

You Must Buy The Bee IF YOU WANT TO Read the Bryan Letters ESTABLISHED JUNE 19, 1871. CRUSHED TO DEATH Landslide Carries Several Houses Into Clay Pit at Haverstraw, N. Y. SEVENTEEN PERSONS PROBABLY DEAD Debris Takes Fire and Break in Main Hinders Work of Firemen. SEVERAL BODIES ARE INCINERATED Catastrophe Occurs While Most of Victims Are Asleep. HOUSES FALL OVER SIXTY FEET Up to a Late Hour Tuesday Night None of the Bodies Had Been Recovered—Another Cave-in Feared.

Haverstraw, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Tonight seventeen persons are missing and are believed to have gone to their death when thirteen houses on Rockland street in the Haverstraw tumbled over last night into a pit sixty feet deep which had been cut out by clay diggers in connection with the brick-making industry here. Twelve of the persons missing were occupants of the fallen houses, five were among the rescuers who went to the aid of neighbors after the first house fell and were carried down when the twelve other houses went crashing over the precipice. The wreckage quickly caught fire and those who were in the mass were either crushed or burned to death. Tonight there is grave concern for the recovery of the same street and the occupants of eight or ten houses have moved away. Others are keeping an all night vigil ready to alarm their neighbors in case of impending danger.

List of Missing. The missing to night, all of whom are believed to have gone to their deaths: HARRIS NELSON, a merchant. BENJAMIN NELSON, his son. MRS. RYLANDER AND YOUNG SON. CHARLES COHEN AND WIFE. JOHN B. BEAUCHAMP. A. FROVITCH AND DAUGHTER. A. BRAHAM. J. JOSEPH ALBERT. JOHN MILLER. BARTLEY McGOVERN. MRS. JOSEPH DAILEY. REV. MR. ALLEN open door rabbi. The landslide which carried away the thirteen houses was caused by the falling in of the bank under which the excavators of the brick manufacturers had been working for a number of years. The ground began cracking and showing seams at noon yesterday and some of the houses were tilted along the bank took warning and left. Others believed that nothing serious would happen and remained. When the breakage occurred in the long line of land which formed the ragged edge of Rockland street one house toppled over into the pit with all who were living within its walls. The occupants of the other houses prepared to leave their homes in the face of a blinding snowstorm. A number of people who lived nearby rushed to their aid and were assisting them to get out when twelve houses went down, carrying with them not only the families who occupied them, but several of those who had gone to their assistance. Overturned houses set fire to the buildings. The landslide broke the water main, thus cutting off the entire supply and the fire department was helpless.

HILL STANDS FOR RECIPROCITY Head of Great Northern Says United States Loans Capital to Canada. CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—President James J. Hill of the Great Northern railroad was in Chicago today and held extended conferences with the officers of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad. Concerning the recent indictment of officials of the Burlington road in connection with charges of granting rebates, Mr. Hill declared that he would be glad to have the matter brought to trial as speedily as possible. He declared that he was in favor of reciprocity with Canada in order to stop the exodus of American settlers, manufacturers and capital to the English province.

HILL'S BRIDGE IS TORN DOWN Contest for Railway Crossing Year Portland, Ore., Assumes Sensational Aspect. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—The controversy between E. H. Harriman's Oregon Railroad and Navigation company and J. J. Hill's Portland & Seattle Railway company over the crossing point of the railroad across the city has become a decidedly sensational aspect today. A few weeks ago the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company commenced injunction proceedings against the Portland & Seattle company to restrain it from building a track across the city and later filed a suit to stop the latter from building a statutory attorney of the Portland & Seattle railroad before the circuit court to answer contempt proceedings for an alleged violation of the injunction.

ROLE OF THE UNITED STATES

Attitude of This Government in Moroccan Conference Arouses Discussion. PARIS, Jan. 9.—M. Revel, former governor of Algeria and head of the French delegation to the Moroccan conference at Algiers, accompanied by a numerous suite, left Paris today for Spain. His departure is the occasion of a notable gathering of officials, including representatives of the French government and all the cabinet members. M. St. René Taillandier, who was French envoy to Morocco throughout the conference, and numerous military and civil officials, the farewell showed the deepest interest and concern felt over the Moroccan conference. M. Revel, the French delegate, leaves tomorrow.

