

New York Supreme Court Justice Cohen has granted William Cummins, a director of the Carnegie Trust company, who was convicted of the larceny of \$140,000 from the Nineteenth Ward bank, a certificate of reasonable doubt.

# SUMMARY OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

Latest News of Interest Boiled Down for the Busy Man.

**Washington**  
Secretary of the Treasury MacVeigh in his annual report expresses the hope and belief that congress will speedily pass currency and banking reform legislation based on the tentative plan of the monetary commission.

Mal. Gen. Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, favors the restoration of the canton to army posts. He declares in his annual report that the consensus of opinion in the army is that the canton should be reestablished.

The Russian government has advised President Taft that the passage of the Sultz resolution would be regarded as an insult, and cause a severance of all friendly relations with the United States. To obviate this possibility President Taft has decided to give formal notice to the Russian government of the desire of the United States to terminate the treaty of 1832.

Rapid development of public interest in the broader phases of agricultural education is noted by Dr. A. C. True, director of the office of experiment stations of the department of agriculture, in his annual report, just made to Secretary Wilson.

The pure food board of the department of agriculture at Washington decided that the importation of abalone into the United States should be prohibited after January 1 next. The board declares the shell fish is hazardous to the health of those addicted to its use.

President Taft sent to congress a formal message transmitting the full text of the report of the investigating board which found that the battleship Maine was blown up in Havana harbor by an external explosion. The board was headed by Admiral Vredendahl of the navy, and included Col. William Black of the corps of engineers of the army.

Attorney General Wickham in his annual report said the recent Supreme Court decision had demonstrated the effectiveness of the Sherman anti-trust law, and that the department of justice during the year.

**Domestic**  
Four arrests by postoffice inspectors rendered a cunning blackmarketing scheme through a series of letters which demanded, under pain of death, \$10,000 of Garfield T. Pughman and Karckin T. Pughman, wealthy Argentinians, members of the importing firm of Pughman, Bros. of Chicago.

Estimate of appropriations needed for the expense of the New York state government for the next fiscal year aggregate \$23,500,000, according to a statement tabulated by the state comptroller.

American army scouts killed forty-five Moro outlaws in a battle near Lanao, Mindanao, P. I. The Americans suffered no loss.

"The laboring man is the hope of the country in the fight against the rum traffic," declared John W. Edwards, Illinois, treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, to the delegates at the annual convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America at Washington, D. C.

A special election of citizens for Wichita, Kan., voted to expand \$100,000 to build separate schools for white and colored children.

An entire family—Mrs. Mary A. Morners, a widow, her daughter, Edith, aged twenty, and Blanche, aged seventeen, and an Ar. Ar. Morners, twenty-eight years—were murdered on the Morners farm near Do Freestville, Rensselaer county, about 80 miles from Albany, N. Y.

In the belief that the tentative desire to please the eye exists until death, the St. Louis Book and Paper Co. has decided to give face picture color plates, portraits and delicate designs as Christmas presents at the homes for the aged.

James Marcell, former mayor and banker of Alhambra, Kan., convicted of robbing the Alhambra bank company's store at Alhambra, Kan., of \$2,000 on May 1, 1910, was sentenced to five years and six months in the penitentiary.

Following the arrest of Rev. C. N. Drower, Mrs. Anna Jordan and five other persons, a federal grand jury at Fort Tully, Kan., have been fighting an alleged plot to destroy the big army reservation. Not only were there three indictments, but the grand jury also received frequent letters, threatening them with death and the threat with destruction.

Charles Wilson and his wife, known as Zog Willard, were found guilty at Chicago of violation of the Mann act by a jury in the Federal court. The penalty is a fine of \$5,000, imprisonment for ten years or both.

Liljah Graham and Ethel Conrad were acquitted of the charge of attempting to kill W. E. Stokes, late federal grand juror at Detroit, by administering exactly 80 minutes. When the verdict was announced the girls became hysterical.

More than \$1,000,000 worth of cattle were sold by stockmen who attended the convention of the American National Live Stock association in Denver.

The second hearing of Dr. B. Clarke Hyde at Kansas City on a charge of murdering Col. Thomas H. Swone ended in a mistrial. Here, Dr. Hyde, who the juror who escaped from the custody of the deputy marshal, returned home, was found insane by Judge Porterfield and the jury was discharged.

Samuel B. Michery of Chicago, who has annoyed Miss Katherine Elkins for two years with love letters, was sent to the hospital for the insane at Washington.

A monument erected to the memory of the unknown dead of the Civil war was unveiled at New York, N. Y. It was given by the Women's Relief corps and cost \$600.

**Foreign**  
John J. Wilkerson, American superintendent of the Bullion mine near Monterey, Mexico, killed 17 Mexican brigands out of a band of 23 when they attacked a caravan of Americans. The bandits who escaped the deadly volley fled to the mountains.

Louis Forrer, vice-president of the Swiss Federation of the Swiss Confederation, was elected president of the Swiss Confederation.

The English government has decided to exclude all American meat packers against importation. The ban may be begun in the United States from tendering for contracts for the supply of meat to the British army and navy, pending the settlement of the suits.

In the presence of a brilliant assemblage of native rulers, and high British officials, the king-emperor has appointed a new viceroy of India, to which, when completed, the seat of government will be transferred from Calcutta.

