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PAST AND PRESENT

AS IT COMES TO US FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE EARTH.

Telegraphic Information Gathered by the few for the enlightenment of the many.

Where is the Maine Going?

The most complete mystery, so far as any official admission can be obtained, surrounds the destination of the battleship Maine, which has left Norfolk, Va., under seal orders. The cruiser North Carolina accompanied the battleship Maine. Neither the State nor the Navy Department officials in Washington will make any statement on the subject any more than to say that the vessels have gone on a "cruise," and that they will not affirm rumors that were current that the ships are bound for any duty at or in the vicinity of Venezuelan waters. The American government is without any naval representation in that immediate section.

Mark Twain's Daughter in Runaway.

A dispatch from Redding, Conn., says: While sleighing the horse became frightened and the sleigh in which Miss Clara Clemens, daughter of Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain), and Oscar Gabrieltovich, the Russian pianist, were riding was overturned. Miss Clemens escaped with a severe shaking up. Mr. Gabrieltovich, who jumped as the sleigh overturned, grabbed the horse's head, preventing a runaway. He sustained a sprained ankle.

P. M. to be Spills Until March 4.

The Postoffice Department has finally spoken on the subject of putting the fourth-class postmasters in the civil service. First Assistant Postmaster General Charles E. Smith, who is to be made until after the 4th of March. Senators and members of the House will continue to make the recommendations for fourth-class appointments for the next two months.

Fire Panic in Chicago Store.

Crowds of Christmas shoppers were thrown into a panic by a fire in Siegel-Cooper Company's department store at State and Van Buren streets. The fire started in a vestibule and although it was quickly extinguished and no one was seriously injured several women in the crush to get out fainted and had to be carried to the street. The damage was small.

Heir to Millions Killed by Drug.

A victim of ill health for several months and unable to sleep, Earl Landon, 30 years old, of Kokomo, Ind., took a sleeping potion and is now a corpse. He was one of the heirs to the Trabue estate, which amounts to \$1,000,000, the ancestor, William Trabue, leaving the estate. Landon drew an annuity of \$750.

Pennsylvania Graffiti Sentenced.

Two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$500, the maximum penalty, was the sentence meted out by Judge Kunkel in the Dauphin County court to each of the four men who were convicted of defrauding the State of Pennsylvania in connection with the furnishing of the Capitol building in Harrisburg.

Mill Blows Up; Two Men Killed.

Clinton Erie, 33 years old, and William Urton, 23, were killed at Lebanon, Ohio, when the glazing mill of the Senior Powder Company was blown up, a ton of powder exploding. The men were alone in the mill and no cause for the explosion is known. Property damage is \$2,000.

Fire in Letter Mine Beyond Control.

The fire in Joseph Letter's mines at Zeigler, Ill., has grown more serious during the past forty-eight hours. The flames are almost beyond control, and much damage has been done. Mr. Letter has arrived in Zeigler by special train to direct the fight on the blaze.

Pioneer Medical Man Dead.

Dr. Samuel R. Seawright, one of the pioneer physicians of Indiana, is dead at his home in Lafayette, Ind. He was 84 years of age, and had practiced medicine in Indiana for nearly fifty-five years.

Holmes County, Ohio, Goes Dry.

Holmes County, Ohio, voted dry by 955 at the election recently held. Four saloons were knocked out.

C. H. & D. Train in Collision.

Cincinnati Hamilton Dayton passenger train No. 30, from Indianapolis collided with a Chicago & Alton switch engine in the yards at Springfield, Ill. Three persons were seriously injured.

Veteran Fatally Scalded in Bath Tub.

Benedict Hildgo, a veteran of the Civil War, who was a patient in the hospital at the National Soldiers' Home in Marion, Ind., was scalded to death in a bath tub.

Auto Skids; Strikes Car.

William Ganschow, a wealthy Chicago manufacturer, was probably fatally injured and his daughter was less seriously hurt when Mr. Ganschow's automobile skidded on a slippery pavement in Chicago and ran into a street car.

Roosevelt to Get Hunting Permit.

President Roosevelt has applied to the Belgian government, through the American legation, for a hunting permit in Belgian territory in Africa. This will be granted. It will cover 1909 and include both big and small game.

Men Fight with Knives.

