

BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

**MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF
THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN
CONDENSED FORM.**

ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD

Complete Review of Happenings of Greatest Interest from All Parts of the Globe—Latest Home and Foreign Items.

STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHERS.

A monster mass meeting at which the cause of the striking telegraphers is to be laid before the business men of Chicago was decided on by President Sylvester J. Small, of the Commercial Telegraphers' union.

Supt. Terhune of the Western Union Telegraph company appealed to Gov. Vardaman of Mississippi to furnish protection for the offices of the Western Union at Holly Springs, Grenada and Greenwood. The governor told him to appeal to the courts first.

President Sylvester J. Small, of the Commercial Telegraphers' union, received assurance from President H. B. Perham, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, that the financial support of the railroad men had been asked and that their first voluntary contribution would be at least \$100,000.

Representatives of the companies asked Gen. Bell for troops to protect the office at Ashfork, Ariz., and were told to apply to the governor of the territory.

An armed mob attacked the office of the Postal Telegraph company at Ashfork, Ariz., and broke every window in the building with a rain of bullets. The lives of four of the employees were endangered, but no one was injured.

President Small gave out a statement showing that his general strike order had resulted in the quitting of many operators. He said very many new members were joining the union.

The governments of the United States and Canada were urged to take over the control of the telegraph lines of the Western Union and Postal companies by President Small of the Commercial Telegraphers in a bulletin.

Mr. Small also started a campaign for a congressional investigation into the conduct of the companies. The call for a strike of cable operators was rescinded. In Chicago the operators in six brokerage houses walked out.

Samuel Compers, John Mitchell and Daniel J. Keefe were named a committee of the American Federation of Labor to try to bring about an end of the strike.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Secretary of State Elihu Root, who has already spent three weeks at the farm-sanitarium of William C. Muldoon, ex-champion wrestler, near White Plains, N. Y., taking Mr. Muldoon's course of athletic treatment for a severe attack of nervous exhaustion, expects to complete his cure in two weeks more. He is now well on the road to complete recovery and all reason for apprehension about his health seems to have disappeared.

To relieve the money market during crop moving, Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou will place each week, at such points in the country as he shall designate, government funds to such an amount as he deems sufficient to prevent an acute monetary stringency and possible panic when the demand for money is greatest.

Figures compiled by the attorney general of Minnesota, show that, with three exceptions, the railroads of that state are receiving increased passenger revenues since the two-cent fare law went into effect.

Ratsull completely defeated the large force sent against him by the sultan of Morocco in the effort to secure the release of Cal MacLean, and threatens the City of Alcazar.

Frank Pekolas and Samuel Ambrose were stabbed to death at Coaldale, Pa., presumably by "Black Hand" agents.

The Atlantic battleship fleet will start for the Pacific next December, according to an official statement issued by Secretary Loeb at the direction of President Roosevelt.

Mme. Agnes Lake, the first woman circus owner in this country and at one time a famous bareback rider and high wire walker, died at the home of relatives in Jersey City.

It cost the American government \$2,554,970 to keep the American army of Cuban pacification in that island during the fiscal year of 1907.

Five persons were suffocated by smoke from a fire in a tenement in Somerville, Mass.

Attorney General Bonaparte has decided that natives of British India are ineligible to citizenship, not being white.

T. F. Shay, a prominent attorney of Cincinnati, O., died in the rooms of his stenographer, Mrs. Ada Taylor, in that city.

Claude Boyd, aged 21, was shot and, it is thought, fatally injured at Stoy, Ill., by Frank Myers, a professional gambler, in a quarrel over a card game.

Postmaster McElroy, of the national house of representatives, died at Delaware, O.

Two cases of a rare and strange disease known as "relapsing fever" have appeared in the Beth Israel hospital at New York.

Great Britain has accepted the proposition of the United States to submit the New Foundland fisheries dispute to arbitration at The Hague.

Miss Catherine Root, a niece, will inherit \$500,000 left by Charles J. Root, the manufacturer, who was killed in an auto accident near Great Barrington, Mass.

Circuit Judge James Pryor Tarvin of Covington, Ky., died of asthma at Cleveland, O.

"Star Masterpiece," a Berkshire hog formerly owned by the Wisconsin state university, was sold at the Whitehall, Ill., hog sale to residents of Kirkville, Ill., for \$5,500.

Dr. James C. Monaghan, of Washington, has been appointed to the chair of economics at Notre Dame university. He is at present chief of the consular reports of the bureau of statistics at Washington.

