

News of the Week

The Missouri state supreme court discharged William R. Nelson, owner of the Kansas City Star in the contempt proceedings brought against him in the Jackson county circuit court. The decision of the supreme court was unanimous. The court held the article published in the Star contemptuous, but ordered Mr. Nelson discharged from contempt solely on the ground that Circuit Judge Guthrie prepared his opinion the night before the trial for contempt.

Jack Johnson, the negro prize fighter, was sentenced by the federal court at Chicago to one year in the penitentiary and a fine of one thousand dollars. He has been convicted of violation of the Mann white slave law.

Henry Gassaway Davis, democratic vice presidential candidate in 1904, was painfully, although not seriously injured by being thrown from his horse.

A Patterson, N. J., dispatch says: Alexander Scott, editor of the Passaic Weekly Issue, was placed on trial here under an indictment charging him with publishing inflammatory statements and cartoons regarding the manner in which the police have dealt with the silk strike here. A jury was completed. At Jersey City Vice Chancellor Stevenson denied the injunction sought by the proprietors of two public halls in Paterson against the Paterson authorities, who recently closed the buildings to meetings of silk strikers.

A Milwaukee dispatch to the New York World says: "If you were my husband I'd give you poison," and "If you were my wife I'd take it." This old vaudeville quip found a victim in Julius Jeswein, thirty-four, for Jeswein laughed for sixteen consecutive hours after hearing it. Jeswein attended a show in a downtown theatre recently and when the "if you were my husband" funnicism came along he almost had a fit. He let out a roar that shook the building. The calloused audience imagined it would cease, but it did not. Jeswein kept on laughing until the act was forced to discontinue. Jeswein was remonstrated with, but kept right on laughing. Finally it was seen that he could not stop and he was removed to a hospital. There, although the physicians did everything in their power, Jeswein still laughed for hours and could not stop for a second. Finally morphine injections were given and still he laughed. More narcotics were administered, but the echoing sound of his wailing and exhausted vocals still strained into mirth continued until he became so weakened that death may result.

An Associated Press dispatch from New York says: Evidence that the late Senator George F. Hoar of Massachusetts, who framed the Sherman anti-trust law, wrote an opinion, one year after its enactment, which held that steel manufacturers who entered pool agreements to fix prices, regulate output and divide profits could not be convicted under the law, came to light recently in the hearings of the government's dissolution suit against the United States steel corporation. The opinion, written in 1891, at the request of wire manufacturers who proposed to form such a pool, was put in evidence by attorneys for the corporation in connection with the testimony of Judge Elbert Gary, chairman of the cor-

poration, saying that in the early days of the steel industry it was supposed that pools were legal. Three years ago pools of wire manufacturers were broken up by the government under the law and their members indicted and fined. The opinion, Judge Gary said, came from the files of Washburn, Moen & Co., of Worcester, Mass., one of the concerns which participated in one of the wire pools of the early nineties and for whom, he said, Senator Hoar acted as attorney.

The Bulgarian cabinet has resigned.

An Epsom, England cablegram, carried by the United Press, says: Miss Elizabeth Davison, thirty-five, a London suffraget, rushed out on Epsom downs course and seized Anmer by the bridle as King George's entry in the historic derby was rounding Tattenham corner. Horse and rider, Jockey Jones, fell on her and she was so badly trampled that those who picked her up thought her dead. When doctors had worked over her many minutes, Miss Davison showed signs of life, and she was rushed to a hospital, where it was said she was seriously and probably fatally injured. A few days later Miss Davison died as a result of her injuries.

Chris Von Der Ahe, famous baseball magnate, is dead.

W. G. Lee, of Cleveland, was re-elected grand president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen at the convention in San Francisco.

Chief Justice Andrew A. Adams, of the Indiana appellate court, has tendered his resignation, to take effect September 1.

In the case of William M. Wood, president of the American Woolen company; Frederick A. Atteaux and Dennis J. Collins, charged with "planting" dynamite during the Lawrence textile strike, Wood was acquitted, but the jury disagreed as to the guilt of Atteaux. Collins, who turned state's evidence, was found guilty on two counts and not guilty on the four other counts of the indictment.

