

## FREIGHT RATES MADE EQUAL

### Coast Line Allowed to Compete in Charges

Interstate Commerce Commission Grants Coast Line and Norfolk and Western Permission for Certain Rates for the Winston-Salem, Southbound—Affects Eastern Carolina Points to All States.

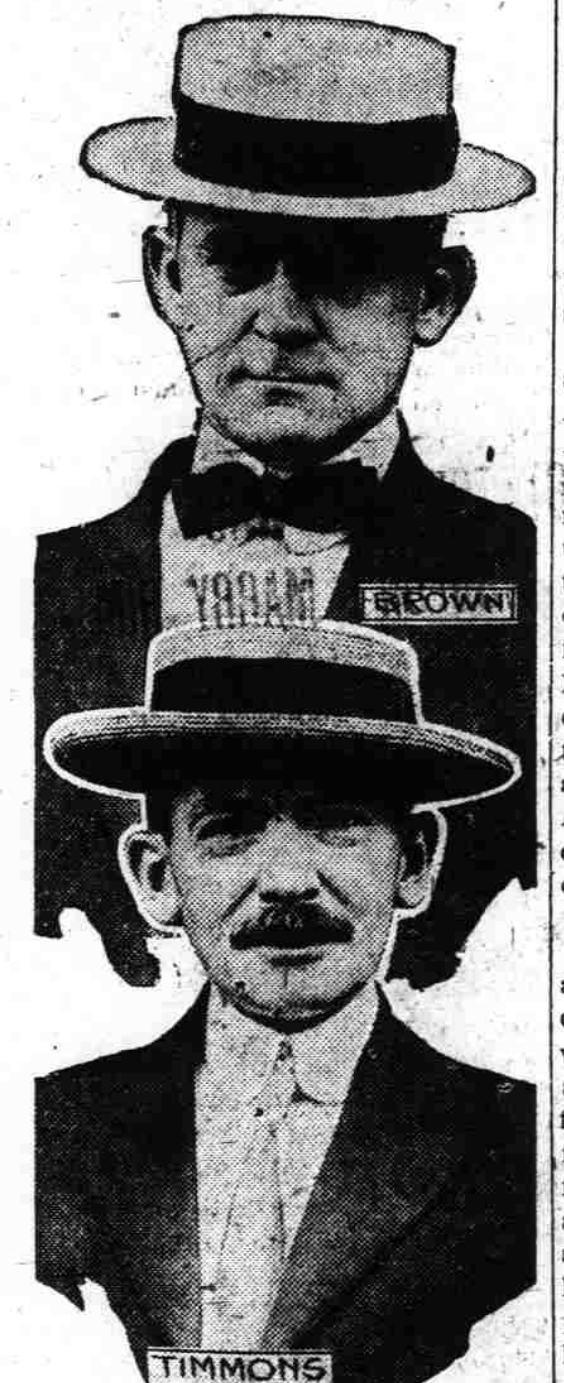
Washington, Aug. 12.—Permission has been granted the Atlantic Coast Line, the Norfolk and Western and the Winston-Salem Southbound Railways by the Interstate Commerce Commission to meet the competition of the Southern Railway in freight rates from and to points on the Winston-Salem road. The commission sanctions the extension of a lower charge for a longer than for a shorter haul in the same direction. It affects rates from east Carolina to all States.

### Pope's Condition Today.

Rome, Aug. 12.—Pope Pius' condition was described by physicians today as "relatively satisfactory." The Pontiff appears somewhat stronger. The Pope's physicians were at his bedside an hour this morning, giving particular attention to his kidneys, which showed traces of calculi. Pains in his knee are less severe.

## LONDON ITSELF AGAIN AFTER BIG STRIKE

London, Aug. 12.—London is itself again. A few hours after the official announcement that the strike was settled last night sufficed to release the flood of traffic. Supplies were rushed out to replenish the empty markets and stores. It is estimated that the week's strike of dockmen and carriers cost London seven and a half million dollars.



Jersey City, N. J., Aug. 12.—Patrick D. Timmons, an expert accountant, and Samuel Brown of 315 West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, New York City, are charged with manslaughter, arson and conspiracy, growing out of the death of Frank Walsh, described as an "amateur firebug and burglar."

The story as given out by the police is that the two accused hired Walsh to set fire to the offices of the Long Dock Milling Company in Jersey City after destroying papers in a safe that would show irregularities in Brown's accounts. Brown is said to have signed a statement to this effect and implicating Timmons. In setting fire to the offices Walsh was fatally burned by gasoline, which he was sprinkling about.

