

INSURANCE PROBING

District Attorney Jerome Seems to Have Awakened at Last.

MANY WITNESSES SUBPOENAED

Andy Hamilton Wins First Skirmish in Fight With the New York Life Insurance Company for the Return of Over a Half Million.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The grand jury held a special session this morning to continue the investigation of the New York Life Insurance company which has begun last week. District Attorney Jerome spent some time in summing up before the grand jury the facts developed during the investigation, but declined to say anything for publication.

Late in the afternoon Lewis A. DeLaford, counsel for Geo. W. Perkins, appeared at the district attorney's office and talked with that official. Several bookkeepers of the New York Life Insurance company have been subpoenaed to give evidence in connection with the information brought out in the examinations of Mr. Perkins, Edmund D. Randolph, treasurer of company, Chief Clerk Mattison, Alexander Webb, J. Carroll Root, Woodbury C. Langdon, G. A. Morris and others will have to testify.

Demurrers interposed by Andrew Hamilton to the complaint of the New York Life Insurance Company in its suit to compel him to account for \$574,250 received and distributed by him on behalf of the company were sustained today by Judge Blitchoff in the Supreme Court.

The court finds and upholds the demurrer of the insufficiency as to the first three causes of action, and gives the life insurance company leave to amend on the payment of cost.

Death of Mrs. Morgan.

Mrs. Roberta Morgan, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Hudson, died in her fortieth year at her home at Riverview yesterday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock. Though she had been an invalid for some time, her death came as a shock to her many friends and relatives, complications having recently arisen which hastened her demise. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. W. Asbury Christian, of Trinity

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M. E. church, at the residence this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The deceased is survived by her husband, Mr. Frank Morgan, and two daughters, Mrs. Edward Nichols, and Miss Ethel Dove.

SEAMAN IS DROWNED BETWEEN SHIP AND PIER

Middle-Aged Lamp Trimmer Belonging to the Rappahannock Loses His Life.

A middle-aged seaman named McDonald, employed on the British steamer Rappahannock as a lamp trimmer, was drowned Christmas afternoon by falling between the Rappahannock and Chesapeake & Ohio pier No. 4. The body was recovered yesterday and Major James Houghton, the British vice consul, conducted an investigation.

McDonald had been ashore celebrating Christmas and is said to have been in an intoxicated condition when he attempted to return to his ship. He is said to have a wife and family living in England.

BITTER FIGHT ON FOR GREATER NAVY

Friend and Foe of Department's Plans Will Line up in Congress After Holidays.

RELATIVE STRENGTH OF NATIONS

Shipbuilding, Armor Plate Men, Steel Manufacturers and Others Are Interested in the Result and Spirited Battle is Predicted—Lobby to be Active in Struggle.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A fight, the equal of which has not yet been seen, will probably commence with the first meeting of the house committee on naval affairs after the holidays to determine the future policy of the United States as to larger naval powers once for all. At that time it is expected that there will be a sharp line-up of naval expansion and anti-expansion men, and the fight promises to be one well worth watching.

Besides the members of Congress doing most of the fighting, will be found shipbuilders, armor plate men, steel men, and, in fact, many whose incomes are largely augmented by the United States.

Many members of Congress who have heretofore favored building battleships now proclaim that the navy is too heavy, and they will put forth their best efforts for more coast-defense boats. These, they claim, will cost less and prove more effective for our present needs, at least while we have so many excellent and seaworthy ships now in commission.

As an argument why the United States should hesitate before authorizing the construction of more ships at a cost of several million dollars each at this time, it is proposed by many in favor of more coast defense boat construction to show by the latest available figures that it would be almost impossible for the United States ever to catch up or surpass Great Britain in gross tonnage, and that to equal France, which is now ahead of us by 75,000 tons, would entail an enormous expense and one which would doubtless sacrifice many other projects which it to be done.

Relative Strength of the Nations. It will also be shown that on Jan. 1, 1907, the relative strength of all the navies of the world will be as follows:

England had in commission fifty first-class battleships, and has three courses of construction. She also has thirty-two armored cruisers and ten building; 13 torpedo-boat destroyers and eighteen building, thirty-seven torpedo boats, twenty-nine submarines and forty building.

France has nineteen first-class battleships and six building; nineteen armored cruisers and five building; thirty-two torpedo-boat destroyers and thirty-two building; forty submarines and fifty-two building.

