

exchanges would only eliminate the speculators, adding that their elimination would hamper the country's progress.

"Who bears the real, actual risk, from the seed to the final transaction?" asked Representative Beall, of Texas. The witness did not make direct answer.

"I am not sufficiently posted as to horse racing and roulette," retorted Latham sharply.

Mr. Latham said he justified the exchanges because of the facility they afforded for hedging transactions, but did not justify their existence in case such facility did not exist.

A. L. Marsh, vice president of the New York Cotton Exchange, defended the exchange transactions at this afternoon's session.

JUDGE HART THREATENED.

"Man Indicted for Liquor Selling" Says Will Shoot.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 11.—Judge William Hart, of the Davidson county criminal court, is in receipt of a letter in which the statement is made that a man recently indicted for illegally selling liquor will kill both Judge Hart and Attorney General McCann if he is convicted when his trial comes up.

The plan is, it is stated, that if the man is convicted, a friend in waiting in the court room will pass him a pistol and he will first shoot Judge Hart and then General McCann.

The man is said to be bitter towards Judge Hart because certain acts of that official in connection with the indictment now pending.

This morning a man who said that he is "one of barkeepers of the city" called up a reporter on the telephone and said:

"There is a plan to assassinate Judge Hart Monday. One of our fellows heard one of the men under indictment for selling whiskey under his plan for having one of his friends pass him a pistol if he is convicted, with which he would first shoot Judge Hart and then General McCann."

The operator stated that the man talked from a public pay station.

Judge Hart was seen a few minutes later and stated that he had received the letter. It was written on plain paper, in a disguised hand and no clue could be had as to where it came from.

It was signed "barkeeper." In the letter the statement is made that the man under indictment proposes to kill both Judge Hart and McCann, but that he will shoot the former first, to make sure, and then take chances on getting the attorney general.

The plan of having a friend pass him a pistol is mentioned in the letter. In fact the statements of the letter conform closely to the statements made over the telephone to the reporter.

ROBBED POSTOFFICE.

White Man Grabbed \$800 From Birmingham Stamp Window.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 11.—While J. A. Dial, stamp clerk in the Birmingham postoffice, was counting out his money to make his purchase of necessary stamps for the day, two girls walked up to the window and asked for some one cent stamps this morning.

As he began serving out the stamps a white man walked up hurriedly, grabbed the stack of bills on the counter and made away with it. Mr. Dial cried out "Stop thief" and jumped through the window and made after the robber.

Others joined in the chase but the robber had the start and got away after being followed six blocks. The city detectives and Federal authorities were immediately notified and are working on the case. More than \$800, ranging in bills from \$1 to \$50, were stolen.

SUCCEEDS HEMPHILL.

Robert Latham to Become Editor of News and Courier.

Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 11.—S. E. Boney, editor of The Laurens Advertiser, was in the city this morning returning to his home from Union, where he spent yesterday. Mr. Boney will sever his connection with The Advertiser, to accept the position as news editor of The News and Courier.

The resignation of Major J. C. Hemphill, as editor-in-chief of The News and Courier to become managing editor of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, has resulted in a number of changes in the editorial staff of The News and Courier. Robert Latham, now the city editor, will succeed Major Hemphill, and G. H. Saxe, Jr., the news editor, will be the city editor and Mr. Boney will take the news editor's desk.

THE ASTOR SUIT.

Rumored That Reconciliation May be Effected—Attorneys.

New York, Feb. 11.—Lawyers in the suit brought by Mrs. John Astor for divorce from Col. John Jacob Astor, had nothing to say today regarding the report that the Astors may be reconciled. The report arose from the failure of counsel to apply within the last three days for a confirmation of the interlocutory degree of divorce granted by Justice Mills. The custom is for counsel to apply at the earliest moment to the court to make final the decree of divorce. Mrs. Astor is now in Europe and Colonel Astor left the city yesterday.

The divorce proceedings were conducted last Fall before Justice Mills and no names were mentioned that would make difficult a reconciliation.

The messages from the merchants are always interesting and usually affect the "state of your purse."

CRITICISE SECRETARY KNOX.

Referred to His Bold Strokes of Diplomacy—Knox's Action.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Secretary of State Knox was subjected to some very caustic criticism in the House today by Representative Frances Burton Harrison, of New York, during consideration of the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill.

Many bold strokes in diplomacy, said Mr. Harrison, were only justified by their success as in the instance of President Cleveland's Venezuela message. "But that had not been the case with some of the bold strokes of diplomacy brought forth by Secretary Knox," he said.