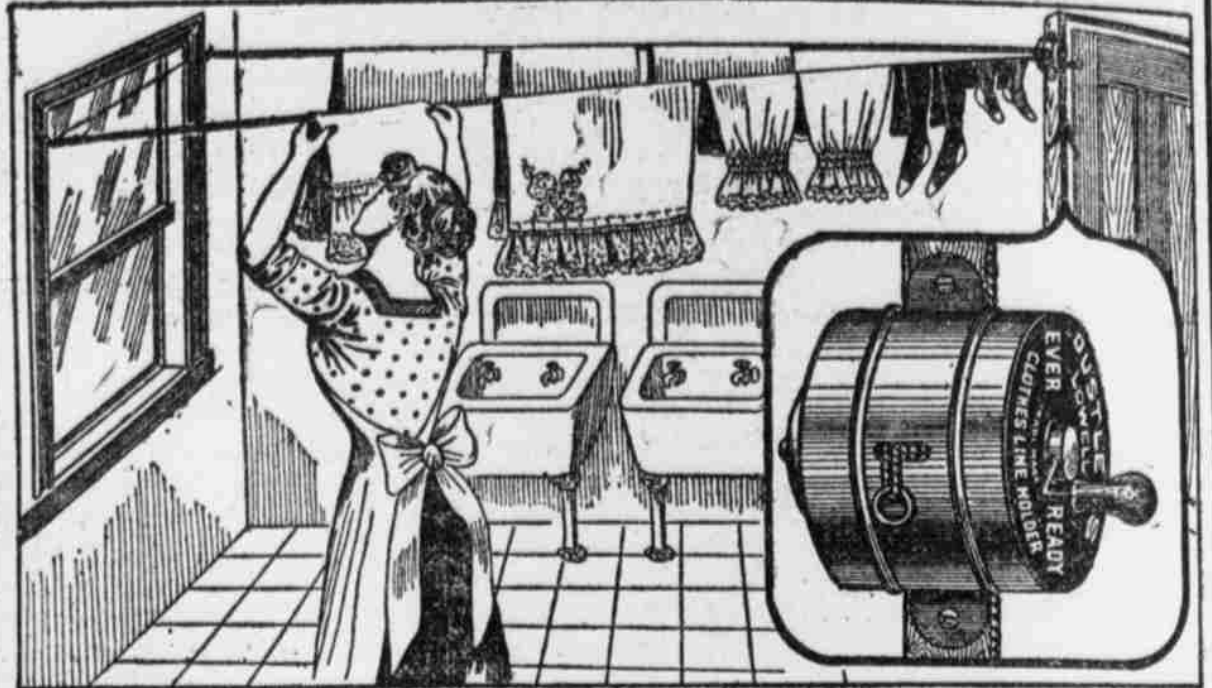
Charles Edward Russell, the famous writer, has been chosen as the socialist candidate for mayor of New York city.

Samuel Gompers has undergone a second operation. He is, however, in a good condition.

Rev. C. A. Briggs, widely known as a Presbyterian minister, who in 1892 was charged with heresy, died at his home in New York.

An Associated Press dispatch from Seward, Alaska, says: All the volcanoes along the Alaska peninsula and adjacent islands, as far as the westward as Unimak pass, are in eruption, emitting flame and dense volumes of smoke. News of their activity was brought by the mail steamer Dora, which arrived from her monthly voyage to Dutch harbor. Mount Shishaldin, on Unimak island, was shooting flames high into the air and Mounts Pavlof and McCushion were smoking when the steamer passed them. Mount Katami, which was in violent eruption just a year ago and covered fertile Kodiak island with a thick layer of ashes, is sending up a great column of smoke, filling the heavens with a haze discernible at Seward. Redoubt Ilamna and St. Augustine, volcanoes on the west side of Cook inlet, are showing unusual signs of activity, smoke in great volume pouring out of their craters.

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