

# MOVE TOWARD ARBITRATION

## Trainmen Accept Offer of Canadian Labor Bureau.

# GOVERNMENT TO NAME BOARD.

### Railroad Officials Say They Will Also Accept If Experts Are Chosen—Conductor and Brakeman Attacked by Mob at Belleville and Probably Finally Beaten.

Montreal, July 23.—Vice President Murdoch of the Order of Railway Trainmen has wired to the department of labor at Ottawa accepting Minister King's suggestion for arbitration by a board to be named by the government. The railroad officials have signified their willingness to accept if experts are chosen.

The difficulties besetting the formulation of arbitration proposals satisfactory both to the Grand Trunk railway officials and the leaders of the striking conductors and trainmen occupied the government officials again. The railroad officials continued their endeavors to set in motion the wheels of their freight system, while the strikers apparently were confident as ever of winning their case.

A new feature of interest in the situation was the possibility of action by United States customs officials to effect forwarding of bonded freight from the United States, now tied up at numerous points on the Grand Trunk lines.

As the result of an outbreak at Belleville, Ont., on the arrival of a Grand Trunk train from Toronto, John McMann, its acting conductor, and M. Donovan, brakeman, are in a hospital in a critical condition. As the men left their train they were set upon by 100 or more persons and severely beaten. The injured men were carried into a hotel, which was shortly after bombarded with stones and considerably damaged.

# JOHN D. AND FRANK MAKE UP

### Breach Between Rockefellers Is Reported to Have Been Healed.

Cleveland, July 23.—The breach which developed many years ago between John D. Rockefeller and his brother, Frank, is reported to have been healed. It is said to be not unlikely that the renewed friendship of the brothers will be cemented by having the bodies of Frank Rockefeller's children taken up and laid to rest around the "old king's" monolith in Lakeview cemetery.

The cemetery officials have heard that the bodies of the descendants of the men may be reunited in one burial plot.

# FUNERAL READY FOR HIM

### Farmer Escapes Death by Water, but Is Killed by Fall From Barn.

Bloomington, Ill., July 23.—Oscar Nydegger, a young farmer of Farmer City, died in a local hospital from injuries received in a fall from a barn. Two weeks ago a body was found floating in the Chicago river and sent to Farmer City after being identified by his brother as that of Oscar Nydegger.

After an expense of \$140 had been incurred in charges by the undertaker the supposed dead man came home and was greeted as a ghost.

# CONGRESSMAN IS CONVICTED

### Massachusetts Representative Found Guilty of Violating Election Law.

Boston, July 23.—Representative Joseph O'Connell of the Tenth Massachusetts congressional district was convicted in the Dorchester court of violation of the election laws of the state. It is claimed that O'Connell distributed cards at one of the polling stations in Dorchester during the city election last January, contrary to law. Judge Churchill imposed a fine of \$20. The congressman appealed the case.

# ENAMELED WARE TRUST

### Sixteen Concerns Face Prosecution by Federal Government.

Washington, July 23.—Sixteen concerns manufacturing enameled ironware and their officers, located in nine states, were proceeded against by the department of justice under the Sherman anti-trust law.

# Patten's Partner Gives Bond.

New York, July 23.—Colonel Robert W. Thompson, who was abroad on June 17 last, when the federal grand jury indicted him together with James A. Patten and five others for conspiracy in restraint of trade, in connection with the operation of an alleged cotton pool, surrendered himself to United States Commissioner Shields. He furnished a bail bond of \$2,000 and was released.

# Farmers Pay Fines of Prisoners.

Georgetown, Ky., July 23.—A novel method to save the wheat crop of Scott county was resorted to when a number of farmers appeared before the county judge and paid the fines of ten prisoners in the jail in order to get help to harvest the crop. In several instances the fines ran as high as \$100. All of the prisoners went willingly.

