

# ATTACK BEGUN ON GEN. DIAZ

Long Impending Engagement Between Rebel and Federal Forces Opens at Vera Cruz.

CAPITAL IS READY TO FLOP, IS REPORT

Officers of Federal Army Awaiting Developments Before Taking Active Part for Either Side.

Vera Cruz, Oct. 23.—Gen. Felix Diaz and his staff were captured today and all the rebels disarmed. Casualties were insignificant.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The battle between the rebel forces of General Felix Diaz and the Mexican government forces under General Beltrán, impending for several days, began this morning at 6 o'clock. This information was cabled to the state department by Commander Hughes of the cruiser Des Moines, but no details were included.

Washington, Oct. 23.—If Gen. Felix Diaz has the strength and the genius to follow up on the advantage he has already gained from the blow struck at Vera Cruz all Mexico is his. This is the conclusion reached here after the receiving of official dispatches from all points within the present zone of the insurrection being led by the nephew of the exiled former president.

Despatches to the state department from Mexico City indicate that the capital is ready to flop to the new leader the very moment he shows signs of increased strength. The city only awaits a second move on the part of Diaz as dramatic and forceful as his capture of the city of Vera Cruz without a blow or a shot.

It is even reported that the officers of the federal army in Mexico City are praying that they may not be sent into the field against Gen. Diaz, as they want an opportunity to watch the situation passively in order that they may be in a position to join the Diaz cause as soon as it shows signs of winning.

Reports from other points in Mexico indicate that it rests only with Diaz himself as to when he shall receive the avowed support of individuals, the military, cities and states.

## BEVERLY SADDENED.

Massachusetts Town's Foremost Resident Leaves and Citizens Fear He Won't Come Back.

Beverly, Oct. 23.—Beverly's glory as a summer capital grew dim today when President Taft packed his golf sticks and climbed aboard an automobile with Mrs. Taft, Miss Helen and Secretary Philander Knox and started a tour of Maine before returning to Washington. The president's leave on Narragansett expires this year and Beverlyites don't look for Taft's return. He has acquired a ruddy, healthy tan, bright eye and springy steps.

## FAILS TO SHOW UP.

Senator Albert Beveridge Hasn't Replied to Request of the Clapp Investigating Committee.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Financial features of the campaign of former Senator Albert Beveridge of Indiana in 1904 are scheduled for investigation late today before the Clapp committee. Beveridge was asked to appear before the committee, but his requests are as yet unanswered.

## Still Hazing at Annapolis.

Annapolis, Md., Oct. 23.—A hint was given to the authorities of the naval academy that there is still considerable hazing at the institution when two members of the fourth class, mistaking an inspecting officer for an upper classman, promptly turned their faces to the wall when he entered the room while on a tour of duty.

It developed that plebes had been instructed to turn to the wall immediately when an upper classman entered the room, so that they would not be able to identify him. They were then required to do various stunts.

An investigation is on and it is understood that the existence of considerable hazing has been discovered, but nothing of a brutal nature.

## Kitchen at Carthage.

Carthage, Oct. 23.—Governor Kitchin addressed an audience ranging in size from 49 to 49 yesterday. His coming here was extensively advertised throughout the county. His audience was largely made up of Simmons supporters, and his speech of two hours was an attack upon the democracy of Senator Simmons.

## Crown Prince Mysteriously Injured.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 23.—The Russian crown prince, has been injured in an accident yesterday, causing the greatest anxiety at the imperial court and among the general public. The accident occurred while the crown prince was on a tour of duty.

# SUMMING UP DAY IN BECKER CASE

Policeman's Accusers Are Attacked as Reeking With Filth and Infamy.

New York, Oct. 23.—A day of summing up and adjournment until tomorrow, when Justice Goff charges the jury is the program for the close of the trial of Becker indicted for the murder of the gambler Rosenthal. The trial opened October 7. Attorney McIntyre began his argument this morning.

"I am defending an American, not a murderer," said McIntyre, beginning his argument. "His accusers are a vile, lawless, degenerate set. Reeking with filth and infamy they have tarnished the name of this great city, more philanthropic and generous than any other in the world. We balance one man with his opposite—Becker of good character against Rose, self-confessed assassin."

McIntyre began to review the evidence, starting with the testimony of the state's eye-witnesses.

