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of the National Letter has just met in Portn adopted by it was ement of women. The Whereas, this counoding among the nais government on the ependence; therefore interests of progress these principles to these principles to the right of suffrage nd constitutions to seThe spirit of equal The spirit of equal ffrage amendment will next June.
rintendent of the Penn8 pier at Jersey City, customs men, "on the was discharged by UniRowe, According to cted of smuggling at were angry because ft aboard a ship, and
inspectors were Hiram G. MeDowell and William Shallenberg. The company had issued an order, Wolfe said, that night custons oilicers should not dine on board ships at nikht, and he pronot dine on toard ships at night, lead he prorule a French ship docking in the morning or at night serves from eighteen to twenty-ive eusnight serves from eighteen to twenty-ive cusdinners. The German, Cunard, and White Star dinners, The German, Cunard, and do about the same. On the German ships ships do about the same. meals, but are said to sign checks for wine, beer, and cigars.

A brand new scheme for qualifying government homesteaders has come to light in the McCook land district of Nebraska. The father of a familly, having himself homesteaded a plece of government land, conceived an original method of getting more of the land in the family. It consisted of having his older children adopt his younger,
thus making them heads of families and eligible thus making them heads of families and eligible
to make homestead entrles. An 18-year-old boy to make homestead entrles. An 18 -year-old boy adopted his 12 -yearold brother, and the younger boy in turn adopted his 9 -year-old sister. In due course of time title to three pheces of government land was held in the family. In a contest a judge decided the 12 -year-old boy could not adopt his young sister and the youthful homesteader was thrown out of the property he had taken. The elder boy's clnim has not yet been contested. The discovery has entries in Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma.
"Senator Frank J. Cannon, of Utah, is a hero and he may prove to be a martyr. His father, a Mormon apostle, has disowned and disinherited him because the noble man is fighting for his state against the heiranchy and awful leachings of that church. Senator cannon has been condenned do by the Mormons. His secretary has been quety triends not to be seen in his employer's company
oo much for fear that he also shail be assasinat ed. When I sald goodby to the senator I had a feeling I should never again see him alive, It is well nigh beyond belief that there can exist in the United States of America conditions such as are flagrantly flaunted in the face of the nation's womanhood and manhood from Utah, for polys: amy, vile, slimy, eservating as the causes of Rome's downfall, is practiced just as much in Utah today as it was before the manifesto." The foregotig statements made at the Savoy hotel Denver, by presitent of the National Mothers Congress, Mrs. Frederick Schoff, of Philadelphia, one of the best known women in the United Statea, and certainly the most important woman in her special field of vitally useful endeavor. While Mrs. Schoff wis in Utah investigating the Mor mons she was under the constant survellance and protection of friends. Not a newspaper in the cit mentioned her visit, though all of the payers inent she was there and were cognizant of the purpose of her visit. She talked with hun dreds of Gentiles and Mormons in securing her informatithes and Mormons in securing mormation. "There is no need for me to cxas gerate to impress the facts, the ting and sensational enough to make citizens of the and sensational enough 10 make citueas it the land realize its import when they hear tho Society is not society in Wtah. Young men know go to a daneling party there are not able to wow, for so they are dancing with marrled The records many girls are married secreoutside knows. The number of illegitimate children in Salt Lake City and the whole state is appaling. The poorer women who are wives of polygamists sometimes work in pairs and trios in the home of rich families to support their husband and offspring. The National League of Women's Organizations, which has been formed by the Mothers' Congress, number $1,500,000$ women. We are arranging meetings for this autumn in Eastern cities which will be addressed by Senator Cannon if he is alive. That will stir things."
of money on lobbying for a valuable privilege, if they thought the whole people would reject it on a vote. The referendum which the Municipal League will ask the charter revision committee to insert in the new charter will hold up any franchise for thirty days after it has passed the councils until the citizens are afforded couportunity to look tnto its merits, If in the meantime, the people are dissutisfled 5 per cent of them would have the right to call for a vote on have
it."

## Curbing Standard Oil.

The Rockefeller's are about to have a practical Illustration of the power of the people where the referendum system is installed. The attorneys and agents of Standard Oil had greased the way for a twenty year franchise to erect oil tanks in the city of Grand Rapids, Mich., where many of the people dild not want them. The city council passed the franchise by a close vote and the mayor re-
funsed to veto it and the octopus seemed to be on rop. But a new charier has lately been granted Grand Rapids, which contained a provision for a referendum vote on all contracts, ordinances and franchises, If invoked by a petition of 15 per cent of the voters, who are allowed thirty days in which such a pettuon can be presented. Tho pettion is being signed and diere sis not be dedonbt that the franchis
feated by the voters.
Charles F. Hughes, counsel for the Insurance investigating committee, declined the republican nomination for mayor of New York. In stating his arounds for refusing the nomination which was tendered him by unanimous vote, Mr. Hughes sald: "In this dilemma I have simply to do my duty as I see it. In my fudgment I have no rieht to accept the nomination. A paramount public daty forbids it:"

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