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MONDAY, APRIL 17, 1911.
Fair to-day; fair and warmer to-morrow;
winds becoming variable.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

TO PASS FREE RAW WOOL BILL

HOLDING DOWN THE MARNE. Towns and Roads Swarm With Troops Who Keep Out Curious Visitors.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

PARIS, April 16.—Never was stable more carefully locked after the horse had been stolen than in the Department of the Marne, where the precautions are ample after the damage has been done. Around Epernay and its environs alone there are now eight regiments of infantry, six of dragons, two of horse chasseurs, one of hussars and two of cuirassiers. At Reims, where the wine merchants are still receiving threatening letters, the force is almost equally strong, and other towns and villages are being safeguarded.

As was shut off from the outside world to-day, as it was feared that among the thousands who would spend Easter Sunday in the vicinity visiting the ruins there might be manifestants who would carry advantage of the confusion and carry out some demonstration. Every road leading into the devastated area was barred by troops. The railway station was guarded and all persons turned back who were unable to prove that they had a right to enter the town. Those who attempted to enter on the pretense of paying a visit to relatives were accompanied by soldiers for the purpose of verifying their statements.

If present plans are carried out the wool bill will be brought into the House this week. Tuesday or Wednesday the Canadian agreement will be passed. Immediately thereafter the free list bill will be called up for consideration. The Democrats plan then to report and pass the wool bill. There is a chance that action on this measure may be delayed to allow the Democrats to prepare for the training of their batteries on the executive departments, which have been under the control of the Republican party since the days of Grover Cleveland. It is their purpose to investigate the nine executive departments with a view of showing up alleged Republican extravagance and mismanagement. The data developed in this connection will be used in the Presidential campaign next year.

Chairman Underwood and his Democratic associates on the Ways and Means Committee desire to pass on the wool schedule before considering any other questions. Up to date Chairman Underwood has had his way and the chances are that the wool bill will follow on the heels of the free list measure.

While Democratic members of the Committee on Ways and Means are inclined to discuss their plans, it was learned to-day that the bill to be reported will propose the transfer of raw wool to the free list. In addition it will authorize substantial reductions in the rates on wool manufactures.

The wool schedule has ever been a troublemaker in tariff debates. It provoked bitter discussion during the consideration of the Payne-Aldrich bill in the Senate in 1909. The late Senator Dolliver of Iowa led the Senate progressives in opposition to the schedule reported by Nelson W. Aldrich, then the Senate leader. Despite the onslaught of the insurgents Mr. Aldrich put the wool schedule through substantially as it was reported by the Committee on Finance, of which he was chairman.

Soon after the enactment of the Payne-Aldrich bill President Taft in his well known speech at Winona, Minn., denounced the wool schedule as indefensible, although he declared that the tariff law as a whole was the best of the kind ever passed by Congress. In advocating a revision of the wool schedule the House Democrats will use the President as their principal witness. This is bound to stir up more or less trouble among the Republicans.

There is a good deal of speculation here as to the probable length of the special session. Present indications are that to-day will come sooner than was expected. Republican leaders in the Senate are of the opinion that that body will concur in the action of the House on Canadian reciprocity and the free list bill. These measures will be debated at some length, but in the opinion of Senate leaders they will be passed. There is, however, no hope in the Senate for the prospective Democratic legislation bearing on the wool and cotton schedules. With the passage of the Canadian agreement and the free list bill the Senate will be confronted by a controversy over the radical wool revision, which is certain to cause a deadlock. Senate leaders believe that the debate will continue along into the hot weather, when the Democrats, realizing that the outlook for the legislation is hopeless, will consent to putting off the revision until next December.

The Democratic leaders of the House point with pride to their accomplishments thus far in the special session. Congress met in special session on April 4. Since then the Democrats have organized the Senate of State at Valley Forge, Pa., became acquainted with Miss Singer.

SAVES TWO LIVES.

Incidentally Ruins His Easter Suit and Misses a Baseball Game.

