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CONCERNING TARIFF SCHEDULES

It is too much to hope that everyone will be satisfied with the tariff schedules when revised. But the hearings that are going on now in committee, for the gathering of evidence, are full of portent for the future.

According to a press dispatch of a week ago it was reported that the Gaar, Scott & Company of this town had stated to the committee taking testimony that "their business had never been greater and their profits had never been less," than at the present time and that the situation was due to the tariff on certain articles which were necessary to their manufacturing. Another manufacturer in this town engaged in almost the same line is reported to have said that the tariff, unless materially lowered would force many concerns in Richmond to the wall.

If these statements be true and (there is small reason to doubt the truth of them) it can easily be seen that the tariff is a matter which vitally affects the welfare of the town and almost all the citizens in one way or other.

The controversy which is going on between Carnegie and Schwab, who might be thought to know something about the steel industry, is amusing. Mr. Carnegie has advocated in a magazine article the removal of a high tariff on most things which are not luxuries including steel and ore. Mr. Schwab maintains that a high tariff should be kept on steel and concomitant things. So there you are.

At the same hearing also appeared Mr. Tausig, a professor at Harvard, who is an authoritative writer on the tariff. The gist of his writing on the protective system is that it is a good thing to protect a new industry until the unnatural conditions which had hindered its growth had been removed. The only reasons which are valid he contends, for a protective tariff, are reasons which are temporary and which can be removed in the course of time by encouraging the new industry by the tariff. He has therefore advocated that the raw materials be reduced and his advice has been given attention by the committee.

Surely U. S. steel can stand a small reduction!

The tariff must be reduced and reduced so as to give a chance to the whole American public to profit by it and not alone a great corporation. This is a matter which should receive the attention of experts and should not be tampered with according to the wishes of those who have the largest lobby.

There is no doubt that real tariff revision will be accomplished unless it happens that congress is stronger than Taft's veto in the matter of sham revision. It is a very vital subject to the people of this town and it will behove the congressman-elect from this district to keep a stiff upper lip when the real fighting begins.

THE END OF A REVERY.

The death of Donald G. Mitchell did not cause a panic on the stock market, nor a ruption of the world's business.

"Ik Marvel" was not in the main current of life, and its rush and roar passed by him in his sheltered bay of Edgewood. But none the less it will bring a moment or two of sadness to those whose hearts have been gladdened by his limpid prose and his quiet dreams, that the hand that wrote "The Reveries of a Bachelor" and "Dream Life," is cold in death.

The life of the fifties was the calm before the terrible storm of the war of the Rebellion. It was a day of repose of manner and manners and a day when people took time to live. The survivors of that happy Golden Age have of late years been called gentlemen of the old school. It was an age of lavender and old lace, a day of rose geraniums, a day when nose gags were still variegated and done up in lace paper. It was still possible to see men in stocks, plum colored coats and cream colored trousers and varnished boots. It was a day of thoughtful and cheerful action and life.

It was in those days that Ik Marvel first became popular and a "best seller."

GET BEHIND ME SATAN

"I Wouldst Have None of the Filthy American Lucre," Says Boni When He Withdraws Demand for \$60,000 Yearly.

Paris, Dec. 17.—The last day of the hearing of the suit brought by Count Boni De Castellane against his former wife, the Princess De Sagan, nee Gould, in which he petitions the Court to award the custody of his three children to his mother, the Marquise De Castellane, brought out the fact that the Count had decided upon a sudden change of front in that he withdrew his demand that the Court allow him a yearly income of \$60,000 for the maintenance of the children.

M. Bonnet, speaking for the Count, said that the Count's demand was that he be sanguine of a favorable decision.

OUT OF TOWN SHOPPERS, READ!

Eldorado, O., Dec. 17.—Passenger traffic is very heavy now, from here to Richmond. Christmas shopping is largely done in Richmond by our citizens.

LIEUTENANT GOES TO FAR AWAY ALASKA

Tenth Infantry Officer to Testify in Bribery Case.

When Lieutenant J. E. Morris, of Company D, Tenth United States Infantry, was camping at Glen Miller park with his regiment last October, he did not anticipate the trip to Alaska, which he now has undertaken. He has been summoned to Fairbanks, Alaska to testify in a case in which an attempt to bribe is charged.

From Indianapolis he goes to Seattle, Wash., where he will sail for Valdez, 1,800 miles away. It will be necessary for him to travel 400 miles over the trails by dog sled, wrapped in Alaskan winter clothing, both in getting to and from the point where Vachon is to be tried. At the present time the district through which he must pass in ice and snow bound.

Lieut. Morris said he would not be able to return to Ft. Benjamin Harrison before the middle of March or the first of April. It will cost \$200 to government, approximately \$1,000, to transport Lieut. Morris to and from Fairbanks for the purpose of testifying at the trial.

SOCIETIES PRESENT HOWELLS' PLAYLET

Quaker Students Appear Friday Night.

"The Sleeping Car" by William Dean Howells, a farce in one act and three scenes, will be given at the annual fall public of the Ionian and Phoenix literary societies at Earlham, Friday evening. The scene of the playlet is a sleeping car on the Boston and Albany railroad and for the action depends on a good woman who is not accustomed to the sleeping car berth and her aunt a comfortable person who is equal to any situation. The playlet was given at Earlham several years ago and proved very popular.

