

IS THE EDDY SUIT IN GOOD FAITH?

Defendants File Their Answer
And Say Mrs. Eddy's Mental
Faculties Not Impaired.

HAVEN'T DIVERTED MONEY.

They Charge That the So-Called "Next
Friends" Are Such in Name
Only.

Concord, N. H., April 17.—A general denial of all the allegations of the complaint in the suits for an accounting of the property of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, filed March 1, was the legal answer made today by the defendants named in the original action.

The specifications in the original bill are that Mrs. Eddy is and for a long time has been incompetent to do business or to understand transactions conducted in her name; that the defendants whose answer was filed today, with other leaders of the Christian Science church who were named in the original bill, have possessed themselves of the property of Mrs. Eddy and have carried on her business; that on account of Mrs. Eddy's infirmity these persons are bound to give account of all transactions undertaken in her name, and that the defendants have wrongfully converted to their own use property belonging to the church.

To these representations the defendants filed specific and detailed denial. They declare that the suit was not brought in good faith.

The defendants, Alfred Farlow, Ira O. Knapp, Wm. L. Johnson, Stephen A. Chase, Joseph Armstrong and Edward A. Kimball, in their answer to the bill of complaint deny that Mrs. Eddy's mental faculties are so impaired by the infirmities of age or otherwise as to render her incapable of managing her affairs and protecting her property against undue influence, control or fraud of others, or that she is incapable of taking charge and managing the present or future legal proceedings. They also deny she is in charge and custody of the defendants, Frye and Strang, or of any one else.

The defendants say that the allegations in the bill of complaint are in large part immaterial, scandalous and irrelevant, and that they ought not to be called on to make answer thereto, and pray the judgment of the court thereupon. Defendant Armstrong declares that he is the publisher of all the Christian Science works, as alleged, but says that he is a publisher of Mrs. Eddy's personal writings, and that he has periodically and fully accounted for and turned over to her all royalties and profits from such publications; and the other defendants, admitting their respective connection with the Christian Science organization, deny that they have received any moneys or income belonging to Mrs. Eddy, or that such income is controlled or retained in any way by them.

The defendants say they have no knowledge or information respecting the nature and extent of the property of Mrs. Eddy, and deny that they have ever wrongfully converted to their own use or otherwise misappropriated or unlawfully diverted any money or property of Mrs. Eddy.

The defendants further say that they believe that the bill of complaint is not for the protection of the property of Mrs. Eddy, but for the purpose of protecting her person and property. They charge that the so-called "next friends" are such only in name, and that they have been induced to make their names for use in the suit at the instigation of certain evil-minded persons not related in any way to Mrs. Eddy or having any interest in her or her estate, and who are furnishing money for the prosecution of the suit for their own evil purposes and to advance their own selfish interests. These persons, defendants allege, are hostile to Mrs. Eddy and to the religious principles which she is the founder of. The defendants demand proof of all the material matters complained of which are not admitted specifically, and they say they ought not to make this any answer to the bill because it is multifarious, vague and indefinite and filled with immaterial, scandalous and irrelevant matter and does not set forth any cause of action under the state laws of New Hampshire.

Based on the Boston defendants, C. A. Frye, Irving C. Tomlinson, H. S. Herzing and Lewis C. Strang of Concord, the New Hampshire residents, among the defendants named in the complaint, also filed their answer today. Mr. Frye says he has been in the employ of Mrs. Eddy for about 25 years, for a considerable part of the time as private secretary. During all that time her home at Concord and all other houses in which she has resided, together with all persons employed or connected therewith, have always been under the absolute control and direction of Mrs. Eddy. Mrs. Eddy determines for herself whom she will see and the length of time that he will be given for that purpose, according to Mr. Frye's answer, and the defendant denies that he ever, personally or in conjunction with others, refused to allow any one to see Mrs. Eddy, or that he limited the time to be allowed to persons desiring to confer with her, except in accordance with the rules prescribed by Mrs. Eddy for the conduct of her household and business.

The answer of Strang is practically the same as that of Frye, while the answers of Tomlinson and Herzing vary only insofar as their relations with Mrs. Eddy differ from those of Frye and Strang.

FRANCE IMPOSES MAXIMUM RATE OF COFFEE FROM U. S.