Six-year-old James Sexton of 307 Willow avenue, Hoboken, fell into a deep pool in the swamps at Ninth and Madison streets, that city, yesterday afternoon and sank in the water and mire. His fifteen-year-old brother Dennis tried to pull him out, but he too slipped in.

Boy companions shouted for help and Special Park Policeman Edward Braden, who was watching a game of baseball on the city's public playgrounds, ran to the rescue. He went into the mud hole without removing any part of his brand new Easter suit. Both boys had disappeared in the muck, but Braden fished them out, hand in hand to the crowd on the edge of the hole, and hauled out himself. Braden's clothes were torn and he lost his watch and chain and hat.

The Sexton boys were taken to St. Mary's Hospital. They were able to go home after resting two hours. Braden was also attended to at the hospital, but he refused to stay there.

There will be a lively week in the House. The tariff will hold the board Monday, Tuesday and a part of Wednesday, and probably on three remaining days. No programme has been mapped out for the Senate. The committee of that body has yet to be organized. With the passage of the direct election resolutions and the Bunker campaign publicity bill by the House the Senate has no further excuse for remaining idle.

MAILARD'S VANILLA CHOCOLATE
is high in nutritive value—unexcelled in flavor—no higher in price.—A.C.

EX-CLERK OF BANCROFTS HELD

GOES TO THE TOMBS, LACKING \$13,000 BAIL.

He's the Third Man to Be Arrested in the Theft of Securities Worth \$85,000
—Two Others Indicted—Bancroft Lawyer Tells of Dan O'Reilly's Part.

Harry H. Barrett, the third man who has been arrested in connection with the theft of \$85,000 worth of securities from Aaron Bancroft of the firm of George Bancroft & Co., the brokers of 16 Beaver street, was held in \$15,000 bail yesterday by Magistrate Breen in the Tombs police court. The two that were already under arrest are Dan O'Reilly, the former Assistant District Attorney, who is under \$5,000 bail, and a young jeweler named Frank Plass, who is in the Tombs awaiting examination on Tuesday morning.

Aaron Bancroft was in court yesterday to make the complaint against Barrett. In the complaint he tells how on March 2 two men jostled against him as he was on his way to the vaults of the Produce Exchange Safe Deposit and Storage Company and the package containing the securities knocked from under his arm and another package substituted similar in size, but containing only worthless paper.

He charges that the two men who jostled him are Chester Yates and Charles Ross, alias Charles Murphy, both of whom are now under indictment but not under arrest, and he charges Barrett with acting in concert with them and with Frank Plass, who is under arrest, in the larceny.

Barrett was represented in court yesterday by Richard E. Weldon of the firm of Weldon & Byrnes of 309 Broadway. When Magistrate Breen had read the complaint to which Bancroft had sworn he saw that it stated that Barrett had confessed. Lawyer Weldon said that for his client he denied the confession.

"We can easily prove the confession," said Lawyer William M. Sullivan, who has been handling the entire matter since the start for Mr. Bancroft. "The confession was made at Headquarters yesterday afternoon and a stenographic report was taken. Inspector Russell, Detectives Armstrong, Downey and Fay were there and I was there myself."

Lawyer Weldon objected that Bancroft had not heard the confession and the complaint was at length amended so that it read that Bancroft had been told by Sullivan that the confession had been made.

Sullivan asked that bail be set at a high figure and said that \$15,000 would not be excessive. Weldon objected and said that his client could probably get as high as \$10,000, but not any more. Magistrate Breen said he did not think \$15,000 was too high and said that if Sullivan had not named that figure he would have set it higher. So Barrett was committed to the Tombs in default of the bail and the case was set down for examination on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Barrett, who is 30 years old and lives at 39 West 129th street, used to be a clerk for the Bancroft's, but was discharged on January 1. Since then he has been working as an expert accountant for Haskins & Sells. In the two years that he worked for the Bancroft's he got into old Mr. Bancroft's good graces and became familiar with a lot of the firm's routine.

