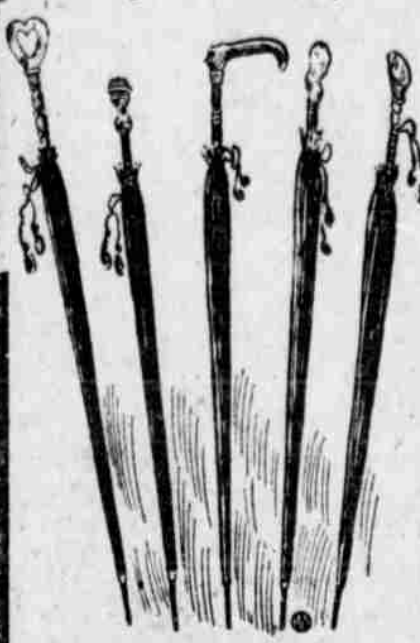


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## POWER TO DISMISS CADETS

Attorney General Asked for an Opinion on Law Governing Case.

### APPARENT CONFLICT IN STATUTES

If Right of Secretary to Dismiss Cadets Without Trial is Sustained Summary Action Will Be Taken.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—"Whether the superintendent of the naval academy, or the secretary of the navy, or both, jointly have power summarily to dismiss from the naval academy without trial by court martial a midshipman guilty of hazarding, and whether such action if taken would prove a bar to proceedings in civil court for assault or other criminal elements involved in the offense," are two questions upon which the attorney general will render an opinion upon tomorrow. The character of this opinion will shape the action of the Navy department on the recommendation of the superintendent of the academy for the summary dismissal of Midshipman Tremor Coffin, Jr., for hazarding and of Midshipman Warren A. Vanderveer, for countenancing the practice. If Attorney General Moody rules that the secretary has such power these midshipmen will be summarily dismissed from the academy. If such power is lacking their immediate trial by court martial will be ordered. Otherwise, Secretary Bonaparte will direct that action be brought against the dismissed midshipmen in the courts of Maryland.

**Apparent Conflict of Laws.** The doubt in the mind of the Navy department regarding the limits of its jurisdiction arises from the apparent conflict between an act of June 23, 1874, which calls for the trial by court martial of cadets found guilty of hazarding and that of March 3, 1893, which provides that "any cadet found guilty of participating in or countenancing such practices shall be summarily dismissed."

Hazing at the academy was the subject of two conferences today between Admiral Sands and Secretary Bonaparte. The admiral informed the secretary that the cadet and cadet party officers at a conference which the admiral held with them several days ago voluntarily pledged him their support on his insistence upon a strict obedience to all rules of the academy.

**Hazing Common at Academy.** The opinion is expressed at the department that hazing has existed at the naval academy for a long time under cover. Admiral Sands returned to Annapolis this afternoon, where a thorough investigation of the conditions there affecting midshipman life is in progress. A search is being made for evidences against midshipmen who have hitherto been guilty of hazarding and these, as well as any heretofore apprehended, will be recommended for dismissal. An immediate congressional investigation of hazing at the naval academy probably will not be made, as provided for in the resolution of Representative Loud of Michigan. Members of the rules committee have agreed to delay consideration of the resolution until they learn of Secretary Bonaparte's course.

**King of All Cough Medicines.** Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is King of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects. We are never without it in the house."

## FACTS ABOUT ASSESSMENT

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One span gave away on the north side at the east end, precipitating the driver, wiper and heavy bridge railing on the ice some twelve feet below the bridge level. The outfit weighed about three tons. The team turned, broke the river and stayed on the bridge with the tongue and front wheels. The wagon and driver went through the heavy bridge railing and the driver and fell about eighteen feet. He struck his side on heavy timber and was bruised and hurt internally.

**Pet Stock Show at Valley.** VALLEY, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The first annual exhibition of the Platte Valley Poultry and Pet Stock association closed tonight. The exhibition, which was held in the Valley opera house, beginning Tuesday morning, December 12, was composed of over 130 fowls selected from the best poultry in the west. Breeders from all sections in Nebraska and many points in Iowa exhibited their finest prize winners. Silver cups were given as special prizes for sweepstakes. The attendance and interest during the entire exhibition was very large. Wednesday evening the Valley Commercial club gave a banquet at the Fitzgerald hotel for the members of the association and the breeders exhibiting. General satisfaction with the management of the exhibition was expressed by the exhibitors.

**Hardware Dealer Assigns.** BROKEN BOW, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The assignment of the big hardware dealer, Martin Bates, on the North Side, for the benefit of his creditors, is generally deplored by the business community. The firm, which has carried one of the largest hardware stocks in the county, claims to have several thousand dollars out in notes and bills, which it is unable to collect.

**Holiday Goods Stolen.** BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Thieves entered a box car at 7:30 p. m. last night and stole some holiday goods consigned to merchants in this city and Wymore. A few articles not taken were destroyed. There is no clue to the thieves.

**Boy Sentenced for Horse Stealing.** FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—John Cleek, the 19-year-old boy who has been confined in the county jail, awaiting trial on the charge of stealing a horse from Arthur Krasin of Scribner, pleaded guilty in the district court yesterday and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Cleek's people live in New Jersey. He ran away from home several years ago and, according to his own story, has had a rather checkered career since.

**News of Nebraska.** PLATTSBURGH—George J. Farley has purchased a new Uniflye machine for use in the plant of the Plattsburgh Evening News.

WOOD RIVER—Miss Evella Muir of Aida and E. G. Breckenridge of this place were united in marriage at the home of the bride Tuesday afternoon.

MCCOOK—A large increase in the working force of the coal mines at this place is announced for the near future, in order to place the company's motive power in effective condition.

AINSWORTH—J. R. Gardner, formerly of Dannebrog, this state, has taken possession of the old Western Rancher office of this place and will convert the same into a job printing office. Mr. Gardner is an old newspaper man.

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