

ANDERSON CLAIMS TAMMANY 'WETS' CONTROL SOLONS

Anti-Saloon Leader in New York Bitter in Attack On Assembly.

New York, April 17.—William H. Anderson, of the Anti-Saloon league, charges that the republican majority in the general assembly is under the control of the liquor interests, and that the wet bosses have resorted to practices that abrogate certain fundamental rights of the citizenship. He has issued the following defiant statement: The present assembly in which the republicans outnumber the democrats more than three to one, has allowed a Tammany beer advocate to become its de facto leader on prohibition. Without disavowal it has allowed a Tammany former saloonkeeper to deny free speech at a public hearing to a representative of a majority of the churches of the state. It has refused to investigate serious charges preferred by the militant womanhood of the state organized to discharge their duty as citizens. It has had greasy, sticky hysterics over the lacerated feelings of a soldier member who sought to capitalize his record in behalf of beer, while at the same time it was seemingly incapable of comprehending that this man's magic beer advertisements constitute a public scandal. It has proposed to investigate the dry agency of the churches to discredit it and block prohibition, while at the same time it either has no curiosity about the activity of the wet or else knows too well. It has turned five socialist members on the alleged ground that they were against the government and then threatened to throw the prohibition representative of the churches into jail because he insists that the assembly itself shall not defy that same government and nullify the constitution which is its cornerstone. Some Fine Men That is what we have at Albany. There are many fine men in the assembly who are not in sympathy with all of this, but the de facto working arrangement between Tammany and the wet and straddling republicans, and those controlled by the wet republican bosses has been in such good standing order that the friends of prohibition in its membership have been powerless to prevent a stampede of the assembly whenever the Tammany assistant leader gave the signal. This is the concern that has talked about

cur being in contempt of it. Why, unless it settles down there will not be anybody anywhere who will have anything but contempt for its actions. I will go to jail before I will apologize for telling the truth about the bipartisan bunch of wet nullifications which so far have been in control of the assembly on the liquor question. If the assembly wants to "protect its dignity as a deliberative body" let it in fact be a deliberative body and exhibit some dignity. Beyond formal general denial, for the sake of the record, that criticism of the public acts of public servants and defensive tactics against two former soldier members, who started something they could not finish, justifies "unishment." I shall make no effort of any sort to prevent being thrown into jail by the assembly. I shall interpose no technicalities. In view of the fact that the assembly has shown on this question no disposition to weigh evidence or heed facts, if a brief is filed in my behalf it will be filed after the assembly has gone its limit, with a court which may be expected to give judicial and dispassionate consideration to the merits of the case free from wet politics. Will Not Back Down I shall not do a single thing to make it easy for the assembly or help it save its face. I will not back down and I will not be silenced. I shall do nothing to shield from responsibility any individual member of the assembly, or the speaker who is the master of the assembly as shown by the socialists proceeding, unless he has bargained away his control of it on the liquor question in consideration of votes to carry through his socialist ouster program. If he in its attempts to come back can force the assembly of the state of New York, sworn to uphold the constitution of the United States, to defy the laws of the United States in an effort to nullify that constitution, it is time to know it. If, as a sample of its intended ruthlessness if it ever again gets into the saddle, beer can compel the assembly of the empire state to throw open the jails for "political prisoners" as something new in American life, for the offense of insisting that the federal enforcement act is the supreme law of the land until repealed or modified by congress, or invalidated by the courts, and that nullification of federal law by state lawmakers is still nullification, then the sooner the people find out the truth the better, and I am willing to be the first victim in order to waken them. From jail I will be able to get printed the essential facts which have been largely suppressed by many of the newspapers. It is now up to the assembly either to: (1) Put me in jail; or (2) Frankly admit that there is no ground for so doing and disavow the denial of free speech; or (3) Stand self-condemned before the public or having lent itself to a discreditable effort to silence and

HOW STRIKE OF YARD EMPLOYEES HAS TIED UP TRANSPORTATION



The insurgent strike of railroad yardmen and switchmen in the important railroad centers of the country has paralyzed to a great

intimidate the representative of one side of a question of vital importance to the entire public which is before it. I am sending a copy of this to every member. And the assembly ought to be able to understand that the public will realize that any action condemning the anti-saloon league without investigation will be dishonest as well as cowardly. PENNSYLVANIA FARMER TELLS THE REASON WHY Turning Farm Into Cemetery, Which He Hopes To Fill. Washington, April 17.—In returning his agricultural statistics schedule to the census bureau, a Pennsylvania farmer eliminated facts about crops altogether. An enquiry by the bureau brought out this explanation: "The population near and about my farm has a tendency to relieve the owner from the labor of gathering his own crops. This altruistic impulse is so predominant that I have refrained from planting anything for the past twenty years. And just now turning about 40 acres into a cemetery and hope to fill it soon."

