

WILL REDUCE EARNINGS TAX

Conferees, at Taft's Suggestion, Will Cut it Down to One Per Cent.

PRESIDENT IS TAKING HAND

Is Advising with Committee in Final Work on Tariff Bill.

HOUSE PASSES INCOME TAX

Only Fourteen Votes Cast Against Proposed Amendment.

MUCH DEMOCRATIC ORATORY

Chairman Payne Predicts Its Adoption Would Make United States "a Nation of Slaves"—Work on Schedules.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.—At a conference at the White House today it was definitely decided that the rate to be levied under the new corporation tax shall be reduced from 2 per cent to 1 per cent, and that in redrafting the measure, now in conference along with the tariff bill, to meet various objections that have been raised, due consideration shall be given to the demands of the mutual life insurance companies, whose incomes would be seriously affected by the tax in its original form.

President Taft was the central figure in a number of conferences today, and is living up to the prediction made many weeks ago that, in the conference consideration of the tariff, he would actively lend his influence to bringing about a conciliation of the differences between the two houses.

President Is Hopeful

The president told several of his callers today that he is finding the conferees conciliatory and that he is hopeful that a satisfactory measure will be presented to him for his signature. The conference report should be available, according to the president's information, by the end of next week.

As to the mutual insurance companies, it is stated that the redrafted bill will provide what portion of the income may be deducted before the tax on monies available for dividend is assessed. It will be so arranged that the tax shall fall upon stockholders' profits. Allowances will be made for annuities and other long term contracts which the companies have outstanding.

Senator Sherman, Aldrich, Attorney General Wickham, Senator Burrows, Senator Smoot, Representative Fordney and Speaker Cannon were among those who discussed the tariff and the corporation tax with the president today.

The president made plain to his visitors today his position on a number of features of tariff legislation.

Friction Over Lead Schedule

Determined opposition was shown by the house conferees today to the increase from 2 1/2 cents to 3 cents a pound which the senate made on lead bullion. As a result this schedule was held up, and consequently there has been no settlement of the amendments to the chemical schedule as a result of the subjects that must be taken up later. The paragraph relating to electric light carbons threatened to give the conferees trouble, and its consideration was postponed. The senate changed the duties from ad valorem to specific, and the house conferees contended that the rates were thereby increased. The same thing is true in regard to window glass, on which the senate fixed a graduated tax, according to sizes.

The more important of the subjects from ore, lead bullion and zinc ore and bullion. There are a large number of amendments relating to finished products of these ores that cannot be disposed of until the main subjects are settled.

Iron ore was placed on the free list by the house and made dutiable at 25 cents a ton by the senate. The Dingley rate is 40 cents a ton. The general impression is that the senate will make a compromise to the house, and that as a concession the rate may be fixed at 10 or 15 cents a ton.

The house provisions for free hides, struck out by the senate, and the existing rate of 15 per cent ad valorem substituted, and for flint lumber, which rate was materially increased in the senate, will be the subjects of contention. It is not likely, however, that they will be reached this week.

Duty on Cotton Bagging

That cotton bagging, which was put on the free list by the senate, is not to remain undisturbed, was one of the first predictions made in the proposed action of the conference committee on the tariff bill. The house conferees contend that a number of American manufacturers of cotton bagging would be compelled to shut down if that article should remain on the free list, and it is said the senate conferees will not need much urging to agree to return bagging to the dutiable list.

Jute and jute butts, from which cotton bagging is made, have been transferred to the dutiable list by the senate, but as jute was on the free list in the Dingley bill, as well as the Payne bill, the duty probably will be taken off in conference.

Another prediction made with regard to the action of the conferees is that the duty on coal, which is 60 cents in the senate bill, as compared to 75 cents in the existing bill, will be finally agreed on at 40 cents in conference. The house placed bituminous coal on the free list, but when the bill was about to be passed there was serious opposition on account of the free provision for coal, which depended on a reciprocal provision to become effective. In order to satisfy the desires of those who do not want reciprocal free coal, the house leaders told them to have their request incorporated in the senate bill, and it is now believed 40 cents a ton will be agreed on as a compromise.

INCOME TAX PASSED BY HOUSE

Proposed Constitutional Amendment Goes to President for Signature.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—By the decisive vote of 37 to 14, more than the necessary

Army Men at King Ak-Sar-Ben's Opey House

General Morton, Colonel Gardner, Colonel Glassford and Others Guests of Honor.

