

TWO NEW CABINET FACES

PRESIDENT SPRINGS A SURPRISE

Cartelton to succeed Shaw and Bonaparte to fill Moody's shoes. Secretary Metcalf will take the Naval Portfolio, George Von L. Meyer, Ambassador to Russia, will be Postmaster General and Oscar S. Straus, Former Minister to Turkey, will succeed Metcalf. First Heber will enter the cabinet, and proposed appointment creates much surprise.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The following statement regarding prospective changes in President Roosevelt's cabinet was made public to-night: "On the retirement of Secretary Shaw and Attorney General Moody from the cabinet the following changes will be made: "Secretary of the Treasury—Hon. George B. Cortelyou.

Postmaster General—Hon. George Von L. Meyer. "Attorney General—Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte. "Secretary of the Navy—Hon. Victor H. Metcalf.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor—Hon. Oscar S. Straus. "MOODY GOES OUT SOON. The general understanding for some time has been that Attorney General Moody will retire on the 1st of the coming January and that Secretary Shaw will follow him on the 4th of March.

On the first of the year, therefore, Mr. Bonaparte, who is now Secretary of the Navy, will succeed Mr. Moody as Attorney General and he will in turn be succeeded by Mr. Metcalf, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, the latter's place being filled by Mr. Straus. Mr. Cortelyou, Secretary General, will take the office of Postmaster General on the 1st of March, while Mr. Meyer is to become Postmaster General.

Mr. Meyer, who will become Postmaster General, is Ambassador to Russia, to which place he was appointed on March 4, 1905, having been promoted to that office following his service as the ambassador to Italy from 1900 to 1905. He is a native of Massachusetts and has been well known as a business man.

STRAUS APPOINTMENT A SURPRISE. The appointment of Mr. Straus caused considerable surprise as it will be the first case where a citizen of the Hebrew faith has been made a member of the President's cabinet. He was born December 31, 1859, and is well known as a merchant diplomat.

NEW FRENCH CABINET. Its Composition Indicates That M. Clemenceau is Absolute Master of the Situation.—The Full Portfolio. Paris, Oct. 23.—The new French cabinet has been completed as follows: Premier and Minister of the Interior, M. Clemenceau; Minister of Justice, M. Guyot-Dessaigne; Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Pichon; Minister of Finance, M. Caillaux; Minister of War, General Piquart; Minister of Marine, M. Thomson; Minister of Public Works, M. Barthou; Minister of Commerce, M. Lumerus; Minister of Agriculture, M. Rous; Minister of Labor, M. Viviani.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION. In Accordance With Time-Honored Custom the President Sets Apart Thursday, November 29th as a Day of Thanksgiving and Supplication to God. Washington, Oct. 23.—The President to-day issued a proclamation naming Thursday, November 29th, as a day of thanksgiving.

"The time of year has come when, in accordance with the wise custom of our forefathers, it becomes my duty to set aside a special day of thanksgiving and praise to the Almighty because of the blessings we have received, and to pray that those blessings may be continued. Yet another year of widespread well-being has past. Never before in our history or in the history of any other nation has a people enjoyed more abundant prosperity than we do to-day. It is our duty to give thanks for these blessings, and to pray that they may be continued. Yet another year of widespread well-being has past. Never before in our history or in the history of any other nation has a people enjoyed more abundant prosperity than we do to-day. It is our duty to give thanks for these blessings, and to pray that they may be continued.

JAP MIDSHIPMAN RESIGNS. At Request of Japanese Embassy Midshipman Asahi Kitigaki Resigns. Annapolis, Md., Oct. 23.—At the request of the Japanese Embassy at Washington, Midshipman Asahi Kitigaki, of the third class of the Naval Academy, submitted his resignation, which was accepted.

C. & O. Railroad to Complete Potts Creek Branch. Richmond, Va., Oct. 23.—President Stevens of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, presided over the annual meeting of stockholders held here to-day. The old board of directors was re-elected. The board was authorized to complete the construction of the Potts Creek branch, a distance of 25 miles, for which one million dollars four per cent. first mortgage gold bonds will be issued.