TOT PLAYED "PIGGY"; KILLED BY BROTHER

Little Catherine Crawled on Floor When Shot Was Fired.

Selins Grove, Pa., Dec. 17.—Two-year-old Catherine Breus was killed by her five-year-old brother Harold. The children decided to have a pig killing. Harold took a loaded rifle he had often seen his father use to fell porkers, and little Catharine played "piggy," crawling about the room on hands and knees.

Robert Burns, writing only fourteen days before his death, implored his friend Cunningham, to use his influence with the commissioners of excise in order to get his salary raised from £35 a year to £50. "otherwise if I die not of disease I must perish with hunger."

And they are going to try to get what they want, too. Marion county has two or three candidates for state tax commissioner; two for railroad commissioner; one for fish and game commissioner; three for custodian of the state house; two for engineer of the state house and about thirteen million others for all the other jobs. There is not a place within the gift of the governor that Marion county is not after. But the local statesmen say every other district in the state is also in the field with a full line of candidates for the jobs, and they cannot understand why Marion county should not get in the game along with the rest.

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USED STOVE POKER ON MOTHER; INSANE

Connersville Young Man to Be Placed in Easthaven.

Connersville, Ind., Dec. 17.—A commission composed of Drs. Hamilton and Dillman and Squire Cates pronounced Daniel Hassett, the East Connersville young man who Thursday assaulted his mother with a stove poker, insane, and application for his admission to the Easthaven asylum will be made.

The young man was examined at the jail yesterday and this morning. Will Thomas, S. W. Payton and Marshall George Pippen, of East Connersville, gave evidence in the case.

MASONIC CALENDAR.

Friday, Dec. 18.—King Solomons chapter No. 4, R. A. M., past master's degree.

Saturday, Dec. 19.—Loyal Chapter No. 49, O. E. S., regular meeting.

KELLER GOES TO "PEN" FRIDAY

Prosecutor Will Be One of Party Taking Convict.

Sheriff Meredith will leave tomorrow morning to take Sherman Keller to Michigan City to begin a life sentence for the murder of Ben William Thornton. The sheriff and his prisoner will be accompanied by the prosecuting attorney. Prosecutor Jessup has visited the northern prison and is anxious to do so before his term of office expires. From Michigan City the sheriff and prosecutor will go to Chicago to spend Saturday.

MARSHALLS GIVEN FAREWELL RECEPTION

Columbia City Residents Honor Governor-Elect.

A few days ago it was announced that there would be no holiday rates granted by the railroads this year and that persons wishing to spend a brief vacation with friends and relatives at other points would have to pay the straight rate of 2 cents per mile.

This came to the notice of the Central Passenger Association and they have notified the railroad agents here that this is a mistake and that rate of one and one-half fare for the round trip will be granted on account of the Christmas and New Year's holidays, tickets good going December 24 and 25 and December 31 and January 1. Good returning on any train on day after date of sale, up to and including January 2.

COLORED LODGE ELECTS.

Wood Cook Selected C. C. of Knights

Of Pythias.

Eureka Lodge, No. 3, K. of P., (colored), elected officers at their meeting last night. Those elected are Wm. Cook, C. C.; Walter Burden, V. C.; Rev. Geo. Butler, Prelate; Riley Roberts, R. S. S.; Wm. E. Jenkins, M. F.; Findley Hicks, M. B.; T. C. Scott, M. W.; Walter Bass, M. A.; William Miller, I. G.; Carl Freeman, O. G.; Lewis Fox, Trustee; Dr. W. G. Hoffman, M. R.; Wm. E. Jenkins, Representative; John T. Watkins, Alternate.

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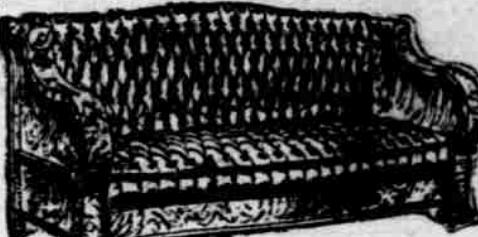
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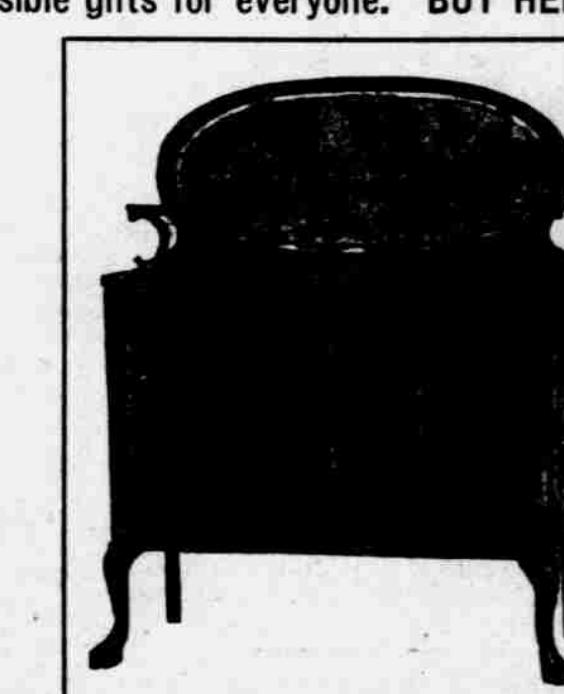
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