The party will stop at Madrid in order to participate in the wedding of Infanta Maria Teresa, January 12, to Prince Ferdinand of Bavaria, reaching Algiers January 15. The role of the United States at the Moroccan conference arouses much discussion and some apprehension in which the officials and diplomats are taking an active part. This is due mainly to the dispatches printed in London papers and reproduced here, purporting to give the American policy. One dispatch stating that the United States will uphold the German contention caused unfavorable comment, but a dispatch from Madrid, London Times, printed today, saying that the United States will support Great Britain, Russia, Italy and Spain in the concert with France counteracted the first impression and caused more favorable comment.

BRITISH CAMPAIGN ACTIVE Several Districts With Prominent Candidates Will Hold Elections Saturday. LONDON, Jan. 9.—Some changes are involved in the latest arrangement for the beginning of the elections. The first election will take place at Ipswich January 12. There appears to be some difference of opinion regarding the legality of such an early date, but all four candidates for Ipswich have agreed not to raise this question of legality. Some twenty-five elections in various districts will take place on January 13, including all the districts of Manchester, in which city former Premier Balfour and Winston Spencer Churchill are running. Captain Cecil William Norton, junior lord of the treasury, and George Wyndham, former chief secretary for Ireland, are also among the candidates for election on January 13. At Greenwhich, where Lord Hugh Cecil, leader of the conservative free traders, is running against a liberal and a Chamberlainite, will take place January 13. On the latter date also elections will be held in a large number of the outlying districts of London and throughout the country, the results of which will show the drift of the popular vote.

PRINTERS OUT IN MONTREAL. MONTREAL, Quebec, Jan. 9.—Seventy-five union printers employed on the Gazette newspaper are on strike today. Trouble arose in the job office over an apprentice and the newspaper is being printed by a woman called out in sympathy. The Gazette proprietors have declared their establishment an open shop and announce that their paper will be published as usual.

Manila. Jan. 9.—William J. Bryan was given a banquet at Iloilo on Monday. In a speech he said that the officials and other citizens of the islands were representative Americans who had the best interests of the Philippines and natives at heart. Today the Bryan party is crossing the heart of the island of Mindanao.

Dooner Candidate for President. PARIS, Jan. 9.—M. Dooner was today elected to the Chamber of Deputies by a small majority over M. Sarrien. The result insures M. Dooner's candidacy for the presidency of the republic January 16 and also indicates M. Sarrien's growing strength as a presidential candidate.

Troops Expected at Manila. MANILA, Jan. 9.—The arrival of the transports Meade, Kilpatrick and McClellan at Manila with troops from the United States is expected. It is expected that they will remain here to provide against an emergency requiring the transportation of troops.

SENATE TO INVESTIGATE

All Matters Relating to Panama Canal to Come Before Committee. HEARING WILL PROBABLY START TUESDAY

Inter-oceanic Canal Committee Decides on Plan, but May Meet Sooner to Consider Nominations by President. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The senate today adopted two resolutions of inquiry. One of them authorizes an investigation by the committee on inter-oceanic canals into the general conduct of the affairs of the Panama canal, and the other an inquiry by the finance committee into the question of the exchange rate on money on the isthmus. The first resolution was reported from the canal committee by its chairman, Mr. Millard, and the second is a resolution presented yesterday by Mr. Bailey with the provision relative to the sale of the Panama railway bonds omitted. The remainder of the open session was devoted to a speech by Mr. Morgan on the railroad rate question. He advocated the settlement of all differences over rates in the courts according to common law methods as calculated to do away with much awkward machinery.

Action of Committee. All matters relating to the Panama canal and the government of the zone and the management of the Panama railroad will be investigated by the senate committee on inter-oceanic canals. This was decided today at the first meeting of the committee.

FATAL AFFRAY IN DURANGO Sheriff Thompson and Policeman Stenzel Mortally Wounded in Revolver Duel. DURANGO, Col., Jan. 9.—Sheriff W. Thompson of La Plata county and Policeman Jesse Stenzel of this city exchanged a dozen shots with revolvers on the main street here today and both were mortally wounded. Thompson died this afternoon. There had existed a feud between the two men since the late election, when they were both candidates for the office of sheriff.

