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McKINLEY HONORS CONFEDERATE DEAD

Southern Soldiers, He Says, Should Now Be the Nation's Care.

ATLANTA'S PEACE JUBILEE.

President Addresses Georgia's General Assembly on the New Union and the Old Flag.

MAKING OF A NEW EPOCH.

Veteran-Wearers of the Gray Cheer and Weep as They Hear the Chief Executive's Olive-Branch Speech.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 14.—President McKinley made memorable the first day of the Atlanta Peace Jubilee by a notable utterance in his speech before the joint session of the Georgia Legislature this afternoon.

Upon the President's arrival at the Capitol he was greeted with a field artillery salute and was at once escorted to Governor Candler's office.

On the first row sat Secretaries Gage, Long, Wilson and Smith and Secretary to the President Porter.

No More Sectional Lines.

The President said: "Sectional lines no longer mar the map of the United States. The Union is once more the common atlas of our love and loyalty, our devotion and sacrifice."

"A nation which cares for its disabled soldiers as we have always done will never lack defenders. The national cemeteries for those who fell in battle are proof that the dead as well as the living are our joy."

"The cordial feeling which now happily exists between the North and South prompts this gracious act, and if it need further justification it is found in the gallant loyalty to the Union and the flag so conspicuously shown in the year just passed by the sons and grandsons of these heroic dead."

Confederate Veterans in Tears.

When the President referred to the Confederate dead a wild cheer went up from every throat in the typical Southern audience.

"The army, in conjunction with the navy, was ordered to attack and destroy the Spanish forces at Santiago. In four weeks that order was obeyed, and its purpose accomplished. The proud Spanish nation stood still for peace from the nation which a month before it had held up to ridicule and scorn."

Festivals and Reception.

Calls for Brigadier-General Young brought that officer to his feet with a short speech. Secretary Alger refused to speak and the Legislature dissolved.

The day's festivities included a unique floral parade, which was reviewed by the President, and at night President McKinley and party were given a brilliant reception at the Capital City Club.

WOMAN FUGITIVE CAUGHT

Rose Carson White, Who Escaped from Maine State Prison, Found Nearly Frozen.

Rockland, Me., Dec. 14.—Rose Carson White, serving sentence for manslaughter, who escaped from the Maine State Prison at Thomaston, was recaptured this evening in the town of Cushing.

The prisoner was found at a house where she had called for food. Both her feet were frozen, and she was rigid to get back to warm quarters.

BRYAN SAYS MONEY IS THE ISSUE FOR 1900.

Believes the Chicago Platform Embodies the Sentiments of the People.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Colonel William Jennings Bryan arrived at 9 o'clock this evening over the Southern Railway from Savannah. He was met at the depot by a delegation of representative Democrats, headed by Messrs. Sulzer, Lamb, of Virginia, and Hay, of Virginia.

Colonel Bryan was conducted to his old quarters in the Metropolitan Hotel, where he received the hearty congratulations of many enthusiastic friends, who had been awaiting his arrival.

Money Question the Chief Issue.

"I should say the money question undoubtedly," replied Colonel Bryan. "I believe the Chicago platform still embodies the sentiments of the mass of the American people. I can see no reason for a popular change of mind on any of the issues defined in the last national platform."

"Then you do not think that the war will cloud the old questions?" was asked. "I do not see why it should," replied Colonel Bryan. "The fact that people are talking about the war does not necessarily indicate that they have abandoned former ideas which have no reference to the war."

Independence for the Filipinos.

"Lafayette give to the Filipinos what we have promised to give the Cubans. That is Democratic. The seizing of the islands is not. To do that we should have to forget everything we have learned within the last hundred years."

MANY FIRMS ARE NEATLY SWINDLED.

Unique Scheme by Which Clever Men Robbed New York Manufacturers.

By a unique and extensive system many New York manufacturers of shirts, wrappers, shirt waists and skirts have been robbed of thousands of dollars' worth of their products by swindlers, working this city as one end and Chicago as the other end of their operations.

