

## METHODISTS WANT CANNON'S SCALP

Condemn His Conduct in Refusing to Allow a Vote on the Littlefield Bill.

URGE VOTERS TO DEFEAT HIM

Author of Measure Writes Letter Saying No One Has His Authority to Hold Speaker Responsible.

Canton, Ill., Sept. 14.—The Central Illinois Methodist Episcopal conference, the fifty-third annual session, closed here today condemning the action of Speaker Cannon in the following terms:

"We deplore and condemn the custom that gives speakers of the legislative bodies the power to control legislation. The conduct of J. G. Cannon, speaker of the house, in refusing to allow a vote on the Littlefield bill is worthy of universal condemnation, and we suggest that such politicians, who lack the elements of statesmanship, should be returned to private life. We urge upon the people the use of all lawful means in securing the defeat of J. G. Cannon, a speaker of the house of representatives."

A LETTER FROM LITTLEFIELD.

New York, Sept. 14.—The action of the Methodist denomination in opposing Speaker Cannon on the ground that he strangled the Littlefield bill, which was designed to prevent the shipment of intoxicating liquors into prohibition districts, has called forth a letter from Congressman Littlefield to Speaker Cannon, in which he says:

"As to the Littlefield bill, which I was not able to get reported from the committee at the last session, no one has any authority from me to hold you responsible for that result. I suppose I ought, in fairness, to say that this bill raised some grave and close constitutional questions. While I feel that the bill would be sustained, and I think it ought to pass, the question is by no means free from doubt, and I would not, for a moment, think of intimating that those who take the opposite view are insincere or dishonest. In fact, some of the ablest lawyers that I know entertained that view. While I do not remember to have ever discussed this phase of the question with you, that I understand to be your view, it is not to be assumed, I take it, that when a member is elected speaker he ceases to have opinions and is deprived of the right to express and maintain them that other members enjoy, without subjecting himself to the charge of being a dictator of the house or the reproach of a lack of vitality. The election of a speaker should not, in my judgment, emasculate either the speaker or the house. That intelligent, conscientious and earnest men should disagree upon important questions, is, I take it, inevitable. I certainly hope that any view that you may entertain on this question will not embarrass you in your campaign, as I think you fully realize, if your constituents do not, the vital importance to the party and the country of having a man of your ability, intelligence, independence, courage and intimate knowledge of public affairs, not only in the house of representatives, but in the position that you now fill with such great acceptance to all of the members."

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

Several Disciplined for Too Much Activity in the Political Field.

Washington, Sept. 14.—The disciplining of several government employees because of political activity is announced in a statement given out by the civil service commission today. J. H. Rhinehart, a letter carrier in the Denver postoffice, has been reduced, and E. W. Hill and W. R. Phillips, clerks in the Goldsboro, N. C., postoffice, have been warned that their political activity must cease under penalty of dismissal. Hill has been nominated for state senator, and he was informed also that

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if he desired to retain his position in the postal service it would be necessary to decline the nomination at once.

## HIGH SCHOOL FRATERNITIES.

Fight on Them in Chicago is Carried Into the Courts.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—The fight which is being waged by the Chicago high school fraternities against the school board for the right to retain membership in secret societies, was carried into the courts today. Edward McDonald, a suspended pupil at the Hyde Park high school, filed a petition in mandamus in the circuit court, denying the right of the board to expel him for failure to sign a pledge renouncing his fraternity membership, and asking that a writ be issued compelling his reinstatement as a pupil in the school.

## KILLED BY ENGINE.

Reno, Nev., Sept. 14.—An unknown man, apparently about 40 years of age, was instantly killed a few rods east of the depot today by train No. 10 on the Southern Pacific. The man was walking alongside the track and as the train got near him he stepped directly in front of the engine. He was well dressed, of the average height and had brown hair. Nothing was found on his person to identify him.

## FOUR PERSONS KILLED MANY MORE INJURED

Clarkdale, Miss., Sept. 14.—Four persons are known to have been killed and 25 were injured in a wreck on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroad tonight, two miles south of here, when two coaches of a passenger train rolled down an embankment.

Two or three passengers are unaccounted for and it is possible their bodies will be found under the wreckage.

## DEAD.

Mrs. Virgie Gray, 37 years old, Anderson, Miss.

Mrs. Robert M. Gay, Glendora, Miss. Unknown white woman, whose body remains under the debris.

## INJURED.

Mrs. J. Jaemore, Mattison, Miss.; internal injuries and severe cuts on body. J. H. Perkins, Memphis; seriously injured internally. C. E. Harris, district attorney of Sumner, Miss.; probably fatally hurt. Conductor E. S. Sharp; two fractures of arm.

