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The Commoner.

is left of it when applied to railroads,' the opinion states.

"'Under one or both of these tests the Union Pacific could probably have lawfully purchased control of the great railroad system in the United States.' "

New York, June 24 .- The stock market today made quick response to the announcement of the Unifed States circuit court's decision in the Harriman merger suit. Naturally the Harriman issues were the most affected, and they showed gains of almost 4 points. Other stocks were up from 1 to 3 points. Trading was on a heavy scale.

offices were greatly interested in the decision. None of the lawyers of the company would discuss until they heard more about it.

An Associated Press dispatch from Chicago says: "The secretaries of fourteen lumber dealers' associations from Pennsylvania to the Pacific viving body servant of the confedcoast were indicted by a special grand jury of the United States court for alleged violations of the antitrust law. The proceeding, it is admitted, is absolutely unique under the Sherman anti-trust law. The government makes no effort to show action on the part of the retailers to combine in restraint of trade, but charges that under the guise of the secretaries' bureau of information and the paper, 'The Scout,' prices have advanced steadly."

HOW TIMES DO CHANGE

to the recall of the judiciary does not senators will make an effort to sein the least surprise us; in fact the cure some provision for Jones." surprise lies the other way aboutin the extent to which he, a man of scholastic temperament, with conservative surroundings and in the difficult position of a prospective or a protection measure. candidate for president, has been willing to go on the road toward absolute democracy. Many stout hearts that pass through direct nominations and direct election of senators without a quiver hesitate at the referendum. Others go on until they come to the initiative, at which they balk. When we get to the recall, there is panic all along the line, and it is only the seasoned veterans or the reckless young enthusiasts that walk up without flinching. Yet these three principles are the very essence of real democracy. Without them there can be no rule of the people. How rapidly we move in these days! Only three years ago when Mr. Bryan got back from Europe, in the speeches preliminary to the campaign he made for the democratic a badly tangled situation in the ment material and time at the Washnomination, he played up the initiative and referendum. He did not venture the recall. Straightaway Harper's Weekly pictured him holding up two wierd rag babies, and list bills recently passed by the demo-beneath, the legend: "The sawdust cratic house, into the open senate at This same paper is now twins." ardently supporting Dr. Wilson, who goes about the country doing just what Bryan did and doing it better. committee report. Chairman Pen--California Outlook.

WASHINGTON NEWS

Former Senator Hopkins of Illi- | it. This stock has since earned \$2. "one of the traditions of politics in Illinois."

Patrons of the registry department of the postoffice are to be allowed an indemnity for third and Officials of the Harriman railroad fourth class registered matter lost in the mails after July 1, 1911, according to an order of Postmaster General Hitchcock. The indemnity is limited to \$25 per package.

The Washington correspondent for the Houston (Texas) Post, says: "James Jones, the aged negro sureracy's president, Jefferson Davis, is about to lose the position he has long held as a laborer carried on the United States senate pay roll. Senator Lodge offered a resolution doing away with several employes and among them was Jones, who he said, was in ill health and had not performed any duties in two years. Jones is believed to be the only living person who now knows where the great seal of the confederacy is hidden and he refuses to tell because of a promise made to Mr. Davis. Senator Burton objected to final action Dr. Wilson's attitude with respect on the resolution and the democratic

> Senator Bailey is opposed to the reciprocity bill saying that it can not be defended either as a revenue

> Secretary of the Interior Fisher has rejected the famous Cunningham Alaskan coal land claims through which it was charged the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate had planned to extend their vast interests in Alaska. This is accepted as a vindication of Pinchot and in effect a reversal of Ballinger.

nois who was defeated by Mr. Lori- 500,000 in dividends, and this \$2, mer, testified before the senate com- 500,000 has been paid by the conmittee that "jackpots" constitute sumers of sugar. That is how they 'shared in the economics of operation,' as Wall street is accustomed to say. Judge Gary recently testified before the house committee that is investigating the Steel trust that the Morgan syndicate received \$129,-000,000 for organizing the United States Steel corporation, half in preferred stock and half in common. The expenses of organization were placed at \$3,000,000 and the syndicate turned over \$25,000,000 in cash to the corporation. The rest was profit."

