

of Moore & Schley, applied to Judge Cole, of the equity branch of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, for an order restraining John S. Miller, commissioner of the internal revenue, from assessing and collecting tax upon his income. This is only one of a number of legal attacks which will soon be made upon the income tax, each suit being based on different grounds.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 22.—In connection with the hunt for the murderer of Mrs. Matson, it has been decided to photograph the victim's eyes as a possible means of finding a clew.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Reports from Great Britain show that the gale is abating. The storm raged with the greatest fury all day yesterday. Telegraphic communication with Scotland is completely interrupted, while the wires in the midland counties and Ireland are more or less damaged. There is hardly a town of any size but reports personal casualties and damage to property. Manufacturing towns in the north and west suffered badly. A number of fishing boats are missing. Three boats were swamped off Stormoway and twenty-two occupants drowned. Much damage was done to houses in Dublin and the suburbs of that city. People in the Donegal hills are reported to be suffering terribly, their cottages being wrecked and flooded.

QUITMAN, Ga., Dec. 23.—The lives of seven negroes have been taken in the last twenty-four hours for that of one white man; and unless all signs fail utterly, many more lives are in jeopardy.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 24.—At 12:05 this morning a fire broke out in compartments Nos. 3 and 4 of the British steamer *Avena* containing about 3,000 bales of cotton. Six steamers are now flooding the hold and the fire is virtually under control. Damage to the cotton is estimated at \$25,000, covered by insurance.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—Advice from Brooks county today says, that only two negroes were killed in the rioting yesterday, instead of seven, as at first reported. A Quitman special to the *Journal* says the whites are still highly incensed and are patrolling the settlement, fully armed, in search of the Waverly Pike negro, whose brutal slaughter of Joseph Isom last week started the trouble. There is danger of other lives being sacrificed before he is caught.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—The fire department of San Francisco has acquired a water tower battery invented by a department machinist, which will throw four thousand gallons of sixteen tons of water per minute into a burning building. That is 1,500 gallons more than can be discharged through the nozzle used out the top of the tower. The new contrivance will be used for flooding the lower stories of buildings and simultaneously the nozzle will be used in the upper floors and roof.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Anarchist Charles Mowbray said at a mass meeting to the *Liberty* theater:

"We want an organization of anarchists in every city and town. We want men who can expound the principles of anarchy in English. Petty jealousies have done much to weaken our cause. This must cease.

Our masters, the capitalists, are cheered now because we are disunited; but they must remember that an anarchist commune is always an anarchist commune and will not 'grow' at their bidding."

CAPE MAY, N. J., Dec. 24.—At Tockanoe, twenty-five miles north of here on the South Jersey railroad, last night, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Miss Emma Jones and another young girl returning from church drove upon the track just as the train came along. The engine struck the carriage, instantly killed Mrs. Lewis and severely injured Miss Jones and the other girl. Mr. Lewis escaped. The girls saved themselves by jumping.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The telegraph lines in the northern part of Great Britain are still down and the full amount of damage by the storm is not known. It is estimated that fifty to one hundred persons lost their lives during the gale. The weather clearing today shows new disturbance coming from the Atlantic.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—D. McFlannigan, Edward Sullivan and John Corallo, city employees, were injured by an explosion of gas in a sewer at Adams and La Salle streets today. They had entered the man hole when a light from a match caused an explosion, which buried the men ten feet above the surface. Sullivan was fatally injured; the others will recover.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Judge Woods today decided that the jail sentence of Dees and his six associates in the Santa Fe case, will begin on Jan. 8th.

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Eleanor Leconte, aged 69, was burned to death here today. She was sitting before a grate and a newspaper fell from her lap set fire to her dress. She tried to extinguish the flames with towels, but died shortly after reaching her bed.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 24.—A special to the *Republican* from Durango, Colo., says: "The *Merid* contains the following: 'Col. Lawton, Agent Dave Day and Interpreter J. B. Smith returned from the conference on last night.' The *Delayed Southern*. Col. Lawton will not talk for publication until after his official reports have been given to the public. The parties have been out seventeen days, six days and part of three nights being in the saddle in snow, mud and rain.

The party scouted the Indian valley approaches, crossed Dry valley from Church Rock to Indian Springs and north from Carille's ranch to the Lihon valley trail. They located fifteen lodges of renegade Indians at the head of Dry valley and found that out eleven lodges had gone toward Dry valley and but two, Chief Mariani and one other, had halted between the Colorado line and Monticello, Utah.

There were but thirteen male Indians from the Southern Ute tribes in Utah, exclusively of Benoa and "Maudie Jim" who claim the country by right of prior location. The eleven lodges were trailed over the cliffs and rocks into the valley and out of it through snow and mud by way of Pute Springs into the sheltered canyon leading to the reserve, and all were in Colorado Saturday night. Interpreter Smith, who seemed more communicative than the officials, predicts that Day's official report aside from facts brought out by investiga-

tion will be a better arraignment of Utah's ex-convict.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The problem of making the payment of \$600,000 to the Nez Perce Indians for their land in Idaho, which has confronted the interior department for some time, has just been settled. The commission of Indian affairs devised a plan for payment direct to the Indians, which Secretary Smith has now approved.

It authorizes a special agent to proceed to the lands and make up a roll of Indians entitled to the money. The roll will be forwarded direct to the office and drafts will be made out payable to each Indian in his own name for the amount due him. The drafts will be forwarded in the care of the special agent who will identify each of the Indians. There are 1,890 of the Indians, each of whom will receive about \$330.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The Cliff house is on fire, and Adolph Sutro's big bath, recently completed at a cost of half a million dollars.

There are no means of fighting the fire at the Cliff house, and the nearest fire engine is about four miles away. The fire commenced at about 8:30 tonight, and at 9 o'clock about half of the Cliff house had been destroyed. The Cliff house was a world-famous resort, as it overlooks the seal rocks and is part of the possessions of Adolph Sutro, San Francisco's mayor-elect. The buildings of the Cliff house are frame structures, and were used as restaurants, saloons and curling shops.

At 9:30 the Cliff house was a mass of ruins. The fire had uncontrolled headway and speedily burned itself out. The baths are no longer in danger. The monetary loss is not great, probably not over \$20,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 25.—A special to the *North American* from Chester, Pa., says 355 steerage passengers of the steamer *Southwark*, which was recently detained off that city on account of the death of a passenger from smallpox are confined at the quarantine station there in the most absolute filth and privation.

In an interview today one of the passengers said that a petition complaining of the filth was signed by 250 of them, but the officials in charge suppressed it. It is declared the food is not fit to serve to dogs. To receive it the prisoners are compelled to stand in line to the open air.

One man sent out yesterday and bought \$27 worth of good food for the mothers with small children, but the goods were confiscated by the managers because they had not come through them. A policeman on duty at the station said he would resign because he could not see little children starve to death. The entire camp is in the filthiest condition possible, and it is asserted that no soap, water or towels have been provided since the landing.

Dealing details are related and the officials of the city, fearing disease, will lay the matter before the Chester board of health tomorrow and demand immediate action. The cabin passengers were allowed to pass up the river and this distinction is complained of by the passengers.

A number of Philadelphians who have wives and children in the colony have been driven away, upon attempting to see them.