## JOHNSON CASE BEFORE FEDERAL GRAND JURY

Girl Has Agreed to Leave Pupil and Return Home.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—The federal grand jury inquiry into the case of Jack Johnson and Lucille Cameron was resumed this morning after a delay occasioned by the death of the mother of Assistant Federal Attorney Parkin. Joseph Levy, white, secretary of the pugilist, was the first witness. He is believed to have information of importance to the investigation. The girl was again a witness for the purpose of completing the story interrupted by her collapse yesterday in the jury room. It is said she and her mother are reconciled and that the girl is willing to aid the investigation.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—The federal grand jury yesterday began its investigation into the Jack Johnson-Lucille Cameron affair, aiming to learn whether the negro pugilist has violated the Mann act by causing the Cameron girl and other young women to be brought to Chicago for immoral purposes.

The first witness to be questioned was Mrs. Cameron-Falconet, of Minneapolis, the girl's mother, who has been fighting to induce her daughter to quit Johnson.

Lucille Cameron, who has been held in the Rockford, Illinois, jail in default of \$25,000 bond, and her mother, appeared early at the federal building and again the mother pleaded with the girl to give up the negro pugilist and also to tell the jury all she could about her relations with him.

At the close of the hearing before the grand jury the Cameron girl became hysterical and had to be removed to the office of the United States deputy marshal.

Later it was said that she had finally yielded to the pleadings of her mother, Mrs. Cameron-Falconet, of Minneapolis, and consented to return to her home, renouncing the pugilist.

## 'WARE BURGLARS

This is the Season When They Are Especially Wont to Begin Prowling.

This is the open season for burglars. Those persons who like the grass to grow under their feet, the grasshopper to hop and the locust to leap, are beginning to find summer clothing extremely light, and establish hard to rustle. People might do well to see that their windows are closed and fastened.

Last night some excitement was caused at a residence on South French Broad avenue, when a man showed his face at one of the windows. The lady of the house saw him and called to her husband. The man at the window was evidently only scouting around as he disappeared and nothing more was seen of him. Some of the neighbors were aroused, however, and search instituted.

## Fifty Smiths in Harvard.

Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 23.—The Smiths predominate at Harvard just as they do in many other communities. Out of approximately 5,500 students listed in the college catalogue fifty bear the name of Smith. The Browns are a poor second with twenty-four representatives, but are tied with the members of the Davis family. The Joneses are way down in the official standing, being seventh.

## Ship Runs Aground.

Mobile, Oct. 23.—The Mallory liner Comal, which departed for New York yesterday with a cargo and passengers, was hard aground this morning near the entrance of Mobile bay. Two went to her assistance. After several hours work the tug succeeded in floating the Comal and she proceeded.

# VARIOUS PLANS OF CAMPAIGN

Widely Different Methods Used by Directors of the Three Big National Con-tests.

TAFT MEN ARE USING ADVERTISING SPACE

Progressives Distribute Literature and the Democrats Rely More Largely on Speakers.

New York, Oct. 23.—The directors of the three big political committees hold widely different views as to the best method of running a presidential campaign according to information secured at headquarters here showing where hundreds of thousands of dollars have gone this year. Magazines, newspapers, billboards, poster and street cars were used to thrust upon the voter the achievements and promises of Taft and the most expensive features of the republican committee's campaign. The production and circulation of literature, arguments and news letters of an educational nature absorbed the greater part of the funds of the progressive committee. Half for publicity and a fifth for the traveling expenses of speakers and candidates and special organizers has been the plan of the democratic committee. Of the total democratic expenditure, \$450,000 will cover publicity. The democrats spent also about \$6000 in moving pictures, \$2000 for campaign buttons and about \$15,000 for Governor Wilson's trains.

## THAT JOINT SPEAKING HELD AT BRYSON CITY

Two Persons Whose Views Are Widely Divergent Send in Belated Accounts.

Correspondence of The Gazette-News. Bryson City, Oct. 21.—This was a great day in this town. The candidates for congress, Staton and Guderger, met here in joint debate. The court house was packed and many were turned away. The great crowd was anxious for the battle. At 1 o'clock Mr. Staton began his speech. He was embarrassed and very nervous, speaking with great hesitation. He laid himself wide open for attack, charged Guderger with being a pie hunter, said he refused to say whom he was going to support and closed his speech, and the audience evinced great disappointment.