## BLAZ HAD BIG TIME IN FRANCE

### Exiled Mexican Ex-President Was "It"

Treated as a Hero and He Paid Great Homage to Napoleon—French Navellist Creates a Sort of Sensation—High Cost of Living Swags the Laboring Folks of France.

Paris, Aug. 12.—Anatole France, the celebrated French novelist, has created something of a sensation in circles of literature by declining a promotion in the Legion of Honor to the rank of Commander.

France declares that Victor Hugo at the time of his death was only an officer in the Legion of Honor, while Lamartine was only a Chevalier. As France does not rank himself with either one of these great French literary lights, he decides that it would be ill-fitting for him to accept a decoration greater than those accorded to more distinguished authors.

Former President Diaz, of Mexico, who has returned to France after a visit to Germany, continues to receive honors from the French Government. After being officially welcomed at the Museum of the Invalides, General Diaz was received by the City of Paris at the City Hall.

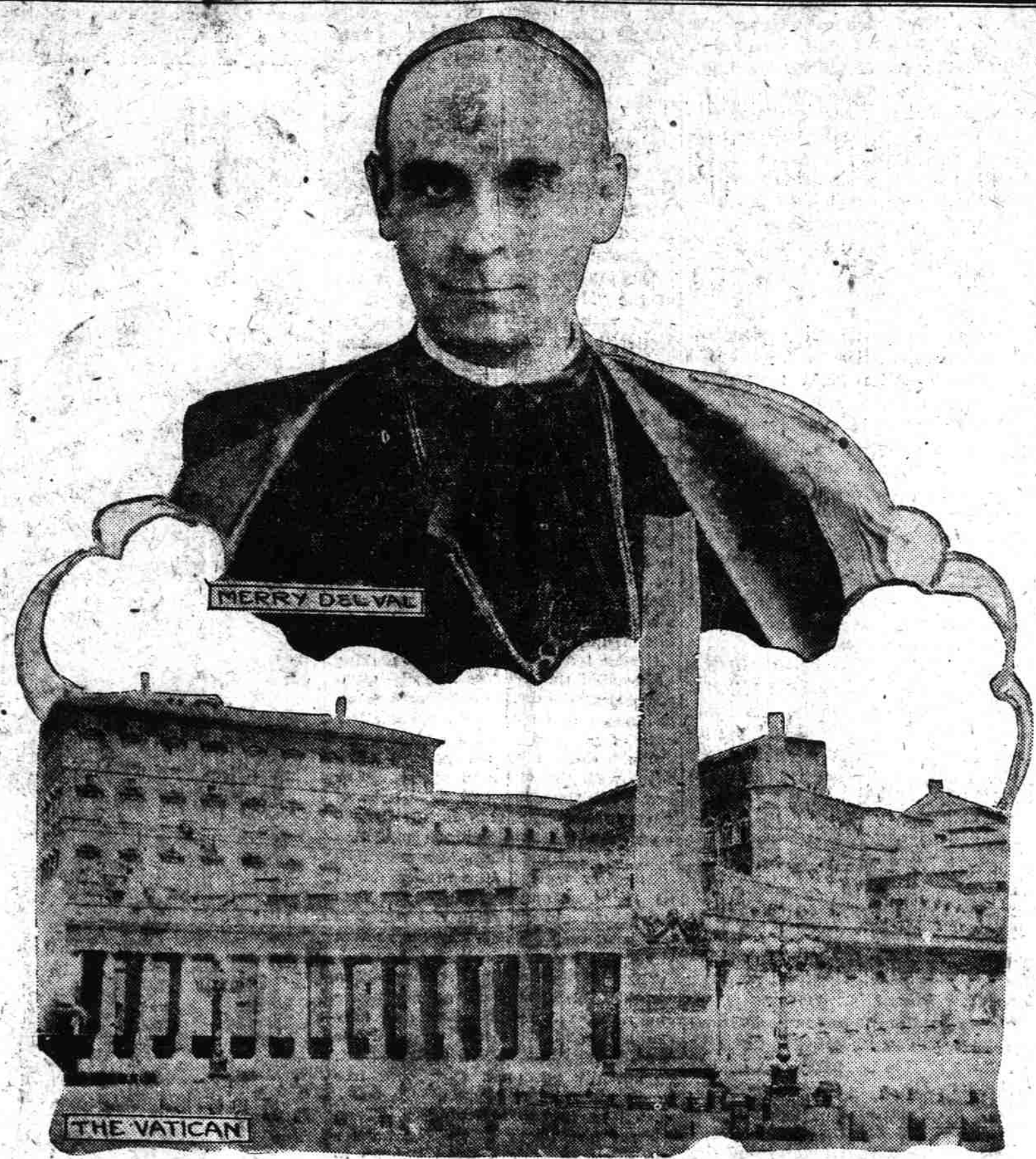
General Diaz met at the Invalides General Lanas and General Farny, both of whom fought with him in the war at Mexico. The Mexican is a great admirer of Napoleon, and often during the visit he stopped to declare that Napoleon's career was not only a glory for France, but for all humanity. The party visited the Chapel, the Mortuary Room, where is conserved the mask of the Emperor, and finally the crypt. General Diaz knelt before the sarcophagus of Napoleon and when in the reliquary General Niox placed in his hand the sword of Austerlitz. Diaz pressed his lips to the historic weapon again and again. The former President had the honor also of opening himself the door of the crypt looking into the last resting place of the great Emperor.