# SAYS FEE IS FOR OFFICE ONLY

### State Legal Department Gives Position Upon Primary Bill.

Lincoln, July 23.—Attorney General Thompson will represent Secretary of State Junkin in the suit brought by Victor Rosewater, Republican national committeeman, to prevent placing the names of candidates on more than one ballot when only one filing fee has been paid.

The legal department will argue that the fee charged for filing refers only to the office and not to the ballots. For instance, the attorney general says, the law is that a candidate for United States senator shall pay a filing fee of \$50. According to him it makes no difference on how many ballots the candidate's name appears, just so he has paid the one \$50.

In the office of the governor the holding is that the county treasurer has no right to ask what office the candidate intends to file for. If he tenders his \$10 to file for governor it is the duty of the treasurer to give him a receipt for \$10 and the ballot on which he runs need not be designated. Then the candidate may present that receipt to the secretary of state and have his name placed on as many ballots as he chooses.

Mr. Thompson does not expect to file his answer until next Wednesday.

# MERCHANDISE VALUES

## RISING IN NEBRASKA

### Increase in Assessment Will Be Close to Half Million.

Lincoln, July 23.—With six counties out, the assessed value of merchandise, as returned to the state board of assessment and equalization, is \$9,217,518. These same counties last year were assessed at a total valuation of \$8,868,048. The increase in these counties is \$449,770, of which Douglas county contributed \$106,391, the remaining \$343,379 being distributed among the other counties. Lancaster comes to the front with a decrease. Its assessment on merchandise last year was \$956,190, and this year \$911,940. Scott's Bluff county showed an increase of over 100 per cent over last year.

# BLUEFIELDS IS OPEN PORT

### State Department Says Norway Is Misinformed as to Conditions.

Washington, July 23.—Crossing diplomatic swords with Norway, the state department replying to protests from New Orleans commercial interests against Norwegian recognition of the Bluefields (Nicaragua) blockade, declared Bluefields to be an open port. Norway, it was said, was misinformed of conditions there.

Norway's "misunderstanding" was laid by the state department to Michael J. Clancy, consular representative of Norway to Bluefields and vice consul of the United States at the same port. Acting Secretary of State Wilson announced that Clancy's resignation as vice consul had been accepted.

In connection with the statement that Norway was mistaken about Bluefields being blockaded, the department replied to the effect that Madrid was to be prevented by force of arms from interfering with legitimate American trade entering Bluefields.

# ABERNATHY BOYS AT OMAHA

### Two Youthful Oklahoma Travelers on Way Home.

Omaha, July 23.—The Abernathy boys, made famous by their ride from their home in Oklahoma to New York to see President Roosevelt, and who are adding another laurel wreath to the honors they have gained by their pluck and endurance, by their automobile trip back west, arrived in Omaha last night and left for the southwest at 8 o'clock this morning.

They are accompanied by Fred M. Hall of New York City, but the boys travel in an auto by themselves, Louis, the elder, aged nine, driving, and having his six-year-old brother, Temple, as his sole passenger.

As the boys sat in the cafe of the Henshaw hotel, they were the cynosure of the eyes of the other diners. Louis answered the queries of all with the conciseness of the trained business man, while Temple sat back in his chair with the bored air of the man of the world who has become blasé through a surfeit of the good things of life.

# TAFT VACATION STRENUOUS

### Double Round of Golf Followed by Speech, Coach Trip and Dinner.

Bar Harbor, Me., July 23.—President Taft's vacation cruise is becoming strenuous. He did not get back aboard the Mayflower until well past midnight, but was ashore again at 8 a. m. playing a double round of the nine-hole golf course.

After the morning of golf came the speaking at noon to the townspeople, followed by a ten-mile coach ride to Mrs. Mark Hanna's home at Seal Harbor for luncheon. The dinner engagement for the Taft party was with Mrs. Charlemagne Tower, two miles from Seal Harbor.

# Bonds Stolen From Chinese Bank.

### New York, July 23.—The discovery was made that \$70,000 worth of bonds had been stolen from the Chinese bank on Pine street in this city.