Dr. DeHart introduced Guderger as the next congressman and for two minutes Guderger was cheered and it looked like every man in the house was cheering. Mr. Guderger discussed the tariff question, told the people what the great democratic party represented, the beneficial measures passed by the democratic house and defeated by the republican senate. He then turned on Mr. Staton, produced the record that he now held eight offices and three Statons were on the republican ticket in Henderson county, one for congress, one for the legislature and one for county committee.

"Talk about pie," Mr. Guderger said, "you take eight offices at one time."

"I regret to say, my republican friends, that this man refuses to defend your candidates, refuses to tell you where he stands. Why he is ashamed of Roosevelt and Taft, and yet he wants your support."

"He will not get it," a man in the crowd yelled out.

"That's right, my friend," Mr. Guderger quickly replied. "If Mr. Staton has not got the courage of his convictions he ought to be returned home to stay." The debate was so one-sided that many republicans were heard to say after the speaking was over that Staton ought to go back to Hendersonville and run for justice of the peace.

This was Guderger's day, he was at his best and absolutely wiped up Staton. Till he felt like a doughnut that Staton never faces Guderger again.

## A VOTER.

Says Republicans Were Well Pleased.

Correspondence of The Gazette-News. Bryson City, Oct. 21.—Congressman Guderger and Ellis Gardner, the democratic electors, had a joint speaking here today with R. H. Staton, republican candidate for congress, and Thomas S. Rollins. The Bryson City band furnished music for the occasion.

The court house was filled to its capacity. The republicans were well pleased with the speeches of Staton and Rollins, and Staton will get a big majority in Swain county.

# WOMAN'S MURDER RESULT OF PLOT

Girl Slain at Stratford, Conn., After Ride in an Automobile.

Bridgeport, Conn., Oct. 23.—Whether the murder of a young Italian woman in Stratford last night, after she had been taken there by five Italians in an automobile was the culmination of a plot was the subject of police inquiry today. Her body was found beside a road with five bullets in the head. Three of the men said to have been in the automobile have been captured. The body was identified as that of Rose Bunnis, also known as Bennett.

Joseph Mattes, Joe Bruno and Frank Pizzichenti, the men arrested, were closely questioned today in an effort to obtain light of the tragedy. Bruno, arrested at Stratford, was inquiring the way here. He had a revolver, with five empty chambers, in his pocket.

## KILLS HIS WIFE.

Former Hospital Inmate Claims Woman Attacked Him in Delirium After Fever.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 23.—"I've just killed my wife," said a voice over the telephone to police headquarters yesterday. "You'd better come get me in a hurry before I kill myself." At the address given the police found Mrs. Alice Currier dead on the kitchen floor. George, her husband, told the police his wife had attacked him in a delirium resulting from typhoid fever, with a knife and a pistol, and that he had shot her in self defense.

As the woman lay on the floor, the husband asserts, she said to him: "Well, George, you'd better finish me," so he shot her again. Currier formerly was an inmate of the Napa insane asylum.

## COLONEL REFRESHED.

Long Night's Sleep Largely Offsets Effects of His Trip From Chicago.

Oyster Bay, Oct. 23.—A long night's sleep largely offset Colonel Roosevelt's long trip from Chicago and its wearisome effects and he woke this morning greatly refreshed. He will sit up today but will not be allowed to see anyone until Thursday.

## Dying of Football Injury.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—Charles E. Hires, Jr., 21 years old, a senior at Haverford college, is in a serious condition at Bryn Mawr hospital as a result of injuries received during the football game between Lehigh university and Haverford at South Bethlehem.

In making a tackle Hires was struck in the abdomen. He told his fellow players that the wind had been knocked out of him but he did not think it amounted to anything. After the Haverford team returned Saturday night Hires's condition became critical and he was rushed to the hospital. An operation was performed at 3 o'clock in the morning. Hires resides with his parents at Haverford.

## Further Testimony for the Defense.

Indianapolis, Oct. 23.—In line with the contentions of the defense that only the McNamara and Ortle McManigal were responsible for the explosions, Miss Mary Dye, former bookkeeper for McNamara, secretary of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers union, today testified at "dynamite conspiracy" trial that Frank Ryan, the president, and other officials were at headquarters when jobs were being blown up.