Former Mayor Carter Harrison Hurt. Montreal, Oct. 23.—Former Mayor Carter H. Harrison, of Chicago, was taken this morning from Ridgway, Ont. via Toronto, to Chicago, suffering from a badly strained back and possibly internal injuries. With a party of friends, consisting of J. W. Winter, J. Demille, Deussen, E. B. Tolson, and W. T. Hearst, all of Chicago, he was taken to the hospital at Chicago when he was injured during a portage.

WELCOMED BY BISHOP HORNER

Third Department of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of Protestant Episcopal Church Confers in Second Annual Conference at Asheville—First General Meeting To-Day—Attendance Large. Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Oct. 23.—The second annual conference of the Third Department of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church was opened here this evening with a missionary service, held in Trinity church. Many bishops and clergy of the Third Department were in attendance. The chief speaker of the conference to-night was Bishop G. W. Peck, and many lay delegates and conference visitors are expected to-night and to-morrow. Trinity church was packed to-night and a number of people were forced to stand during the address.

Bishop Junius Moore Horner welcomed the conference on behalf of the city and the congregation of the Episcopalians. He referred to the great missionary work going on in the district and viewed the future of the church with optimism.

"THE CLANSMAN" SUPPRESSED. Mayor Weaver Issues an Order Prohibiting Further Productions of the Play—Management to Apply for an Injunction. Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—Mayor Weaver to-day issued an order suppressing the further production of the drama "The Clansman," which began last night with what was to have been a week's engagement at the Walnut street theater.

Another enactment of the proposed new law prohibits the solicitation of a divorce case by advertisement, circular or otherwise and prescribes for such an offense a fine of not more than \$1,000 and imprisonment of not more than one year.

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UNIFORM DIVORCE LAWS

A NEW MEASURE IS PROPOSED

Statute Framed by Eminent Lawyers and Statesmen Who Have Made a Study of the Divorce Evil, is Submitted to the Secretary of the National Divorce Congress—An Effort Made to Secure Uniformity in Divorce Laws Throughout the United States—Provisions of the Three Chapters of the Proposed Measure—Congress Meets Nov. 13th. Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—Judge Staake, of this city, secretary of the divorce congress, has received from its committee on divorce laws and forwarded to the various delegates a proposed measure for bringing about uniformity in the present divorce laws of the United States.

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MURPHY'S CHARGES FALL

"MERELY GOSSIP," SAYS JURY

Refuses to Dignify the Proceedings by Making a Presentment as a Result of Its Inquiry—Nothing Wrong in the Offer of Congressman Goulden to Pay Expenses of Petition in His Behalf—Tammany Hall to Support Entire Ticket, State and Local, at Murphy's Rehearsal, Success Enthusiasm Develops. New York, Oct. 23.—At the conclusion of an investigation by the grand jury of charges made by Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany leader, that Tammany Hall candidates had been held up for cash considerations by the managers of the Independence League, it was announced to-day that the charges had fallen through completely.

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MUST BUILD UNION DEPOT

DECISION AGAINST RAILROADS

Supreme Court Holds That the Corporation Commission Has Power to Require Railroads to Maintain a Union Depot at Goldsboro—Other Opinions Handled Down—Francis Starr, Attorney for the Railroads, Said to Have Been Seen Near Raleigh—Mad Dog's Six Victims Treated and the Canine Killed—Charters Granted—News of State Capital. Observer Bureau. The Holloman Building. Raleigh, Oct. 23. In the case of Dewey and others, of Goldsboro, against the Atlantic Coast Line and Southern Railway for the purpose of dissolving the order of the corporation commission to those roads to maintain a union passenger depot at the head of Walnut street, the court says the statute gives the commission power to require such depots to be built and maintained by the railroads, gives the railroads express power to condemn lands for such uses, and gives also the incidental right to railroads to make necessary changes in their route at such points. The court said that the plaintiffs fall in their action.

