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Counsel for the Meat Packers Conclude Opening Statements.

Three Hundred Will Be Called and It Will Require Many Months to Take All the Evidence-Government's Case

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Counsel for the who performed the operation on the ten Chicago meat packers charged prisoner after Richeson had mutilated ed their opening statements to the complications developed he should be court until next Tuesday morning. At and could do little until Richeson rethat time the first witness for the gov- gained sufficient strength to enable ernment will take the stand.

The government will present its case in chronological order. The first witness will tell the story of the old packers' pool which it is charged was Opinion That It May Substitute Dwind in existence prior to the organization of the National Packing Company in 1902 and which held weekly meetings meat from Alaska may be a food comat which, the government charges, mon to the American table in the near rices were, fixed. Later conditions which led to the formation of the Na- beef supply. This was the opinion extional Packing Company will be detail- pressed today by William F. Lopp, in ed and in concluding its case, the gov- charge of the government's reindeer rament will endeavor to prove that service, who has just returned from the National Packing Company was a 14,000 mile tour of inspection the instrument the packers used to through Alaska on behalf of the Unitcontinue the old pooling arrange ed States Bureau of Education, which

Three hundred witnesses will be ern peninsula. called by the government and it is believed it will take several months meat, the first made into this country. to present their testimony. In addi- has just been received at Seattle," tion to this a mass of documentary ev | said Mr. Lopp. "In 25 years from now dence will be offered by the prosecu- at the present rate of increase there

The jury will be closely guarded deer in Alaska on which the people of buring the adjournment of court and this country can depend for much of the twelve men, all of whom are mavried, will be obliged to eat their hristmas dinner at a down town ho-

Attorney John Barton Payne, who appeared for the National Packing ompany, and Edward Tilden, its president, today read voluminous extracts from the report of former United of frozen tundra on Alaska fit for States Commissioner of Corporations nothing else, but which as reindeer James R. Garfield, on the packing in ranches would provide abundant pasdustry, made in 1905, to refute the al- turage for 10,000,000 of the animals legations of the government against

the packers. opening about 20 years ago by the government Attorney Payne in his

statement, said in part: "As I view this case, it is not the irdictment of the defendant but an tion of the natives from the hunting indictment of a great business. The to the pastural stage. There are 3,000 effect of this trial will be felt all over of the animals there of which 20,000 the world.

"For this reason I regard this matter as international importance. Chicago's commercial supremacy always has been closely linked with the meat packing industry.

"The growth and development the country made big business enterprises necessary and the packers were no exception to the rule.

"In 1905, United States Commissioner of Corporation James R. Garffeld. acting under the instructions of Presdent Theodore Roosevelt. made an investigation of the entire packing in dustry and submitted his report to Congress. Many of the questions raised in this case were considered at length in that report.

"The Garfield report admits that packing industry conducted enables the farmer to get a high price for his cattle, and allows the consumer to get his meat at a lower price than if he was obliged to rely on local butchers said Attorney Payne.

Mr. Payne read from the Garfield report to show that the National Packing Company had never been used by the packers to control prices. He said the earnings of that corporation had never exceeded 10.74 per cent, on its capital stock and that its profits on sales had never exceeded 1.59 per

Attorney John S. Miller, represent me the Armour interests, concluded he opening statements of counsel for he defense. He said meat prices were regulated by the natural law of apply and demand and ridiculed the stression that the indicted packers had the power to control the meat bus these of the country, even if they so

A SHIPPING STANDSTILL

Dense Fog in Chesapeake Bay an Along Virginia Coast

Newport News, Va., Dec. 22 .- Ship ing in this section of the Chesapeake lay and along the Virginia coast has practically been at a standstill for the Thursday night but few steamers year; in India 251,000 against 307,000 friendship on my part. That letter steamers as well as American steam- 462,000 against 1,906,000 last year. ers and sailing vessels are anchored as the greatest possible caution is being used in navigating.