Samson had as brave a band of harvest hands as ever faced that merry right hand bowler to the King at the Den Monday night, which was military night with General Morton, Colonel Gardner and Colonel Glassford and a large number of the army folk present. The sand seemed hotter and the lemonade better and the crowd was larger than on any previous occasion.

The grand mufti announced that a bunch of Ak-Sar-Benites were going to make the night of the 13th a night of improvement. The "boys who work" are now onto their jobs, "make the performance go with a bang so that by 10:30 last night it was all out and over.

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General Charles F. Manderson welcomed the military men in behalf of King Ak-Sar-Ben, and added: "We owe much of the protection we enjoy today in this section of the country to the gallant soldiers who guarded our frontiers in days gone by, and we have some of them here tonight. These gentlemen were in the great war and also did duty on the frontier. "We all are well aware of the great Ak-Sar-Ben does for Omaha," said General Charles Morton, commander of the department of Missouri. "And we all know what a warm spot Omaha has in the hearts of the army people, many of whom have been stationed at one or the other of the two posts near the city. Last year we did what we could for Ak-Sar-Ben during the fall festivities, and this year we hope to do even more."

Country Banker Killed by Doctor

Man of Finance Objects to Attention to His Wife and is Shot Down.

KANKAKEE, Ill., July 12.—J. E. Saylor, vice-president of the First National Bank of Crescent City, Ill., was shot dead Sunday night by Dr. W. R. Miller. The shooting was not made public until today.

HUNDREDS OF MINERS CAUGHT

Seventeen Dead Have Already Been Taken from the Spanish Mine.

PARIS, July 12.—A special dispatch received here from Liebon reports a serious explosion of fire-damp in a coal mine at Belmonte, Spain. Several hundred miners are said to be entombed. Efforts at rescue are being made and forty-two living and seventeen dead have already been brought out.

NEW RECORD FOR COTTON

Market Touches Highest Point for Season in New York.

Maybray Miker is Neatly Trapped After Long Chase

William Scott, one of the Maybray crowd of "mike" workers, was placed in the Douglas county jail yesterday by United States Deputy Marshal Claude Hensel of Lincoln.

SAILORS DIE IN SINKING VESSEL

Fourteen Perish in Collision Between Steel Steamers on Lake Superior.

AT BOTTOM IN THREE MINUTES

Isaac M. Scott Crashes Into Side of John B. Cowie.

ACCIDENT DUE TO HEAVY FOG

Many Members of Crew Unable to Save Their Lives.

SOME OF THEM PICKED UP

Boat Which Caused Accident is New One and Was Making its Maiden Trip on Lakes.

SAULT STE MARIE, Mich., July 12.—Three minutes after the steel steamers Isaac M. Scott and John B. Cowie had collided in Lake Superior early this morning, the latter vessel, a half of Whitefish point lighthouse, the Cowie had gone to the bottom in fifty fathoms of water, carrying with it fourteen members of its crew. The Scott, although badly damaged about the bows, put back to this port where it arrived this afternoon with part of the crew of the Cowie.

A heavy fog was responsible for the collision. The Scott, a new boat, on its maiden trip to the head of the lakes, had just passed the light at Whitefish point and straightened out its course up the lake, when suddenly the John B. Cowie loomed up through the fog, broadside to the Scott, and only a few feet away. The Cowie was downbound with 2,000 tons of iron ore in the hold.

Cats Enormous Hole

The ships were so close that it was impossible to avoid a collision and the Scott crashed into the side of the Cowie. The latter vessel, a half of Whitefish point lighthouse, the Cowie had gone to the bottom in fifty fathoms of water, carrying with it fourteen members of its crew.

Immediately after the collision a line was thrown from the Scott to the forward deck of the Cowie, and three members of the crew escaped to the deck of the upbound boat by this means.

The rest of the crew who were saved jumped from the sinking steamer into the lake by that steamer. It is expected, however, that he will transfer to a downbound boat and probably arrive at this port this evening or tomorrow.

Names of Victims Unknown

Until Captain Rogers returns here it is impossible to secure the names of the men who perished with the Cowie. Survivors say that they include both engineers, the four firemen, four deck hands, the second cook, porter and an older named Patten.