With the arrest of four Mexicans in Los Angeles, Cal., the revolutionary movement, which under the name of La Junta has for three years been a source of endless trouble and annoyance to the administration of President Diaz, of Mexico, it is believed has been stamped out.

John Porter Stollings and William J. Sevier, prosperous farmers, engaged in a street duel with pistols in Liberty, Mo., resulting in the death of Stollings.

King Charles of Roumania granted amnesty to all those who were implicated in the recent agrarian revolt, with the exception of about 200 militant priests and those already sentenced for murders committed during the uprising. The prisoners total about 8,000.

The American minister at Madrid, Mr. Collier, is negotiating an extradition treaty between the United States and Spain.

William J. Bryan said in the Commons: "It is the trust magnate, not the opponents of the trust, who is striking at property rights. He trespasses upon the property rights of the small manufacturer and the retailer, and heartlessly drives him into bankruptcy."

Information has come from Rome that Pope Pius X. has bestowed the title of countess on Mrs. Thomas F. Ryan, wife of the well-known financier, in recognition of her charities and benefactions to the church.

Advices from Macon, Ga., state that John F. Gaynor, the Syracuse contractor, who was convicted of complicity in the Savannah frauds, is critically ill.

The forest fires which broke out August 17 in the neighborhood of the forts at Toulon, France, have again become menacing. A large force of colonial infantry is engaged in fighting the flames.

Announcement was made that the heads of the Interborough Metropolitan company, the traction combination in New York, have refused to open their books to the public-service commission.

Evander Melver, a wealthy contractor of Chicago, was found dead in a basement, and is believed to have been murdered.

Fred Kersters, aged 11, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed his home at La Crosse, Wis.

Robert E. Bundy has begun a quo warranto action in the circuit court of Peppin county, Wisconsin, to remove Frank L. Taylor, sheriff of the county, from office on the ground that Sheriff Taylor was a deserter from the United States military service on two occasions, once in 1862 and again in 1863.

Nelson Morris, the Chicago packer, has leased 750,000 acres of grazing land in the Standing Rock reservation, South Dakota, comprising one of the finest cattle tracts in the northwest.

A receiver was appointed for the big wholesale grocery firm of E. C. Hazard & Co., of New York, with liabilities placed at \$250,000.

Della Fox, the comedienne, is seriously ill at the Hotel Lincoln in Pittsburg of appendicitis and peritonitis. All her engagements have been canceled.

Central Illinois distillers paid into the collector's office at Peoria during the fiscal year ended July 1 more than \$35,000,000, an average daily collection of \$100,000.

Sensational disclosures, involving padding of accounts to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars by the Interborough company, headed by August Belmont, were made by the New York public service commission.

The Nebraska railway commission rescinded its action advancing the minimum charge on small shipments on the Burlington from 25 cents to 20 cents.

William H. Edwards, aged 60, of Utica, N. Y., who was lost in the Adirondack woods Aug. 12, was found in a pitiful plight. He had been living on berries and roots.

Corporal James A. McLain, Jr., an army recruiting officer, committed suicide at a hotel at Rutland, Vt., by drinking carbolic acid.

Moons made an advance on the French camp under cover of a fog, but the fog lifted and the fanatics were driven back with heavy losses.

William W. Prosser, 4221 West Belle street, St. Louis, city passenger agent of the Clover Leaf route, died at La Porte, Ind., while visiting relatives.

The empress of Germany fell and sprained her ankle and injured a vein in her left leg.

Fran Frances von Bredow, daughter of Senator Francis G. Newlands, of Nevada, and wife of Lieut. Leopold von Bredow of the cuirassiers of the Guard, died in Berlin.

Judge Cochran of Sullivan, Ill., granted a change of venue to Decatur in the case of Fred H. Magill and his bride, accused of the murder of the first Mrs. Magill, at Clinton, Ill.

Francis Ren MacMillen, the American violinist whose genius has attracted attention both in this country and abroad, is reported in cable advices to be lost in the Alps.

According to a statement of Senator Platt, president of the United States Express company, the company's net earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30 were only \$137,007, as compared with \$372,061 last year.

Two Japanese were discovered in the rear of Fort McPherson, at Atlanta, Ga., taking views and sketches of the buildings and grounds.

An agreement has been reached on the price to be paid by the United States government to the owners for three islands in Panama bay and for the improvements now there. The land is wanted for canal purposes.

Severe frosts in North Dakota damaged late grain and garden truck.