Says Perkins and Others Sent Beveridge \$57,500.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Larz Whitcomb, law partner of Beveridge, testified before the Clapp committee this afternoon that George W. Perkins, Edward McLean and Clifford Pinchot sent drafts amounting to \$57,500 to Beveridge for the 1904 campaign. Perkins has testified that he sent only ten thousand and that Beveridge returned it.

## To Try Darrow in November.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 23.—The trial of Clarence S. Darrow, the Chicago lawyer, who defended the McNamara brothers, has been set for November 25. He will be tried on the indictment charging him with the bribery of Robert E. Bain, a juror in the McNamara trial.

## R. I. and S. Resumes Dividend.

New York, Oct. 23.—The Republic Iron and Steel company today declared a quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent on its preferred stock. Adverse trade conditions caused the company to suspend dividends some time ago.

## Bryan in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—William J. Bryan, campaigning in Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware today, spent two hours in Philadelphia. In an address here he urged voters to elect democratic congressmen to support Wilson in the event he is elected.

## Fire Still in Berkshire's Hold.

Beaufort, Oct. 23.—Fire in the hold of the steamer Berkshire was still smoldering today and the cutter semolina continues to pour water into the hold. The passengers continued their journey by rail.

# WHAT THE CITY OWNS AND OWES

Report of Auditor Clark Gives Detailed Statement of Business Affairs of Asheville.

BEING DISTRIBUTED IN PAMPHLET FORM

Total Liabilities of Municipality \$2,271,082, of Which \$1,018,000 Represents Outstanding Bonds.

The report of J. M. Clark, city auditor, as to the financial condition of Asheville at the end of the fiscal year, May 31, 1912, has been printed in pamphlet form and is being distributed.

The report shows the liabilities of the city to be \$2,271,082. This is made up of outstanding bonds to the amount of \$1,018,000, included in which is the floating debt of \$113,827—the money expended by the mayor and the board of aldermen, \$856,201, and a number of smaller items such as paving debts, sidewalks, curbing, etc.

The assets are the same as the liabilities, of course, and are made up of fixed properties, \$1,958,593; taxes receivable, \$83,397; cash, \$34,852; public improvement assessments \$131,595; one sinking fund of \$18,326, and another of \$21,796, with smaller items. In the fixed properties are remunerative and realizable, \$578,595; unremunerative but realizable, \$428,710; unremunerative and unrealizable, \$951,288.

There are current assets to the amount of \$289,765, made up of taxes receivable, \$83,397; accounts receivable, \$21,450; paving assessments, \$98,370; sidewalks, \$16,848; sewers, \$21,711; the two sinking funds, etc. The current liabilities are \$380,859, making a deficit of \$91,093.

The water system is valued at \$505,595; the market house at \$35,000; the auditorium at \$32,500. The parks are valued—counting Pick square at \$50,000—at \$66,000. The schools are valued at \$240,905. The sanitary department equipment is valued at \$12,492; the city hall at \$66,695; the market place at \$10,000.

The fire department equipment is given at \$20,379. The equipment in the various city offices is \$6695. The paving of all kinds amounting to 23.57 miles is valued at \$622,965 and cost \$828,229; the curbs, gutters, retaining walls at \$178,815; the sewers over 240,000 feet, at \$116,141, not including the value of the manholes.

The following are the outstanding bonds: Water—\$70,000, 30-years, six per cent, due January 1, 1916; \$200,000, 10-years, four per cent, due April 1, 1922. Sewer—\$100,000, 30-years, six per cent, due July 1, 1918; \$100,000, 30-years, five per cent, due July 1, 1941. Street improvement—\$30,000, 30-years, six per cent, due January 1, 1915; \$240,000, 30-years, five per cent, due July 1, 1941. School bonds—\$24,500, 30-years, five per cent, due July 1, 1921; \$10,000 of the same kind, due in 1932, and \$30,000 in 1937. Market house—\$15,000, 20-years, five per cent, due in 1931; \$20,000 of the same kind, due in 1941. Floating debt—\$90,000, 30-years, six per cent, due 1924. General refunding—30-years, four and one-half per cent, due in 1934. Auditorium—\$25,000, six per cent, to be refunded. Reservoir—\$26,000, six per cent, \$5000 yearly.