Two men, who gave their names as Jacob Wolf and Fred Wilson, were arrested in Chicago yesterday, charged with being accomplices in the frauds, while the New York Police Department was dragging the city from one end to the other for Maurice Chaney, who is regarded as the head of the gang and by far the cleverest of the lot.

The swindlers, which has been worked with remarkable success, has been to represent himself as a salesman. He came to the New York manufacturers from many Chicago firms, and managed to have the goods shipped into his own hands after they reached Chicago. He then disposed of them at his leisure.

The New York concerns which are known now to have suffered are Elison & Co., Canal and Mercer streets; I. Kaplan, wrapper manufacturer, No. 75 Greene street; the Fashion Manufacturing Co., No. 215 Greene street; the Model Manufacturing Company, waists makers, No. 300 Broadway; and Letz Brothers, a Broadway shirt manufacturing establishment.

The swindlers have been working the manufacturers since early in the Fall, and it is not known yet how many more firms have been robbed, but the police are inclined to believe that the number is large.

I. Kaplan, who lives at No. 194 East Broadway, a victim to the extent of \$300, told a Journal reporter last night of the method pursued by Chaney and his confederates.

"Some man, whose name I forget, referred us to Maurice Chaney, of Chicago, as a good salesman for our wrappers. He began to send in orders from well-rated houses in Chicago, last September, and we filled them. His orders were filled out with the utmost care, and the selections from our stock were such as any experienced house would make."

"We did not suspect anything until four weeks ago, when we received an order from P. D. Madigan & Co., No. 2309 State street, Chicago.

"We found out there was no Madigan at that number, but there are three Madigan firms, all reputable. We supposed Chaney had made a mistake, so we sent two shipments, one of \$48 by the United States Express and another of \$90 by the West Shore Freight. On December 18 we received a letter from P. D. Madigan & Co., there is such a firm in Chicago, saying it had received our shipment but had not ordered. This was strange. We received another letter saying that the bill for the other shipment had been received, but not the goods. We wrote them to hold the goods and not to deliver them to any one."

"The shipments, you see, had by accident reached P. D. Madigan & Co., and that gave the scheme away. We have sent out \$500 worth of stuff through this man."

"We reported for use had just sold our first order to Madigan & Co."

"The several firms mentioned have sent their representatives to Chief of Detectives McKinley, and the New York department was in telegraphic correspondence with the Chicago detectives on the subject of Chaney's arrest, yesterday."

"Chaney's address was said to be in Thirty-fifth street, but it was said at Police Headquarters last night that no arrest had been made. Chaney may have escaped, since it is known that he expected to leave for Chicago last night. Chaney frequently used the name of Madigan himself."

"The New York firms mentioned have lost \$100 to \$500 each."

A TRIPLE UNION OF RAILROADS.

Sudden Rise in Vanderbilt and Gould Stocks Indicates It.

LAKE SHORE GOES KITING.

It Is Believed the Roads Have Found a Way to Circumvent the Law.

RATE POOLING TO FOLLOW.

All Vanderbilt Roads to Be Consolidated; All Gould Roads to Unite; Pennsylvania in a Deal.

New York Central, Lake Shore, Michigan Central, Canada Southern, Chicago & Northwestern, Omaha, Delaware & Hudson, Lackawanna.

Wabash, Chicago & Alton, Missouri Pacific, St. Louis Southwestern, Texas Pacific, Internal & Gt. Northern.

Pennsylvania Lines, Panhandle Lines.

Sudden advances in the price of Lake Shore and other Vanderbilt stocks, of Missouri Pacific and other Gould stocks, in the market yesterday, indicate not only an immediate consolidation of all the Vanderbilt lines and of all the Gould lines, but suggest that the railroads have arrived at an understanding whereby they will be able to circumvent the law as defined by the Supreme Court in the Joint Traffic Association decision.