S ARE UNDER BONDS PREMIER Secure Their Appearance at Trial of Rev. Richeson-Minister Very Weak From His Self-inflict-

ed Wounds.

ness in the trial of the Rev. Clarence

V. T. Richeson, charged with the mur-

today that another witness had to fur-

nish bond for appearance at the trial.

Miss Linnell, at the Young Woman's

Christian Association dormitory, was

Although Richeson's counsel, Wif-

liam A. Morse, after visiting his cli-

ent in jail today, said he appeared

REINDEER MEAT.

ling Beef Supply.

held under \$500 bond.

length.

their fresh diet.

belong to the natives."

PURE FOOD BOARD.

Oysters Floated in Brackish Waters

Considered Adulterated.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Oysters float

will not be final until signed by Sec-

in which oysters will properly ma-

ture." It is now held that this expres-

sion "is impossible of interpretation."

adds, "results in their adulteration by

the addition of water. It is found al-

ters and other shell fish a fictitious ap-

Comparatively World's Visible Cotton

Supply-American Bales.

Hester's statement of the world's vis-

ible supply of cotton issued today

against 669,000 last week and 973,000

Great Britain and continental Europe

New Orleans, Dec. 22.-Secretary

most nvariably polluted."

'floated oysters."

last year.

idential preference.

retary of Agriculture Wilson.

Evidently Steadfast in Not Boston, Mass., Dec. 2.-Following the holding of Charles S. Pierce, a Accepting the Republican Newton Theological Institution stu-Form of Government. dent, in \$300 bond yesterday, as a wit-

der of Avis Linnell, it became known WOULD

Miss Lucille L. Zeigler, roommate of If Republic is Unavoidable Associates Say He Would Give Up His Office-Outcome of a Breach.

very weak, Dr. Howard A. Lothrop, with combining to control the price himself Wednesday, said that the pa- fast in his decision not to accept a dictments were found by the grand of meats in violation of the criminal tient was "getting along as well as Republican form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in an applicant form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in an applicant form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in an applicant form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in an applicant form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in an applicant form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for that nearly 1 260 voters in a second form of government for the contract for government for the contract form of government for the contract for government for of meats in violation of the criminal could be expected under the circumsections of the Sherman law, concludstances," and that unless unforeseen

Empire Members of the Premier's November and preceding elections. jury today and United States District able to attend the trial on January entourage reiterated today that Yuan According to commonwealth Attorney Judge George A. Carpenter adjourned 15th. Attorney Morse said the denever will advise the abdication of the fense had no plans to announce yet Emperor and thereby become a trai ber election. tor. They say that if the formation of a Republic is unavoidable he will rehis counsel to converse with him at suspected that Tang Shao Yi, the representative of Yuan and the Imperial conference, and Yuan were playing Judge Skeen's court. a prearranged game with the intention gradually to shear the Manchus of Washington, Dec. 22.-Reindeer power and thereby prevent a Manchu rising in Peking; but the fact that Tang has telegraphed friends here future to supplement the dwindling asking them to endeavor to persuade Yuan of the necessity to accept a Republic seemingly indicates that Tang and the Premier are not in accord. After many conferences prior to his departure for Shanghai, Tang evidently believed that Yuan had been won over to the republican idea while on the ers the reindeer in the northbeen brought around to see the neces-"A commercial shipment of reindeer sity for the continuance of the monarchy. Members of Yuan's entourage

declare in these beliefs each man was self-deceived. Though no member of the foreign legations will venture a should be 3,000,000 prime beef reinprediction on the outcome of the situation, there is a feeling that an agreement is possible between Yuan and a number of the rebel provinces perhaps "In taste reindeer meat is a cross not immediately, but after weveral rebetween mutton and beef, but more newed armistices. Yuan, it is thought, palatable than either. Reindeer can may offer the last concession possibe raised more cheaply than cattle ble, namely, the retirement of the embecause they will thrive on wastes so press dowager and the appointment of barren that even goats would starve a Chinese regency to effect peace. The there. There are 400,000 square miles Premier has steadily been replacing officials and army officers through the northern provinces with trusted men,