"This position was so untenable," he added, referring to the maintenance of Democratic governments in Central America, "that some day we will be obliged to retire from it with mortification."

There had been an obvious difficulty in procuring men of proper character and ability to serve the United States abroad, said Mr. Harrison.

"The French mission was proper for months until a man of proper caliber could be found," he said. "Take Austria, where a man, R. C. Keerens, has been sent to represent the United States after having his fitness for the position measured chiefly by the size of his campaign contribution."

"The English mission. After that position had been declined publicly by a noted educator, (Dr. Eliot) it has been offered by a New York newspaper to Paul Morton, and if Mr. Morton is appointed that act will be to award a self-confessed violator of law and it will become patent to all the world that the path of the rebel is to lead to the foot of the throne."

This difficulty in finding good men for foreign missions, Mr. Harrison said, was the result of the destruction of diplomacy by the ocean cable.

"Today the ambassadors are too often messenger boys in silk knee breeches with swords who spend their time being photographed as the hosts of royalty or in playing the part of 'hands across the sea,'" declared Mr. Harrison. "To an active, virile man such a position would seem impossible."

REJECTS BOND ISSUE.

South Carolina House Turns Down Million Dollar Proposition.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 11.—By a vote of 80 to 27 the House of Representatives today rejected the proposition to issue a million dollars of bonds to establish a new State hospital for the insane.

This proposition was made by the majority of the investigation committee which recently made a sensational report as to sanitary conditions at the present institution.

The House then accepted the minority proposition to authorize the regents to purchase lands for the enlargement of the asylum, a two hours' debate preceding the vote.

Dr. A. B. Patterson, representative from Barnwell, vigorously attacked Superintendent J. W. Babcock, who is president of the National pellagra association.

EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION.

Second Day's Session at New Orleans. Roads and Waterways.

New Orleans, Feb. 11.—The second day's session of the National Editorial association was divided between business and pleasure. Questions of organization were discussed and a number of addresses on subjects relating to the newspaper profession delivered. Good roads and improved waterways were objects which the association, through many of its members, declared should be constantly striven for through editorial effort.

A luncheon, a trip on the river and a visit to points of interest in New Orleans were among the social features of the day's programme.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 11.—In an interview here today, Hon. Henry C. Stuart, of Russell county, at one time a State corporation commissioner, announced himself a candidate for the governorship in 1913.

From the Letter Recently Received From Mrs. E. Fournier, of Lake Charles, La., Her Suffering Must Have Been Dreadful.

Lake Charles, La.—"I had no courage or patience left," writes Mrs. E. Fournier of this place, "as a result of my great suffering.

"I had backache, headache, heart palpitation, chills, fainting spells, sick stomach, nervousness, dragging sensations and thought every month I should die.

"No doctor could relieve me and the month before I began to take Cardui, I could hardly walk. I could not wear my corset, and had a pain in my right side.

"Since taking Cardui, I have no more pain. I can walk as far as I want and am feeling like a different woman."

If you suffer from any of the symptoms described by Mrs. Fournier you are urged to take Cardui, for it should surely do as much for you, as it has done for her.

If you are weak and ailing, suffer from lack of appetite, lack of blood, lack of nervous vitality, Cardui is probably just what you need to help you build up your physical and nervous constitution.

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See your druggist about it. N. B.—Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 84-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

SWIFT JUSTICE.

Grand Jury Begins at Once on Tampa Assault Case.

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 11.—In an effort to prevent an outbreak against Rowland Fowler, the negro convict who escaped from a turpentine camp yesterday, criminally assaulted Mrs. Jane Ellerbe, aged 50 years, and fired on a posse before being captured, his case was today placed before the grand jury by Judge Wall, of the circuit court. Indictment and immediate trial are expected to follow.

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The cause of rheumatism and kindred diseases is an excess of uric acid in the blood. To cure this terrible disease this acid must be expelled and the system so regulated that no more acid will be formed in excessive quantities. Rheumatism is an internal disease and requires an internal remedy.

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This splendid remedy is sold by druggists and dealers generally at 50c and \$1 a bottle. In Tablet form at 25c and 50c a package. Get a bottle today. Booklet free if you write to Bobbitt Chemical Co., Baltimore, Md.

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ACADEMY. SCHLOSS THEATRE CIRCUIT. Monday—Feb. 14th. Matinee and Night. The Season's Great Success of ST. ELMO.

Elaborate Scenery. Metropolitan Cast. Special Bargain Matinee. Prices: Matinee—75, 50. Night—1.50, \$1.00, 75, 50 25. Seats on sale Saturday at the Crystal Palace. Feb. 10.3t.

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