First and foremost, because of its direct connection with this city, the closing amalgamation of all the Vanderbilt roads, the Lake Shore, which became recently an integral part of the New York Central, was only the forerunner of a gigantic combination which will take in all the Vanderbilt properties this side of Omaha, where connection is made with the Union Pacific, for a transcontinental line.

Lake Shore made a sudden rise of 18 points on sales of only 1,135 shares yesterday, showing that the Vanderbilts are anxious to secure all the Lake Shore stock which was not exchanged for New York Central bonds in the recent taking in of that property.

The other roads to be admitted to this consolidation are the Canada Southern, Michigan Central, Delaware and Hudson, Chicago and Northwestern and probably the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western. All these properties are dominated by the Vanderbilts, and in most cases entirely in their control.

As was recently pointed out exclusively in the Journal, the Goulds are at work on a scheme for the consolidation of their Southwestern roads. Negotiations are now on between the Goulds and those in control of the Chicago and Alton by which the latter property will be secured primarily in the interest of the Missouri Pacific, but ultimately as a Chicago outlet for all the Gould properties in the Southwest. The Goulds now control the Wabash, which is building a line of its own into Chicago, and extends as far East as Buffalo. A traffic agreement exists between the latter road and the Ontario and Western for freight into New York city.

President John J. Mitchell, of the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, of Chicago, who has in his control a majority interest in Chicago and Alton, had a long conference with George J. Gould yesterday. J. Pierpont Morgan, who has a good thing when he sees it, was a purchaser of Missouri Pacific stock in yesterday's market. The Pennsylvania Railroad has a little scheme of its own on hand. The Panhandle Road, one of the most important portions of the Pennsylvania system, is not absolutely owned by the latter company. It is feared that the strong minority interest in the Panhandle might, if it chose, become troublesome to the Pennsylvania management. Plans are now being formulated for the absorption of the Panhandle through an exchange of bonds for the outstanding stocks similar to the New York Central-Lake Shore deal.

At the outset of the Board meeting to-night an unpleasant little matter, which was one of the last straws that caused Dr. Andrews to send in his resignation, was cleared up with neatness and dispatch. This was a statement by Mrs. Caroline K. Sherman, who had taken it upon herself to scratch certain recommendations made by Dr. Andrews off a report of the High School Committee, that she had been in the wrong in so doing. Then, upon her motion, the recommendation was placed upon the books of the Board.

Another sop was thrown to Dr. Andrews in the form of a resolution unanimously passed, directing the superintendent to report to the committee on School Management such amendments to the rules relating to the educational department and the department of teachers as he deemed necessary to maintain perfect discipline in the teaching corps and promote the welfare of the system.

The Board also adopted a resolution commending the Mayor on his heroic fight against the boodle Aldermen.

HIS WILL IN HIS POCKET.

Captain Oakden Falls in the Street, and at the Hospital the Document is Found.

An elderly man, well dressed, fell at Thirty-first street and Sixth avenue, at 9:30 o'clock last night, striking his head against the pavement. He was taken to the New York Hospital, where his papers showed him to be Captain William D. Oakden, and a member of the Grand Army.

Among his papers was a will bequeathing six shares of New York Central stock to a person whose name the hospital authorities refused to give. Captain Oakden, dazed by his fall, could not remember his present address, but said he had once lived at No. 210 West Thirty-ninth street. The ambulance surgeon said that the patient would be himself in the morning.

FOR DEARER CIGARETTES

Alton, Ill., Dec. 14.—The City Council has unanimously adopted resolutions for a curfew ordinance and for an ordinance placing a heavy license on retail dealers of cigarettes.

A delegation from the W. C. T. U. thanked the Councilmen in the names of the fathers and mothers of Alton.

TWISTED JUSTICE IN TWO NOTABLE TRIALS.

Hilda Peterson, Acquitted, Martin Mahon, Not Moore, Must Go to an Insane Asylum.

The Jury Intended That Tortured with Questions She Should Be Set Absolutely Free.