do they outnumber in individuals all other terrestrial animals, but their colonies even in very circumscribed localities often defy enumeration. Carnivorous Ants. "One subfamily of the ants, the Dorylinae, embracing the wonderful driver ants of Africa and the legionary ants of the American tropics, are highly carnivorous, but nevertheless succeed in forming immense colonies, often of hundreds of thousands of individuals. This they accomplish by relinquishing the sedentary habits so characteristic of the great majority of ants. They keep moving in long files through the jungles, capturing or killing all the insects they encounter, and even overrunning dwellings, and in their search for cockroaches and other vermin, driving out the human inhabitants. From time to time these strange ants bivouac for the night or for a few days in some hole in the ground, or under a tree, but soon continue their predatory march. Evidently they are able to remain carnivorous, and at the same time to develop large colonies, only because they are nomadic and can thus draw their food supply from a large area. "One of the earliest departures from an exclusively animal diet is seen among the ants which attend plant-life, scale insects, and is, of course, merely plant sap slightly altered in its chemical constitution by passing through the digestive tract of the in-

sects, and containing much water, some sugar, and a little nitrogenous material. Collect and Store. "Many ants are so inordinately fond of this food that they not only acquire an intimate acquaintance with the habits of the adult plant-lice and scale insects, but actually collect and store their eggs in the nests during winter in order that they may during the ensuing spring distribute the hatching young over the roots or foliage of the plants. "Certain individuals, the 'repletes,' of the colony refrain from leaving the nest and foraging for food and become converted into flagons by distending the crop to such enormous dimensions that the abdomen looks like a transparent bead. In this condition they hang by their claws from the roof of the nest chamber and thenceforth spend all their lives receiving liquid food from the tongues of the foraging ants, storing it in their crops, and regurgitating it to hungry individuals when the liquid food supply outside the nest becomes inadequate. This is, of course, apt to be the case periodically in dry regions, so that we find the true honey-ants only in deserts like those of the southwestern states, Northern Mexico, South Africa, and Central Australia."

AMERICAN RYE WHISKEY STARTLES CANADIANS Whiskies Are Known To Dealers As "Snake Bite." Greenock, Scotland, April 17.—American rye whiskey now being imported into this country is said to be of the "snake" variety by the chief constable here, who has filed a report on the subject. The effect of pre-war whiskey, he says, even when it had not been bonded for three years before being sold at retail, were nothing in character to those of some of the present day whiskies, which only recently made their appearance here. "Whatever their composition is," the officer declares, "their effects are terrible, and leave persons nervous and depressed after intoxicating effects have passed away. "These whiskies are known to dealers as 'snake bite.'"

GOING ONE BETTER When Tilly's little brother read what her fiance had written in her birthday book he surreptitiously added a little on his own, and this was how it read: "Oh what so rare as a day in June!" "A Chinaman wid wiskers!" Many are already old before they are through their teens; but to travel deliberately, through one's age is to get the heart out of a liberal education. —R. L. Stevenson.

TOO MUCH BETTING ON BASEBALL GAMES FOR GOOD OF SPORT

Every Effort Will Be Made To Curb Tendency This Season.

Chicago, April 17.—Gambling on baseball games will be curtailed this season, according to officials of the Chicago National league baseball club, who have started a movement against the practice. It is claimed that numerous bets are made on the strength of who the opposing pitchers are to be. This year Manager Fred Mitchell declared he will not announce his pitcher until the time his batting order is handed to the umpire, just before the game. Manager Mitchell, whose home is in Boston, declared he knows of numerous instances in which the wagers were placed after the pitchers had been selected. He said he also knows of a certain hotel waiter who was paid \$5 a day by a gambler for obtaining from the visiting manager the name of the pitcher who was to perform for the visiting club that day. "Most of the betting is done in the pool rooms downtown," said Mr. Mitchell, "and I believe if the proprietors of these places do not know who is going to pitch they will not be so keen to accept wagers. By withholding the name of the pitcher, I believe much of the gambling will stop. "If we desire to keep the sport pure, gambling must be eradicated. The Chicago club is to do all it possibly can to stop it. President William Veeck always has taken steps to keep it out of the ball park in Chicago, and I am going to attempt to keep the men in the pool rooms from betting by giving out the pitcher at the last moment. "Gambling is not to creep into the game and ruin it for the future fans and players if I can help it," Mitchell continued, "and if there is the least suspicion of it on my team an investigation will be made and the man or men who are apprehended will not stay a minute." THE NEW TERROR Father: Aren't you going to wear the nice red tie your aunt gave you for Christmas? Bobby: No! Father: Whatever will she think of you? Bobby: Well, if you must know, I'm not going to have all the boys calling me 'Bolsky' for the sake of any woman.

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