This summary is by no means complete and is intended to give only the most important items.

With reference to the sinking fund, for which the law requires that not less than one-thirtieth of one per cent of the total assessed value of taxable property shall be set aside, the auditor says:

"The assessed valuation in 1911 was in round numbers \$12,000,000, which at the minimum set forth would give \$4000. This minimum amount is totally inadequate as the following will show:

"To provide a sinking fund beginning now to retire all bonds at maturity would require an annual appropriation of \$78,811.64, but by refunding \$100,000 due in four years, \$100,000 due in six years, and bonding the present floating debt of nearly \$100,000 for 20 years, and begin by retiring \$24,500 due in nine years, an annual appropriation of \$43,544.62 would be necessary or about one-third of one per cent. As an illustration of what a sinking fund means to the city, to pay off a 10-year loan of \$100,000, the annual payments, if not invested, would have to be \$10,000. By making the fund earn interest at three per cent throughout the period, however, the annual payments would have to be only \$8723.95, or a saving of \$1276.95 each year, and in 10 years \$127,695.50."

## Flinn Calls Inquiry a Joke.

Pittsburgh, Oct. 23.—William Flinn in a speech before the Hunry club said the Clapp Senatorial investigation committee was a "joke" composed of democrats and George T. Oliver, of Pittsburgh. Flinn referred to Senator Penrose's statement that Flinn had offered \$1,000,000 for the senatorship.

"If anyone ever got close to Penrose with \$1,000,000 Penrose would go after him with an axe," said Flinn.

# HARD FIGHTING IS REPORTED

MEARES TO SPEAK HERE OCTOBER 28

Progressive Candidate for Governor Will Meet Western Following Here.

Hon. Iredell Meares of Wilmington, progressive candidate for governor of North Carolina, will speak here Monday, October 28 at 8 o'clock, p. m., in the court house auditorium. This information is contained in a letter which Col. V. S. Lusk has just received from Zeb. Vance Walser, chairman of the state progressive executive committee, and will be received with pleasure by the bull moose of the western part of the state. Mr. Meares is well informed and an eloquent speaker, and it will thus be seen that he is carrying his fight into the home county of Hon. Locke Craig, democratic candidate, and Hon. Thomas Settle, republican candidate.

The county bull moose candidates spoke yesterday at Arden, and it was stated by one of them last night that there was a fairly good sized audience. He made the further statement that if the people are taking much stock in politics they are not showing it by their attendance at the speaking places; but he insisted that the progressives are having as good as, if not better crowds than the democratic candidates. They were scheduled to speak at Fairview today at 1 o'clock and at Cash's creek tonight at 7 o'clock. Tomorrow they go to Black Mountain.

The democrats spoke last night at Woodfin Hill school house and were greeted by a good sized audience. It was one of the best meetings of the campaign. Robert R. Reynolds was one of the speakers and dealt with national issues.

The democrats went to Sandy Mush today and spoke at New Found to night. Tomorrow they speak at Stony Fork school house.

## ASHEVILLE WILL HAVE A CONSPICUOUS PLACE

In Special Edition of Manufacturers' Record Issued About Jan. 1.

"The South: The Nation's Greatest Asset," will be the subject of a special edition of the Manufacturers' Record to be issued about January 1, and in this edition attention will be given to every city in the south and the advancement it has been making in 11 lines of endeavor during 1912. Asheville will play a very conspicuous part in this issue of the Record, and her showing will doubtless prove equal to that of any other city of the section that will get special mention.

The material about Asheville will be compiled by Secretary N. Buckner of the board of trade, and short stories will be prepared telling of all the big enterprises that have been started here during the year. The value of these stories will be greatly enhanced by the appearance of a number of pictures of factories and new buildings. Scenery, of course, will play an important part.

In one phase of development Asheville will shine particularly in this record of the cities of the south. That will be the building operations that have gone on and are still in process of construction. The Lanren hotel, completed, the Grove Park Inn, in process of construction, enlargement to be made on the Battery Park hotel, the big improvements on the Country club house and the large number of big business buildings that have gone up during the year and will be under way when the issue appears will all figure in the record of the city to be judged by the outside world as one of progress.