Levi Parson and James Gordon quarreled over a trivial matter and finally attacked each other with knives. They fought for nearly an hour, and both were cut and slashed in a number of places. The fight took place at Crawfordsville, Ind.

Many Books Burn.

A fire destroyed Curtis Hall in the West Roxbury district of Boston, Mass., with a damage estimated at \$50,000. In the lower floor was a branch of the Boston library and many of the volumes were burned.

BONAPARTE ASKS FOR MORE LEGAL POWER

Attorney-General Says It Is Needed in Prosecution of Rich Defendants.

CITES THE STANDARD FINE.

That Case, He Thinks, Shows the Necessity of a Change in the Present Statutes.

That the United States should have the right of appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States as a matter of right, whenever a conviction is reversed on appeal by the defendant to a Circuit Court of Appeals, is the opinion expressed by Attorney-General Bonaparte in his annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908, submitted to Congress. In this connection he cites the case of the reversal of the Standard Oil fine of more than \$200,000,000, in which an application for a writ of certiorari has been made to the Supreme Court.

He holds that an amendment of the present laws would be appropriate in the case of all criminal proceedings, but suggests that it would be especially so in connection with prosecutions where the wealth of the defendant usually renders an appeal on his or her part for an adverse judgment a matter of course.

The Attorney General's opinion is that in such cases there is no question of double jeopardy, as the appeal of the defendant from the original conviction is recognized by the undoubted weight of well-considered judicial authority as a waiver of his rights in this respect and as in the absence of some such provision of law as the Attorney General recommends guilty persons may escape from just punishment under the law as finally determined by the court of last resort.

He declares that the consistent policy of the Department of Justice during the year in enforcing the statutes intended to protect the interstate and foreign commerce of the country from evils arising through combinations in restraint of trade and attempts to create monopoly, as well as discriminations and other illegal practices on the part of common carriers engaged in such commerce, has been to investigate carefully all complaints submitted to it, whether by public authorities or by responsible private citizens, and to authorize proceedings, whether civil or criminal, only when such investigation has shown the complaints to be serious and well founded and that success might be reasonably expected.

Mr. Bonaparte reports that this policy was attended during the year by a fair measure of success in the proceedings authorized and that as a consequence of decisions already obtained or expected soon the statutes dealing with such cases will soon be interpreted so authoritatively that those seeking to comply with the law will be relieved from all uncertainty as to what the law really is. He says that serious obstacles have been encountered in enforcing the statutes and that these may be with advantage readily removed by further legislation.

"The United States has had occasion of late years, and will probably have occasion in future," he declared, "to prosecute criminally many corporations or other artificial persons. As such offenders cannot be physically arrested, it is obviously desired that a simple and convenient form of process should be prescribed by law to have the legal effect of an actual arrest and removal to the trial district in the case of a natural person."

COUPLE MURDERED IN SLEEP.

Assassin Attacks Faces of Man and Wife with Hatchet.

Wincenz Florczak and his wife were murdered by an assassin at their residence, 122 Bismarck street, Detroit, Mich., their bodies were found by Alexander Florczak, brother of the murdered man, and a lodger at the house, who is detained at police headquarters. Alexander told the police that when he went home about 11 o'clock at night he was unable to gain admission, and spent the night with an uncle. He went to the house about 9 o'clock in the morning and found the bodies of the two children, a girl 2 years old and a 2-months-old baby, had not been molested. The baby lay in a crib between the beds occupied by the parents. Both of the victims had been killed with a hatchet which was found on the man's bed. The murder is thought to have been committed for revenge. Florczak was 38, and his wife 24 years old. The prisoner is 18.

BRIDE PUTS OFFICIAL IN CELL.

Former Member of City Board Sentenced to Penitentiary.

Fred Lied, formerly member of the Columbus board of directors, was sentenced to four years in the Ohio penitentiary for accepting a bribe from Nelson Cannon, representative of the Trinidad paving company of Cleveland, in connection with East Broad street paving. Fred Lied, another former member of the board of directors, is serving a term in the penitentiary.

TIE UP RAILWAY SYSTEM.

Block Signals Useless for Eighteen Hours Through Target Practice.