E. H. FITZKUGH.  
Vice President  
Of Grand Trunk  
And Map of Road.



# TARGET FIRING ENDS AT FORT MONROE

### Shore Batteries Destroy Imaginary Hostile Fleet.

Fort Monroe, Va., July 23.—Although death had silenced one gun and eleven men were killed by the terrible explosion in the De Russey shore battery here during the target firing on the imaginary hostile fleet which was passing up Hampton Roads to attack Washington, the battle continued until the enemy was sunk. The practice, which was the most extensive ever attempted, was completed with flattering success to the coast artillery corps.

Within three minutes after the first gun had been fired the two chess cloth targets, 30x50 feet, representing the vitals of battleships and towed 5,000 yards away, were a sorry sight. One was not worth shooting at, while the other was badly riddled. Firing was then at an end.

The fatal result of the first attempt to discharge No. 1 gun of the De Russey battery of 12-inch guns was not known to the other batteries, scattered for nearly a mile along the shore, until after the conclusion of the firing. The men at the other two guns of the De Russey battery did not know that an accident had occurred, but they kept on firing at the imaginary enemy.

Officers who witnessed the test say the practice demonstrated that a fleet attempting to pass the fort could not have lived five minutes in such a fire as was poured into the towed targets.

# Fulton, Ky., Stays "Dry."

Louisville, July 23.—A count of the votes cast in the local option election shows that the city of Fulton, Ky., went dry by seven-to-one votes. Carrollton, Ky., went "wet" by eighty-four votes.

# YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

### National League.

At St. Louis: R.H.E. St. Louis.....000202000—4 7 0  
New York.....000050000—0 5 0  
Lush-Brennahan; Crandall-Myers.  
At Pittsburgh: R.H.E. Pittsburgh.....051110500—14 15 12  
Brooklyn.....000100000—1 6 3  
Phillippi-Gibson; Miller-Erwin.  
At Cincinnati: R.H.E. Cincinnati.....02030001—6 10 2  
Philadelphia.....100010020—4 6 2  
Beebe-McLean; Moren-Dooin.

### American League.

At Philadelphia—First game: R.H.E. Philadelphia.....011011020—6 10 3  
Cleveland.....030300001—7 5 3  
Morgan-Thomas; Berger-Bemis.  
Second game: R.H.E. Philadelphia 000 100 000 000—1 12 9  
Cleveland.....000 010 000 000—1 7 2  
Bender-Lapp; Falkenberg-Bemis.  
At New York: R.H.E. New York.....00010145—11 14 5  
Detroit.....021040100—8 13 2  
Worshop Mitchell; Mellin-Schmidt.  
At Washington—First game: R.H.E. Washington.....000010000—1 6 0  
Chicago.....003100001—5 13 1  
Gray-Peckador; White-Payne.  
Washington.....20000000—2 6 0  
Chicago.....000000000—0 4 1  
Groom-Bekand; O'Leary-Payne.  
At Boston: R.H.E. Boston.....00001111—6 9 1  
St. Louis.....21000000—8 8 3  
Smith-Carlson; Lake-Stephens.  
Western League.

### At Omaha: R.H.E. Omaha.....00080000—8 8 3 Sioux City.....100200001—4 8 3 Rhodes-Gending; O'Toole-Miller. At Lincoln: R.H.E. Lincoln.....30121101—9 15 2 Des Moines.....000400000—4 7 4 McGrath-Clark; Mason-Clemmons. At Denver: R.H.E. Denver.....00222000—6 11 13 Topeka.....000000000—0 5 2 Adams-McMurray; Fugate-Boles. At Wichita: R.H.E. Wichita.....200100300—6 8 4 St. Joseph.....040004000—8 10 2 Shaner-Shaw; Johnson-Frambes.

# BEHRENS HEAD OF SAENGERBUND

## Otto Rohland Not a Candidate for Re-Election.

# R. C. STREHLOW ALSO DECLINES

### St. Paul Gets 1912 Saengerfest—German Editors Go On Record Against County Option and Prohibition—New Officers Are Elected—Adolph Peterson of Davenport Chosen President.

