A low barometric pressure dropped down from the north, and the snow started in in good earnest late yesterday afternoon. Altogether, three inches of snow fell, equivalent to .25 of an inch of water, and the skies have been threatening all day long. The outlook for tonight and tomorrow is for more snow, and it is probable that the snow will be in good earnest late yesterday afternoon.

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## WRIGHT WINS THE STATE PRIZE

Logan Man Carries Off \$200 for  
Best Original Painting by  
Utah Artist.

## BRONZE MEDAL FOR RAZANNE.

Culmer Awarded Prize for Best Water  
Color on Exhibition—Crawshaw  
A Winner.

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## Zemstvo to Buy Bread.

Kishinev, Dec. 14.—The district zemstvo has voted \$105,000 to purchase bread and to open warehouses for the sale of it, and grain to the distressed at a cost price, as the Jews are buying up all the grain in the villages and reselling it at a three times its cost.

## Mission to Afghanistan.

Peshawar, British India, Dec. 14.—The British mission to Afghanistan, headed by Lord Duns, foreign secretary of the Indian government, arrived safely at Kabul Dec. 13.

## Arbitration Treaty With Italy.

Washington, Dec. 14.—A treaty of arbitration between Italy and the United States was signed today at the state department by Baron Mayor des Planches, the Italian ambassador, and Secy. Hay. The treaty is identical with other arbitration treaties signed by this country.

## Gunnery Record Trophy.

Manila, Dec. 14.—The gunnery record trophy presented by President Roosevelt to the battleship Oregon was unveiled today. Admiral Stirling, in command of the Philippine squadron of the Asiatic fleet, made the presentation speech, after which the president's salute was fired. There was a large reception on board the Oregon, which was attended by Maj.-Gen. H. C. Corbin and many officials.

## SENATOR KEARNS INTRODUCES BILL TO CEDE ARIZONA STRIP

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—Senator Kearns today introduced a bill in the senate to cede the Arizona strip to the state of Utah and make Oregon the dividing line between the State and the territory. The senator argued in support of this measure before the committee on territories yesterday. The committee seems favorably disposed, but much will depend on the fate of the statehood bills which will be reported within a day or two. The opponents of the combined statehood plan will use every possible effort to defeat the passage at this session and may succeed in defeating action upon "strip bill."

## Russian Rioters.

Gomel, Russia, Dec. 14.—During today's session of the court which is trying the men accused of being responsible for the rioting here in September, 1903, a new witness, a railroad employee, recounted his attempt to stop the workmen who were rioting almost mechanically and without manifesting excitement. The witness added that it needed only a few energetic orders to stop the rioting. He called the attention of several officers to this fact, but his efforts were of no avail. The witness heard of the impending troubles long before they actually took place.

## Spanish Cabinet Resigns.

Madrid, Dec. 14.—The entire cabinet has resigned. The resignations were consequent on a disagreement of the ministers over the proposed military reforms and the king's refusal to confirm certain nominations presented by the war minister.

## DENVER ELECTION CASES.

Supreme Court Sustains Motion  
Of Attorneys for Republicans.

Denver, Dec. 14.—The state supreme court today sustained the motion made by the attorneys for the Republican party to reject the Denver election commission from including in its official abstract of votes the returns from Precinct 8 of Ward 1. Chief Justice Gabbott announced the decision, in which Justices Campbell concurred. Justice Steel dissented and remarked that the action was "unwarranted, unprecedented and directly contrary to law."

In announcing the decision Chief Justice Gabbott said that the evidence showed that false ballots had been substituted for the genuine ones in this precinct, and it was the right of the court to prevent the consumption of the fraud. Written opinions will be filed later.

The decision announced today is

## Christmas News Advertisers

All advertisers desiring  
space in the Christmas issue  
of the News, Saturday next,  
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as soon as possible. Orders  
for large display advertisements  
cannot be accepted  
after Thursday evening.

said to establish a precedent and the the Republicans will ask for similar action in regard to the precincts in which the supreme court took original jurisdiction at the election and in which it is alleged frauds were committed. There are about 50 such precincts. The court announced that motions to throw out the votes of other precincts in which frauds have already been proved will be considered tomorrow. By throwing out Democratic precincts in question the entire Republican legislative ticket in Denver may be elected and Adams' 5,000 majority over Peabody for governor in this county may be wiped out.