He believes he could regain and re-"Reindeer raising," Mr. Lopp ex tain many of the rebel provinces if plained, "was introduced into Alaska money were obtainable. A quartette of bankers is willing to support him, originally as a benevolent and educabut up to the present time the legational enterprise, to raise the civilizations have disagreed regarding a loan. The British legation desires the monarchy continued, but is receiving serious protests from business interetss in the South, which dread a boycott of their goods. The American lega-

oyal to himself.

supporting Yuan Shi Kai financially. Should a definite breach come, with an Imperial government in the North ed in brackish water for fattening and a Republic in the South, Yuan purposes hereafter will be considered possibly could obtain money, though in fear of a boycott by the republican as adulterated under the pure food provinces, the legations have stated and drug act, according to a decision that loans must be for the peaceful by the pure food board. The decision administration of the country only. The government is continuing its so-Under a decision last year oysters or less enforced from the princes and were allowed to be fattened in "wa-

ter of a less saline content than that high officials. COMMENTS ON LETTER

Correspondence

"The practice of floating oysters and other shell fish," the decision New York, Dec. 22.-George Sheldon, treasurer of the Republican National Committee, commenting toso that the floating gives to the oyspearance resulting in the deception pondence between himself and Theoof the consumer. Moreover, the water dore Roosevelt relative to the Harriin which they are grown, is usually in man campaign contribution in 1904 the mouths of streams or artificial in- and alluding particularly to his own lets surrounded by houses and is al- letter to the Colonel, said it was written at Colonel Roosevelt's request Mr. Sheldon took exception to the in-Under the previous decision oysters floated in water less salty than that in ference that the publication of the which they grew had to be labelled correspondence at this time indicated in the destruction by fire today at for the 1912 Presidential nomination. SECRETARY HESTER'S STATMENT

me repeatedly that he is not a candi- The loss to the off plant alone amountdate. were aboard a train together some ten shows the total visible to be 5,345,558 days ago and the matter came up in bales against 5,095,436 last week and conversation from something in the 5,082,225 last year. Of this the total news. I said, 'Why was the truth nev-

of American cotton is 4,615,558 against er told about this whole business, so 4,426,436 last week and 4,109,725 last that it could be shut up? Colonel year and of all other kinds, including Roosevelt, why can't you tell it, now?" Egypt, Brazil, India etc. 730,000 bales That is all there is to it." Mr. Sheldon, questioned as to whether he regarded it as wise to re-

Of the world's visible supply of cot- vert at this time to the Harriman conton there is now affeat and held in tribution incident, replied: "I thought not, but Colonel Roose portion of the State. Since early in Egypt 223,000 against 277,000 last I did so. It was purely a matter of under charge of murder, at Boston. said Senator Owen.

causing considerable inconvenience to a dissenting vote. The bill now redied suddenly here at midnight, was tenced to a year each in prison. conventions by a Statewide vote, the zens. Estrada, who was sixty-five Spot cotton, dull. Flour dull and un same place—nowhere," entire group being pledged for a Pres- years of age, died of a complication changed. Wheat spot, easy; No. 2 of diseases.

the goods, see Platt & Haar today. ** the goods, see Platt & Haar today. ** Turpentine quiet.

NOT BE INTERFERED OPPOSE SCHEDULE Officers in Virginia County Where IIlegal Votes Were Cast Wal be Permitted to Hold

Bristol, Tenn., Dec. 22.-Office holders in Lee county, Virginia, who were elected at the recent election in which illegal votes are alleged to have been bought and soid in wholesale numbers, will be permitted to hold their offices unchallenged, according to Judge H. A. Skeen, who has been conducting the grand jury probe into election irregularities. This promise was made, it was stated to-

day, to get evidence before the grand

Offices

jury upon which to indict the vote-Despite Judge Skeen's proclamation permitting guilty men to contess, take minimum fine of \$100 and escape further prosecution, no confessions Peking, Dec. 22.-Yuan Shi Kai, the were received today. It is authori-Premier, evidently still remains stead- tatively stated that more than 200 inwas paid out for votes at the Novem-

Attorney Ely charges that vote trafficking is even worse in some of the sign as prime minister. It had been adjoining counties than in Lee and at the conclusion of the investigation in government at the Shanghai peace started in Dickinson county, also in

> The Lee county grand jury will reconvene in February to complete its work. Unless a satisfactory number or confessions have been received, it is stated, the jury is expected to return nearly 1,000 indictments.