The wrecked train left Jackson, Miss., at 6:30 a. m., and upon approaching Clarkdale was behind its schedule and was running at an unusually high rate of speed, when, without warning, the four coaches and the engine rolled down a bank and were crushed into a mass of wood and iron.

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## PREMIER ASQUITH AND THE CATHOLICS

His Action in Forbidding of Carrying of Host in Procession Still Subject of Discussion.

## OLD LAW MAY BE REPEALED

Question Almost Certain to Come Up in Parliament—Protestantism in No Danger.

London, Sept. 14.—The prelates and clergy who came to London to attend the eucharistic congress which ended yesterday, scattered today to the four points of the compass. The party, including the papal legate, Cardinal Vincent Vannutelli and Cardinal Gibbons, went to Arundel castle, the magnificent home of the Duke of Norfolk, as the guests of the duke at a big house party. Cardinal Gibbons was to leave Arundel castle tomorrow for Ireland, and he will sail for Queenstown Oct. 1 for New York.

Premier Asquith's action in placing a ban on the ceremony of carrying the host in yesterday's procession is still the subject of general discussion in London and the question is asked, "What will its political effect be?" This evening's newspapers are practically unanimous in saying that a modification in the plans for the procession was not necessary and now that attention has been drawn to it, they say the law which was invoked should be repealed, contending as the Pall Mall Gazette put it, that "English Protestantism is able to protect itself without resort to rusty weapons from the medieval armory."

Those papers which do think the premier well advised in stopping the carrying of the host in the procession, on the ground that it might have caused serious trouble in the streets, criticize his delay in not acting until the last moment and also his effort to induce Archbishop Bourne to act without making his action public.

Lord Edmund Talbot already has announced his intention of raising the question in parliament and other Catholic peers and members of the house of commons will move for the repeal of the law and also for the elimination of the sovereign's oath from the declaration against Catholicism.

At Newcastle, where a bye-election is now going on to replace Thomas Cairns, deceased, the government's decision is considered unpopular for and should make a difference in the election, as a large number in the constituency, even of home rulers, vote against the Liberals. With the English priests the decision today on the question of the procession is a matter of gratification at the freedom allowed them during the week. The Irish priests were more reticent, but it is learned they hope for strong political action by the Nationalists. It will be interesting to watch whether the action of Premier Asquith will affect the support John Redmond has hitherto given to the Liberals.

Cardinal Vannutelli, before his departure for Arundel castle, said that the action of the premier had done the Catholic cause good, as it evoked sympathy. He was particularly gratified by the tone of the London papers regarding it.

## VANNUTELLI'S TELEGRAM.

Rome, Sept. 14.—The Osservatore Romano, the Vatican organ, does not comment today on the prohibition of the Catholic procession with the host in London, but publishes the following telegram received yesterday by Cardinal Merry del Val, the papal secretary of state, from Cardinal Vannutelli, the papal legate to the eucharistic congress:

"The eucharistic congress was concluded today with a great triumphal eucharistic procession through the streets which were overcrowded with pilgrims. All along the route of the procession, the cardinal legate and the other cardinals and prelates were greeted with continuous acclamations. Many of the houses were decorated. The sacred water was not carried in the procession, but I gave the final benediction with the sacrament to the crowd from three open balconies on the facade of Westminster cathedral. Members of the house of lords made

me an escort of honor. Perfect order was maintained without exception. It was a most imposing spectacle."

## POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS PROPAGANDA

Washington, Sept. 15.—Postmaster-General Ayer has made an order that postmasters of the country have been directed to confer with their local school authorities as to the practicability and desirability of delivering to the school children short talks on the postal service. The design is to inform the pupils of the scope of its operations, the methods of delivering mail matter, classification of small matter and registry and money order systems. Incidentally they are to make known plans for betterment, such as the establishment of postal savings banks and the extension of the parcel post.

Wherever it may be impracticable for postmasters to deliver lectures they are to furnish the necessary information to the school supervisors so as to equip fully regular teachers. It is the postmaster general's expectation that the school children will be useful to the postal service in seeing that letters are properly and plainly addressed. That there is necessity for action of the kind is shown by the volume of business transacted by the dead letter office. During the last year 13,145,172 pieces of mail matter were sent there because the postoffices were unable to read them.

## GERMANY AND MOROCCO

Former Will Consider Franco-Spanish Note Regarding Latter in Most Friendly Spirit.

Berlin, Sept. 15.—Jules Cambon, the French ambassador to Germany, has received assurances from Herr Stenrich, acting secretary of the German office, that Germany will consider the Franco-Spanish note regarding Morocco in the most friendly spirit. The ambassador transmitted these cordial expressions to his government. Herr Stenrich reported similar expressions of good will to the Spanish charge d'affaires.