A small boy with a Flobert rifle delayed the movement of trains for eighteen hours through target practice. Shore railroad several hours the other night and tied up the block signal system for eighteen hours. The boy was Frank Voshysil, aged 12, of Cleveland, and he fired seven bullets at a block target. Several lodged in the electric mechanism, short-circuited the current and the signals did not work. "I was shooting at birds," young Voshysil told the juvenile court. He was sent to the detention home.

Beverage Kills Ten Soldiers.

Ten soldiers of the Eighteenth infantry, U. S. A., in camp at Keithley, Mindanao, drank an acid that was served as "bingo," a native beverage, in camp on Dec. 15 and died from the effects, some on the same day and others on the day following.

Woman Killed by Ridgely's Auto.

Mrs. Gray Greer died in Kansas City from injuries received Nov. 19, when she was struck by a forty-horsepower automobile owned by W. B. Ridgely, formerly controller of the currency, and driven by F. O. Dille.

ANOTHER ROMANCE SHATTERED.

MADAM I WILL MARRY YOU FOR HALF OF YOUR ESTATE - BUT IT MUST BE IN WRITING



SCIENTISTS HAVE DISCOVERED THAT CLEOPATRA WAS NOT A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN—SO MARC ANTONY MUST HAVE WOODED HER FOR HER MONEY.

HOUSE SLAPS AT ROOSEVELT.

Calls on Him to Tell on What He Bases Secret Service Charges.

The House of Representatives Thursday, by unanimous vote, adopted a resolution requesting the President to supply it with any evidence that may be in his possession that will justify the statement in his last annual message in relation to the attitude of members of Congress toward appropriations for the secret service of the government.

Mr. Perkins, chairman of the special committee charged to investigate the allegations made in the President's message, and John A. Sharp Williams of Mississippi both stated on the floor that it was the desire of the special committee to be just toward the President in allowing him to submit any evidence he may have, and both declared that the committee would give it full and impartial consideration. Mr. Perkins said the committee would continue in session during the Christmas holidays so that it might receive such evidence from the President promptly and proceed to consider it.

Both the resolution and all of the preamble, except that part of the interpreting the meaning of the President's message in relation to the secret service, were adopted unanimously by a viva voce vote. Mr. Bennett of New York demanded a division on the preamble provision stating the committee's interpretation of the President's strictures upon Congress, but before the division was entered upon, Mr. Bennett withdrew his motion. Mr. Williams insisted that this could not be done, and the vote being taken, 270 members voted aye and 14 no on this part of the preamble.

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MILWAUKEE IS AFTER THE NEXT BOWLING CONGRESS AND LOOKS GOOD TO GET IT.

Percy Houghton has been elected football coach at Harvard for another two years.

James R. Keene was the largest winner on American turf this season. He won \$282,075.

Cornell's track team will meet the Maroons on an indoor track at the Bartlett gymnasium this winter.

Tommy Burns, the Canadian, is not only champion heavyweight fighter, but is champion of all weights as a financier.

The most profitable race horse in the United States this season was Sir Martin.

He captured stakes to the value of \$78,500.

In the relay run from New York to Washington nearly 1,000 boys carried silver tubes containing a message from Roosevelt to President Roosevelt.

Patsy Donovan, who has been let go as manager of the Brooklyn National League team, will in all probability be appointed manager of the Boston club next year.

Fred Bradley of Boston was knocked out in the fourth round of a boxing bout with Al Kubiak of Grand Rapids, Mich., at the West End Athletic Club in Philadelphia. He became unconscious and was hurried to a hospital.

Mordecai Brown has gone to work as a buyer in the Chicago stock yards. The three-inged pitching wonder says he will some day be out of baseball and wants a profession to fall back upon.

Christy Mathewson, the famous New York Giant, will coach the Harvard pitching squad next spring. Negotiations have been under way for some time have practically been completed.

Prospects for the resumption of boxing in Chicago were shattered when Chief of Police Shippy charged the arrest of principals and promoters of a boxing match given in the Illinois Boxing Club a few days ago.

Walter Steffen, football ideal of the University of Chicago and captain of the championship team that defeated Wisconsin, was given the greatest demonstration ever accorded a Midway athlete. The demonstration was arranged at Handel hall, where Steffen was presented with a gold watch purchased by the student body.

C. E. G. Billings of Philadelphia, who has been a leader in Speedway sport and occupied a very prominent position in amateur road drivers and matinee circles, has turned his attention to the use of horses, all trotters under saddle, please riding, and for this purpose he now owns several of the best race trotters in the country.