SENATOR BACON IS TURNED DOWN Resolution Relative to Morocco Conference Shelved After Long Debate. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The propriety of discussing in open session a resolution introduced by Senator Bacon calling upon the president for an account of his appointment of delegates to a proposed conference on Moroccan affairs, was held by European powers at Algiers, Spain, was considered for four hours today and then by a strict party vote it was decided that the resolution should be executive business. Senator Bacon, in supporting his resolution, contended for a public discussion and Senator Spooner declared that the adoption of the resolution would be an encroachment by the senate upon the constitutional rights of the president and virtually would charge him, in a manner amounting almost to insult, with ignorance of his duties as chief magistrate.

CLEVELAND FINANCIER'S DEATH President Prior of Board of Trade Shoots Himself Through the Head. CLEVELAND, Jan. 9.—Leland W. Prior, one of the best known men in financial circles in Cleveland and junior member of the stock brokerage firm of Denison, Prior & Co., shot himself in a room at the Hollenden hotel this afternoon.

FENCERS PLEAD NOT GUILTY Three Montana Sheepmen Deny Unlawful Occupation of Public Domain. ST. PAUL, Jan. 9.—A special to the Dispatch from Helena, Mont., says: N. E. Smith, W. W. Slatt and W. W. Wald, former two members of the Smith Sheep company, one of the largest concerns in the state, were in the United States court today and pleaded not guilty to indictment returned by the recent grand jury charging them with unlawfully fencing public domain. This leaves ten more of the secret indictments yet to be made public.

ISRAEL DURHAM HAS ENOUGH Former Leader of Philadelphia Machine Decides to Let Friends Make Peace. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—The Evening Bulletin today publishes the following: Israel W. Durham, realizing that the disruption of the organization of which he was the undisputed leader is complete and that the party machine is captured by the Lincoln republicans, has released his friends from their obligations to himself. He has told them to look out for their own interests and to make the best terms possible with the men who are back of the new ward leaders' combination.

FIGHT FOR COAST TERMINAL

Western Pacific Aggressively Pushing Its Construction Work at Oakland, Cal.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 9.—Colonel Heuer, the United States engineer in charge of harbor improvements on this coast, today received from the War department the maps of projected improvements in Oakland harbor filed by the Western Pacific and Southern Pacific railroad companies. They are alleged to show much variation from the plan heretofore attributed to the contending companies. The Western Pacific railroad today made an important move in the contest for supremacy at West Oakland. Vice President Rogus of the Western Pacific, through his attorney, filed with the city council two applications for franchises in the disputed territory. The first application is for a franchise to construct a railroad beginning at First and Union streets, thence running southwesterly across the property of the Southern Pacific company near the Peralta street slip and ending at the new pier north retaining wall of Oakland harbor. The second application is for a franchise to erect a passenger station at the end of the retaining wall, also wharves and four docks. It is proposed to make this the terminal station of the Western Pacific.

FIGHT FOR COAST TERMINAL (Continued) There has been no cessation of the active work of the Western Pacific company along the outer portion of the United States retaining wall on the northern side of the harbor. A deputy sheriff visited this morning operations today, but he did not intend to interfere with the work in progress. He said the Western Pacific company was apparently outside the jurisdiction of the injunction he was expected to enforce, working on federal property over which the state courts have no control. The Southern Pacific company is continuing its new machine shops on a site across which the Western Pacific has asked for a right of way in recent condemnation suits.

CONGRESSMEN A BIT COY Not Particularly Charmed with Invitation to Help Settle Attorneyship. IF THEY DO IT MUST BE A GENERAL RULE Congressman Kinkaid Makes Complaint to Interior Department of Action of Special Agents on Homestead Entries. (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Millard, as dean of the Nebraska delegation in congress, is as yet undecided whether he will call his colleagues together to consider the Baker suggestion. As a matter of fact the members of the lower house do not care particularly whether they are called in consultation or not, unless there is a hard and fast rule made that in all matters of state patronage they will be consulted and have an equal vote with the senators in the choice of men for the positions. This is the reason the senate is so far from appealing to the Nebraska delegation most forcibly since the wholesale removals of federal officials began. To be asked to a conference at this late date, when all the federal positions are filled with the exception of the lower house, as if they are needed to ratify the choice of the senators, they are just a bit shy.

NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST Fair Wednesday and Thursday, with Increasing Cloudiness. Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour. Deg. Hour. Deg. 5 a. m. 10 1 p. m. 34 6 a. m. 20 2 p. m. 38 7 a. m. 21 3 p. m. 40 8 a. m. 21 4 p. m. 41 9 a. m. 22 5 p. m. 39 10 a. m. 23 6 p. m. 38 11 a. m. 20 7 p. m. 37 12 m. 22 8 p. m. 35 9 p. m. 34

COURT CITES ROGERS Standard Oil Official Must Appear Before Supreme Tribunal of New York. WILL PASS ON REFUSAL TO ANSWER Magistrate Asked to Show Cause for Defying Missouri Commissioner. LAWSON WILL PROBABLY TESTIFY Attorney General Sends Telegram of Invitation to Boston Spectator. H. CLAY PIERCE EVADES SUBPOENA Official of Waters-Pierce Oil Company Locks Himself in Room and Afterwards Leaves City on Steam Yacht. NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The question whether Henry H. Rogers can be compelled to tell Attorney General Herbert S. Hadley Missouri whether the Standard Oil company of New Jersey owns or controls three oil companies which are selling oil in Missouri as separate companies will be placed before the supreme court of New York tomorrow. All the important questions which Mr. Rogers has declined to answer by advice of counsel in the last three days of the hearing in this city were presented in behalf of Attorney General Hadley and the court was asked to order Mr. Rogers to show cause why he should not answer them.

ALTON MEN CLAIM IMMUNITY Indicted Officials Allege that Improper Means Were Used in Securing Evidence. CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—J. N. Fainthorn, Fred A. Wann and the Chicago & Alton railroad, indicted several weeks ago after a lengthy investigation by the federal grand jury, on a charge of having granted rebates to the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Packing company, today demanded immunity from further prosecution by the United States in three special pleas in bar filed in the United States court.

UTTER WILL BE CONSERVATIVE Rhode Island Governor Sees Nothing in Insurance Hearing to Repeal New Law. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 9.—The annual message of Governor George H. Utter to the Rhode Island legislature was read today in both branches. During the last few months public attention has been drawn to the business methods of certain life insurance companies which have solicited and are still soliciting business in this state. The investigation which has brought to light these methods has apparently been thorough and without bias. The result of the revelations made and of the suspicion aroused there is throughout the country a growing belief that the interests of policy holders, while I would not approve or oppose any legislation which would change their exact and full interest, I would warn at this time against hasty action on a matter of great importance. The object of the present inquiry is to determine whether the reasons are not sufficiently strong to warrant the making of extensive changes in our insurance laws.

NINE FIREMEN ARE INJURED Burning of Stable in New York Causes Panic Among Tenement Dwellers. NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Nine firemen were injured, one of them seriously, by a falling wall at a fire in a stable in the heart of the east side tenement district tonight. More dangerous than the first fire was the threatened panic and stampede among the occupants of the tenement houses in the neighborhood. At the first flash of flame men and women in the tenements began to throw their belongings, furniture and all into the streets, endangering the lives of the scores who were running to the scene of the fire. The blaze was in the densely populated section of Cherry hill, but was soon extinguished.

WILL TURN GRAIN TO GULF Western Roads Refuse to Put on Through Rates to Atlantic Coast on January 15. CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—Western railroads today decided not to put in through rates on grain from Missouri river territory to the eastern seaboard on January 15, notwithstanding a previous agreement to do so. This decision was reached at a meeting of railroad men at which it developed that the eastern roads were still demanding their full local rates from Chicago to the seaboard on grain originating at the Missouri river. The abrogation of the agreement has developed a condition that probably will turn a great amount of grain toward the gulf ports.

NORD ARRESTED IN NEW YORK Man Wanted in Lincoln for Embezzlement Was About to Sail for Sweden. NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Detectives of the central office tonight arrested a man who they say is wanted in Lincoln, Neb., on a charge of embezzling \$1,600. When searched at headquarters it is said he was found to have a traveler's check book issued by an express company, calling for \$1,600 in various sums. He had also a ticket for Stockholm, Sweden.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Jan. 9. At New York—Arrived: Liguria, from Naples, etc. At Trieste—Arrived: Zeeoland, from New York, via Dover. At Genoa—Arrived: Neapolitan Prince, for New York, via Messina, etc. At Hamburg—Sailed: Samaria, for Halifax. At Havre—Sailed: Bulgaria, for New York. At Liverpool—Sailed: Ivernia, for Boston.