



The iron steamer Czarina was lost on the north spit of the Coos bay bar and thirty lives were lost. Harry Kentzel, first assistant engineer on the wrecked vessel, was the only one to be saved. He managed to get hold of a piece of timber and was slowly driven shoreward.

J. Pierpont Morgan has given \$100,000 to endow a chair at the Yale college as a memorial to the late William M. Laffan, editor of the New York Sun.

Speaking at Dayton, O., Congressman Champ Clark paid his respects to Joseph G. Cannon in this way: "The speaker professes to love and admire a courageous man. It's a strange commentary on his loud professions in that regard that he bitterly assails all those who have courage to oppose his system, and 'deals damnation round the land' on all who are not willing to bow the knee and kowtow to him. He strikes a Louis the Fourteenth 'I am the state' attitude and savagely belabors all who would liberalize the rules of the house. Against Hon. Joseph G. Cannon personally I have nothing whatsoever; he has done me many kindnesses which I have tried to repay; but I am honestly of the opinion that what has come to be known as 'Cannonism' is a great evil in our legislative system and should be rooted out; and the tide is everywhere rising against 'Cannonism.' Since the adjournment of congress, I have been over most of Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma, and into Colorado and South Dakota, and everywhere in that region 'Cannonism' is the resounding theme of every tongue and against it that portion of the country is aflame. Adam Bede of Minnesota, describes himself as 'a Cannonized statesman,' since he was defeated for renomination by adhering to Uncle Joe, and the signs of the times indicate that that peculiar class of statesmen to which Adam claims to belong will be much increased this year."

Mayor Gaynor of New York is appointing a number of independents to office and is picking good material wherever he can find it.

An Associated Press dispatch from New York tells of the Tammany shakeup there in this way: The cleanest sweep so far in any city department since the beginning of the new administration took place in the borough of the Bronx today. Shortly after Tammany had been shocked on learning that Park Commissioner Higgins had dropped 158 men from the park service in the Bronx, President Miller, of that borough, announced he had received the resignations of a dozen heads of borough departments and holders of important positions within his jurisdiction. Nearly all were high-salaried men including the chief engineer at \$7,500 per annum, and superintendents of highways and buildings and others whose compensation ran from \$3,000 to \$5,000 each."

The India national congress in session at Lahore, enthusiastically adopted a resolution expressing admiration of the Indians' heroic struggle in South Africa, and urging the government of India to prohibit the recruitment of indentured Indian laborers, declaring that the policy of denying Asiatic subjects the rights of British citizenship, while enforcing

the opposite policy of the open door in Asia, was fraught with grave mischief to the empire.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryan arrived at Guayaquil, Ecuador, January 15. They were given a warm greeting by the American colony and left for Callao. They will spend a week in Peru.

Maying report on the British elections an Associated Press cablegram from London says: "The results of the pooling today tend to confirm the forecast that the liberals will retain control of the government with a greatly reduced majority. The unionists have gained an encouraging number of seats, although less than the twenty-nine which they expected to take away from the liberals out of the seventy-four balloted for. The popular vote goes strongly against the liberals. The members of that party who hold seats won them today by majorities ranging from 30 to 60 per cent below their majorities in 1906, except in a few boroughs where special conditions figured in the campaign. The popular votes polled by the liberals for the twelve London seats show a stronger hold on power than in the provinces. Many of the London boroughs were labor districts. Of these the unionists carried five, three being captured from the liberal column, but by small margins."

Charles R. Heike, secretary and treasurer of the Sugar Refining company, and Harry W. Walker, an assistant superintendent, together with four minor employes, have been indicted in connection with the sugar frauds against the government.

John W. Breidenthal, former state bank commissioner of Kansas, chairman of the democratic state committee in three campaigns, died at his home in Kansas City, Kan., aged 53 years.

The Postal Telegraph and Cable company officials deny that there is any intention to have a merger of the telegraph lines of the country.

Charles R. Warriner, former treasurer of the Big Four railroad, is now in the penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio.