MAIL FINES ABOLISHED.

Thousands of Dollars Will be Saved to the Railroads of the United States Annually on Account of the New Order Issued by the Postmaster General.

It eliminates from the regulations of the department governing the transportation of mails the requirement that the roads should be fined for failure to maintain schedules on mail trains. The order also provided that the roads no longer shall be required to make out and forward to Washington the voluminous monthly reports showing in detail the full performance of each mail train that is delayed over thirty minutes at any point on its route. The order was received with great satisfaction by the railroad officials, who long have contended that the regulations of the Postal Department were unreasonable.

Heretofore a fine of 10 per cent of the carrying capacity of a mail train, based on its contract remuneration, has been imposed on the road for a delay of thirty minutes or over at any point on its route, the fine being based on the distance traveled while the train was that amount behind its schedule.

MANY WEEP AT BANK'S DOORS.

Napoleon, O., Institution, Involved in Insurance Failure, Assailed.

Men cried and women fainted in the streets of Napoleon, Ohio, when they found a notice of assignment posted on the doors of the Citizens' State Bank. The failure of the bank is now confined in a hospital in a Minnesota town. The failure is said to be due to overloads made by Cashier Groll to Judge Michael Donnelly, who is president of the Ohio German Fire Insurance Company, and the assignment is also said to be the direct result of the recent failure of that insurance company. These loans to Donnelly, it is alleged, were made without the authority of other officials. The bank is capitalized at \$71,000 and has an undivided surplus of \$21,000. The deposits amount to \$855,000. The bank examiner objected to an extension of credit to Judge Donnelly and required the amount to be made up by the end of this month. The directors determined to make an assignment in order to furnish equal and full protection to all the creditors.

The Other John D.

John D. Archbold started life as an office boy. But he evidently didn't have to alter the letter files, Augusta Chronicle.

It is difficult for Mr. Archbold to remember anything without referring to his letter files, which, as the world knows, are sadly incomplete.—Washington Star.

Mr. Archbold was unable to explain an item of \$22,000,000 paid to P. S. Trainor, beyond the mere fact that it was for "adjustments." Perhaps Mr. Trainor did some plumbing for the Standard Oil Company.—Kansas City Star.

We infer that the cost of the Archbold letters is not included in Mr. Hearst's outlay of \$42,000 for the Independence campaign. The letters have been listed as a permanent investment, in all probability.—Houston Post.

"Though a man of letters, Mr. Archbold will waste no time writing an autobiography."—Atlanta Constitution.

Inquiring Into Death of 151.

The official investigation of the mine explosion at Marianna, Pa., Nov. 28, which resulted in the death of 151 miners, has been started at Washington, Pa., by Coroner Sipe.

Rose's County Votes Dry.

Washington county, Ohio, the home of State Senator Rose, voted dry by 1,200 majority.

Big Furnace Starts Up.

The Emma blast furnace of the American Steel and Wire Company in Cleveland has started for the first time in fifteen months. The shift of men, all, were put to work, and the furnace will be kept going night and day.

Two Die in Burglar Battle.

In a running night encounter between a gang of safe robbers and the police of Greenwich, Ohio, Night Marshal Wood and one of the burglars are reported killed. The other burglars escaped, carrying one of their number, who is believed to have been shot dead.

Killed by Slide of Snow.

A snowslide at the Tom Moore mine at Eureka, Colo., killed William Mondell, foreman, aged 55, and destroyed the mine boarding house. It is reported that slides damaged the Precious Metals property at Chattanooga and the Shenandoah at Howardsville. There are many slides running in the San Juan country.

Swiss Elect President.

A. Dancher, minister of commerce, was elected president of the Swiss republic for 1909 by the Federal Assembly. He will succeed Dr. F. Brenner, whose term of office expires Jan. 1.

