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CAUGHT BY A PAY CAR

HOW THE SANTA FE DETECTED A SWINDLE.

Has Been Issuing Pay Checks to Fictitious Names for Three Years - Woodford, Minister to Spain, Will Keep His Mouth Shut.

Santa Fe Swindles Disclosed.

Although the investigation of the pay rolls of the Santa Fe has been in progress but a week, it has already revealed stealing amounting to about \$50,000, and officials who are in a position to know say that this figure will greatly exceed, the old game of placing fictitious names on the pay roll was worked successfully. In order to locate the fictitious names the Santa Fe sent out a pay car for the first time in the year. Assistant General Superintendent Turner and Chief of Detectives Kinney were on the car and attended personally to the work of handing out the checks. Hundreds of the checks were not called for and the investigation proved that the names were fictitious.

DEFEAT OF OUR NAVY.

Dry Docks Needed More than Additional Battle Ships.

Congress had better stop building battle ships and begin building dry docks," was the expression of Representative Amos Cummings during the debate Monday afternoon in the national house on the proposition to appropriate \$100,000 to repair the Brooklyn dry dock. Mr. Cummings called attention with startling candor to the lamentable weakness of this country in facilities for the repair of our battle ships. He said that whereas in the single port of Portsmouth, England, there were twenty-one stone dry docks into which English ships could be taken for repairs, the entire equipment of the United States on the Atlantic coast was one timber dry dock, and that one so badly out of repair that it was useless, and that on the Pacific coast there was also but a single timber dry dock. Our deficiencies in this respect are due entirely to a difference of opinion between cliques of officers in the Navy Department, whose rivalries extend into almost every feature of our naval establishment and have so thoroughly demoralized the navy as to make it a laughing stock among nations. One of these cliques is in favor of timber dry docks and the other in favor of stone dry docks, and between the two we have practically neither. In the event of a war with any maritime nation, such as Japan or Spain, the United States would be practically helpless in its inability to repair war ships.

WORCESTER WILL NOT TALK.

Makes It a Rule to Keep His Mouth Shut.

An interview with Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, minister to Spain, is published at New York, in which he says: "From the moment I accepted the appointment I have not said one word in relation to it for the press or the public, or to any unofficial person in any form, and shall not do so under any circumstances. Whatever is to be made known to the people of that which I shall have in hand will properly and necessarily come from the State Department. If there is any rumor or report in the newspapers or elsewhere of an interview with me about Spain or Cuba touching their affairs in any degree, you may be positive without inquiry, that so far as it concerns me it is without foundation."

MACARTNEY ALSO ACQUITTED.

Last of Recusant Witnesses Disposed Of by Judge Bradley.

At Washington, Judge Bradley sustained the motion of the defense in the case of John Macartney, broken on trial for alleged contempt of the Senate sugar trust investigating committee, and delivered the jury to return a verdict of acquittal. The ground of the judge's decision was that the questions asked were individual questions of Senator Allen and not committee questions. Mr. Macartney is the last of the alleged recusant witnesses to be tried, so that the record stands: Aequitatis, six convictions, one—namely, Broker Elverton R. Chapman of New York City, who served twenty-five days in jail.

ATHLETES OF THE DIAMOND.

Following is the standing of the clubs of the National Baseball League:

W. L. W. L.

Baltimore ... 34 12 Pittsburgh ... 22 24

Boston ... 34 13 Cleveland ... 22 25

Cincinnati ... 29 17 Washington ... 19 26

New York ... 29 18 Louisville ... 19 28

Brooklyn ... 24 23 Chicago ... 18 30

Philadelphia ... 24 26 St. Louis ... 10 40

The showing of the members of the Western League is summarized below:

W. L. W. L.

Columbus ... 35 15 Detroit ... 23 29

Indianapolis ... 33 16 G. I. Reds ... 19 34

St. Paul ... 36 19 Minneapolis ... 19 35

Milwaukee ... 29 26 Kansas City ... 18 38

SHOWS A DEFICIT OF \$3,500,000.