DIES FROM OVERDOSE.

Popular Novelist Took Morphine and Death Followed. Chicago, Dec. 22.-Margaret Horton otter, a novelist, was found dead today in her apartments from an overjury found was accidentally taken. For

a time it was reported that death was from heart disease. Testimony at the inquest was that she had long been addicted to the use of drugs and a few months ago was permitted to leave a sanitarium to which she had been committed. She complained of illness two days ago and her friends believe that the drug was taken by her in an effort to re-

lieve her suffering. For many years she had been prominent in literary circles and her noveis were popularly supposed to reveal thinly veiled phases of society life in Chicago. In 1902 she was married to to Russian goods at the expiration of the world. John D. Black and was divorced by the treaty of commerce and navigation him in 1910 shortly before she was sent to the sanitarium.

Miss Potter was born in Chicago in 1881. She was the daughter of Orrin W. Potter, one of Chicago's first milinence when, at 16 years old, she published a book which was so startling that her father and other members of the family bought up every copy they could find and destroyed are plates, tion, and also that of Japan, advocate Others of her books have been refused entrance to libraries.

SERUM WAR ON TYPHOID

Department of Agriculture Field Force Is to Be Vaccinated

Washington, Dec. 22 .- As a result of the report of the commission recently appointed by Secretary James nor Kitchin today and presented evi-Wilson, of the Department of Agriculcalled patriotic loans, which are more ture, it was decided yesterday that the family in the hope of having the life field force of the department should be vaccinated against typhoid fever. This is the first time that a civil depart- executive clemency. Sandlin was ment of the government has taken this step. The serum will be obtain-Sheldon Says Roosevelt Requested the ed from the surgeon general of the army.

The most striking case of the benefits derived from the use of the serum was with the troops at both San Anday upon the publication of corres- tonio and Galveston during the recent mobilization:

FIRE AT TIMMON ... ILLE

Destructive Blaze in South Carolina Town---\$80,000 Damage aggregating about \$80,000 were entail- sible for his awful deed. ed that the Colonel was a candidate Timmonsville, S. C., of the Timmonsville Oil Company's mill, the "Colonel Roosevelt has not told me stemmery of W. P. Henry, an inde- Senator Owen Replies to Judge's A that he is a candidate," said Mr pendent tobacco manufacturer, of this Sheldon." On the contrary he has told city, and the Enterprise Stem Plant

OUTLINES.

ed to between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Counsel for the Chicago Alaska reindeer meat may substitute and associations." the dwindling supply of beef in the United States in the near future-

-Persia has agreed to accept the moved and a number of foreign last year, and in the United States 2, states the whole truth and ought to terms of the Russian ultimatum, and the hostilities of Russian authorities mann, chairman of the National Base have been ordered to cease-Four ball Commission, said today that Ma-Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 22.—The Guayquil, Ecquador, Dec. 22.—The men charged with stock swindling jor League owners will not worry over lower Chesapeake. The coastwise and State Senate passed the Presidential funeral today of Emio Estrada, pres- through the mails admitted their guilt the formation in New York last night bay pasenger steamers are delayed preference primary bill today without ident of the Republic of Ecuador, who yesterday at New York and were sen- of an outlaw baseball league with

red 95 1-4 elevator, export basis to

Bill to Propose Raise of Russian Duties is Ridiculed. er a period of two years and to have

Opposing Members Duma Say Russian Agriculturists and Cotton Manufacturers Would Be Ones Affected