WORK OF CONGRESS

The President's Panama canal message was read in the Senate Tuesday and its reading was received with loud laughter by some of the Senators. Senator Foraker endeavored to have adopted a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for detailed information concerning the men employed, instructions given and expenses incurred in the investigation by detectives into the Brownsville affair, referred to by the President in his message of Monday. Senator Warren objected to immediate consideration. The postal savings bank bill was the subject of speeches by Senators Carter and Dewey, both of whom advocated the measure. The hopes of the so-called insurgents for a revision of the rules of the House were disappointed, for the time being at least, when Mr. Gardner of Massachusetts failed to obtain the adoption of an amended resolution calling for the appointment of a committee of eight members to consider the subject and report the changes deemed necessary. By a substantial majority the House voted to take away from the Committee on Foreign Affairs consideration of the resolution, which in its original form, simply called for information from the Secretary of State regarding what the British House of Commons had done in that regard. A ruling by the Speaker changed the character of the resolution in such a way as to make it not privileged and sustained and the resolution then was laid on the table.

In the Senate considerable time was devoted Wednesday to a discussion of the President's course in placing strictures on Congress in the matter of the secret service, and a searching resolution, proposed by Mr. Aldrich and amended upon the suggestion of Mr. Cullerson, providing for a thorough investigation by the committee on appropriations of the President's charges, to both in respect to the acts and the course that should be taken by Congress to resent the imputation believed to have been cast upon that body, was adopted. Mr. Aldrich, in introducing his resolution, made no comment upon it, but Senators Bailey, Bacon, Tillam, Cullerson and others declared that President's words should be resented by the Senate as highly insulting. Senator Foraker's resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information concerning the work of detectives in the Brownsville affair also was adopted.

The postal savings bank bill was before the Senate Thursday for over an hour. Senator Burkett of Nebraska making a comprehensive argument in favor of its passage. The Senate has also to the reading of a message from the President recommending a change in the form of government of the District of Columbia, by which a single executive head would take the place of the board of three commissioners who now jointly act as governing board. At 2:30 o'clock the Senate adjourned Saturday. By unanimous vote the House adopted a resolution presented by the special committee of five calling on the President for proof of his charge that members were fearful of an investigation by the secret service agents. The remainder of the day was given over to consideration of bills on the private calendar, a large number of which were passed.

The Senate was not in session Friday. Because of the general exodus of members for their homes for the Christmas holidays, the attendance in the House was far short of a quorum. Nevertheless a good deal of business was transacted. This consisted mostly of the passage of war claim bills, some of them giving rise to considerable discussion.

A brief Senate session was devoted to routine business in accordance with the agreement reached before the adjournment Thursday. Several messages on minor legislation were received from the President and bills and other measures were introduced. At 12:50 o'clock the Senate adjourned until Jan. 4, 1909. After passing a bill granting the Southern Pacific Railroad Company a right of way across the Fort Mason military reservation in California, the House, on motion of Mr. Payne, of New York, adjourned at 12:14 p. m. till Monday, Jan. 4, 1909.

NEWS OF MINOR NOTE.

Twenty men were hurt in a railroad collision near Brunswick, Me., last night. Trustees of Columbia university, New York, decided to give the alumni representation on the board.

Several persons were hurt in a clash between artillery men and citizens at Port Townsend, Wash.

Reports from Hawaii indicate a record pineapple crop for 1908 far in excess of any production yet recorded.

Woman suffragists are said to be preparing for a crusade at Albany when the New York Legislature assembles.

Reverend Adolph Massey, chief of ordnance, in his annual report, says the big guns on American warships are the equal of any in the world.

Frederick J. M. Rhodes, cousin of Cecil Rhodes, in an interview at Mexico City, said he considered war between England and Germany certain.

Dr. Cyrus Northrop, president of the University of Minnesota, will retire at the end of the present college year. He has held the position twenty-five years.

A report that Germany and Japan purpose to conclude an agreement concerning China similar in terms to the American-Japanese understanding is said in Berlin to be without foundation.

Eighty-eight of home and native land, Carl Hoberger, private in the hospital, died last life on the deck of the transport Thomas, near the Golden Gate, by slashing his throat with a razor.

Contractors on the Milwaukee and St. Paul tunnel, through the Cour d'Alene mountains in Montana set a new record in tunneling for a month in November, having bored 731½ feet. The tunnel will be 8,750 feet.

The supply ship Culgoa, one of the boats in advance of the American fleet, has joined its companion ship, the cruiser Panther, at Colombo, Ceylon.

Lieut. Edward Gottlieb of the coast artillery, who disappeared at Boston during his court-martial on a fraud charge, has been declared a deserter and a reward has been offered for his arrest.

When the next convict is electrocuted in New Jersey a test will be made by experts in an effort to bring him to life.