Deputy Attorney General Elkin has given out a statement on the condition of the Pennsylvania State finances in which he shows that there is a deficit of \$3,500,000 in the State treasury. Mr. Elkin says the Legislature has for several years appropriated more money than the net revenue received by the State, hence the present large deficiency.

GATHMANN SHELL NOT AT FAULT.

The Navy Department has decided to give the Gathmann shell, invented by Louis Gathmann of Chicago, another test. An investigation of the cause of the explosion showed that the shell was not at fault.

TEA BELOW THE STANDARD.

About eighty thousand pounds of tea brought to San Francisco since May 1 has not been allowed to be landed, because it did not come up to the standard of quality established by the Secretary of the Treasury in April. The importers are protesting.

RADDATZ'S BOAT IS A SUCCESS.

The Raddatz submarine boat was given another launch or test at Oshkosh, Wis., and with success. It is now being provisioned for an extended voyage on Lakes Michigan and Huron.

MAJOR GOOD MAY LOSS OFFICE.

An affidavit was filed Friday with Attorney General Monell charging Major Good of Springfield, Ohio, with violating the Garfield corrupt election practices by using more money than allowed by law in securing his nomination and election. The penalty is ouster from office.

CONFESSOR IN COURT TO MURDER.

Washington Craft, the Primitive Baptist minister at Paintsville, Ky., for the murder of Lavelle Higgins, fourteen years ago, admitted killing his uncle, Wiley Craft, and William Cook fifteen years ago. Craft has long been suspected of killing these men.

TRADE WORKING UP.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "The retarding influence of cold and unseasonable weather has passed. The gain in business has become clearer to all. As no genuine improve-

SHRIVER IS ALSO ACQUITTED.

Another Sugar Trust Contempt Case Falls to the Ground.

John S. Shriner, the correspondent of the New York Mail and Express, was declared not guilty of contempt in refusing to answer questions of the Senate committee in relation to sugar trust investigation. Mr. Shriner was the fourth of the alleged recalcitrant witnesses. Messrs. Havemeyer, Stearns, and Gould, and secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, both having been discharged, while Broker Elverton R. Chapman was convicted and served one month in jail. Judge Bradley based his decision in the Shriner case on two points, first that the witness had not been legally summoned, and second that the question asked him was not pertinent. The contention of the defense that communications to newspapermen are privileged as a class the same as communications to priests, lawyers and physicians, the court refused to sustain, but as the court, on the other hand, held that to ask the witness the name of his informant was not a pertinent question, counsel for the defense now hold that a precedent is established which virtually brings newspaper witnesses within the privileged class.

DEATH OF FATHER KNEIPP.

Originator of the Famous Water Cure Expires at Woerishofen.

The Rev. Father Kneipp, known throughout the world for his water cure, who had been suffering for some time, died at Woerishofen, Bavaria. Father Sebastian Kneipp was born in the Bavarian village of Ottobeuren about seventy-five years ago. He was the son of a weaver. He was educated at the Catholic hospital in Augsburg, where he attracted the attention of the Bishop of Augsburg, who obtained permission to educate him to the priesthood. When 16 years old he was attacked with nervous prostration and returned to the hospital. There, in an old book, he read an article on the efficacy of cold water as a cure for disease. He began experimenting in his own case and eventually effected a cure. When 25 years of age he entered the priesthood and was sent to the church of his native town, where he remained nine years and, in addition to attending to his priestly duties, practiced the water cure.

SOLDIERS SHOT BY BICYCLIST.

Cheyenne Telegraph Operator Defends Himself from Assault.

Charles Erswell, well-known telephone operator of Cheyenne, when riding home on his bicycle late Tuesday night, was attacked by a party of ten or twelve soldiers from Fort Russell. After he had been knocked from his wheel Erswell shot one of the soldiers. He then managed to get inside his house, which the soldiers immediately bombarded with rocks and pieces of timber. They broke windows and forced in the kitchen door. As they rushed into the house Erswell shot a second time, dropping another of the soldiers. The city police arrived at this time and the soldiers retreated. The wounded men were taken to the post hospital and guards placed about Erswell's house to prevent further attacks. It was learned that both of the wounded men belong to G Company and that one of them seriously wounded. Erswell surrendered to the authorities, but was allowed to go on his own recognition.