Captain Rogers of the Scott declares that the first intimation he had of the Cowie's presence was when the great hull loomed up through the fog so close that he was unable to prevent the two steamers coming together. The John B. Cowie was 46 feet long, 50 feet beam and owned by the Cowles Transit Co. of Cleveland. The Cowie went into commission in 1902.

Peru and Bolivia May Go to War

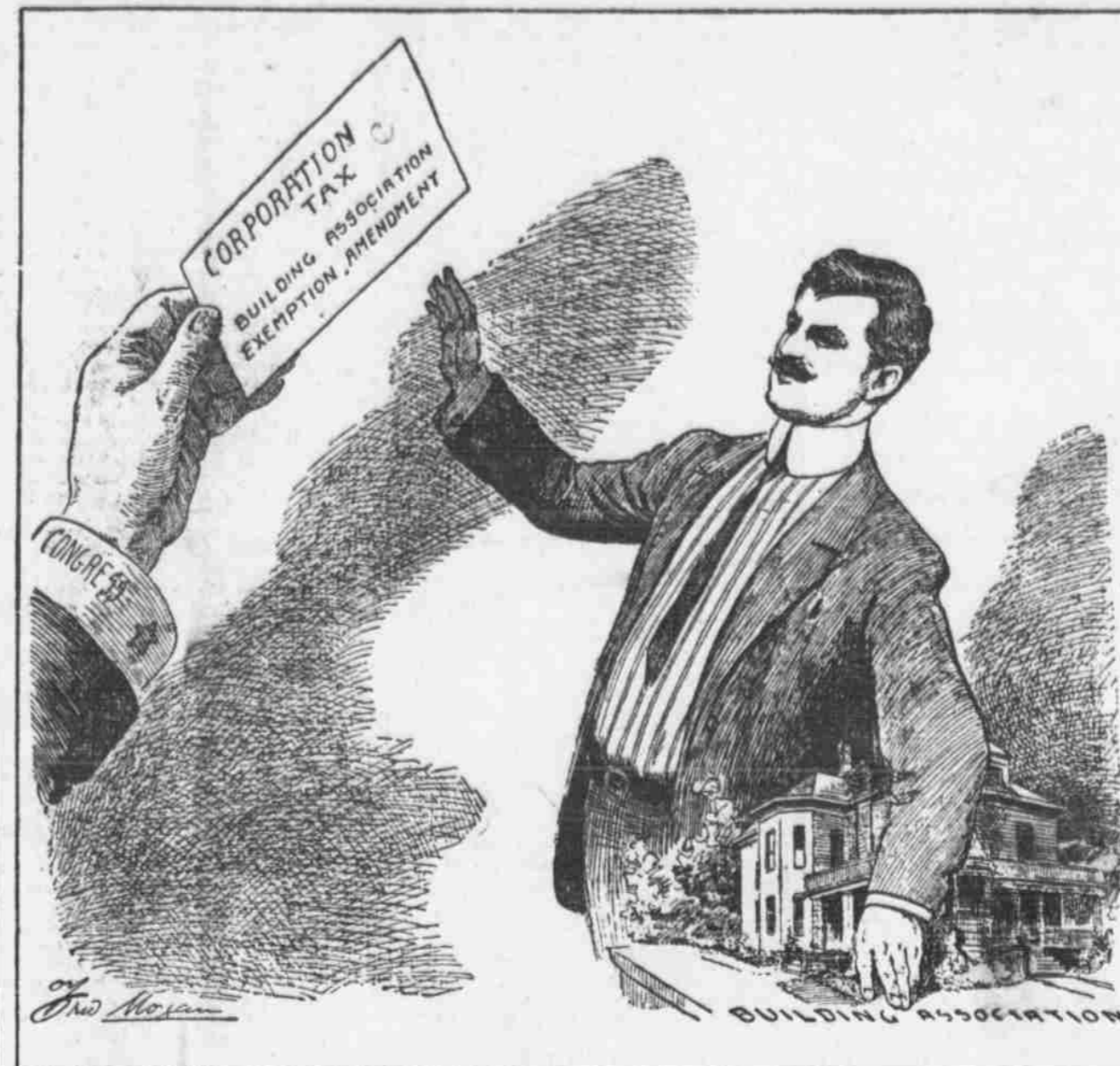
Boundary Dispute Between the Two Countries is Likely to Lead to Hostilities.