Washington, April 17.—The French government today issued a decree imposing the maximum duties on coffee imported from the United States and Porto Rico is said at the state department to be dissatisfaction of the French government at the failure of the United States senate to act upon the French reciprocity treaty which has been pending before that body for several years. Added to this it is said, is a suspicion upon the part of the French government that the negotiations now in progress between the United States and Germany relative to the tariff upon American goods imported into Germany

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conceals some advantage to be bestowed upon German trade with the United States in which French trade is not so shrewd.

This decree is regarded as the beginning of a systematic effort to bring such pressure to bear upon the American Congress, through the imposition of duties upon the American export trade, as will force the whole subject of reciprocity upon its attention at the beginning of the next session. The state department officials fear that this action is but the precursor of similar attacks upon American trade by other nations of Europe. It is feared that the effort of the French decree will be disastrous to Porto Rico, which at present finds almost its only market in France, now that the Spanish market is closed by excessive duties.

NEBRASKA RAILWAY LAW.

Two-cent Fare Only Applies Within
The State.

Lincoln, Neb., April 17.—The Nebraska railway commission issued its first order today bearing on two-cent fares and stating that it will be expected that steam railroad companies to post placards in every station, calling attention to the fact that the two-cent passenger fare does not apply to tickets purchased to a destination beyond the state border.

In addition to this order the commission has addressed a letter to the Lincoln Traction company, the Citizens' Railway company of Lincoln, the Omaha, Lincoln & Beatrice Interurban and Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway corporation, notifying them that they are subject to the terms of the new anti-pass law and will be expected to obey it, both by issuing no passes, aside from the exceptions permitted by statute and by filing reports each month as to who the pass holders are.

POPE PIUS SUSPENDS FATHER ROMOLO MURRI.

Rome, April 17.—Father Romolo Murri, leader of the Catholic Democrats here, has been suspended and deprived of his faculties for disobeying papal instructions regarding the behavior of the clergy. The punishment inflicted on Father Murri has aroused more or less excitement, principally among the liberal Catholics. Father Murri's offense consisted of severe criticism of the action of the church in Italy, as well as comment on the French situation, especially the Montanari documents. The suspension means that Father Murri may not exercise his clerical office or administer and enjoy the fruits of his ministry.

Rome, a weekly Catholic paper, recalls that in 1902 the pope, who was then patriarch of Venice, had occasion to reprimand Father Murri for certain writings. Father Murri thereupon wrote a strongly worded letter to the patriarch, saying he expressed an opinion about writings which perhaps he had not read. He added that he could not permit such criticism, and asked for an apology.

At the recent consistory the pope delivered a speech in which he rebuked him, he said, threatened to bring about rebellion under the pretext of a return to the pure gospel. The allusion to the principles of Father Murri was evident.

SENATOR HEYBURN

Is Improving and Is Moved to Washington.

Washington, April 17.—Senator Heyburn of Idaho, who has been very ill in Philadelphia, was brought to this city today. He is improving slowly, though still very weak, and there is much ground to be gained before his condition will permit him to attend to any official duties. He was accompanied here by Mrs. Heyburn, W. B. Sams, his private secretary, and a trained nurse. Today was the first time Mr. Heyburn was able to be moved since the inception of his attack of acute indigestion.

KILLED IN RUNNING DUEL.

Claremore, I. T., April 17.—George Golden shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. Kate Paris, in hotel here today, and later was shot dead by Chief of Police Leech in a running duel in which Leech was slightly injured. Golden had quarreled with Mrs. Paris over a beard bill.

WHOLE CLASS SUSPENDED.

Springfield, Mo., April 17.—The entire junior class of Drury college (Congregational), numbering 34 members, was suspended by the faculty today because they refused to apologize for a set of resolutions drawn up last Monday, directed against the faculty. The freshman class of 87 students has voted to stand by the juniors. The trouble with the juniors, according to President Kirby's home of a quantity of ice cream intended for a seniors' reception. A junior charged with being the leader of the rioters, refused to disavow the names of the others, and was ordered home, when the class intervened.

UNCLE SAM OIL CO.

Fort Scott, Kan., April 17.—In the United States district court here today an application was filed to declare the Uncle Sam Oil company a bankrupt and asking that a receiver be appointed.

"TOM JONES" OPERA.

London, April 15.—"Tom Jones," a freely expurgated version of Fielding's novel in the shape of a comic opera, was produced at the Apollo theater last night. It scored an immense success and was highly praised by the critics.