Omaha, July 23.—St. Paul won the next saengerfest by acclamation. Former President Theodore Behrens of Chicago was chosen president by acclamation for the ensuing two years. Otto Rohland, R. C. Strehlow and Peter Laux, all placed in nomination, declined to be considered as candidates.

Peter Laux, vice president; George Kieck, secretary; E. O. Kney, treasurer; John Wunder, librarian, and Theodore Kelbe, musical director, were re-elected.

Preceding the election, retiring President Rohland congratulated the delegates of the Saengerbund, of whom between 400 and 500 attended the meeting at the German home, on the success of the saengerfest just closed in Omaha.

The German-American Press association adopted resolutions urging the Nebraska branch of the German-American National alliance to work against the adoption of any form of prohibition, including county option. They also urged the newly formed alliance to work against any interference with home rule in cities.

The following officers were elected: President, Adolph Peterson of Davenport, Ia.; first vice president, Valentine Peter of Omaha; second vice president, Peter Klein of Aurora, Ill.; secretary, Henry Heinz of Muscatine, Ia.; treasurer, August Hilmer of New Hampton, Ia.

# INSURANCE AGENTS MEET

### Will Convene in Omaha Monday for Annual Session.

Omaha, July 23.—Fire insurance men from all over Nebraska will meet in Omaha Monday for the annual meeting of the Nebraska Association of Local Fire Insurance Agents. Aside from routine business the most important matter to be considered is a movement started among fire insurance agents against the proposed action of the large insurance companies to reduce their expenses by reducing commissions of agents. They will, if they follow out their present plans, considerably decrease the commissions of their agents without changing premium rates, throwing the entire loss upon the agents. All organizations of agents which would be affected in the event of such action are expected to make a strong fight against it.

# NORRIS BROWN FOR CHAIRMAN

### Executive Committee Selects Senator to Sound Keynote of Convention.

Omaha, July 23.—Senator Norris Brown will preside over the Republican state convention at Lincoln next Tuesday, and will deliver the keynote speech at the opening of the meeting. Senator Brown was chosen for chairman by the executive committee of the state committee last week, but announcement was deferred awaiting his return to the state and indication of his acceptance. Senator Brown sent word from Kearney to Acting Chairman Learned that he would be glad to accept the invitation.

# TWISTER AT BEAVER CITY

### Near Tornado Shakes Up Small Buildings in West Part of Town.

Beaver City, Neb., July 23.—Proceeding an electric storm a small tornado formed over the west part of town and did considerable damage to small buildings. A large tree was struck by lightning and literally twisted to pieces, leaving nothing but a stump. A windmill tower of G. W. Shafter was struck and another bolt killed a horse for him.

# Saloon Men Discharged.

Beatrice, Neb., July 23.—The cases of the seven saloonkeepers of this city, charged with working in their places of business on Sunday, were called before Judge Ellis. City Attorney Sabin entered nolleis, setting forth that there was not sufficient evidence to prosecute. The court promptly dismissed the cases against the defendants, who said they were willing to pay the costs, although the court did not make a ruling to that effect.

# Bellboy Takes Acid.

Omaha, July 23.—Despondent over the apparent unfaithfulness of his girl, William Kirchner, who stated that he had been acting as bellboy at the Rome hotel, attempted to commit suicide by swallowing carbolic acid. A police surgeon was able to save his life.

# Puzzled Tommy.

"Pa," said Tommy, "my Sunday school teacher says if I'm good I'll go to heaven."  
"Well, what about it?" said his pa.  
"Well, you said if I was good I'd go to the circus. Now, I want to know who's fibbing, you or her."—Lippincott's.

# The Similarity.

"Lucky at cards, unlucky at love," quoted the wise guy.  
"Well, either is simply a case of holding hands," said the simple mug.—Philadelphia Record.