VALPARAISO, Chile, July 12.—It is believed here war between Peru and Bolivia is imminent because of the disorders at La Paz, following the decision handed down by Argentina in the boundary dispute between the two countries.

The Chilean admiralty said today that Chile would remain neutral, but it is preparing to send warships for the protection of Chilean interests.

BUENOS AIRES, July 12.—The Argentine government is in direct communication with the government of Bolivia through Senator Fonseca, the Argentine minister at La Paz, who has presented to the Bolivian government a demand for an explanation of the attitude of the Bolivian minister here as well as for the recent attacks on the Argentine legation at La Paz.

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 12.—Cotton established a new record for the season today. The October contract sold for 41 1/2 cents and for July a rise of 1/2 cent above Saturday's closing. The rise followed heavy buying inspired by the continued dry hot weather in Texas.



THRIFT NOT TO BE TAXED

AFTER THE SMALL PACKERS

Government Inspectors Make Unfavorable Report of Their Houses.

INSIST ON SANITARY PLANTS

City Council Talks Ordinance and Independent Inspectors Ask and May Get Free Inspection if They Keep Clean.

Inspection of meat furnished by independent packers in South Omaha for Omaha consumption occupied the attention of the council committee of the whole several hours Monday afternoon and culminated in a motion by Councilman Davis that an ordinance be drawn up requiring inspection of all meat packed in this city.

Dr. R. W. Connell, city-commissioner of health, and four government inspectors from South Omaha explained to the council in detail the character of beef slaughters by the independent packers and sold by them to Omaha meat markets, and the independent packers were out in force to defend their side of the question.

The packers denied that they deal in diseased meat, and said they were willing to have their places inspected, but object to paying for that inspection. The health commissioner declared they ought to pay the price or else make their plants sanitary and then ask the government for the free inspection furnished by it to the large packing houses doing an interstate business.

Dr. W. N. Neal, at the head of the government's inspection bureau at South Omaha, said he would recommend to the authorities at Washington that free inspection be given the independent packers if they would make their plants sanitary.

Inspectors Talk Plainly. Dr. Neal has been in charge at South Omaha only a few days, but Dr. J. C. Mattial of St. Louis, traveling inspector, having jurisdiction over Missouri river packing houses, and Dr. A. W. Miller and Dr. J. S. Beattie, stationed at South Omaha, were not chary in their description of conditions in the packing town in replying to questions propounded by Dr. Connell. They said that cattle tagged as being unfit for human consumption and which would be thrown into the tallow tanks if slaughtered by the big packers were bought by the independent packers and slaughtered for food.

They said that to their personal knowledge independent packers have on numerous occasions bought and slaughtered for food calves born in the stock yards. These calves they had carried out of the yards on their backs, as the calves were too young and weak to walk.

The government inspectors have no jurisdiction over cattle not slaughtered in the large packing houses, and stock marked for condemnation and refused by the large packers can be bought by independents, the condemnation tags being removed when they leave the yard.

Harry Fischer was the spokesman for the independent packers and said that if the proposed ordinance requiring inspection of all cattle was passed that it would mean that meat prices would be higher.

FELL ASLEEP ON TRACK

Man Near Fort Dodge is Horribly Mangled by an Interurban Car.

FORT DODGE, July 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Peter Olson, aged 38, was killed by an interurban freight car on the Fort Dodge, Des Moines & Southern south of Sioux City today. His body was horribly mangled and internal organs were found for 200 feet along the track. Motorman Latham saw the man asleep on the track, but too late to avoid the tragedy. Olson was a Scandinavian and a bachelor. He had resided here about thirty years.

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Suffragettes Go to Jail for Throwing Stones During Raid

Convicted Women Address Court, Saying Their Offense is Political and Blaming Authorities.

LONDON, July 12.—Fifteen of the suffragettes who in the course of the raid on the House of Commons June 23, indulged in the breaking of windows with stones hidden in paper parcels went to prison for a month today rather than pay the fines inflicted by Sir Albert De Reuse, the Bow street magistrate.

Sir Albert commended severely on the lamentable spectacle of respectable women being connected with hoodlums. The suffragettes, most of whom made short speeches, claimed that their offenses were purely political. The course of Premier Asquith in refusing to receive their petition, they said, had made militant action necessary and if the women were in the wrong, Home Secretary Gladstone, War Secretary Haldane and John Burns, president of the local government board, who had incited them by taunting them with the statement that they were using only "old tricks" ought to be beside them in the dock.

