



Abe Hummel, the New York lawyer, was sentenced to one year in prison on the charge of conspiracy.

A terrible wreck occurred near Honda, Cal., May 12. A special train, loaded with New York and Pennsylvania Mystic Shriners, struck a defective switch and was derailed. Thirty people were killed.

Corey, president of the steel trust, and Mabel Gillman, the actress, were married, and now Rev. Dr. Clark, the pastor who officiated, is being bitterly condemned for his part in the affair.

A Washington dispatch to the Omaha World-Herald says that the southwestern railroads are making an organized fight.

The heaviest snow of the season fell at Deadwood, S. D., May 16.

Abraham Reuf appeared before the grand jury at San Francisco. It is understood that he implicates Mayor Schmitz.

A Washington dispatch via the Associated Press says: "Information has been received at the war department that Governor Magoon is making plans to carry out contracts for extensive road improvements in Cuba. The Cuban congress passed a bill authorizing the expenditure of \$5,000,000 for this work. Governor Magoon has reduced this sum to \$4,000,000 and will begin the work in the province of Pinar del Rio, the principal tobacco region. There is about \$16,000,000 now lying idle in the Cuban treasury. The government income is now about \$500,000 monthly in excess of the expenditures."

President Roosevelt will make a trip on the Mississippi river from St. Louis to Memphis. He will leave St. Louis October 1.

The Arkansas legislature has adjourned and Senator Pindall has become acting governor, owing to the illness of Governor Little.

Two distinguished Russians, Alexis Alladin and Nicholas Tchaykovsky, were the guests of W. J. Bryan in Lincoln May 15. Both delivered addresses before the students of the state university and Wesleyan university. The two Russians, in company with Mr. Bryan, Governor Sheldon and Mayor Brown, were entertained at an elaborate luncheon this afternoon at the Commercial club rooms, which was followed by a general reception of Lincoln business men. Immediately after the reception Mr. Bryan took his guests to the home of Governor Sheldon, where a visit of about an hour was made. In the evening at St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church the Russian visitors addressed a mass meeting. In their speeches they dwelt largely on what they declared to be the unbearable political conditions in Russia.

Federal Judge Adams of St. Louis denied the application of H. Clay Pierce, chairman of the board of the Waters-Pierce Oil company, for a writ of habeas corpus and ordered that the petitioner be remanded to the custody of the chief of police to be delivered to Sheriff George S. Matthews of Travis county, Texas, for extradition. Pierce is wanted in Texas to answer to an indictment charging perjury in an affidavit made

by him in May, 1900, to the effect that the Waters-Pierce Oil company was not a party to any pool, trust, confederation or combination in restraint of trade.

Isaac Stephenson of Marinetta, was nominated for United States senator from Wisconsin by the republican caucus. He is a banker and lumber merchant. He is a follower of La-Fontaine.

A New York dispatch to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says. "A portion of the recommendations of Attorneys Frank B. Kellogg and Charles A. Severance to the interstate commerce commission concerning the Harriman railroad investigation has been published here. It reviews the testimony and holds that railroad competition has been suppressed in an area equal to one-third of the United States; that the contracts between the Union Pacific and the Rock Island for control of the Alton, as well as the contracts between the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific and the control of the Illinois Central and the San Pedro road, are all in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act. It recommends that the attorney general institute proceedings to annul these agreements. It also recommends that there should be new and effective laws to prevent inflation of securities and declares that the profits of the great railroads of the far west are being used to buy stocks and control systems in the east instead of building more roads for the development of the west as they should be."

Thomas A. Creigh of Omaha has been chosen department commander of the G. A. R. of Nebraska.

Isaac Stephenson was elected United States senator from Wisconsin to succeed Spooner. The democrats voted for State Senator G. W. Bird.

Forty-five workmen at a spinning mill in Poland were slaughtered by a patrol of Cossacks.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Topeka, Kan., May 16, follows: "The republican state central committee at its meeting here today declared William H. Taft the choice of Kansas to succeed Roosevelt as president. The following resolution was adopted unanimously and without debate: 'Resolved, by the republican state central committee, that in our opinion the republicans of Kansas believe the ability, the integrity and the experiences of Secretary William H. Taft fit him for high office, and we favor his nomination by the national convention for president of the United States.'

As a result of the graft disclosures in San Francisco, dispatches say that Mayor Schmitz has surrendered authority to a committee of citizens and that his resignation may follow.

A cablegram from British India says: "Governmental returns show that the deaths from the plague throughout India for the six weeks ending May 11 reached the appalling total of 451,892. In the Punjab alone, 286,777 deaths occurred."

Orrin W. Potter, the pioneer steel manufacturer of Chicago, is dead.

Edwin H. Conger, former minister to China, is dead.

BOOKS RECEIVED

The Future in America. A Search After Realities. By H. G. Wells; author of "Anticipations," "The War of the Worlds," "Thirty Strange Stories," etc. Harper Brothers, publishers, New York and London. Price, \$2 net.

Poems of Love and Home. By William Wendell Riley. Commercial Printing Co., Los Angeles, Cal.