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# OLD TIME PUNISHMENT.

### Agony of a Day in the Stocks For a Fit of Bad Temper.

A record on file in the library of congress contains an account of the adventures of a certain Hubbard, who was sentenced in Boston to the stocks for having indulged in an unwarrantable fit of ill temper, says Harper's Weekly. When he had taken his seat for the day there came along a drove of swine, which seemed to cast upon him those leering looks that only a fat pig can bestow. A dog followed, sniffing at the prisoner's feet and making feints—unpleasantly approaching reality—of biting him. Then a cock, mounting to the very top of the stocks, crowed his derision upon the victim below, and presently a rough fellow, after indulging in ugly taunts, threw at him felding toadstools and a dead snake.

Then an Indian appeared, who in a drunken rage, stimulated by some fancied injury, rushed at Hubbard with a tomahawk, probably intending nothing worse, however, than to give him a severe fright, which he certainly succeeded in doing.

Help came from an unexpected quarter, for at that moment an old bull came tearing down the road. His attention was attracted by the stocks, and with a roar he prepared for a charge.

Alarmed in his turn, the savage dashed off. The bull made a dash at the stocks and carried away the corner post, but without even grazing the object of his apparent wrath. Whether he was disgusted by the little he had accomplished or his animosity was just satisfied, he started off, bellowing and shaking his head, much to the relief of the said Hubbard.

And then the unfortunate man was left in comparative peace to his own meditations and the cutting sleet of a November day.

# A COURSE OF DINNERS.

### It Includes Roasted Peas as a Substitute For Coffee.

In a little book called "The Economical Housekeeper," published about the year 1890, there is given on one page "A Course of Dinners for a Week." At the time of its publication the little book was most popular, as is proved by the author's preface to the second revised edition. She says:

"Encouraged by the very favorable reception that our humble labors have met in the rapid sale of the first edition of 1,500 copies in about fifteen weeks, we have improved the time by endeavoring to make the present edition more worthy of patronage, if possible, than the first."

"Therefore it is probable that the 'course of dinners' which follows was considered admirable at that time:

"Monday—Tea, coffee or cocoa, with mince-meat, bread and butter in winter, bread and milk in summer.

"Tuesday—Boiled dish, with apple dumplings.

"Wednesday—Roasted or baked meat, with bread pudding.

"Thursday—Broiled steak or fresh fish, with baked rice pudding.

"Friday—Baked beans, with baked Indian pudding.

"Saturday—Salt codfish boiled, with apple pie.

"Sunday—Morning, hashed fish and coffee; noon, bread and butter, cheese, pig, doughnuts."

It is a suggestive paragraph which appears on the same page:

"Peas, roasted and ground, are an excellent substitute for coffee, and you would hardly know which is best."—Youth's Companion.

# Value of the Kangaroo's Tail.

So important is the kangaroo's tail in his rapid progress that experienced hunters with guns are accustomed to fire at the point where this appendage joins the body, when the tail being disabled for its office of balancing, the animal is as effectually stopped as if he were struck.

Hit elsewhere, except with a rifle bullet or at point blank range, the kangaroo is pretty likely to get off. One peculiarity of the kangaroo is that, after being started up, he very rarely swerves from his course, through which peculiarity he is easily "potted" by hunters, who conceal themselves while a man on horseback drives the herd toward them.

# Insect Wonders.

Nothing can exceed the perfection of the minutest parts of the insect organization in general. The finest strand in a spider's web, which can scarcely be seen, is said to be composed of no less than 4,000 threads. On a single wing of a butterfly have been found 100,000 scales and on that of a silk-worm moth 400,000, each of these minute scales being a marvel of beauty and completeness in itself. So thin are the wings of many insects that 50,000 placed over each other would only be a quarter of an inch thick, and yet, thin as they are, each is double.