The separation of the question concerning the cost of the occupation by French troops from the condition by which Mulai Hafid is to be recognized is considered here as somewhat simplifying the controversy. Though in the end the cost of occupation is likely to be hard to solve, depending much upon how the acts are to be reckoned. If France does not expect to charge Morocco with the maintenance of troops engaged, but only for the extra expenditures, such as the transportation of ammunition and the destruction of material, then the powers might willingly agree that a moderate reimbursement should be exacted, but Germany is resolute against enormous bills being paid for what is regarded as an unnecessary display of force.

France and Spain took three weeks to formulate the note and the powers to which it was sent cannot be expected to respond immediately. Prince von Buelow, the imperial chancellor, will return to Berlin from Nordeney tomorrow, to open the inter-parliamentary union and international press conference and to give preliminary suggestions for Germany's procedure.

Among the points upon which Germany probably will ask for fuller information is the paragraph concluding Mulai Hafid's acceptance of all the treaties entered into by Abd-el-Aziz. The latter is supposed to have made some secret conventions with France while M. Regnaud was French minister at Tangier, and the powers can with propriety demand information regarding these agreements.

## WHISKY TO BE WHISKY MUST HAVE AGE

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 14.—Whisky and other liquors must have age and not color or be labeled "imitation." So decided Judge Humphrey in the United States district court in the case of Woolner & Co., distillers and rectifiers of Peoria, Ill., who asked a temporary injunction against Thomas Tennick, collector of internal revenue, restraining the federal authorities from enforcing the distinction shown in labels on whisky as to whether it is pure or "imitation."

In an opinion denying the injunction the court upholds the regulation of May 6, 1898, under which the order for labels on "imitation" goods is made, and meets one of the arguments of the distillers that it has been customary to label all goods as pure with a declaration criticizing the commissioner of internal revenue. On this point the court says that the commissioner "has been tardy in promulgating a resolution which he had legal power to force even before Congress gave emphasis to the subject by the enactment of the food and drugs act."

The decision will affect distillers and rectifiers all over the country, and has been eagerly awaited by manufacturers

## N. Y. DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION

Fight Between Tammany Leader Murphy and Senator McCarren Still On.

## GOVERNORSHIP NOMINATION

Effort to be Made to Dispose of Question Before Bryan's Arrival—Chandler Leading Candidate.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 15.—With the gubernatorial question still unsettled between a narrow wing to a choice of one among three or four the prospect of lively sessions ahead, involving the merits of the fight between Charles F. Murphy, the leader of Tammany hall, and Senator Patrick H. McCarren of Brooklyn, over contested seats in Kings county, the Democratic state convention convened today at noon. Senator McCarren had made official his previously uttered threat to bolt the convention if any one of his delegates should be unseated. The McCarren delegates against whom contests had been entered before the state committee, were unseated by that body last night. This was not unexpected. Senator McCarren took with him to the convention hall today a resolution which he declared he would present at the earliest opportunity calling for a complete reorganization of the state committee and the election of a new membership. Senator McCarren says he will first make his fight before the credentials committee and if unsuccessful there will carry the matter to the floor of the convention.

Conferences were continued today looking to a settlement of the nomination of governor, but no definite progress has been made up to the time set for the opening of the convention. The nominating session will not be held until tomorrow afternoon and may, as a matter of fact, have to be postponed until Thursday on account of the visit of William J. Bryan, who will address the convention Wednesday night. Every effort will be made, however, to get the gubernatorial nomination at least out of the way before Mr. Bryan arrives. This is the wish of the presidential candidate, who does not desire to be put in the position of having influenced the selection of a candidate in the state convention.

Lieut.-Gov. Chanler remained this morning, to all outward appearances, the leading candidate for nomination as governor of the state ticket. Leader Murphy's expression of opinion in favor of Supreme Court Justice James V. Gerard of New York City became public this morning for the first time. The friends of Mr. Chanler, however, continued their efforts to convince Mr. Murphy that the lieutenant governor's strength up to the state entitled him to first consideration.

The race for subordinate places on the ticket continues an open one, with a host of candidates in the field for all of the offices.

The Tammany delegation enlivened the morning with their usual convention parade. There were several hundred members of the organization in line, and the line of march led through miles of the principal streets.

and shippers of liquor. The United States attorney says not the distillers but the rectifiers have been making the "imitation" product and placing the same upon the market as the genuine article. These products include whisky, brandy, etc., to which has been added a large per cent of water and then colored with rye or bourbon, as in the case of whisky, essence of juniper in the case of rum and with paches and other fruits in the case of brandy. Henceforth, under today's decision of the court, such goods must be labeled "imitation."

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