James M. Shumaker, former superintendent of public buildings and grounds at Harrisburg, Pa., and implicated by the report of the capitol investigation commission, has declared that he will make full confession of all he knows in connection with the capitol graft scandal. He says the manipulation of funds was engineered by a high official of the state at Harrisburg to cover up a shortage of the state treasury.

For two hours a mob of patients at the state hospital for the criminal insane in Danmore, N. Y., stood off their guards while others made a desperate attempt to force an exit from the building. Not until one of the madmen had been shot and killed, and the guards reinforced by less violent inmates and villagers was the outbreak suppressed.

A sharp earthquake was felt on the islands of Guadeloupe and Dominica. Several strong shocks have been reported from the island of St. Lucia.

Drivers and stabelmen employed at the wholesale beef packing houses of New York went on strike. They demand a uniform working week of 60 hours and an increase in wages.

A. D. Berg, of the Second Washington regiment, won the president's match at Camp Perry, O., and thereby also won the individual rifle shooting championship of America.

Marion Story, the artist and brother of Julian P. Story, committed suicide at his home, Brook Farm, near Port Chester, N. Y., by shooting.

The state of Texas began proceedings against the International Harvester company for violation of the anti-trust laws.

A sudden ending of the masters' hearing in connection with the suit in equity brought by relatives for an accounting of the property of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, leader of the Christian Science faith, came when former Senator William E. Chandler, senior counsel for the relatives, or "next friends," announced to the board of masters that they had filed a motion with the superior court to dismiss their action.

After a search that lasted five years and covered 15,000 miles on two continents, Julius Teich found the girl he loved and persuaded her to marry him, only to kill her in a fit of anger after two months of wedded life in New York city, and then, repentant, to take his own life.

Following a meeting of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor President Compers said that most probably the federation would bring a counter-suit against the National Manufacturers' association, headed by J. W. Van Cleave, charging that body with conspiracy.

The arrival of three columns of warring tribesmen who joined the army of fanatics besieging Casablanca, rendered more serious the problem undertaken by France and Spain to "restore order." Gen. Drude asked for reinforcements and troops were sent from Oran, Algeria.

William H. Hicks, paymaster for the Schaum & Uhlinger company, textile machinists in the northeastern section of Philadelphia, was held up and robbed of \$6,000 within a short distance of the machine shops by two highwaymen, one of whom shot him in the right arm. One of the robbers was pursued and captured and the money was recovered.

Mayor Taylor, of San Francisco, removed three police commissioners and appointed new ones, but the men ousted said they would not submit.

Clarence Haines, formerly of Columbus, O., went to his wife's sitting-room in Washington Courthouse, shot her to death and then, turning the weapon on himself inflicted a mortal wound.

Two fires in Pittsburg, Pa., caused by the explosion of gasoline in clothes pressing establishments caused damage estimated at \$250,000 and for a time threatened the entire east end section of the city.

Three men were killed in an explosion at the Laffin & Rand Powder mill at Pleasant Prairie, Wis.

"The ministers of Coffeyville, Kan., have formed a 'union' and adopted a uniform price of five dollars to be exacted from persons not members of their congregations for a funeral sermon.

Gov. Hoke Smith, of Georgia, issued an order suspending from office Railroad Commissioner Joseph M. Brown and appointing in his place S. G. McLendon.

Three Japanese, belonging to a traveling acrobatic troupe, have been arrested at Pesti-off-on-Don, Russia, with plans of fortifications and other secret military documents in their possession.

John Goldie, the famous steeplejack, fell from the top of the Townsend chimney, in Glasgow, which is 448 feet high and the highest in the world. His body was mutilated beyond recognition.

Syracuse (N. Y.) police have in custody Julius F. Eller, who is wanted at Alamosa, Col., on a charge of grand larceny in stealing from the Rio Grande railroad \$2,000 in money orders and coupons.

Mrs. Frances Horner, aged 67 years, wife of Edward Horner, a farmer on the Browning road, near Merchantsville, N. J., and Mrs. Victoria Napoli, a servant, were chopped to death in their home. It is charged, by Charles Gibson, a negro who was formerly employed on the farm.

Leaving a note saying that she would rather face death than meet her husband's wrath when he learned that she had misappropriated \$600 of funds of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, Mrs. Andrew Goetz left her home in West New York and has not been heard from since.

One man was killed and 14 injured on the Pennsylvania railroad near Hagarstown, Ind., when a local freight crashed into a wreck train.