Mr. Sullivan, counsel for the Bancroft's, told a newspaper man yesterday his version of the negotiations with O'Reilly for the recovery of the securities which ended on March 24 with their delivery to Sullivan in a taxi after Sullivan had paid Plass \$5,000, and he says, presented O'Reilly with \$50.

Mr. Sullivan said he understood that on March 2 immediately after the robbery Yates and Murphy went to Boston, where they were unable to negotiate the securities. They returned to New York on Monday, March 6, just before the substitution of envelopes was discovered by the Bancroft's. Upon this discovery Mr. Sullivan stopped the transfer of the securities, gave the matter all possible publicity and called in the Pinkerton bureau.

On March 17, Mr. Sullivan said, Detective Dougherty told him that the missing securities might be obtained through O'Reilly and asked what the Bancroft's might be willing to offer for them, also whether Sullivan would care to retain O'Reilly in the transaction.

"I replied," said Mr. Sullivan, "that the bond of indemnity for the missing securities would cost us \$6,000, but I said I was the attorney for the Bancroft's and wouldn't retain anybody, and that if Mr. O'Reilly had business with us he could come to me."

Mr. Sullivan at once told the police what he had heard about O'Reilly. On March 24, early in the morning, O'Reilly called up Sullivan's office to ask where they could meet and talk business. He was told to come to the office and did so later in the morning. Detectives Millmore and Armstrong were in an adjoining room.

Mr. Sullivan made an appointment to go to O'Reilly's office in the afternoon. When O'Reilly had gone the detectives arranged to shadow Mr. Sullivan to and from O'Reilly's office, and Mr. Sullivan noted the numbers on five \$1,000 bills and on some others of smaller denomination.

At O'Reilly's office Mr. Sullivan met Plass and the taxicab ride was arranged for.

"O'Reilly knew Plass as 'Francis,'" Mr. Sullivan said, "but he introduced him to me as 'Mr. Smith.'"

They got a taxi at the Astor, where the detectives had followed them, and went up to Central Park. Mr. Sullivan says he had supposed that their taxi was to be a cab, but he was anxious to get his bill of exchange, which he had the number of, and wanted O'Reilly in particular, as he supposed that as soon as he left the cab its other occupants would be arrested. After they had agreed upon \$5,000 as the "reward" Plass handed the envelope of securities to O'Reilly and received the money. O'Reilly then gave the envelope to Mr. Smith.

"Now, what do I get out of this?" Mr. Sullivan says O'Reilly asked him, whereupon he proffered a \$50 bill, which O'Reilly accepted.

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GIVES \$100,000 TO CHURCH.

Anonymous Donor Starts an Endowment Fund for St. Paul's in Brooklyn.

AT the end of the service in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Clinton and Carroll streets, Brooklyn, yesterday the Rev. A. C. Wilson, the rector, told his congregation that he had received a \$100,000 check as part of the Easter offering. The donor did not wish his name known, but the money was to be used to start an endowment fund for the support of the church's activities. The regular Easter collection amounted to about \$1,000.

Yesterday morning's service brought to a close a week of special services which the Rev. Walter H. Frere, head of the Order of the Redemption, a High Church religious society in England, has been conducting at St. Paul's. The special services were opened by Bishop Burgess of the Long Island diocese and have been attended by many Episcopalians from Brooklyn and Manhattan.

The Rev. Walter H. Frere, who came from England for these services, is a scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, received his master's degree in 1885 and was special preacher at Cambridge from 1901 to 1910. He is the author of works on church music and ritual.

The Rev. A. C. Wilson has done much in the few years of his rectorship to build up the church and has introduced several new features into the service. Two silver altar candlesticks were given to him yesterday by the choir.

RUSSELL IN LONDON PULPIT.

Brooklyn Clergyman Accepts Call to Tabernacle Pastorate.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, April 16.—Pastor Charles T. Russell of the Brooklyn Tabernacle has accepted the call recently extended to him to the pastorate of the London Tabernacle, Paddington. In accepting Pastor Russell promises to give as much time to the work in London "as God's providence may permit and direct."

Provision is made for the carrying on of the work in the absence of the pastor. Pastor Russell occupied his new pulpit twice to-day.