Paris has a Greek church and English, American, Scotch, Dutch and other Protestant churches, and there is now talk of the erection of a mosque for the accommodation of the 12,000 Mohammedan residents. It will not, however, be the first. Napoleon III, wishing the African army to be represented in Paris, quartered a battalion of Riflemen and a squadron of Spahis in the old Bonaparte barracks, upon the site of which the Orleans Railroad's Quay d'Orsay terminus now stands.

Turkish baths, a Moorish cafe and a mosque were established for the Algerians, who were accompanied from Algiers by a Ulema in guise of chaplain. After the War of 1870, the barracks were occupied by a battalion of the Municipal Guard. The baths and the safe, joined together, because a canteen, and the mosque was transformed into a clothing storehouse. Even in 1897, when the building was demolished to make way for the new terminus, the arabesque decorations and verses celebrating the glory of Allah and his Prophet were clearly distinguishable under the successive coats of paint and whitewash.

Increased cost of living in America, as shown by the report of the Bureau of Labor, is being paralleled in France, where the housing problem has become acute. There is little place in Paris for the man of small means and a large family. An illustrative case is the following: A working man, earning about \$1.20 a day, and his wife and seven children, wandered over the city, looking for a lodging. He was able to pay \$80 a year, but proprietors of houses of that price refused to receive him when they saw the children. Apart from the question of children, it is extremely difficult for a working man to find accommodation in Paris at the present time, however, inadequate. Rents have steadily increased in the past ten years. By reason of the increased wages and shorter work hours in the building trades, the cost of constructing a house has gone up 40 per cent.

Formerly the poorer classes lived in the more remote parts of the city, but the increased lines of subway bring these districts within easier reach of the centre, and the small two-story house is being rapidly demolished to make room for six-story modern structures, where the rental is often beyond the means of the working man. The workman, therefore, is being forced to the suburbs. Here, however, he is



Rome, Aug. 12.—Cardinal Merry del Val, the papal secretary of state, who previous to this has been called upon to direct the affairs of the holy see, is again the center of activity in the ecclesiastical affairs of Rome now that the Pope is too ill at the Vatican to discharge those duties himself. It will be remembered that it was Cardinal Merry del Val who was largely responsible for the withdrawal of the invitation to Colonel Roosevelt to visit the holy father at the time the ex-President was in Rome on his way homeward from the African hunting expedition. The cardinal is the son of a Spanish noble whose publicly avowed hatred of the United States brought him much publicity during and after the Spanish-American war. Merry del Val is one of the most powerful men in the Roman Catholic church today and in the event of the Pope's demise would be a strong candidate for the papacy.

## FOR PARCELS POST

Georgia Congressman Introduces Bill for Such—Would Apply to All Rural Delivery Routes.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Representative Bell, of Georgia, today introduced a bill, authorizing the establishment of the parcels post system of all rural delivery routes. The bill proposes that packages weighing not more than eight pounds shall be handled as fourth class matter.

## DIES FROM INJURY

Conductor Finch, of Hamlet, Scalded Last Night, Passes Away This Morning—Others Injured Will Recover.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 12.—Walter C. Finch, of Hamlet, the railroad conductor scalded last night when the boiler of a locomotive exploded, died today. Steppen Stoger, the engineer, and John Maxey, the negro fireman, also injured, will recover.

## ANOTHER PROBE

How Senator Stephenson, of Wisconsin, Landed Is Now to Be Investigated—Inquiry Comes at Request of the Legislature of His State.

Washington, D. C., August 12.—An investigation of the election of Senator of Wisconsin, is directed in a resolution passed by the Senate today.