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# A DEADLY REPTILE

### The Fer-de-lance the Most Venomous of All Serpents.

# ITS STING A DEATH WARRANT

### Little Chance For a Victim of the Fangs of This Terror of the Island of Martinique—The Cat and the Mongoose Its Most Formidable Enemies.

Every one is perfectly well aware that there exists a large number of venomous serpents—we have many of them right here in the United States; the rattler, for example—but probably no other spot in the known world has such a death dealing reptile as has the French island of Martinique, nestling in the limpid blue waters of the Caribbean sea. It is the fer-de-lance, scientifically known as Trigonoccephalus lanceolatus, that can beyond the shadow of a doubt lay claim to being the most deadly serpent of the earth. Its sting means almost certain death.

There are eight distinct varieties, the most common being a dark gray and black speckled, which coloring enables it to conceal itself easily among roots and stumps of trees. Another variety is a clear, bright yellow, and when hidden in the freshly cut cane it can hardly be distinguished from the stalks. It may also be a dark yellow or coal black with a yellow belly.

It is not a large snake, rarely exceeding five feet in length and in circumference approximately the size of a child's arm. To repeat, the sting means almost certain death, and should not the service of a physician, or "panseur," as the natives call him, be obtained within a very short time the venom does its deadly work—the flesh grows cold, softens, becomes pulpy, changes in color, quickly begins to spot, and a great chilliness creeps through the blood. This lasts only a few minutes—possibly half an hour—then death.

If the victim is fortunate enough to get a physician upon the scene post-haste and no artery or vein has been pierced there is hope—just a faint hope—but even if life is saved the danger is not entirely removed, for in many cases necrosis of the tissues follows. The flesh corrupts and falls from the bones, and the body molder as does a tree.

There is, however, a heroic method of treatment often brought into use by the Martiniquans. It is the immediate amputation of the leg or arm if the sting happens to be in either. Even this has to be done at once and before the venom circulates through the system. There are to be seen today upon the island many natives with limbs missing, and in the majority of cases it is the result of having the machete, or cane knife, applied after an experience with a fer-de-lance.

The fer-de-lance is a fighter—and no mistake about it—aggressive and pugnacious, and domestic animals, with the cat as the one exception, stand a very poor show in a battle. Pussy, in about nine cases out of ten, will come out of the scrap with colors flying because of the fact that it is apparently quite as quick in movement and at the same time uses what may be termed ring generalship.

There is but one animal other than the cat that successfully wages war upon the fer-de-lance. It is the mongoose (chemoune), imported from India a number of years ago for the sole purpose of getting rid of the snakes.

Of the wensel family and looking very much like it, this little animal is absolutely fearless so far as snakes are concerned and will just as readily tackle one five feet in length as one a foot long. From the mongoose the fer-de-lance will flee, but if cornered will put up a great fight, using every trick at its command—a useless sort of contest, however, for within a short time it will be stretched out lifeless.

A battle between these two natural enemies is well worth witnessing. It is never a "limited" fight, but to a finish always, and probably the snakes by this time have come to understand that when they enter such a combat it is with the odds greatly against them.

The mongoose is quite as clever a ring general as the cat and uses that gift to advantage. Strategy more than strength is its asset.

When they meet, and if the snake does not avenue of escape, it prepares for battle, as does the mongoose, but in a more leisurely manner. It takes about one minute for them to get fully prepared. There is no shaking hands, so to speak, as by prizefighters.

The mongoose circles about the reptile, always at a safe distance and "drawing fire," inviting it by moving closer and closer to dart out its head and then quickly jumping out of harm's way. It torments in every possible manner, causing the snake to change position time and time again, tiring it by forcing a strike again and again without ever reaching the objective point. At last, seeing its opponent at some particular disadvantage, the mongoose springs forward quick as a bolt of lightning, catches it firmly with the teeth behind the triangular head—a shake, possibly two, no more—and in less time than it takes to tell it the fer-de-lance is dead, its vertebrae severed.—New York Times.

Many gods have attached almost as many misfortunes to liberty as to serfitude.—Montesquieu.