The United States has eighteen first-class battleships and nine building; eight armored cruisers and four building; sixteen torpedo-boat destroyers, thirty-two torpedo boats and eight submarines.

Germany has twenty first-class battleships and five building; six armored cruisers and two building; forty-five torpedo-boat destroyers and eighteen building; forty-four torpedo boats and twenty submarines.

Russia has eight battleships of the first-class and four building; three armored cruisers and four building; sixty-eight torpedo-boat destroyers and twenty-five building; fifty-nine torpedo boats and twenty submarines.

Italy has nine first-class battleships and four building; six armored cruisers and three building; sixteen torpedo-boat destroyers and four building; ninety torpedo boats and twenty-seven building.

Austria has two battleships and one building; three armored cruisers, one torpedo-boat destroyer and five building; thirty torpedo boats and twenty-three building.

England has also 101 cruisers that vary from 1,000 to 6,000 tons; France has thirty-three, United States forty-four, Germany thirty-five, Japan twenty-two, Russia fifteen, Italy thirteen, Austria three.

In coast-defense vessels England has none, France twelve, United States twelve, Germany eight, Japan three, Russia six, Italy none and Austria none.

Warship Tonnage. The relative order of warship tonnage at this date is as follows: Great Britain, 1,640,765; France, 609,937; United States, 525,970; Germany, 457,480; Japan, 384,131; Russia, 253,040; Italy, 202,953; Austria, 113,527.

When all the ships now being constructed are completed it will be as follows: Great Britain, 1,851,854; France, 799,257; United States, 731,196; Germany, 508,160; Japan, 452,391; Russia, 376,823; Italy, 283,317; Austria, 130,727.

The United States will have increased her percentage of tonnage more than any other country in the world when all ships now being built are finished with the exception of Great Britain, being only five points behind her.

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MISSING 35 YEARS, ONLY FIVE MILES AWAY

But Joseph Glover Southmayd, Long Mourned as Dead, Wanted to Live Secret Life.

DERBY, CONN., Dec. 26.—Thirty-five years ago Joseph Glover Southmayd, then a youth of twenty-two, disappeared from his home in Middletown and soon after was given up as dead, as he answered the description of a young man lost at sea.

Southmayd walked into Middletown yesterday and sought his relatives. To the astonishment of those who had long believed he had been living on a farm near Coventry, only five miles away. He had been married and prosperous for many years.

His only explanation for his strange conduct is that he had an uncontrollable impulse to keep his whereabouts a secret until his relatives should meet him by chance.

WRANGLE OVER RELIEF WORK.

Maver Schmitz Threatens to Remove Officials of the Distributing Bureau.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Dec. 26.—The war between the relief-committee and the city officials is growing worse and it is quite evident the result will mean difficulty for the refugees. Mayor Schmitz has intimated that he will remove former Mayor James D. Phelan, head of the relief corporation, and an effort of that kind will probably carry the matter of directing the distribution of money into the courts. When Mr. Phelan was asked what he thought of the statements made about him and the remainder of the relief corporation by Mayor Schmitz before the Park Committee on Saturday he was inclined to treat the matter with contempt. Regarding Mr. Schmitz' intimation that danger awaits him Mr. Phelan said:—"Mayor Schmitz would better look out for his own neck."

CHRISTMAS AT SAILOR'S REST.

Enjoyable Entertainment Given for Seamen in Port.

An enjoyable entertainment at the Sailors' Rest was given Christmas night for the sailors in port. A large number of tars attended and spent a pleasant evening. Presents of comfort bags and other small articles, candies, nuts and fruits were given the guests.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 26.—Henry Newman, founder of the cotton firm of H. & C. Newman, died at his home here today. He was 68 years of age.

Death from Lockjaw. never follows an injury dressed with Bucklen's Arnica salve. Its antiseptic and healing properties prevent blood poisoning. Chas. O. Wald, merchant of Rensselaerville, N. Y., writes: "It cured Seth Burch, of this place, of the ugliest sore on his neck I ever saw." Cures Cuts, Wounds, Burns and Sores. 25c. at The Ideal Pharmacy.

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Christmas and New Year Holidays—Special Round Trip Rates via C. & O. Route.

For the holidays the C. & O. will sell tickets at reduced rates between all stations at one and one third fare plus 25 cents. Rates Newport News to Richmond and return \$3.25. Tickets on sale December 21st to 25th, and December 31st and January 1st; good until January 2nd, 1907. 12-13, 15, 16, 18, 20, 23, 27, 29, 30-1-1.