> The Washington correspondent for the Hearst American prints this story of devotion: "On adjoining cots in the Georgetown hospital are United States Senator Luke Lea, of Tennessee, the 'baby' member of the upper house and his wife-Lea, who twenty-four hours ago was a stalwart athlete, now so weak that he is scarcely able to move; Mrs. Lea, who then was at the very door of death. now virtually out of all danger, thanks to his love and heroism. Senator Lea gave a full quart of his blood to his wife, letting the precious fluid flow from his veins into hers until he fainted from exhaustion. But as the color faded from his face it crept into the cheeks of his helpmeet, and when he recovered consciousness the surgeons gave him the glad news: 'She will live, senator, and you'll be all right in a few days.' "

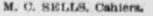
> Senator Clapp of Minnesota, republican, has declared in favor of Senator La Follette as the republican nominee for president in 1912.

In a speech delivered at New Haven, Conn., President Taft paid a glowing eulogy to the United States supreme court and a high tribute to Patents No Fey until allowed. Free Books its decisions in the Standard Oil and Tobacco trust cases.

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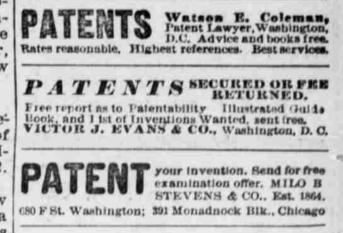
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A DISTINCTION

One would have it that a collie is the most sagacious of dogs, while the other stood up for the setter.

"I once owned a setter," declared the latter, "which was very intelligent. I had him on the street one day, and he acted so queerly about Senator Warren, of Wyoming, at the a certain man we met that I asked age of sixty-seven, would wed Miss the man his name, and-'

lie's advocate broke in sneeringly, niece of former Associate Justice to bring about tariff revision Senator "The man's name was Pertridge, of Brown of the United States supreme Bristow said: "The insurgents are course, and because of that the dog court. came to a set. Ho, ho! Come a ain!'

other, suavely. "The dog didn't come quite to a set, though most. As a Jersey, testified before the house ready with sugar and lead. These matter of fact, the man's name was committee that H. O. Havemeyer re- bills take in the duties which are Quayle, and the dog hesitated on ac- ceived \$10,000,000 in stock of that admittedly excessive. Now the count of the spelling!"-Lippincott's. company as a reward for organizing question is, what will the president

The Root amendment to the reciprocity bill proposing a modification of the wood pulp and print paper section was defeated by an overwhelming vote.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of June 22, says: "Already senate was still further complicated today when the senate finance committee decided to throw the woolen revision and so-called farmers' free once to take chances along with the Canadian reciprocity. Both measures however, received a formal adverse rose after submitting the reports on the bills to the senate explained the committee did not believe that proper hearings could be given within the twenty days allowed by the Gore resolution adopted by the senate and it was decided to report at once."

Clara LeBaron Morgan of Washing-"Oh, that's an old story!" the col- ton. She is thirty-five, and is the

The New York World says: "James with revision bills. "You're mistaken," rejoined the H. Post, president of the National Follette has woolens and cottons;

By a vote of 172 to 112 the house of representatives refused to concur in the Bristow amendment to elections of senators by the people and returned the same to the senate.

Inquiry into charges that naval officers habitually have used governington navy yard in the repair of personal automobiles and power boats, was resumed by the house committee on expenditures in the navy.

Taxation of automobiles going from one state to another, the money thus derived to be used for the improvement of roads, is contemplated in a bill introduced by Senator Simmons of North Carolina. The bill is a general good-roads bill.

Postmaster General Hitchcock named fifty postoffice depositories, making the number to date 800. Among the newly designated offices which will receive deposits July 22, The announcement is made that are: Iowa Falls, Storm Lake, Ia .: Fort Scott, Marysville, Kan.; Liberty, Mo.; York, Neb.; Webster, S. D.

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