ESCAPING CONVICT KILLED.

Raleigh, N. C., April 17.—In an attempt to escape from the state penitentiary today by three young convicts, one of them, C. L. Scruggs, was killed by the guard. The others were recaptured.

EX-BANKER WALSH

Is Forming Syndicate to Complete Chicago Southern Railroad.

Chicago, April 17.—James B. Forgan, chairman of the Chicago clearing house committee, today issued a statement in relation to the affairs of the Chicago National bank, John H. Walsh, its former president, the Equitable trust company and the Home Savings bank. The clearing house committee at the time of the failure of the three institutions had voted money to meet pressing obligations. Mr. Forgan's statement follows: "John H. Walsh is forming a syndicate to complete the Chicago Southern Railroad company, thus giving to the Southern Indiana Railroad company, his main office, an entrance into Chicago, to enable him to accomplish this the clearing house committee will exchange the Chicago National notes in the hands of the associated banks, amounting to \$750,000, for the first mortgage bonds on the completed road. The committee has also

agreed to a subscription of \$250,000 to be made to the syndicate in connection with the exchange of these bonds."

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES ELECTION.

Washington, April 17.—At today's meeting of the National Academy of Sciences, the following officers were elected: Ira Remsen, of Johns Hopkins university, president; Arnold Hague, secretary. The following were elected as a board of council: Robert S. Woodward, president of the Carnegie Institute, George E. Hale, of California; Henry Osborne, of New York; R. H. Critchfield, of Yale, and William H. Welch, of Johns Hopkins.

SEATTLE LABOR COUNCIL CENSURES THE PRESIDENT.

Seattle, Wash., April 17.—The Seattle Central Labor council tonight passed resolutions scoring President Roosevelt's action in referring to E. J. Harriman as an undesirable citizen as Moyer, Haywood or Debs. The resolutions criticize the president for prejudging the alleged murders of ex-Gov. Steenburgh of Idaho before they have been tried and for denying them the rights of American citizens to be presumed innocent until proved guilty. The labor leader requested that the president be asked to order the square deal for the men whose names he has clouded.

ARSENAL AT FERROL.

It Has Been Lensed to Two British Shipbuilding Firms.

Madrid, April 18.—It is said that the Yarrow Shipbuilding company and the Armstrong-Whitworth company are the British firms which have offered to lease the arsenal at Ferrol and that their offer has been accepted.

COWBOY DOES HOLD-UP ACT IN CONNECTICUT.

New Haven, Conn., April 17.—Leroy Taylor, of "Bobby" Taylor, who says he is 24 years of age, a cowboy and comes from Broadport, Ont., was arrested here yesterday and held in \$1,000 bonds for breach of the peace. The arrest followed from complaints from Montowoz and North Haven that several persons had been held up by a man riding wildly through the district clad in a grey suit and sombrero, armed with two big revolvers and mounted on a fast horse.

Taylor, the police say, answered the description of a man who had been robbed and held up in the city, and he could find his own property and not to take them.

DUTY ON LEADS NECKLACE.

New York, April 18.—More than \$12,000 has been paid over to the United States treasury as a result of the litigation involving the importation of the so-called "Tiffany pearls" and also the "Leeds necklace." A dispute over the question of classification of these two expensive jewels caused this litigation. The appeal having gone against the importers the court having decided that the duty must be paid before any further appeal would be considered. Beyond that, the importer of the Leeds necklace, paid collector Stranahan yesterday \$16,325, the balance due upon the pearls in question. Upon such payment the papers were forwarded to the board of general appraisers for determination of the question of whether the pearls were subject to duty at the rate of 10 per cent or 90 per cent. There was received also by collector Stranahan the sum of \$2,200 from Tiffany & Co.

SHOOTING STARVING CATTLE.

Los Angeles, April 17.—Deputies of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals today killed many head of starving cattle, included in a shipment which arrived at the Southern Pacific yards from the ranges of western Texas. It is stated that there are many thousands of head of cattle in danger of starvation in that section and that feed cannot be obtained. In hope of saving part of their herds, owners have begun shipping to southern Texas millions of starving animals. About 20 head and many of them arrived in such condition that they were immediately shot. Others were respiced to the ranges in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties.

COULDN'T WAKE CAPT. MACKLIN.

