

Six Railroads Are Enjoined

Judge Grosscup Enters an Order Forbidding Them to Discriminate Against Small Shippers in Western Territory—It is First Decision of the Kind Under Elkins Law—Hence its Great Importance—Judge Phillips Agrees.

Chicago, April 24.—Judge Groscup today entered an order in the United States court of appeals enjoining six railroad companies from discriminating against small shippers in the western territory. The decision is especially important as being the first under the new

The government, according to the decision, is entitled to the injunction against the defending railroads under the commerce act as well as the Elkins act. The ruling applies to 14 railroads which were covered by proceedings instituted in the federal court. Six of these companies were defendants in the local court, the others are under the jurisdiction of the Kansas City federal court. Judge Grosscup announced that he and Judge Phillips were of one mind relative to all the points involved and that the latter would render a like decision today.

The decision holds that the government has the right to bring an action in equity to restrain railroad companies from discriminating either by furnishing lower rates or giving re-

AMERICA AND MANCHURIA.

Political Impression in Washington is That Russia's Action is

Distinct Breach of Faith With the United States—She

Has Made Three Formal Pledges.

Washington, April 24.—Minister Conger from Peking, has cabled to Secy. Hay a synopsis of the demands made upon

China by Russia respecting the control of Manchuria. This account agrees precisely with the full and accurate

press report of Russia's last coup from the Chinese capital. Secy. Hay will take no action in the matter until he

has communicated the facts to the president and has learned the latter's wishes.

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three times formally, and the documents are of record, that the open door should be maintained in Manchuria.

Finally, the latter provision took the shape of a treaty stipulation. It was

United States products may enter at the same uniform rate of 5 per cent duty that is collected in the southern Chinese ports.

CALM IN ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE

Springfield, Ill., April 24.—The open- Wilson, M. L. McKinley and Burton

ing of the session of the legislature this morning was a calm after the storm yesterday, although there was a decided

undercurrent of feeling against Speaker Miller which threatened to break out again if anything similar to the tactics

of yesterday was attempted. The chief interest in the traction question centered around the appointment of the

The house was called to order at 9:15 by Speaker Miller. Chaplain Powers offered a fervent prayer but made no reference to the exciting scenes

Miller. The speaker would not announce the members of the committee this morning and none of his followers yesterday or the charge of attempted bribery which Speaker Miller made at the session last evening.

would give out the names if they knew them. The members opposed to Miller flatly declared that they did not believe

There was anything the charge made by the speaker and announced their intention of pushing home the matter in opposition.

such a way that he could be compelled to prove his assertion or admit that he could not make it good. In accordance with the agreement reached this morning, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendments to house bill 86 (the Lindley ownership bill,) were adopted yesterday.

"If there are no objections," said he, "the motion can recover—"

A number of conferences were held previous to the meeting of the house

the reading of the message was concluded Mr. Lindley said:

Mr. Curtis, by unanimous consent then called up a number of appropriation bills on second reading.

PORT FUND MAY BE INCREASED

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Appropriation for the Rebuilding of Fort Douglas May be Added To to the Tune of \$300,000—Word Received From Wash.

ington by Captain Ham, Quartermaster in Charge.

Capt. Ham, the quartermaster in charge of the reconstruction of Fort	The present sum set aside for Fort Douglas will pay for the building of
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Douglas, learns from Washington of the strong probability of \$250,000 being added to the \$175,000 already appropriated.

for the rebuilding of this attractive post. Congress appropriated \$5,000,000 for the rehabilitation of army posts, double barracks, and this further appropriation means the carrying out of the entire program earlier than might have been expected. Contractor Aids

\$300,000 will be taken at the instance

of the secretary of war. | great buildings to go up at the post.