Death in Its Wake.

A severe tornado struck Kentucky and Indiana Friday morning and reports indicate that the damage was widespread. In Louisville trees were uprooted, houses ruined and two persons killed. For hours Main street was almost blockaded by roofs which were blown from whole houses. In the afternoon from the bridge town road, a colored woman and her little daughter were killed in their cottage, which was completely demolished. Across from Irvington, Ky., on the Indiana side of the Ohio river, the home of a farmer named Streichs was blown down. Streichs' son James, aged 15, was killed, and a hired girl was so badly injured she died within an hour. The remainder of the family had a narrow escape, but were only slightly bruised. The storm hit the Monon train before it reached Bloomington, Ind. Lightning struck the rear sleeper, shocking all the passengers and seriously hurting Conductor Johnson. At English, Ind., the court house was badly damaged and several residences were uprooted. At Worcester two houses were blown down and two negroes killed. All over the State the damage was more or less serious, but no further loss of life is reported. As many as ten persons were shocked and one James Eliot at Winchester, was killed by lightning. Joliet, Ill., was in possession of a streak for one hour during the morning. At 9 o'clock it was dark as night, the wind blew down trees and awnings and broke plate-glass windows. Lightning struck houses in all parts of the city. One of the curious phenomena of the storm was the alternating blasts of intense heat from the northeast with arctic blasts from the west. A tornado struck Norfolk, Neb., doing some minor damage to buildings.

TORTURE AND DEATH.

Wednesday dawned upon the Northwest with a continuation of the awful heat of the day before, and in country, village and cities the excessive humidity had a paralyzing effect, which caused many deaths and prostrations. But after noon a series of thunder showers brought relief. In Chicago heat caused three deaths and many prostrations, and lightning claimed two more victims, while twenty-one persons were severely shocked.

SHERMAN FAVORS ANNEXATION.

Secretary Sherman said to the Associated Press that as a rule he was opposed to the United States acquiring territory, but he regarded the condition of the Hawaiian Islands as exceptional on account of the claim of Japan to these islands. He therefore approved the treaty making Hawaii a possession of the United States, but not entitled to admission to it.

FRANK BUTLER CONVICTED.

The trial of Frank Butler, charged with the murder of Captain Lee Weller while the two men were on a gold prospecting trip, was concluded at Sydney, N. S. W., the jury rendering a verdict of guilty. It was his practice to advertise for a prospecting partner, and having found one with means, to murder him while in the bush.

ILLINOIS' WARDS KILLED.

Almost on the anniversary of the water-sport of 1892, Lincoln, Ill., was visited by a terrible storm Friday, which took upon itself the aspect of a cyclone and caused the death of four pupils and the wounding of others at the State institute for the feeble minded.

REVENUE RECEIPTS FALL OFF.

The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue shows that the total receipts during May were \$10,816,802, a net decrease as compared with May, 1896, of \$647,598.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.50; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, \$8c to 70c; corn, No. 2, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 34c; butter, choice creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 9c to 9c; potatoes, per bushel, 25c to 35c; broom corn, common growth to choice ears, \$2.50 to \$7.00 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 75c to 77c; corn, No. 2 white, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 75c to 83c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 31c to 33c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 81c to 83c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 36c to 38c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 82c to 84c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; rye, 34c to 36c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 84c to 85c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 84c to 86c; clover seed, \$4.20 to \$4.25.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 71c to 73c; corn, No. 3, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c; barley, No. 2, 28c to 30c; rye, No. 1, 34c to 36c; pork, mess, \$7.25 to \$7.75.

Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 86c to 87c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 28c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.50 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

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Philadelphia—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

Baltimore—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

Seattle—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

Portland—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

San Francisco—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamy, 11c to 16c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c.

Los Angeles—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3