The hearing of contempt charges was resumed today by the supreme court, the case from precinct 2, ward 7, being taken up. The defendants are Leonard Rogers, Democratic candidate for the state senate; Frank W. Lee, police captain; Michael Geary, constable; William D. Adams, Louis Hansen and John P. Kendrick. The complaining witness is Jay Cook, Jr., supreme court watcher. The prosecution presented evidence tending to show that there was repeating, and ballot box stuffing and disturbances at the polls for which the defendants were responsible.

## C. A. Semler Sentenced.

Akron, O., Dec. 14.—Charles A. Semler was sentenced here today to serve 18 months in the penitentiary for obtaining \$5,000 from the National bank two years ago under false pretenses. Semler was captured in San Francisco last summer, after he had been in South America and California, following his disappearance from Akron. He was a prominent broker here.

## A HOTEL FIRE.

The Guests in Scanty Clothing  
Watched Firemen Fight Flames.

New York, Dec. 14.—One hundred and twenty-five guests of the Hotel Lafayette-Brevort, at Eighth street and Fifth avenue, were aroused from their beds early today and kept waiting in scanty clothing for more than an hour while firemen fought a blaze between the ceiling of the first floor and the flooring of the second. The flames were finally extinguished and all the guests returned to their rooms. The loss was small.

## Anti-Mosquito Convention.

New York, Dec. 14.—The second annual convention of the National Mosquito Extermination society will be held in this city tomorrow and Friday. The object of the convention is the education of the people as to killing the insects, possible legislation toward their slaughter and co-operation in the getting the country rid of the insects. Specimens of all kinds will be exhibited together with the small fish that are active in destroying the larvae.

## Japanese Warship Sunk.

London, Dec. 14.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Chefoo gives a rumor of the sinking of a big Japanese warship off Port Arthur Nov. 30, with 300 persons on board, and of two Russian torpedo boats destroyed by Japanese on Nov. 25. The first of these reported disasters is probably only another version of the sinking of the Japanese cruiser Salyen.

## A Student Demonstration.

Moscow, Dec. 14.—There was another student demonstration here today at which the students shouted, "Down with arbitrariness." The town council has telegraphed to Interior Minister Witte, Murky a petition in support of the zemstvo memorial.

The humane society has asked for permission to aid in the relief of the sufferers in Bessarabia.

## The Minnesota at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The steamer Minnesota, the largest vessel ever in the Pacific ocean, arrived here today from Norfolk, Va., on the way to Seattle, where she is to enter the service of the Great Northern Railway company. The Minnesota has a cargo capacity of more than 20,000 tons. Though built expressly for freight purposes, she has passenger accommodations for 213 first cabin, eight second cabin and 2,400 in the steerage. She is 630 feet long, 74½ feet beam and 30 feet from her keel to the upper bridge. She will probably sail from Seattle for the Orient in January.

## DOWN WITH PNEUMONIA.

H. S. Goddard, the Singer, is Said to  
Be a Very Sick Man.

H. S. Goddard, the well known baritone singer, is a very sick man with pneumonia. Yesterday he did not realize his condition. Today, however, he got so bad that from last autumn he was delirious. Both Dr. Wilcox and Dr. Richards have held consultations over the case and they are doing all in their power for his recovery.

## U. OF U. WOMEN.

Met This Morning and Took Steps to  
Organize New Society.

The women of the University of Utah met this morning in separate chapel exercises, and took steps looking forward to extensive plans for the organization of the University women for social purposes. A temporary organization was formed, with Lydia Knudson president; Eliza Ward, treasurer, and Hazel Stephens, secretary. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. E. M. McKiverson of the board of regents, Prof. Maud May Babcock, and Mrs. H. F. Young. The speakers dealt with opportunities for a successful organization among the women, and of the necessity of working together for a women's clubhouse on the campus. Another meeting will be called early next week to continue the work of perfecting a permanent organization.

## JAPANESE REACH THEIR HIGH TIDE.

Russian General Staff Satisfied  
With the Military Situation  
In Manchuria.