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Lorraine, but when he appeared at the steamer's gang plank the ship surgeon, looking at the man's emaciated form, shook his head and remarked:

"You are too sick to sail, my man."  
 "Please let me pass," pleaded Yovitch. "I have come all the way from Los Angeles that I might sail today to see my family in Austria."

But the surgeon was obdurate, and Yovitch, downhearted, turned away. He walked to a nearby hotel and seated himself in the lobby. An hour later he fell dead on the floor. A physician said he died of consumption.

**CROKER DECLARES FOR BRYAN**  
 Says Nebraskan's Ideas Are Coming to the Front

Dublin—"The most available man, in my opinion, for the democratic nomination for president is William Jennings Bryan, the democrat," said Richard Croker today. "I think he was cheated out of his last two elections by the newspapers. His ideas are all coming to the front row. He is a democrat all over, and his policy was bound to come to the front. He was always opposed to all these trusts. "Bryan is the only candidate of democracy."

**RIVAL FOR RADIUM**

London—A rival to radium has been discovered at the San Guillano mineral springs, in Italy.

Professor Battelli of Pisa university, who has announced the discovery in a London paper, says it is a "gas, which, when condensed, gives off a substance whose active emanations are comparable with those of radium."

Sir William Ramsay, the English scientist, who knows all about radium, says:

"It is probable that the substance is radio-thorium. A young Italian scientist named Blanc stated a short while ago that he had found in mineral water traces of radio-thorium. Battelli's discovery is almost certain to be this."

**BRINGING TIES FROM JAPAN**

**E. H. Harriman Has Contracted for a Million and a Half**

San Francisco, Cal.—E. H. Harriman has become a large buyer of railroad ties in Japan, and is having them delivered at Guaymas, Mex., for 56 cents gold each. A contract for 1,500,000 ties has been let and one shipload of 3,000 ties has already been delivered. Through concessions obtained last year from President Diaz of Mexico, E. H. Harriman and his New York associates are building 700 miles of road in the states of Sonora and Sinaloa to connect with the Southern Pacific on the southern border of Arizona. The Japanese ties are for use in building this new road. The ties are made from a very hard wood and are said to be peculiarly

adapted for railroad building in that section of Mexico.

**ALTON MAY SQUEAL**

Chicago—That it is the general custom of railways to pay trackage charges to the packing companies was the contention of the attorneys for the Chicago & Alton railroad, convicted yesterday of violation of the anti-rebate law in their argument for a new trial before Federal Judge Landis. This morning the court demanded proof of this statement, saying if it were true he would mitigate the punishment of the Alton.

District Attorney Morrison says if it is shown that other roads do the same thing other prosecutions will follow. The judge gave the lawyers until Wednesday to produce evidence.

**CARL SCHURZ**

In boyhood Carl Schurz was an old world hero of romance; in the history of his native country his knightly deeds have put on an atmosphere of tradition and of myth. In manhood he battled for freedom and the life of the American union. In ripe age he stood among the honored heroes and councilors of the republic. He passes away, leaving a blameless and beautiful fame as a precious inheritance for his fatherland and for the country of his adoption, and of his splendid devotion.—Century.

**NAVAL OFFICER DIES ON TRAIN**

Washington—The navy department this morning received a dispatch from Admiral W. H. Brownson, on board an overland train at Banff, Canada, telling of the sudden death last night on the train from heart disease of Naval Constructor Joseph W. Woodward, U. S. N. Woodward was a member of the naval board of inspection and survey, and was bound for the Pacific coast to attend the trial trip of the newly constructed battleship Nebraska.