## BERLIN HOUSEWIVES START MEAT RIOT

Fight Butchers When They Refuse to Handle Imported Article, and Destroy Stock.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—Hundreds of Berlin housewives joined in rioting today because butchers of the municipal markets refused to handle imported meat, thereby reducing the cost of living. When they found the butchers had refused to handle meats imported by the municipality the housewives seized meat, trampled it under foot and fought with the butchers. The markets were closed.

## Killed by Picture Show.

St. Louis, Oct. 23.—An incident similar to one in her own life, shown in a moving picture show caused the death of Mrs. Amelia Voltmach, 55. She died on her way home from the theater.

One of the scenes of a story told in the films she saw was that of a six years old child who lost her way in a snowstorm. The child's wandering, her struggle against the cold and finally her death were shown.

London Hears Serious Conflicts Are Raging Today Throughout the Balkan Peninsula.

ALLIES ARE VICTORS IN SKIRMISHING

Turks in Retreat on Town of Servia—Many Leaving United States to Take Part.

London, Oct. 23.—The important Turkish town of Novipazar, in the district of the same name, was captured by Servians today after severe fighting, according to a news agency dispatch. The troops suffered heavy losses.

London, Oct. 23.—Heavy fighting is proceeding on every side in the Balkan peninsula and competent quarters are inclined to believe the conflicts are much more serious than official reports indicate. While the allied armies of Greece, Bulgaria, Servia and Montenegro have doubtless had the best of the preliminary skirmishes, it remains to be seen which side will be most successful in the main theater of the war.

Athens, Oct. 23.—The Greek army defeated the Turks this morning before Ellassan after a vigorous attack, the Turks retreating to the town of Servia. The Turkish army is composed of twenty-two battalions of infantry and six batteries of artillery. The Greeks are pursuing.

New York, Oct. 23.—Nearly four thousand Greek and Serb volunteers are quartered here today awaiting the sailing of ships to which they are assigned. Three thousand sail Thursday and Friday. The Serb volunteers have come mainly from the west where they were miners.

## Greeks Pray as They Go to War.

Davenport, Iowa, Oct. 23.—Three hundred Greeks knelt in a street here today and prayed before leaving for Greece to fight the Turks.

Bulgarian Successes Reported. Sofia, Oct. 23.—The newspapers report that the Bulgarians have captured several important positions around Adrianople and Djumbalo, after severe fighting but official confirmation is lacking. These accounts represent that the Turks are retreating from the three forts adjacent to Adrianople.

A Bulgarian force attacked the Turks retreating from Djumbalo, which is due south of Sofia on the Struma river. Many Turks were killed, hundreds were taken prisoner, and three galling guns were captured. The Turks were caught between the Bulgarian troops and a band of Bulgarian irregulars and were unable to escape owing to the irregulars dynamiting a bridge over the Struma river between Djumbalo and Noskrob.

The council of ministers has directed the agricultural bank to take needed measures to prevent an increase in the price of bread by purchasing wheat and selling it to the bakers at cost price.

## WILL PRESENT REPORT TO FAIR ASSOCIATION

Secretary Weaver Has Listed Premiums and Finds There Are 17,035 of Them.

There will be a meeting this afternoon about 5 o'clock of the executive committee of the Western North Carolina Fair association for the purpose of hearing the final report of Secretary Guy Weaver concerning the results of the recent fair. The premiums awarded by the judges to the various exhibitors will be gone over and approved, and it may be that several special premiums will be added to the list, as are recommended by the judges. Mr. Weaver will present to the committee a financial report of the fair.

Mr. Weaver has made a typewritten list of the premiums which number 17,035. The premiums amount to considerably more than the management of the fair thought they would. On this account the expenses of the fair will be greater than the management counted on. The expenses in some other directions were also greater than was expected.

The attendance at the fair was very large. There were about 25,000 people who passed through the gates, but over 10,000 of these were admitted free of charge. On the day that the children were admitted free, many adults had to be admitted to take care of the smaller children.

## Fails to Indict Mrs. Allen.

Nashville, Oct. 23.—The grand jury yesterday in the case of Mrs. J. H. Allen, a young widow who on August 31, shot and killed Billy Shaffer, reported that they had failed to indict her. She declared she shot in defense of her home and life.