H. B. Walker sells the combination Four, "Good Luck." 12-25-1f

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY—THURSDAY HENRY W. SAVAGE OFFERS HARRY BULGER

in the Season's Smartest Show "The Man From Now" A Guaranteed Attraction. 12-25-2t

SEALED PROPOSALS.

OFFICE PURCHASING COMMISSARY, U. S. ARMY, NEWPORT NEWS, VA., DECEMBER 22, 1906. Sealed Proposals for furnishing and delivering Subsistence Stores, fresh meats and fresh vegetables in this city during the month of January, 1907, will be received at this office until 11 o'clock a. m., on January 2, 1907, and then opened. Information furnished on application. Envelopes containing bids should be marked "Proposals for fresh meats and fresh vegetables opened January 2, 1907," addressed to CAPTAIN F. H. POMROY, Commissary, U. S. A. 12-23, 25, 27, 28, 31; 1-2-6t

TRUSTEES' SALE.

TRUSTEE'S SALE. Default having been made in payment of the debt secured by deed of trust from H. S. Merriam, unmarried, to the undersigned trustee, dated April 16th, 1906, and duly recorded in the Clerk's office of the Corporation Court of the City of Newport News, Va., I shall as trustee in said deed of trust, at the request of the beneficiary therein secured, on Saturday, December 29th, 1906, at 4 o'clock, p. m., in front of the property, number 1313 23rd Street, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, lot number 29 and the Easterly one-half of lot number 30, in block "A," on map of Ivyton addition to Newport News, Va., recorded in the Clerk's office of the Corporation Court of the City of Newport News, Va., in plat book number one, page nine, to which reference is here made. Terms announced at the sale. THOS. NEWMAN, Trustee.

SCIENCE PREVENTS BALDNESS.

The Fatal Germ and Its Remedy Now Facts of Science.

It is the rarest thing in the world for man to be necessarily bald. No man whose hair is not dead at the roots, need be bald if he will use Newbro's Herpide, the new scalp antiseptic. Herpide destroys the germ that cuts the hair at the root; and cleans the scalp of and leaves it in a perfectly healthy condition. Mr. Mannett, in the Maryland Block, Butte, Mont., was entirely bald. In less than a month Herpide had removed the enemies of hair growth, and nature did its work by covering his head with thick hair an inch long, and in six weeks he had a normal it of hair. Sold by leading druggists, and, 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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WANTED—POSITION BY COMPETENT stenographer, who is acquainted with general office work. Address "A. B. C.," care Daily Press. 12-27-3t.

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WANTED—ONE WHITE BARBER. Sober; \$13.00 and half over \$20.00 per week. No. 451, Rocky Mount, N. C. 12-23-6t.

WANTED—BOARDERS, 130 THIRTY-FIRST Street. Modern conveniences. References exchanged. 11-2-3m

WANTED—THE TRADE TO SEE our large assortment of horse blankets, robes, etc. MILLER & GLEASON, Twenty-ninth street. 10-12-1f.

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WE WANT BOOKKEEPERS for good positions with high grade firms. More opportunities for competent men in this line than we can fill. Write us today stating your experience and we will send you a copy of our circulars containing list of open positions. Good openings now available for capable Salesmen, Executive, Clerical and Technical men in all our 12 offices at \$1000-\$5000. Service strictly confidential.

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FOR SALE—ONE GOOD SCHOONER, oyster skiffs, and outfit in first class order and 12,000 bushels of planted oysters, 29 acres of good oyster planting ground in Warwick River, one fourth interest in 43 acres of good natural oyster rock in James River. Apply A. R. DAWSON, Menchville, Va. 12-23-1m.

FOR SALE, CHEAP—THREE GOOD wagons, one horse, tread power feed cutter; all in good order. Call on, or address N. W. HOWE, Glendale Farm. 12-22-6t.

FOR SALE—A GIFT WORTH WHILE is an Edison Phonograph. We have a full line for the holiday trade, ranging in prices from \$10 to \$50. Also Records of the old and new songs, orchestra and band selections, at 35c each. THE GEO. D. HAMPTON PIANO CO., 210 Twenty-eighth Street. 12-13-1f.

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When we say "at your own price" we mean it. As a Christmas offering to my trade, I placed in my window on Monday, Nov. 26th, the above piano which will be reduced \$5.00 per day until sold.

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I have one of the above make of pianos in my own home and will vouch for its quality. In fact, Witney's name alone is sufficient.

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