**NEBRASKA EPWORTH ASSEMBLY**

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**WILLING TO MAKE RACE**

**In Letter to Ex-Chairman Jones Bryan Expresses Willingness to Run if Principles Will Be Advanced**

Washington—Former United States Senator James K. Jones of Arkansas, who was chairman of the democratic national committee when W. J. Bryan made his campaign for the presidency in 1896 and 1900, has received a letter from Mr. Bryan in which he announces that he will accept the nomination for president for the third time if it is tendered him. The letter is dated June 18, at Stockholm, and is as follows:

"I have been watching political developments and have noted with gratification the vindication of democratic principles. You have correctly stated my position. As I wrote to Colonel Wetmore, I shall do nothing to secure another nomination, and do not want one unless the conditions seem to demand it. I may add that I enjoy the freedom of private life and feel that I can do some good without holding any office.

"There are, however, certain reforms which I would like very much to see accomplished, and to assist in the accomplishment of these reforms I am willing to become the party candidate again if, when the time for nomination arrives, the advocates of reform are in control of the party and think that my candidacy will give the best assurance of victory. If some one else seems more available I shall be even better pleased.

"I need not assure you I am more interested in seeing our principles triumph than I am in the personnel of the ticket.

"The country needs to have Jeffersonian democracy applied to all the departments of the government, state and national and I am content to help to make this application.

"Yours truly

"W. J. BRYAN."

London.—William J. Bryan and Mrs. Bryan are spending the week-end as the guests of Ambassador Whitelaw Reid and Mrs. Reid at West Park, to which place they rode in an automobile this morning. Among the guests invited to meet Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are Lord Goschen, Miss Goschen, Lady Herbert, Lady Evelyn Ward and Lord and Lady Monson.

**Miss Johnson Makes Debut**

Cleveland, O.—Miss Bessie Johnson daughter of Mayor Tom L. Johnson, has made her debut as a playwright at the Coliseum Garden theatre here with the introduction of a one-act comedietta entitled "Betty's House Party," before a large and appreciative audience. The piece dealt with society people, and the dialogue was brisk and bright.

**GULPS DOWN TWO LIVE GOATS**

**Tackles a Third When Flashlight Upsets His Appetite**

Hamburg—There is a twenty-six foot python at Hagenbeck's managerie

here whose gormandizing powers are phenomenal. It recently devoured two goats weighing respectively twenty-eight and thirty-seven pounds and then attempted to swallow a third weighing seventy-one pounds, increasing its girth from eighteen inches to five feet.

While the biggest goat was making its short sojourn in the python's interior a flashlight photograph was taken. This apparently disturbed the snake's digestion, for he ended his feast at once.

**Held Under Elkins Law**

Judge Holt today handed down an opinion sustaining the demurrer interposed by Nathan S. Guilford, vice president, and F. S. Pomeroy, general traffic manager, of the New York Central railway, and C. Goodloe Edgar and Edwin Earle of Detroit, to the federal indictment against them alleging a conspiracy to defraud the United States. The court, however, sustained the indictments charging the railway and Guilford and Pomeroy with violations of the Elkins anti-rebating act.

Judge Holt holds that the recent amendment made by congress fixing imprisonment for violations of the Elkins act, in addition to the fine prescribed, is not retroactive and can not, therefore, be held to include rebating in 1903, 1904 and 1905.

**FOREIGN NEWS**

France is aroused to a new storm of protest at the Dreyfus affair by the speech of Prosecutor General Baudoin, which revived interests in the case.

George Ade will return soon to Paris, where Miss Lucy Taggart, daughter of Thomas Taggart, will spend the summer. Rumor has it that they have become betrothed.

Andrew Carnegie whiles away the summer days at Skibo Castle by fishing, playing golf and coaching.

Henley regatta draws big crowds, although the absence of American crews, which may be excluded from

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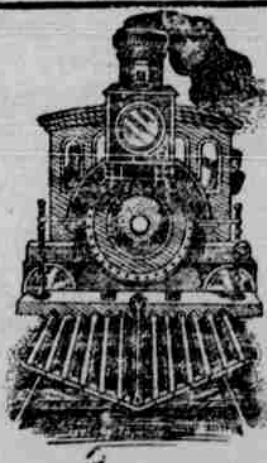
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