

### NEWS OF THE WEEK

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'Diana of the Crossways' was published in 1885 and 'One of Our Conquerors' in 1890. 'Lord Ormont and His Aminta,' appeared in the sum-

mer of 1894, and was followed in 1895 by 'The Amazing Marriage,' which is supposed to introduce as hero the late Robert Louis Stevenson. In 1892 appeared the 'Empty Purse,' a volume of poems, and in

the autumn of that year Meredith was elected president of the incorporated Society of Authors in succession to Lord Tennyson."

John D. and Adolph Spreckles, two of the four sons of the late Claus Spreckles, the sugar magnate, who were disinherited, have commenced proceedings to contest their father's will.

Four masked bandits held up Union Pacific passenger train No. 2 about five miles west of Omaha. They secured seven mail pouches which were supposed to contain considerable sums of money. The mail clerks were forced to open the door and hand out a number of pouches of registered mail.

The trial of Patrick Calhoun, charged with bribery at San Francisco is productive of many sensations. One detective who was formerly employed by Calhoun has become a witness for the state.

A Spokane, Wash., dispatch carried by the Associated Press says: "Unprecedented in the annals of legal jurisprudence in the United States is the chain of incidents following the resignation of Milo A. Root as judge of the supreme court of Washington, and leading to the indictment by the grand jury of Spokane county of Merrit J. Gordon formerly chief justice of this state and until recently counsel for the Great Northern Railway company. There are six indictments against Gordon. One charges him with issuing a worthless check, drawn for \$28,507.43, in payment of the company's taxes in Stevens county, Wash., and five 'true bills' allege the embezzlement of moneys to the amount of \$39,626.49 from the company in 1908, while its attorney. Gordon pleaded 'not guilty' when arraigned before Judge Hinkle and is at liberty under bonds of \$30,000 pending the trials in June."

In the federal court at Savannah, Ga., Judge William B. Sheppard sentenced the five men found guilty of violating the Sherman anti-trust law in connection with the so-called turpentine trust case. The sentences follow: Spencer P. Shotter, chairman of the board of directors of the American Naval Stores company, three months in jail and a fine of \$5,000; Edmund S. Marsh, president of the company, \$3,000 fine; J. Cooper Myers, vice president of the American company, three months in jail and a fine of \$2,500; George Meade Boardman of New York, treasurer of the American Naval Stores company, \$2,000 fine; Carl Miller of Jacksonville, Fla., agent of the American company, and general manager of the National Transportation & Terminal company in Jacksonville, \$5,000 fine. Shotter and Myers were sentenced to terms in the Cheatham county jail, Judge Sheppard imposing the punishment upon them because they had been before the court two years ago, entering pleas of guilty. At that time Judge Emory Speer, who was presiding, stated that a term in prison would be imposed if they should come before the court again.

The following are two cablegrams carried by the Associated Press: "Nairobi, British East Africa, May 19.—Theodore Roosevelt has begun his hunting expedition from the Ju Ja ranch of George McMillan, whose guest he is. He went out last Sunday and bagged a female rhinoceros. The first shot wounded her in the shoulder and the animal fled to the bushes. Mr. Roosevelt followed on horseback and six more shots were required to bring her down. The head and skin weighed 532 pounds."

"Nairobi, British East Africa, May 19.—Today Colonel Roosevelt added a hippopotamus to his big game bag. The animal was killed a short distance from the Ju Ja ranch."

At Des Moines, Iowa, May 18, Mr. Bryan spoke at a farewell banquet given to George F. Rinehart, former editor of the Des Moines Tribune.

President Taft witnesses the unveiling of a statue in bronze erected at Fort Mahone on the Petersburg, Va., battlefield. The statue was in memory of General Hartranft and the Pennsylvania volunteers. Governor Stewart of Pennsylvania formally presented the monument to the state of Virginia, the speech of acceptance being delivered by Governor Swanson.

The Presbyterian general assembly met at Denver. Dr. James M. Barkley of Detroit was elected moderator.

The St. Paul Pioneer-Press and the St. Paul Dispatch have been consolidated.

A cablegram from Manila, carried by the Associated Press says: "With but slight variation from its action on final adjournment of the session of 1908, the Philippine general assembly in the closing hour of its session tonight, adopted a second resolution declaring in favor of the independence of the islands. The last formalities with the Philippine commission had been exchanged, and the statutory hour of adjournment had passed when the question was presented by Speaker Osmena. He said the policy of the assembly was to work in harmony with and support the government in all measures calculated to advance the interests

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