The four suffragettes who last Saturday presented a petition to Premier Asquith, after which they were arrested and charged at the police court with disorderly conduct, today refused to give undertakings for their good behavior. They declined to pay the fines imposed and were sentenced each to three weeks imprisonment.

College Farmers Found Murdered

Bodies of Two Boys, Evidently Eastern Harvest Hands, Near Railroad Track.

HERINGTON, Kan., July 12.—The bodies of two young men, believed to have been eastern college students who came west to work in the harvest fields, were found beside the railroad tracks near Ramona, Kan. today. The bodies were found in a shallow ditch, and the men are believed to have been murdered and their bodies placed on the track. There was nothing by which they could be identified.

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Teddy After Specimens of Rare Digidig and Gaboon

NAIVASHA, British East Africa, July 12.—The Roosevelt expedition, which has been hunting for the last five weeks in the South district, arrived this morning at the farm of Captain Richard Attenborough, on the south shore of Lake Naivasha.

E. J. Cunningham, the general manager of the expedition, came to Captain Attenborough's last night in advance of the others and left at daybreak this morning to meet Mr. Roosevelt and guide him to the farm. Mr. Cunningham had a hard trip and on the last day of his journey his porters were without food or water.

Mr. Roosevelt and his son Kermit will remain at Captain Attenborough's only long enough to bag three hippopotami—a bull, a cow and a calf—a specimen of the rare digdig antelope, a bushbuck and a gaboon. They will then move on to the ranch of Lord Delamere, one of the game wardens of British East Africa, to hunt with him for ten days at Njoro. The other members of the party will stay at camp at Captain Attenborough's. The captain is at present in Naivasha engaged in securing and shipping out supplies for the expedition.

Major E. A. Mearns, a member of the Roosevelt party, rode forty miles recently to give medical attention to three natives belonging to an expedition under O. C. Chapman, who had been severely mangled by a lion. In spite of his efforts, two of the

BIG WIND WIDE IN EXTENT

Covers Country from Mississippi River East to Ohio.

SMALL TOWN IS RIPPED UP

Ohio Twister Hurts Twenty People—Wires Down or Crippled All Over Middle West—Chicago is Encircled.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 12.—A series of twisting windstorms of cyclonic proportions struck St. Louis and vicinity today, causing considerable property damage, injuring a few persons and imperiling the lives of 300 passengers on the excursion steamer Alton in the Mississippi river.

The heaviest storm was at Alton, Ill., and it was there that the passenger steamer was buffeted by the wind. Finding that his boat could not make headway towards the regular wharf, the captain headed it across the river in an attempt to effect a landing on the Missouri side.

The maneuver was interrupted by a shift of the wind, which tossed the big boat back to midstream and threw the passengers into a panic. Rushing for shelter from the wind, they caused the vessel to careen until the port paddlewheel was lifted clear of the water. This made steering impossible, and the boat was jammed broadside into the pier of a drawbridge.

Part of the upper works were torn away, but the wind held the vessel firmly against the bridge until the passengers were ashore.

Much Damage at Alton. Houses were unroofed, trees blown down, glass shattered and other damage done in Alton, three persons being cut by flying debris.

At Venice, Ill., the wind drove waves from the Mississippi river through the levee, and thousands of acres were inundated.

In St. Louis the wind tore down unfinished frame buildings and chimneys, snapped trolley wires, put telephones and telegraph lines out of commission and damaged other property.

Great as the Storm. CHICAGO, July 12.—The storm of wind and rain which has been so severe in the Missouri Valley has swept around until it encircles Chicago, according to reports received by the telegraph companies whose wires are in bad shape. Wires are down in every direction from here and those remaining are said to be working badly tonight.

Wires are down or in trouble in Iowa, Missouri, Indiana and northern Ohio. The storm extends from Louisville to Minneapolis and from Kansas City and Dubuque to Cleveland. It is reported to be working eastward.

DANVILLE, Ill., July 12.—A tornado struck Pithian, near here, today, wrecking a number of stores and damaging a large elevator there and also the subpower station on the Illinois Traction system. So far as is known few persons were hurt.