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WOMEN MOB PARLIAMENT

POLICE CALLED TO EJECT THEM

Unusual Scene Attends the Opening of the British House of Commons—Women Suffragists Force an Entrance to Hall and Harangue Members in Support of Their Movement—Hysterical Shouting and Screaming Drawn Crowds and a Transient Scene in Witness of Police Make Several Arrests and Convey Their Prisoners to Nearest Police Station. London, Oct. 23.—Unusual excitement in connection with the reopening of Parliament to-day was caused by the presence of about 100 women suffragists, many of whom, despite the protests of the police, managed to find their way into the outer lobby of the House of Commons with the intention of button-holing the members in support of their movement. A number of the suffragists mounted vacant chairs in the lobby and began to harangue the present in that part of the House. The police, after being reinforced, made a strategic retreat and the suffragists, taking the women singly, and gradually ejected them, one by one. The most militant of the women struggled so desperately that two officers were required to remove them.

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STATE COLORED FAIR

PROBING BY INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION AT KANSAS REVEALS NUMEROUS VIOLATIONS OF THE LAWS—CHICAGO ELEVATOR AGENT TESTIFIES AS TO SPECIAL RATES GRANTED BY RAILROADS.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 23.—Evidence of favoritism in the management of the Kansas City elevators of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway in reduced grain rates, the existence of a rule in the Kansas City board of trade threatening its members with suspension for dealing with "irregular" grainmen, a combination of members of that organization to fix prices, and threats by grain dealers' association to boycott boards of trade members who might buy from farmers and others against whom the associations had issued orders were some of the points brought out here to-day at a hearing of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

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MISS SETTLE LOSES SUIT.

New York Supreme Court Renders Verdict Against Young Actress Who Brought Suit Against Company Presenting "The Clansman" for \$12,000 for Dismissal—Incompetence Shown by Defendant.

New York, Oct. 23.—Miss Marion Draughn's suit against the Southern Amusement Company for the recovery of \$12,000 because she was dismissed from the theatrical company presenting "The Clansman," came to a sudden end in the Supreme Court to-day when Justice Bishoff directed the jury to return a verdict in favor of the amusement company. The court holding that the testimony given by the company to show that Miss Draughn was incompetent to play a star role had not been contradicted.

CARRIAGE BUILDERS MEET.

Four Thousand Delegates from United States and Canada Attend Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention at Atlanta—D. T. Wilson, of New York City, President.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 23.—The thirty-fourth annual convention of the Carriage Builders' Association and subordinate organizations, held at the grand gathering of the association ever held in the South began here to-day with an attendance from all parts of the United States and Canada, estimated at 4,000 delegates.

NATIONAL BANK CIRCULATION.

Applications For Increase in Bank Circulation to Be Acted Upon.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Acting Secretary Keep of the Treasury Department announced that the applications for increase in the national bank circulation under Secretary Shaw's offer of a 25 per cent. increase will be acted upon in the order in which they are received at the Treasury.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS RESUMED.

Government and Rebel Forces in Domingo Agree—Immediate Disarmament Promised.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The advances received at the State Department to-day are to the effect that negotiations for peace between the government and the rebel forces in the neighborhood of Monte Cristi, Santo Domingo, which were recently broken off, have been resumed with every prospect of success and that the immediate disarmament of the rebels is promised.

ROBBERS BLOW SAFE AND ARE PURSUED BY CHASERS.

Guthrie, Okla., Oct. 23.—Robbers blew open the safe of the State Bank at Guthrie, Okla., 11 million worth of this city's money. They secured \$500,000 and escaped after exchanging one hundred shots with a number of citizens drawn to the scene by the explosion. The robbers are believed to have fled in a general direction toward the Oklahoma Territory.

550,000 FIRE IN SAVANNAH.

Savannah, Ga., Oct. 23.—Fire which started at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon in the barber shop of J. H. Burton, colored, on West Broad street, caused a loss of \$50,000, divided among a dozen small storekeepers of the vicinity. The Union station was in imminent danger for a time.

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