The Japanese government has placed an order for an 18,000-ton battleship with the Fairfield Shipbuilding company of Glasgow. The vessel will be one of the most formidable armored ships of war afloat.

Three men had narrow escapes from death when an automobile driven by Edward Lawrence, of Joliet, Ill., crashed through a bridge over a branch of the Desplains river at Channahon, Ill.

Entombed by Fall of Rock. Wilkesbarre, Pa.—Five men were entombed Thursday by a fall of rock in a tunnel of the mine at Port Blanche, near here, operated by the Erie Coal company. Michael Naughton, after several hours' effort, crawled under the debris badly injured. He reported that four other men were caught in the fall. Of these it is believed that James Boyle, of Inkerman, was killed, and that John E. Justice, of Plainsville, and two Germans are on the other side of the fall and may have escaped.

SAME PRESCRIPTION.



SOLDIERS ARE ASKED FOR MORE MONEY IN LOW FARES.

Effect of the Two-Cent Law in Minnesota Shown.

St. Paul, Minn.—Though the injunction suits now in the federal court in which the state has been made a defendant are principally directed at the commodity rate law, the two-cent passenger law is also involved, and in anticipation of trouble, Attorney General Young and his assistants have just compiled figures covering the passenger law that are startling.

The figures are the roads' own compilations, furnished at the request of the railway and warehouse commission, and show that the two-cent passenger law, instead of being confiscatory, is directly the reverse. The figures furnished the commission are the passenger revenues for the months of May and June, and compared with an average two months' business for the previous year, show a marked increase for all roads with the exception of three, the Soo, Minneapolis & St. Louis and the Great Western.

STRIKERS TO STATE CASE.
President Small Decides to Hold Monster Mass Meeting.

Chicago.—A monster mass meeting at which the cause of the striking telegraphers is to be laid before the business men of Chicago has been decided on by President Small of the Commercial Telegraphers' union.

Mr. Small said Friday that as the time had come when both sides were determined, and it might seem to the public that the strikers' attitude were mere stubbornness, the telegraphers should go before the community and present their case fully.

The plan was taken up by Mr. Small as the result of a private conversation in which President Sager, of the board of trade, expressed a desire to look at the case from the point of view of the telegraphers, and said that he would attend one of their meetings.

INSANE PRISONERS SHOT.
Desperate Outbreak in Clinton Prison at Danmore, N. Y.

Schenectady, N. Y.—One of the worst outbreaks among the insane prisoners in the history of Clinton prison at Danmore occurred Wednesday night. As a result Isaac DuBois, one of the inmates, is dead, shot through the heart by a guard.

The insane prisoners were being marshaled for bed when at a given signal they rushed into the two big dormitories and slammed the doors in the faces of the guards. Having locked the doors they proceeded to set about making their escape by smashing the doors and sawing the bars. The guards were finally obliged to use rifles and pistols and it was after midnight before the uprising was quelled. Besides DuBois, who was killed, several other prisoners were seriously wounded.

EX-SPEAKER MILLER IS DEAD.
Was Driven from Chair When Mueller Bill Was Passed in 1903.

St. Louis.—John Henry Miller of McLearsboro, Ill., who was speaker of the Illinois house of representatives in 1903, when the Mueller law was passed, died here at the Washington hotel of acute pancreatic disease. He came here ten days ago from Chicago.

Miller was driven from the speaker's chair to permit the passage of the Illinois enabling law in a tempestuous session. He was literally chased out of the assembly hall by infuriated members, after the ravel had been snatched from his shaking hands.

Several of Miller's friends shielded him from the fists of the irate members, but a score were hurt in the melee, and when it was all over, "Charlie" Allen was chosen speaker pro tem, and the Mueller law was passed.

Try to Dynamite Train.
Cripple Creek, Col.—An attempt was made about noon Thursday to blow up the incoming Short Line passenger train with dynamite at St. Peter's Dome, midway between Cripple Creek and Colorado Springs. Every window in the last car was broken. A similar attempt was made to blow up the same train at Duffield Wednesday. The dynamiters escaped, but the sheriff is on their trail.

Pretty Girl Accused of Theft.
Chicago.—Miss Rose Haines, a beautiful convent graduate, who carried off the honors of her class, a prominent church worker of Hyde Park and the daughter of one of the wealthiest men of Bridgeport, Conn., is a prisoner in a Hyde Park police station cell, accused of theft. The principal charge against Miss Haines is that she stole two large diamonds valued at \$500 from a house where she was a guest, and then pawned them. The police say she lost \$75,000 on the open board of trade.