San Antonio, Tex., April 17.—Corp. Madison, a discharged negro of the Twenty-first Infantry, testified today in the Macklin court-martial, that he tried to awaken Capt. Macklin on the night of the Brownsville attack, but could not get the door with a rifle butt, and called loudly but got no reply. Four other negro witnesses told practically the same story.

DONNA GILMAN MURDER CASE.

Dayton, O., April 17.—Attorneys were filed in court today charging the mother, brother and two sisters of Donna Gilman, whose body was found on a common near her home last November, with the murder of the girl. The grand jury ignored the case against the Gilmans.

N. Y. CRIMINAL LAW.

As Result of Thaw Trial Bill Is Introduced to Amend It.

Albany, N. Y., April 17.—One of the aspects of the case of Harry K. Thaw appears to be the effect to be produced in the senate today by Senator Agnew of New York of a bill designed to amend the criminal code in relation to inquiry before trial into the sanity of a defendant indicted for a felony. In such a case either the defendant's attorneys or the district attorney may apply to any justice of the court in which the indictment is pending for an order committing the defendant to a state hospital for the insane for observation. The motion shall be based upon affidavits executed by two duly qualified examiners in lunacy, to the effect that the defendant is insane.

CAR CLEANER MURDERED BECAUSE REFUSED TO STRIKE

Chicago, April 18.—Because he refused to go on strike, Edward F. Fargo, a car cleaner employed by the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, was hit on the head with a brick last night and then jumped on and kicked by three men. He died a short time later.

The police arrested Paul Matka and are searching for Henry Wojka and Joseph Matka, who they assert, aided in the attack on Fargo.

The strike to the murder occurred three weeks ago. At that time the men became dissatisfied with the wages paid them and quit. Fargo, who had been employed by the company for five years, refused to join them. Other men were hired to fill the places made vacant by the strikers, and the latter were refused employment.

Last night the three men, it is alleged, tried to persuade Fargo to quit and he refused to listen to them. Matka, it is claimed, picked up a brick from the floor and struck Fargo on the head. Others then jumped on him and left him unconscious on the floor. His death occurred soon afterward.

STANFORD WHITE'S MEMORY.

Movement in Art Societies to Pay a Tribute to It.

New York, April 18.—A statement regarding the movement to have the art societies of the Fine Arts federation pay tribute to the memory of Stanford White as an architect has been given out by William M. Chase, who was president of the old Society of American Artists for a dozen years. Mr. Chase said: "I have received many letters from

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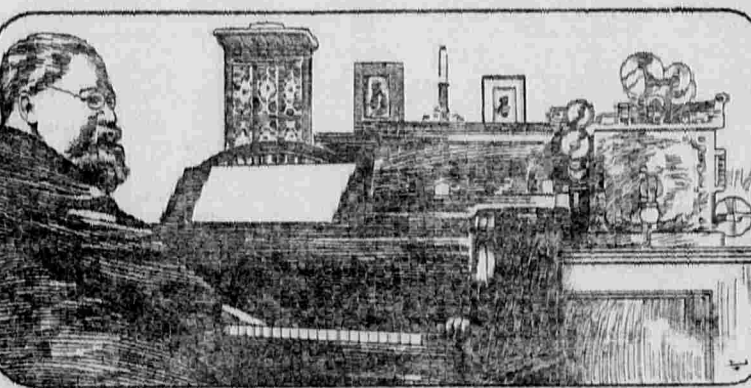
Mr. Chase said that it is the expectation that a conference of well known artists will soon be held for the purpose of calling meetings of the art societies to take action in the matter.

POISONED FOOD.

Three Members of Mette Family Critically Ill From Eating It.

Chicago, April 17.—Three surviving members of the Mette family of this city, two of whom recently died from arsenical poisoning, were made critically ill today by eating food in which the police declare arsenic had been placed. Frank Mette died last Saturday and

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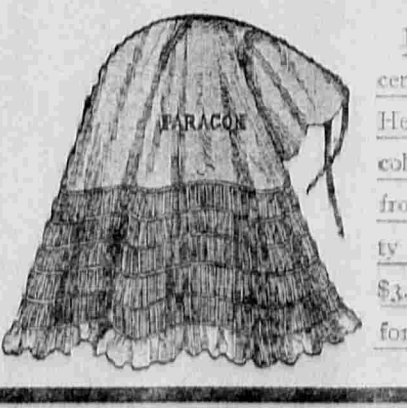
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