The resolution was reported by Chairman Dillingham of the Election Committee, which approved the recommendation of the sub-committee, granting the Wisconsin's legislature's request for an investigation. The committee was authorized to sit during the recess of Congress and to subpoena witnesses and call for all necessary papers.

## MADE WOMAN INSULTER LYNCH HIMSELF

Farmville, Texas, Aug. 12.—Commodore Jones, the negro who used insulting language in addressing a young white woman over the telephone, was hanged by a mob last night. Jones was arrested Thursday, and last night a crowd of seventy five men and boys forced an entrance to the negro's cell, marched him to the town's outskirts, and compelled him to climb a telephone pole, where he was forced to jump with a rope tied around his neck.

## BACK FROM THE CANAL

Secretary of War Stimson and Party Returned Today.

New York, Aug. 12.—Secretary of War Stimson and party arrived today aboard the armored cruiser North Carolina, after inspection of the Panama Canal.

## THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, Aug. 12.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 7 to 14 points. Active months sold 9 to 15 points net lower shortly after call, which carried them to the lowest levels since the big rally of last week. Weak cables and reported lower temperatures in the Southwest inspired the selling. There was heavy profit taking by shorts for over the week end and the market worked up six or seven points from the lowest during the middle of the morning. The presence of a low barometer in Florida, and a heavy rain at Pensacola, possibly caused some nervousness and accounted for some realizing of smaller shorts, while there were also rumors that a mid-month investigation of the National Ginners' Association indicated brighter deterioration in Texas prospects, since the Government's condition was made up July 25th.

The cotton market closed very steady, with prices net 2 points lower to 4 points higher. The spot market was quiet, with prices net unchanged on a basis of 12.40 for middling uplands.

## STOCKS TODAY.

New York, Aug. 12.—Wall street.—Selling of stocks was resumed at the opening of the market. Several active stocks fell material fractions.

Condition apparently demoralized again overtook the market. The opening prices were substantially lower, and pronounced weakness in Union Pacific. Declines spread throughout the list, being especially marked in the higher class stocks. The market was entirely lacking in support, not buying even at material recessions, which now extend from fifteen to twenty points since early last week. The market closed heavy. The first rally was followed by another decline. Trading diminished and the list developed a steeper tendency. In the final dealings prices shaded again.

## CONGRESSMAN DEAD.

New Jersey Loses Member of the Lower House.

Paulsboro, N. J., Aug. 12.—Congressman Henry C. Loudenslager died at his home here today, aged 59 years. He was afflicted with a complication of diseases.

## INSANE HE JUMPED FROM TRAIN TO DEATH

Newton, Mass., Aug. 12.—Eluding physicians and attendants, accompanying him to a private sanitarium, W. I. Oliver, a wealthy man, suffering a nervous breakdown, jumped from the window of a passenger train, on the Boston and Albany railroad, and was instantly killed this morning.

## FINDS OF ART IN GERMANY

### Some Valuable Discoveries in the Fatherland

German Troops Rebuked Minister for Defending Another for Conviction of Heresy by Marching in Body Out of His Church During Service—American Visitors in Force at the Opening of the Wagner Festival.

Berlin, Aug. 12.—The uncovering of an utterly unsuspected set of sixteen century mural paintings during a renovation of the ancient German Monastical church at Frankfort-on-Main has been crowned by the discovery of an original self-portrait of the celebrated German painter Albrecht Durer, considered here as an artistic event of the first magnitude.

The artist is shown in a long mantle and feathered cap, brush and palette in the left hand and in the right a square tablet with a Latin inscription, stating that the picture is the work of Albrecht Durer, and the date 1525.

The frescoes are found on the walls of the sacristy of the church, which for years were thought to bear only a simple tapestry pattern, until skillful cleaning and restoration showed the supposed tapestry design to be really a set of elaborate and surprising paintings. From the inscription on the Durer portrait and internal and historical evidence, it is thought that the decorations were the work of scholars of Durer, carried out under the supervision of the master, who capped the work with his own brush during a visit to Frankfort in 1525.

Details of the portrait and the characteristic inscription tablet, found in other Durer paintings, leave no doubt of its genuineness. Only a part of the complete decoration has been revealed by the renovation, this including a St. Christopher, recalling Durer's painting of the same subject of 1511, a St. George and heads of the Emperor Henry II and his consort Kunigunde, the bodies of which are still hidden under the grime and dirt of the centuries.

Four companies of the Queen Elizabeth Guard regiment, attending services recently at the Luisen Evangelical church, in the aristocratic suburb of Charlottenburg, arose during the sermon and marched out of the building, their action for a moment threatening to create a panic among the other worshippers, who feared that a fire had broken out.