Street Car and Freight Train Collide.
Alliance, O.—A street car was in collision here Thursday with an engine and three freight cars. The motorman was probably fatally hurt and the conductor and four passengers, including three women, were injured.

Ship Abandoned at Sea.
London.—The American ship Tillie E. Starbuck, Capt. Wain, which left New York April 10 bound for Honolulu, has been abandoned at sea. Her crew were rescued and landed at Coquimbó.

ROOT IS RECOVERING CALLS THE NEGROES GUILTY

REGAINING HIS HEALTH AND ENERGY AT MULDOON'S.

NO OCCASION FOR WORRY

Has Spent Three Weeks at Sanitarium Unknown to Public—Received One Visit from the President.

New York.—Secretary of State Elihu Root, who has already spent three weeks at the farm-sanitarium of William C. Muldoon, ex-champion wrestler, near White Plains, taking Mr. Muldoon's course of athletic treatment for a severe attack of nervous exhaustion, expects to complete his cure in two weeks more. He is now well on the road to complete recovery and all reason for apprehension about his health seems to have disappeared.

On the quiet farm among the West Chester hills, so secluded that the secretary of state was enabled to pass three weeks there and be visited by the president of the United States before his whereabouts were discovered by the public, Mr. Root has fished up, put on a healthy coat of tan, lost the drawn, worried look of the early summer, and will go back to Washington, as Mr. Muldoon phrases it, "the strongest member of the cabinet, not even barring Taft."

During the first two weeks of his stay he gained a pound a day, acquiring therewith such a stock of energy that he was able Friday to ride 18 miles, walk three miles and in addition to the usual course of exercise with the big medicine ball, box 15 vigorous minutes with Muldoon.

When visited Friday on the veranda of the Muldoon residence, his face showed good color, his eyes were clear and his hand steady. He looked a trifle tired but otherwise well. Mr. Root asked to be excused from talking about his health, but his appearance was a sufficient contradiction of the exaggerated reports of a complete breakdown. His physician visited him but left without making any arrangements for his return.

According to Mr. Muldoon, Secretary Root, when he arrived, was suffering from nervous exhaustion, the result of overwork and strain.

COSTLY BLAZES IN PITTSBURG.
Two Fires Cause Damage Estimated at \$250,000.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Two fires Thursday caused by the explosion of gasoline in clothes pressing establishments caused damage estimated at \$250,000 and for a time threatened the entire east end section of this city.

The first fire broke out shortly before noon in the Club Pressing & Cleaning company's place at 6339 Penn avenue. The three story brick building was destroyed and 14 employees were rescued from the windows by firemen.

The second fire was more serious and before it was controlled seven buildings were wiped out. The blaze started in the Enterprise Pressing company's shop at 5975 Center avenue about two o'clock and spread with great rapidity east and west.

A number of automobile garages in the neighborhood had quantities of gasoline on hand and barrels and tanks of the fuel were removed from the vicinity. A hundred or more automobiles were run out of the garages and for a time lined either curb of a block, several blocks from the burning district.

The flames made a great roar and leaped into the air 50 feet above the burning buildings. Between the burning block and the handsome East Liberty market house only a narrow lot intervened and grave fears were entertained lest the market should catch. This building escaped, however, but for the scorching of the east side and the shattering of the windows. Shortly after four o'clock the fire was declared to be under control.

Four firemen were hurt during the fighting of the fire.

Swedish Prince at Newport.
Newport, R. I.—The Swedish armored cruiser Flygia, with Prince Wilhelm of Sweden on board, arrived here Thursday from Jamestown, Va. The prince was entertained at dinner by Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, and later attended a dance given by Mrs. Edward J. Berwind. Salutes were exchanged between the cruiser and Fort Adams and the Reina Mercedes, flagship of Rear Admiral John Merrill, commanding the second naval district, as the cruiser entered the harbor.

Money for Crop Movements.
New York.—The first considerable transfer of currency to the west for the movement of crops and other interior needs of the country was made by the sub-treasury Friday. Five hundred thousand dollars was transferred to Chicago and another half million to San Francisco.

New Professor for Notre Dame.
South Bend, Ind.—Dr. James C. Monaghan, of Washington, D. C., has been appointed to the chair of economics at Notre Dame university. He is at present chief of the consular reports of the Bureau of Statistics.