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22 .-- Opposition members of the Duma ridicule ex-President Guchkoff's legislation schedules applicable to the United States at the exposition of the Russo-American treaty of commerce navigation which he and other signers representing the Octoberist and Nationalist parties in the Duma have introduced into that body. The opposition declare that the proposal would strike hardest at the Russian agricuturists and cotton manufacturers. They do not expect the measure to advance beyond the committee stage The Duma will adjourn tomorrow for a month and action on the proposal probably will be taken at the end of

The bill proposes to raise existing Russian duties by 100 per cent. and also to impose a duty of 100 per cent. on articles which are admitted free under the present Russian tariff. Besides these impositions the bill proposes also to levy double the gross weight tax established by the law of June 21st, 1901, on merchandise ardose of morphine which a coroner's riving by sea and to levy a double tonnage tax. Should the present Ameri can tonnage tax be raised to the disfavor of Russian vessels then the Rus sian tonnage tax will be correspondingly increased.

It is said that the schedules are to be applicable to all countries which do nation treatment in commerce navigation. The proposal will be submitted to a financial commission The necessity for the proposed legislation is explained in an accompanying declaration in which it is stated that the regular American tariff schedules which will be applicable of 1832, will be so high as to have a would be naturally applicable to Am- the building. lionaires. Her name came into prome erican goods in the absence of the

IS L. M. SANDLIN INSANE?

Final Appeal for New Hanover Mur derer-Has Been Examined (Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 22.-L. Clayton Grant, Esq., of Wilmington, and E. M. Koonce and J. E. Sandlin, of Onslow county, the latter a brother of L. M. Sandlin, conferred with Goverdence as to insanity in the Sandlin have not been opened. of the New Hanover man spared by granted a reprieve until December 29th in order that new evidence might be presented. He was convicted and sentenced to die for the murder of his wife in Wilmington.

This afternoon the State hospital physicians examined Sandlin as to his sanity and they will make a report to the Governor. It is contended that he is not of sound mind, that he has on former occasions shown symptoms of Durham, N. C., Dec. 22.-Losses insanity and that he was not respon-

SCORES SUPREME COURT

raignment of Judiciary Recall Oklahoma City, Dec. 22.-Declar ing the Supreme Court of the United States "has become a bulwark of priv ileges," United States Senator Robert L. Owen at today's session of the State Bar Association replied to the arraignment of the judiciary recall by have concluded their opening state. Judge B. C. Stuart. Senator Owen ments and the hearing of witnesses said he did not impugne the motives will commence after the holidays. The or honesty of the United States Sugovernment's withesses number 300. preme Court judges but that "all were -The opinion has been given that influenced by their previous training "Every man, who has gone on that

bench since the trans-Mississippi rate Two witnesses have been placed un-case had been in favor of writing into der bonds for their appearance at the the laws the word 'unreasonable' that has enveloped the entire eastern 2,610,000 as against 2,592,000 last year; velt asked me to write the letter and trial of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, which Congress refused to put there.

Cincinnati, Dec. 22 .-- August Herrthose homeward bound for the holf quires only the Governor's signature attended by all the government offi- New York markets: Money on call York, Pittsburg, Brooklyn, saltimore, Mays. No accidents have been report- to become a law. It provides for the cials, the foreign consuls, officers of steady, 3 1-4 to 4 per cent.; ruling Washington, Reading and Richmond.

Fire Works, Fire Works. A carload, arrive; 97 fob afloat. Corn, easy; ex- they must be sold, our prices are right. presents on sale at Gaylord's, at We need the money—if you need We need the money—if you need port, new 69 fob afloat. Rosin firm. Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also We need the money—if you need call at Annex, 131 Market. de 18-6t the goods, see Platt & Haar today.