The purpose is to refute the statement of Dr. Gibbons of New York that men executed by electricity do not die under the current, but by the surgeon's knife at the autopsy.

STATES ARE WARNED TO PROTECT THE FISH

Annual Report of the Federal Commissioner Is Alarming to Anglers.

SOME KINDS ARE DISAPPEARING

Greed Said to Have Destroyed the Sturgeon on East Coast—Vast Output of Hatcheries.

"The most serious condition now confronting the American fishing industry is the failure of the States to afford adequate protection to migratory fishes in State and interstate waters." This is the serious note of warning sounded by George M. Bowers, United States Fish Commissioner, in his annual report. Mr. Bowers graphically depicts the great destruction wrought to certain species of fish and makes an earnest appeal for their preservation. Pointing to the history of the New England salmon fishery as a warning, the Commissioner declares that some of the States seem yet absolutely indifferent to the crying needs of fisheries for species of similar habits, whose obliteration, he says, is certain unless radical corrective measures are taken. Mr. Bowers states that the fishes most in need of consideration are the shad, the striped bass and the sturgeon on the Atlantic coast and the salmon in the Pacific States.

The disappearance of the sturgeon from nearly every east coast river, Mr. Bowers states, "shows how greed and indifference may in a single generation destroy a valuable fishery."

The report shows that the bureau hatcheries in 1908 yielded 375,000,000 more fish than in any other year and delivered about 438,000,000 eggs to State and foreign hatcheries. The total output was over 2,400,000,000 eggs and fish, of which over 2,400,000,000 were fish.

SUSPECTED DEAD MAN FOUND.

Indianian, Thought to Be Drowned, Taken and Charged with Fraud.

Henry E. Azar, former secretary and treasurer of the Princeton (Ind.) Elevator Company, who was reported drowned in the Wabash river two years ago, was arrested in Harlingen, Tex., and confessed his identity. After his disappearance Azar was charged with forgery and embezzlement amounting to \$100,000. He was a member of the Indiana Legislature in 1905. Azar's life insurance, amounting to about \$30,000 in various companies, has been bitterly contested in the courts, but two policies had already been paid to the supposed widow and estate at the time of his capture.

It is stated by Azar that he was riding on his grainboat down the Wabash river when he accidentally fell overboard. He narrowly escaped drowning, but was finally rescued by a man on a houseboat. His business affairs were in bad shape, he says, and he took advantage of the opportunity to let the world believe that he was dead.

EXTRA SESSION DATE.

Practically Decided to Call the New Congress on March 15.

March 15 is the date upon which Congress will be called to extraordinary session by President Taft to revise the tariff, according to unofficial reports. The sixtieth Congress will expire by constitutional limitation on March 4. It is the expectation that immediately following his inauguration President Taft will issue a proclamation convening the new Congress in special session.

Republican leaders believe, according to a Washington correspondent, that the Congress will sit until late in the summer. While the tariff revision bill to be reported to the House may be passed in that body early in April, its consideration in the Senate will be marked by more mature deliberation. It is believed that many weeks will be consumed in debate upon the measures in the Senate.

Haiti's Revolution.

Nord Alexis' speedy departure will obviate the necessity of his making a financial report.—Detroit News.

With a little education those Haitians might be able to settle their differences through old-fashioned debating societies instead of revolutions.—Toledo Blade.

Old President Nord Alexis has seen almost as many revolutions as a roulette gambler, and looks upon the frocks of fortune almost as cynically.—Atlanta Journal.

It Haiti keeps on having revolutions the first thing she knows the chivalrous but firm hand of the United States will be stretched out in her direction.—Augusta Chronicle.

Fire in Branch Boston Library.

A fire destroyed Curtis Hall in the West Roxbury district of Boston, with a damage estimated at \$50,000. In the lower floor was a branch of the Boston Public Library, and many of the volumes were burned.

Blow Up Bank; Steel \$2,500.

Five highwaymen blew up the Holloway Exchange bank of Gibson, Neb., held off the inhabitants and stole \$2,500 from the vaults. They escaped in an automobile, citizens pursuing them.

House Loted; Owner Away.

The residence of Miss Elizabeth B. Estes in Brooklyn, N. Y., has been ransacked by burglars during the absence of the owner in Europe. Even carpets and