Berkshire Hog Sells for \$5,500.
Jameville, Wis.—"Star Masterpiece," a Berkshire hog formerly owned by the Wisconsin state university, was sold at the Whitehall, Ill., hog sale Friday to residents of Kirkville, Ill., for \$5,500.

La Crosse Has "Boosting Day."
La Crosse, Wis.—Business was entirely suspended in La Crosse to give the people an opportunity to get together for a monster "Boosting" celebration. Fifteen thousand people attended "Booster" exercises.

Metal Polishers Want More Pay.
Cincinnati.—At the national convention Wednesday of Union Metal Polishers & Brass Workers a resolution was introduced which calls for an increase of 10 per cent. in wages and an eight-hour day.

Railroad Commissioner Ousted.
Atlanta, Ga.—Gov. Hoke Smith Wednesday issued an order to take effect immediately suspending from office Railroad Commissioner Joseph M. Brown and appointing in his place S. G. McLendon.

GEN. MYER'S REPORT TOUCHES ON BROWNSVILLE AFFAIR.

Garrison Removed From Fort Brown as Result—Commander Urges Better Pay and Canteen.

Washington.—That Brig. Gen. Albert L. Myer, commanding the department of Texas, thinks the colored troops "shot up" Brownsville, Tex., last August is shown by his annual report. After calling the affair "a lamentable occurrence which is still shrouded in mystery to a great extent," he says:

"However, it seems to have been established that on the night in question a few enlisted men of the first battalion, Twenty-fifth Infantry, then garrisoning Fort Brown, did go armed into Brownsville and do some promiscuous firing resulting in the death of one civilian, one horse and the wounding of one policeman. It has been impossible to identify the individuals who actually did the firing. Undoubtedly there was at the time mutually bad blood between a part of the garrison of Fort Brown and some of the citizens of Brownsville and this fact must, to some extent, account for the occurrence."

As a result of the occurrence, Fort Brown has been deprived of a garrison and the reservation has been temporarily transferred to the department of agriculture.

In line with other department commanders, Gen. Myer takes the ground that the pay of enlisted men should be increased, particularly of non-commissioned officers. He favors legislation increasing the infantry by at least ten regiments of full peace strength, and he declares that the continuing absence of so many officers renders more apparent and evident the necessity for some legislation giving two officers at least to a company or troop at all times.

Gen. Myer renews the recommendation of most of his predecessors relative to the removal of the canteen restrictions on the sale of malt liquors. He says there has been about 8 per cent. decrease in the number of trials by court martial, and the number of trials for desertion far exceeds that of any other crime or charge.

EDDY CASE ENDS SUDDENLY.
"Next Friends" File Motion to Dismiss Their Plea.

Concord, N. H.—A sudden, though not wholly unexpected, ending of the masters' hearing in connection with the suit in equity brought by relatives of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, leader of the Christian Science faith, came in the superior court here Wednesday.

Former Senator William E. Chandler, senior counsel for the relatives, or "next friends," announced to the board of masters that they had filed a motion with the superior court to dismiss their action.

The suit was brought on the ground that Mrs. Eddy, being incompetent, on account of age and infirmities, to manage her own affairs, was the victim of persons associated with her in Christian Science work, who were named as defendants in the equity suit. The masters were appointed by the superior court to determine the question of Mrs. Eddy's competency, and hearings before them have been in progress for several days.

The reason for the petition for dismissal, as made known at the hearing Wednesday by Mr. Chandler, was the belief that success along the lines desired could not be obtained and the unprofitableness of any immediate result of a decision in favor of the next friends in the exact issue as now framed, compared with the burdens and disadvantages to be endured both before and after such a decision.

Paymaster Shot and Robbed.
Philadelphia.—William H. Hicks, paymaster for the Schaum & Uhlinger company, textile machinists in the northeastern section of the city, was held up and robbed of \$6,000 within a short distance of the machine shops Wednesday by two highwaymen, one of whom shot him in the right arm. Mill hands pursued John Posicki, said to be the robber. He jumped on a street car but the pursuers pulled down the trolley pole and caught him. The stolen money was found lying in an open lot across which Posicki had fled.

Cortelyou Will Try New Plan.
New York.—Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou announced Friday a new plan of depositing government funds in New York, Boston and other cities, to afford relief to the money market in the approaching crop movement period. Mr. Cortelyou will, commencing next week, place each week, at such points in the country as he shall designate, government funds to such an amount as he deems sufficient to prevent an acute monetary stringency and possible panic when the demand for money is greatest.

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