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REPUBLICANS DRAFT BILL

President Taft and Republican Leaders Will Draft Wool Tariff Schedule

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—The republican members of the ways and means committee began preparation of the revised wool tariff schedule, based on the tariff board's report and Taft's message today.

SHOPLIFTERS FINED \$50 EACH

New York, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Helen Brown and Miss Anna Jaquet, the two fashionably dressed young women from Philadelphia who were arrested for shoplifting, pleaded guilty today and paid fines of \$50 each.

OPPOSE SPECIAL SESSIONS

State Grange of Maine Objects to Special Session of Legislature to Consider Prohibition.

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Was Held at St. George's Church—J. P. Morgan a Pallbearer.

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New York, Dec. 22.—The funeral of John Bigelow, who died December 19, at the age of ninety-four years, was held in St. George's Episcopal church.

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CHANGE IN COURTS New Law Makes Radical Changes In Federal Courts

There Will Be Only One Federal Court Clerk After January First—Salary Fixed at \$3,500 Instead of Fees—Pritchard Goes to Richmond.

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ADVANCES IN FREIGHT RATES FROM SUFFOLK

Washington, Dec. 22.—Advances in class freight rates on vehicles from Suffolk, Va., to destinations in the south, particularly North and South Carolina, made by the Atlantic Coast Line and other carriers were sustained by the interstate commerce commission.

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BODY OF GIRL IS EXHUMED

Exhumation Showed That Mary Webb's Body Was In Normal Condition

(Special to The Times.) Asheville, N. C., Dec. 22.—The result of the exhumation yesterday of the remains of 13-year-old Mary Webb, who was shot over two months ago at the home of her parents at Newfound by her 15-year-old brother, Ernest Webb, will probably serve to explode one of the ugly theories that has been tentatively held by some as to a motive for the killing.

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AVIATION MEET WILL BE HELD

Walter Brookings Will Fly In Biplane At Tournament On New Year's Day

(Special to The Times.) Wilmington, Dec. 22.—The proposed aviation meet for Wilmington is now a reality as a telegram was received yesterday from Mr. Walter Brookings one of the most famous bird men in the country, accepting the terms as offered for his appearance here on January 1st, New Year's day.

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GRAND JURY ENDS WORK

Passed Upon 98 Bills--Cases Disposed of In Court Today

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WANT A MEAT MARKET

Voters Have Petitioned Commission For Election

(Special to The Times.) Greensboro, Dec. 22.—The voters of Greensboro and people of the state will within a short time have an opportunity of further observing the establishment form of government at work and will witness the use of the initiative and referendum for the first time with reference to a legislative measure.

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CHARGES RATES AS IT PLEASES

Bitter Complaint Against Treatment Given Public by the Southern Express Co.

(Special to The Times.) Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 22.—There is much bitter complaint here relative to the manner in which the local office of the Southern Express Company is treating its patrons.

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