Two Men Killed. PEORIA, Ill., July 12.—A special from Havana, Ill., says that during the storm shortly after noon today lightning struck a tree on the farm of Will Straube, five and a half miles northeast of Havana, instantly killing Mr. Straube and his hired hand, named Roberts.

NONPARTISAN LAW SET ASIDE

Supreme Court Holds that Nonpartisan Act is Unconstitutional and Void.

CONTRARY TO BILL OF RIGHTS

It Prohibits Freedom of Criticism of Public Servants.

COURT IS NOT UNANIMOUS

One Member Holds that Statute Would Fail Without This Defect.

RAGAN'S NAME GOES ON BALLOT

Decision Will Have Effect of Causing Nomination of Candidates by Political Parties at Primary Election.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, July 12.—(Special Telegram.)—The nonpartisan judiciary law enacted by the recent legislature was declared void and unconstitutional by the supreme court this afternoon. The judgment of District Judge E. Cornish of Lancaster county was affirmed and a writ of mandamus will issue to compel Secretary of State Junkin to place the name of John M. Ragan of Hastings on the primary ballot as a candidate for the republican nomination for supreme judge. The nonpartisan judiciary act prohibited the nomination of party candidates for the judiciary or for state or county superintendents, but held candidates for these positions should go on the ticket this fall at the general election by petition.

The original bill was drafted by M. F. Harrington, but was materially amended by the legislature. As a result of the decision candidates will be nominated at a primary election held on the last Tuesday in August.

Memorandum of Court.

The court handed down the following memorandum: "The members of the court were of the opinion that the provisions of the act under consideration prohibiting political parties from in any manner whatsoever endorsing, recommending, endorsing, criticizing or referring to any candidate for the office of chief justice of the supreme court, judge of the supreme court, judge of the district court, county judge, regent of the state university, superintendent of public instruction or county superintendent of public instruction, are void, being in conflict with and repugnant to section 5 of article 1 of the constitution, being the bill of rights, which provides: "Every person may freely, speak, write and publish on all subjects, being responsible for the abuse of that liberty."

And also section 19 of article 1 of the constitution, which provides: "The right of the people, peaceably to assemble, to consult for the common good and to petition the government, or any department thereof, shall never be abridged."

Court Not Unanimous.

One member was of the opinion, however, that these provisions of the act were not properly before the court for its consideration, and not necessary for a determination of the validity of the act. Members of the court were of the opinion that the act might be sustained if the foregoing were the only defect therein. Five members of the court were of the opinion that so much of the act under consideration as prohibited more than 500 electors of any county signing the petition of any candidate for the office of chief justice or judge of the supreme court was void, being repugnant to section 22, article 1, of the bill of rights, which provides: "All elections shall be free; and there shall be no hindrance or impediment to the right of a qualified voter to exercise the elective franchise."

Four members of the court were of the opinion that the aforesaid limitation formed an inducement to the passage of the act, and that the entire act must fall.

One of the members, not concurring in the judgment, is of the opinion that the aforesaid limitation is void, but that with such limitation stricken on the act can still be sustained.

The remaining member of the court did not consider such limitation void, but maintained that the act is valid.

The majority of the court holding that the act is void, he judgment of the district is affirmed.

Reese, C. J., absent and not sitting.

Again Leon Ling is About to Be Nabbed by Police

This Time Sidel Murderer is Said to Be Hiding in Vienna Chinese Quarter.

VIENNA, July 12.—A telegram received here today from Budapest declares that Leon Ling, the Chinese murderer of Elsie Sigel of New York, is in that city. The communication says the Budapest police received an anonymous communication that Ling was staying with a Chinese family and they at once began a search of the Chinese quarter for him.

Five Hundred Feet Above Broadway

Young Aeronaut Drives Dirigible Over Principal Streets of New York.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Crowds along Broadway were interested spectators today of a flight by Frank W. Goodall, a young aeronaut, who drove his dirigible balloon high above that thoroughfare from 16th to Forty-second streets. He rose 1,500 feet to avoid the effect of the cool air above the river, then swooped down until he was about 500 feet over Broadway. After reaching Long Acre square he returned, feeling that his gasoline would not carry him further. The trip lasted 50 minutes.

Alleged Swindler Arrested.

IOWA CITY, Ia., July 12.—John Baber, accused of swindling the Iowa City State bank out of \$600, has been arrested at Rock Island, Ill. He is wanted in many cities. He will plead guilty here.