IF the blindfolds could have been taken from the eyes of Justice yesterday she might have at least been astonished in two New York court rooms.

In New York William A. E. Moore was on trial accused of having, with his wife, Fayne Strahan Moore, "battered" Martin Mahon, proprietor of the New Amsterdam Hotel. Mahon, by a torturing examination was made practically the defendant, instead of Moore. Mahon's wife and children were dragged by Moore's counsel through the disgrace and shameless interrogatories implied.

The jury in the Hilda Peterson case brought in a verdict of not guilty, based on the grounds of insanity. Under the verdict she will go to Matteawan. The jury had intended to set her free, believing her only temporarily insane.

Lawyer Levy, to Martin Mahon—Where do you live? A. At No. 74 Irving place. Q. You have a wife and three children? A. Yes. Q. Are you living with your wife? A. Yes. Q. Is it not true that your wife and children live over a stable at No. 74 Irving place? A. No, sir; it is not. There is a stable in the rear, but it is entirely detached from the house. Q. Is it not true that you have allowed your wife and children but \$10 a week for maintenance? A. No, it is not. Q. How often do you see your family? A. I see them three or four times a week. Q. And you say that while you were having diamonds and wine for this woman (Mrs. Moore) you were living with your wife? A. Yes, I was living with my wife.



Hilda Peterson and Mrs. Unger, Her Only Friend.

The picture is made from a sketch taken yesterday in court. In the background are likenesses of some of the jurymen, who tried to save the woman, but through a miscarriage of intention put her in the Matteawan Asylum for Criminal Insane.



Martin Mahon.

The jury intended to set Hilda Peterson free. We found that she killed her child while TEMPORARILY insane, and that she is not insane or dangerous now. There was no disagreement on this point. We did not understand the question of Judge Dickey, and we are sorry that she is to be sent to an insane asylum.—Foreman OTTO HASNEDER, to the Journal.

Hilda Peterson was declared not guilty of the crime of murdering her own child by a verdict of the jury rendered to Justice William D. Dickey. In the temporary court rooms of the Supreme Court, in St. Mary's Lyceum, Long Island City, at 9:30 o'clock last night.

In spite of this verdict and against the intent of the jury Hilda Peterson was committed to an insane asylum, all through the misunderstanding of Justice Dickey and Otto Hasneder, foreman of the jury. The jury was out one hour and a half. When they returned and the Clerk of the Court had asked for their verdict, Foreman Otto Hasneder rose and said: "Our verdict is 'not guilty.'"

District Attorney Youngs was at once on his feet, but Justice Dickey interrupted him and said to the foreman: "In a case of this kind your verdict must state why you have found the defendant not guilty."

"On account of insanity, and nothing else," replied the foreman. "Temporary insanity," corrected Charles Schneider, of Newtown, Juror No. 9. "Your Honor," said District Attorney Youngs immediately, "I ask that the Court carry out the sentence provided for in Section 454 of the Code."

What the Law Is.

When the defense is insanity of the defendant, the jury must be instructed if they cannot find on that ground to state the fact with their verdict. The Court must thereupon, if the defendant be in custody, and they deem his discharge dangerous to the public peace or safety, order him to be committed to the State Lunatic Asylum until he becomes sane. "I am sure, Your Honor," pleaded Lawyer Henry A. Monfort, counsel for the defendant, "that this jury has not correctly understood the Court's question. They must mean that Hilda Peterson was insane at the time of the commission of the homicide and!"

"That question has already been asked of the jury," interrupted Justice Dickey. The jurymen were bewildered. "I ask the Court to submit the question to each juror. It can do no harm, and it is all right."

Posing as Accuser, He is Really a Defendant.

The pitiless storm of questions poured upon Mahon yesterday, seemingly with the intention of besmirching him in the eyes of the jury, put the man in an unequalable plight, though he braved such a storm with the idea of punishing the pair whom he considers rogues.

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