STOCK SWINDLERS SENTENCED PERSIA YIELDS TO Four Will Serve Term of One Year in Prison --- Netted Millions of

Profit, Occuping Expensive sive Offices New York, Dec. 22.-As punish ment for carrying on a stock swindle by mail, alleged to -ave extended ov-

netted millions in profit, four promoters of the firm of Burr Brothers, Inc., were each sentenced today to a year's imprisonment on Blackwell's Island. The prisoners are Shelton C. Burr, president of the corporation; his prother, Eugene H., who was secretary-treasurer; Chartes H. Tobey vice president, and Edwin Wesley Preston. Unexpectedly they offered pleas of guilty before Judge molt in the criminal branch of the United

States Circuit Court late today. The indictment upon which hey were called to face trial specifically enarged a swindle involving \$68,000, in conection with the sale of the stock of the Peoples' Association Oil Company. proposal to provide for tariff war but the government alleged that this was but one of the containing series of frauds estimated to have involved ernment, be dismissed from the sernearly \$50,000,000 with \$15,000, profit to the promoters.

Counsel for the defendants declared that rather than involve the expense of summoning witnesses from distant points, it was decided to plead ed in sending an armed expedition inguilty to the specific indictment. The to Persia to enforce her demand. maximum sentence possible on this charge is 18 months, and counsel for the defendants urged clemency.

Wise opposed the plea for clemency. to the island tonight.

men, were prospering, occupying ex- This has finally been acceded to. pensive offices in a Broadway skyscraper. On November 20th, 1910, Petersburg called at the Russian for-Federal agents raided their offices in eign office late today to announce officonnection with a general round-up of cially his government's decision to mail stock swindlers ordered by Post- abide by the terms of the ultimatum. master General Hitchcock. Their Up to a late hour tonight, however, no usiness had been mainly the sale of public announcement had stocks and bonds and oil and gold min-

TAFT COMPLETES PURCHASES. Christmas at the White House Begins

Today. Taft continued his Christmas shopnot grant to Russia the most favored ping tonight, visiting several downtown stores and making a few purchases. Washington was swept by a in declaring that he would have noth-Winter rain all afternoon and when ing to do with the negotiations and the President ventured out it was in would only recognize the right of the one of the White House automobiles. National Council to dispense with his With his purchases tonight the services, President practically completed his list which includes friends all over

Tomorrow the Christmas season at prohibitive character and that they more than 100 fat turkey gobblers greatly exceed the Russian normal will be distributed for the President to deal with the matter. It is not protariff and navigation taxes which to all married men employed around bable that there will be a withdrawal

stocking this year.

served at 7:30 and there will be no fect that several Russian soldiers guests. During the day the President were killed in the fighting there. probably will attend church and if it s fair, will take a long walk with sian Charge d'Affaires called officiatsome friend. Several gifts already ly at the foreign office this afternoon have reached the White House, but and announced that Persia had yield

UNCLE SAM'S UNIFORMS.

Laws in States Having Naval Posts

to Prevent Discrimination. Washington, Dec. 22.—In an attempt to have States which have not as yet placed such laws on their statute books and which have naval establishments within their borders enact legislation to prevent discrimination against the uniforms of the men of Uncle Sam's service, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Beekman Winthrop has addressed letters to the governors of Massachusetts, Maine, California, Illinois, Virginia, Colorado, Washington, South Carolina and Maryland.

The States of New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Minnesota already have such laws, and Mr. Winthrop has forwarded with his letters copies of the laws now in force in these States. He urges the governors to prevail upon their legislatures to enact the proper legislation which would insure respect for the iniform of the United States.

FAMILY TREES SPLIT COUPLE Daniel Boone's Descendant Gets Di vorce from Kin of Thos. Jefferson

St. Louis, Decl 22.-John T. Boone, Ir., a lineal descendant of Daniel Boone, obtained a divorce at Clayton today from Ethel Edwards Boone, great-grandniece of Thomas Jefferson. One of the Alegations Boone made on the witness stand was that his wife repeatedly told him that her family tree was superior to his. She considered Thomas Jefferson a more distinguished ancestor than the great Kentucky pioneer and Indian fighter, and that she repeatedly declared the Boones "looked like washerwomen when compared with the Jeffersons." They were married in 1892. An alimony settlement was made out of night, but it is reported that its memcourt. Though Mrs. Boone had an bers were unable to agree on the nounced she would contest the suit, wording of the cabinet's draft of a reshe did not appear.

accidents have been report to become a large crowd of citi- rate 4; closing bid 3 1-4; offered at 4. "All those leagues wind up at the tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains ment is sincerely desirous for an early the army and a large crowd of citi- rate 4; closing bid 3 1-4; offered at 4. "All those leagues wind up at the tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains ment is sincerely desirous for an early control of the clasp. The control of the clasp is the class of t are some of my leaders. J. T. Burke, withdrawal of its troops in Persia, it the Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street. will be unable to pledge an evacuade 3-tf.