Judge William Gaslin who, many years ago, was a district judge in Nebraska, died at his home in Alma, Nebraska.

A New York dispatch carried by the Associated Press says that the entire telegraph business of the country is soon to be combined under the name of the "transcontinental telegraph company."

An Associated Press dispatch from Spokane, Wash., says: "Indians of the Yakima tribe came into their own when Judge Whitson, sitting in the United States circuit court for the district of eastern Washington, handed down a decision in the suit of the United States against the Northern Pacific Railway company, by which 160,976 acres of timber and agricultural lands in the Cedar River valley in the southern part of the Yakima reservation reverts to the red men. The land is valued at \$2,000,000, and is covered by a mortgage held by the Mercantile Trust company of New York, to secure an

issue of bonds of the first construction of the railroad through Washington. If the findings are sustained by the supreme court of the United States on appeal, it will mean reallocation to the Indians and the readjustment of the entries of several hundred homesteaders in the district and also hasten the opening of 600,000 acres of land in the reservation."

An Associated Press dispatch from New York, January 14, follows: "Twenty million dollars in common stock is to be the share of the stockholders of the International Harvester company in the profits of the last few years. The announcement that this 'melon' would be cut was made at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co., here today. The distribution is to be made ratably as a stock dividend to the present \$60,000,000 of common stock. The decision to make the distribution followed a preliminary report to a meeting of the directors today by the controller of the company. This report showed that after setting aside reserves in excess of those set aside in 1908, the earnings of the company for 1909 exceeded \$14,000,000. The stock distribution is not all that the stockholders will receive, for the board of directors today further recommended that \$3,200,000 be set aside out of last year's earnings as a 4 per cent dividend on the common stock. This stock has heretofore paid no dividends. A statement issued by George W. Perkins, chairman of the finance committee of the company, says: 'Formal action on the dividend matter will not be taken up at the board's regular meeting for dividend purposes on January 29, at which time notices as to closing of books for dividend purposes will be given.'

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald was again elected mayor of Boston at a special election held January 11. A Boston dispatch says: "Mr. Fitzgerald was elected this time for a four-year term, giving him 46,968 votes and a plurality of 1,223 over his nearest opponent, James J. Storrow, banker, former president of the chamber of commerce and former chairman of the school board. The most remarkable feature of the election to many was the small vote of 1,783 given to the present mayor, George A. Hibbard, who received 38,000 votes two years ago, being elected on a 'reform' ticket over Fitzgerald. The fourth mayoralty aspirant, Nathaniel H. Taylor, found only 629 supporters. The campaign, noteworthy in many ways, was easily Boston's greatest. A record vote—95,125—more than 85 per cent of the registration, was cast. Fitzgerald won his victory in spite of the fact that not one of the daily newspapers of the city supported him. He based his campaign on a plea of vindication, his previous term in office having been conspicuous for the exposure by the finance commission of graft among a number of his subordinates in the city hall. He is a democrat. Under the provisions of the new charter the ballots bore no party designations, but only the candidates' names and addresses. Storrow, who resigned the presidency of the chamber of commerce to enter the campaign, made a determined fight, promising the citizens a progressive, business administration. The campaign was probably the costliest ever waged in Boston. Page after page in the newspapers was bought for signed advertisements lauding the various candidates and the city was plastered with posters. Scores of halls were hired for rallies and expensive headquarters were maintained by the leading candidates in each of the twenty-five wards. Desperate rioting in a polling booth in West Boston which sent two men

to a hospital and caused a detail of police to be sent to the disturbances, opened the balloting. The first blow was struck when Ernest Smith, a lawyer and former Harvard oarsman, who has been prosecuting alleged illegal registration challenged a couple of Fitzgerald men. In two minutes a fight was on. Smith, badly battered, was sent to a hospital, and the inspector in charge of the booth, John DeLorin, had his nose smashed. Only the arrival of the police stopped what would have been a serious battle."

Theodore Roosevelt has been elected president of the Harvard alumni. (Continued on Page 15)

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