ANTI-MORMON RIOT.

Birkenhead Crowd Attack Missionaries and Beat the Police.

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LONDON, April 16.—The Mormons of Heywood kept their promise and left that town on Saturday. A movement against the propaganda similar to that in Heywood resulted in a small riot to-night.

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THE IRENE IN DRY DOCK.

Shows No Damage but Broken Rudder Frame.

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NORFOLK, Va., April 16.—The German liner Prinzess Irene is high and dry in the dock at Newport News and will not take another dip in the water for at least thirty days.

It was found that she broke her rudder frame when she struck the beach of Fire Island but that otherwise the vessel is not injured. Officials at the shipyard say it will take from thirty to forty days to make repairs.

The new rudder frame will be put in the vessel at Newport News. It will be made elsewhere and shipped here.

The Prinzess Irene passed in the Capes shortly after 8 o'clock this morning. She came down from New York under her own steam, but anchored outside the Capes at daybreak until the Rescuers arrived to pilot her to Newport News.

The big dock was dry in two hours, which is said to be a record time. It is the only dock in America large enough to accommodate a steamer like the Prinzess Irene.

The steamer will be painted while waiting for the arrival of the new rudder frame.

CAPT. JOHN LOST WITH BARGE

Was Soon to Give Up the Sea and Marry New Bedford Girl.

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PROVIDENCE, April 16.—On the arrival here to-day of the tug Salutation with a tow from South Amboy, N. J., it was learned that not only the barge Sailor, which went down off Point Judith Saturday, but the barge Henry C. Cadmus was also lost from the Salutation's string of four, and her captain, known to the survivors only as "Capt. John," was drowned.

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The Francis C. Scully was the only barge of the four whose hawser held during the gale. She was the first in the tow and arrived in Fall River to-day.

The Tornado, Capt. Upenbrow and wife on board, the Cadmus and the Sailor made it to the dock. Capt. Melvin Chapman and his wife were on the Scully and to-day he told of their feelings as they saw first one barge and then another break away.

The Tornado drifted into quiet water and was anchored. The Salutation brought her here this afternoon.

The Cadmus went down off Point Judith Saturday after the Sailor foundered. Her captain, who was only 24 years old and belonged in New York, had announced that he was going to give up the sea in two months more and marry a New Bedford girl.

All four of the barges were of the box type, rudderless and helpless when adrift.

HER SUICIDE EXPLAINED.

Mother Gave Her Child Patent Medicine; Blamed Herself for Its Death.

Mrs. Gertrude Beeger, 38 years old, of 515 Fifteenth avenue, Newark, was found dead on a couch by her husband and her thirteen-year-old son Joseph last night. Two gas jets were open on a dresser was a note addressed to her husband, Joseph, which read:

DEAR JOE: Had I never spoken to that woman my life would still be happy. As it is my life isn't worth living since I made that fatal mistake. Take good care of the boy. I love him still. All I lived for was my children. O God, O God, for me to make that mistake! I that loved my children to the verge of madness! I had I never been born!

Mrs. Beeger's two and one-half-year-old daughter Gertrude died several months ago. The child had a whooping cough and on the advice of a woman friend the mother gave it a patent medicine. A week later Gertrude died.

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EASTER SPECIAL KILLS THREE.

C. D. MARSH HURT ON 5TH AVE.

Advertising Man Knocked Down by Auto at Fifty-sixth Street.

Converse D. Marsh, an advertising man of 45 West Fifty-ninth street, and his daughter started to weave through the heavy traffic on Fifth avenue yesterday morning when an automobile in which was J. W. Earle of the Bellmored apartments at Eighty-sixth street and Broadway, owner of the car, came along and knocked Mr. Marsh down in front of 72 Fifth avenue. His right leg was fractured.

Traffic Policeman Labau got Mr. Marsh to the pavement and then a line of policemen formed around him and his daughter to keep back the curious that were piling up for a block or more. Mr. Earle stood by until an ambulance from Flower Hospital arrived.

Mr. Marsh told the surgeon just what was the matter and