RUSSIA'S DEMAND

The Persian Charge D'Affaires Officially Made Announcement.

DISMISS TREASURER GENERAL

Russian Authorities Instructed to Cease Hostilities-Persia Will Pay Indemnity for Expenses Incurred

London, Dec. 22.-Persia today rielded to the demand of the Russian ultimatum that W. Morgan Shuster, an American who holds the post of treasurer general in the Persian govvice of the Persian government. The Russian ultimatum also calls for the payment of an indemnity which is to reimburse Russia for money expend-

Mr. Shuster's administration of Persian finances has been displeasing to Russia from the start and when he United States District Attorney caused the seizure of property belonging to the brother of the ex-Shah, over Judge Holt pronounced sentence as the protest of the Russian vice consul, a year each and the men were taken Russia at first demanded an apology and as this was not forthcoming, call-A little over a year ago the four ed for the dismissal of Mr. Shuster.

The Persian charge d'affaires at St at Teheran of the recession of Persia from the defiant attitude she originally took against the demands of the Czar's ministers even in the face of threatened aggressive measures. The delay in making public the fact that she had yielded to the Russian de-Dec. 22.-President mands probably was through fear of consequences of public resentment.

Mr. Shuster is still without formal notice of his dismissal. He is resolute

The exact form of Persia's reply to Russia is not yet known, but from the would seem that the cabinet has overthe White House really begins for ridden the wishes of the commission which the National Council appointed of the Russian troops in Persia while The President and his family plan disorder such as those at Tabriz are to observe this Christmas just as they occurring. There are only 200 Rushave the other two they have spent sian troops encamped three miles outhere. Miss Helen and Charlie Taft side of Tabriz from which guards are are already at home and Robert, the sent to town daily for the consulate oldest son, will arrive tomorrow. Char- and banks. From conflicting Russian lie is too old now for a Christmas tree and Persian accounts of the trouble and probably will not hang up his at Tabriz, it is difficult to ascertain exactly what happened, but reports pub-The White House dinner will be lished in St. Petersburg are to the ef-

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22 .- The Pered to Russia's demand. He had an audience with M. Sazonoff, the foreign secretary, and in the name of the Persian government, formally declared that Persia would concede all the points mentioned in the Russian untimatum.

A telegram received here from Tcheran says that W. Morgan Shuster. the treasurer general of Persia, has been notified of his dismissal and that the Persian government has instructed the local authorities to cease histiiities and enter into negotiations with the Russian consuls to restore normal conditions. Russia Will Get Indemnity

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.-The Rus sian ultimatum to the terms of which Persia has now acceded was delivered to the Persian government by the Russian minister at Teheran on November 29th. It demanded besides the dismissal of Mr. Shuster, an apology from the Persian government on account of its interference with the property of Persians under Russian protection, and also the payment of an indemnity to Russia for the expenditure she had incurred in sending troops on to Persian territory. The National Council declined at first to comply with Russia's demands atthough the cabinet was inclined to do so. Yesterday Russia threatened to order the advance of 4,000 troops of all arms from Kasbin, unless Persia ceded within twenty-four hours. A further discussion of the question at issue between the members of the Persian cabinet and the National Council evidently led the latter to see the advisability of yielding to Russia's demands. National Council Meets.

Teheran, Dec. 22.—The commission appointed by the National Council to sian ultimatum held a long session toply to Russia.

It is stated in Russian official cir-Solid gold cuff links, scarf pins and cles that while the Russian governtion immediately unless Persia complies with the terms of the ultimatum. Speculation is rife whether the cabi-** net will act without sanction. On its