The retreat, however, was ordered by the officers as a demonstration against the utterances of the pastor, Dr. Kraatz, who in his sermon was defending Pastor Jatho, the Cologne divine just expelled from the church for heresy, after a trial which has excited the interest of all Germany for several months.

Pastor Jatho denies the existence of a personal Deity, teaching instead the existence of a primordial force, which, perhaps, as eternal reason and directing wisdom, presided at the creation, or perhaps first became manifest and active in the human mind; disclaims the divinity of Christ and omits from his sermons all reference to a future life, because he has come to no certain conclusion on this subject. He has, however, many admirers among the liberal clergy in Germany, and his conviction for heresy was received with intense disapproval in wide circles in Germany, a national subscription is being started to enable him to carry on his work.

Dr. Kraatz's sermon, in which he sharply criticized the authorities who convicted Pastor Jatho, and declared that they were trying to gag the free voice of the church, will probably lead to his trial, his utterances having been denounced to the church authorities immediately after the services. This will strengthen the agitation against the connection of church and state in Prussia, the church being a state institution to the support of which all who cannot prove other affiliations are compelled to contribute.

American visitors were in force in Bayreuth at the opening of the Wagner Festival, in which more intense interest than ever was shown by music-lovers this year, in consequence of the introduction of a new stage setting by Siegfried Wagner of the "Meistersinger."

The first day's performance was attended by one of the most brilliant audiences ever gathered together in the small Bavarian city, solely devoted to Wagner and his works. One well-known figure was missing, however, (Continued on Page Two.)

## SENATE TAKES UP COTTON BILL

### Senator Overman Offered An Amendment

Discussion of the Measure Interrupted by Executive Session—Senate Committee Agrees on Arbitration Treaties—Conference Wool Bill Reported to the House.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The House cotton bill was taken up by the Senate today on Senator Smoot's motion. Senator Cummins offered his amendment for a revision of the iron and steel schedule of the tariff bill.

Senator Overman, of North Carolina, introduced an amendment to the cotton bill with a provision for the revision of the chemical schedule of the tariff law.

Discussion of the bill was interrupted immediately after it was taken up by the Senate's executive session.

Wants to Know the Methods.

Senator Smith, of South Carolina, tried a little earlier during the day to secure present consideration of a resolution calling on the Secretary of Agriculture for information as to the exact methods used in gathering and in preparation of the cotton crop reports. He said he knew that at some places men were gathering information for the department who knew little of the actual cotton conditions.

Agree on Arbitration Treaties.

The Senate committee on Foreign Relations has agreed to recommend ratification of the arbitration treaties with Great Britain and France, so amended as to eliminate the paragraph conferring upon a joint high commission of inquiry the right to determine what international questions are justiciable under the treaties' terms. The President informed members of the committee, he will exert himself to insure the inclusion of this paragraph in the ultimate action by the Senate.

Another Gets Off Commission.

Following Senator Bailey's resignation from the National Monetary Commission, former Senator Flint's resignation from the commission was also announced by Vice President Sherman.

House Gets Wool Bill.

The conference report on the wool tariff revision bill was presented to the House this afternoon by Representative Underwood, who requested that the report and accompanying statement, just prepared, be printed in the record under the House rules. Minority Leader Mann made the point that even that action could not be taken until the Senate acted upon the report. He argued that that body "agreeing to the holding of a conference" must act first in the conference report.

## SHOT THE GIRL WHO WOULDN'T MARRY HIM

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 12.—For twelve times refusing to marry him, because he smoked cigarettes, Ethel Hunt was shot by August McDonald, a machinist, who later shot himself. The girl will recover. The boy will probably die.

Dandford, the Talk of Wilmington Highest Salaried Balladist in the Country is Now at the Grand. It

Typhoon Does Much Damage. Shanghai, China, Aug. 12.—A typhoon struck here today causing damage to the shipping interests and considerable damage to the Amsterdam Dredging Company.

Thrilling Film of Airship Disaster Most Sensational Moving Pictures Ever Shown Anywhere at the Grand Today. It

Concerts at Lumina. Among the numbers to be played are "Il Trovatore," "La Paloma," "Lucia," "Whispering Flowers." Also a solo by Mr. Elam, and a violin solo by Mr. Kneisel. It

Spirits Today. Savannah, Ga., Aug. 12.—Turpentine was firm at 50 1/2 to 2-4; rosin firm, type F, and G, 6.40.

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5 or 6 does of "566" will cure any case of Chills and Fever. Price 25c. It

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