Abyssinia of To-Day. An Account of the First Mission Sent by the American Government to the Court of the King of Kings (1903-1904). By Robt. P. Skinner, Commissioner to Abyssinia, American consul general. Edward Arnold, publisher to the India office, London. Longmans, Green & Co., New York.

The Psychic Riddle. A book of psychic suggestions. By Isaac K. Funk, D. D. LL. D., editor-in-chief of the Standard Dictionary. Funk & Wagnalls Co., New York and London. Price 50 cents, cloth.

Latter-Day Poems. By William Cowie. Wolcott's Bookshop, Syracuse, N. Y.

Friday, the Thirteenth. A novel by Thomas W. Lawson. Doubleday, Page & Co., New York. Price \$1.50.

Golden Songs of Glory for Revivals, Sunday Schools, Singing Schools, Conventions, and General Use in Christian Work and Worship. By James D. Vaughan, George W. Bacon, Flavil Hall, A. E. Helton, and L. C. Taylor. Published by James D. Vaughan, Lawrenceburg, Tenn. Prices, 30 cents a copy; \$3.00 a dozen, postpaid.

Herbert Brown. A Thrilling Religious and Moral Story. By O. B. Whitaker. M. A. Donohue & Co., Chicago, Ill.

SAM'S IMPORTANT POSITION

Thomas Meighan, who plays the dashing Billy Bolton in the College Widow company, recently visited his home at the country town of Florence, S. C. While there another former resident was paying a vacation visit to his people. This was a colored office boy from the big banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., in New York city. The boy had been permitted to wear his attractive blue uniform with brass buttons and dashes of gold braid; and in the eyes of the colored population he was little less than a Wall street king as he strutted through the village. One day Mr. Meighan heard the following conversation between the office boy and his old friends:

"Does you ever see Mr. Pierpont Morgan?" asked one.

"Oh, yes," said Sam with easy grace. "Mr. Morgan comes into our office mos' every day."

"Say, Sam, does you know Russell Sage?"

"Does I know him?" exclaimed the boy proudly. "Does I know him? Why Mistah Sage is one of our best customers."

The boy held the astonished attention of his admirers for half an hour, until it occurred to one of the questioners to ask:

"Sam, what do you all do up in that big building?"

"What do Ah do?" repeated Sam, swelling up with importance. "Why, niggah, I se do coon of Kuhn, Loeb & Co."—New York Sun.

WE ALL "WHACKED UP"

The report of United States Steel corporation, recently made public, shows that the net earnings of this great monopoly reached the fabulous sum of \$156,624,273 last year. And no one will waste the time in trying to figure where the steel trust "got it." From the humblest citizen who built a home or purchased so much as a pound of nails, to the great railroad companies for the construction of trackage—all of them contributed to make the "melon" look so luscious to the shareholders of the steel trust.—Kansas City Star.

FRIENDS IN HEAVEN

A brown-haired, blue-eyed wee one,
Grown weary and tired of play,
Climbed up on my knee to ask me
In her simple, childish way;
"Have you any friends in heaven,
That you sometimes want to see?"
Can you guess how the question
Thrilled me
Like a minor melody?

I thought, as I sat in the twilight,
With the wee one on my knee,
Of my little blue-eyed baby
Whose summers numbered three;
She went from my arms to heaven
One springtime years ago,
And left in my heart that sorrow
That only mothers know.

I thought how the baby's father
Grew lonesome, and longed to hold
Once more on his breast our baby
With hair of sunset gold.
And one summer eve he left me
To search for our baby of three,
And I know full well he found her,
But he never came back to me.

Do I ever want to see them?
Oh! child of the violet eyes,
My heart is gone on before me
To the hills of Paradise.
Some day I shall feel their kisses
Drop balm on my weary heart,
Mine only, and mine forever,
Though earth and heaven apart.
—Eben E. Rexford, in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

HIS LITTLE MAJESTY

Blue blood or red, what matter it?
What matter pride of race?
This little mannikin bedecked
With dainty lawn and lace,
Like any lowly cotter's child,
Must grow into his place.

Oh, baby eyes that blindly blink,
What visions will you see
Of kingdoms leveled, kings uncrowned,
And wonders that shall be,
When every man shall walk erect,
Unfettered, brave and free!

Blue blood or red, what matter it,
Oh, child of ancient line?
The props upholding kingly craft rot;
The fig tree and the vine
Each man must have who earns it,
and
Behold in love the sign.
—Frank Fair, in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

INDIFFERENT

Mr. Roosevelt declared he was "profoundly indifferent" to the condemnation alike of the friends of Harriman or of Haywood. He was so profoundly indifferent that it took thirteen hundred words for him to express the profundity of his indifference.—Columbia, S. C., State.

You Know

that if you have fainting, smothering, weak and hungry spells; if you have shortness of breath when walking or going up stairs; if your heart is irregular, flutters or palpitates; if you have pains around the heart, in side and under shoulders, cannot sleep on left side; have difficulty in breathing when lying down, that you are suffering from heart trouble, and that it is liable at any minute to prove fatal.
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