The British house of lords adopted the national insurance bill, providing for compulsory insurance against sickness and unemployment of the working classes, pending the passage of the bill in the house of commons.

Princess Louise Victoria, sister of King George V. of England; her husband, the duke of Fife, and their daughter, together with several Americans, had a thrilling experience when the steaming Delhi, on which they were voyaging to Egypt, struck the reefs of Cape Spartel, the northwest extremity of Africa.

**Personal**  
George B. McClellan, "Diamond Dick", now in a staid and quiet life, has arrived at Kansas City from injuries received in being run down by a train. Mr. McClellan was a native of Odgensburg, N. Y.

Dr. William Furber, a psychologist of Washington, Pa., after two years work has succeeded in educating two chimpanzees so that they can talk and have a reasonable reasoning body.

Mrs. E. H. Harriman has received during the last year \$300,000 for aid, which is about twice as much as she received in the disposal of \$125,000,000.

John Hogan, widely known as a reform theatrical manager, was stricken with paralysis at Hot Springs, Ark.

Alfred G. Vanderbilt, second son of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, died of the cancer he inherited a fortnight ago at \$100,000, which he had inherited from his father, Edward, to Mrs. Margaret Emerson McKim, daughter of Captain Isaac B. Emerson, the Baltimore millionaire and divorced wife of Dr. Smith H. McKim.

William C. Reifel has purchased of Mrs. William M. Latham a majority of the stock of the New York Sun, according to a well authenticated report in New York.

# BAKER WINS IN STATE GRANGE

RE-ELECTED MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN SPITE OF 'REGULARS'

BAKER IS NOW AFTER PRESIDENT HULL'S CHAIR

Hot Resolution Passed, Calls on President Taft to Dismiss Secretary of Agriculture Wilson.

The insurgents in the state grange meeting at Kalamazoo were won when the speaker, William C. Baker, who was elected by the legislature, who with Deputy Dairy and Food Commissioner Holme, are the directors of the Michigan Grange, was re-elected a member of the executive committee, after an intensely bitter contest, the issue of which the grange was before known. No speaker was the result announced that it was proclaimed that the speaker will soon be busy organizing a campaign. He succeeded N. P. Hull as state master, who was re-elected a year ago for a second two-year term.

One of the last acts of the convention before the final adjournment was to adopt a resolution calling on President Taft to insist on the resignation of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, because the latter, presided at the Brewer's international convention in Chicago, last October, when State Master Hull, it is reported, is at the head of the near-hysterical faction that would gladly separate the Michigan Grange from its organizers from the order if they could find a way to do so.

Farmers' Rejoice Woman's Suffrage. That the farmers of Michigan may take a hand in demanding woman suffrage in this state, was introduced by a resolution to that effect was introduced to the Michigan Association of Farmers' clubs, which was adopted for the annual meeting. The question is referred to the committee on temperance. Senator Dickinson will appear before the election in the interest of the anti-suffrage.

Other resolutions ask that the government shall permit the farmers' organization in this state to assist him in the appointment of a commission of agriculture. A demand is also made for an investigation into the question of the tariff on wool. These matters will all come up for later discussion and consideration.

16,646 Apply for Divorce. According to statements received at the office of Secretary of State Martindale there were 16,646 applications for divorce granted in Michigan on Jan. 1, 1910. The number of new filings during the year was 5,306, making a total of 16,646 divorces granted during the year.

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Russia and Persia Reach Agreement. A dispatch from Paris, received at the State Department, says that it is stated unofficially that as a result of the efforts of the Persian minister in London, an agreement has been reached between Russia and Persia.

A war religion campaign will be waged by the State Grange at the recent Michigan and Michigan Forward Movement.

The contract for the new building for the State Grange at Bay City, Mich., has been let to a Bay City contractor. The site was recently purchased by the State Grange.

President Taft announced he would reappoint Daniel A. Campbell postmaster at Chicago. Mr. Campbell's term expired December 31, and his nomination for the reappointment probably will be sent to the senate with a recommendation.

Mrs. John Howard, a widow, was the appointed juvenile officer in Bay City.

The first hearing that ever occurred in an open horse track place in Jackson, Ga., when William Turner, a negro preacher, was executed for having a race track in which he was singley, a prominent planter, was shot to death. The sheriff decided to hang the negro in King's negro restaurant, which he had to stand in the rain. The gallows was erected on the stage. In the boxes were present many relatives and friends of the murdered man.

# GENERAL NEWS IN BRIEF

The snow is five feet deep in the limestone country, So. Dakota. Deer are being driven by the snow into the foothills.

Surgeon Stohmann, the oldest surgical instrument manufacturer in the United States, is dead at his home in Brooklyn in his ninety-fifth year.

Nearly \$2,750,000 has come to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the last year in gifts and bequests, according to the annual report of President Michurin.

Hardin B. Littlepage, one of the few surviving participants in the great marine battle between the Monitor and the Merrimack, died at his home in Washington, D. C., at the age of 90.

The annual report of five states' State Mine Inspector Danbury, which has been filed with the governor, shows the total value of Black Hills gold for the year ending Nov. 1, was \$7,625,006.28.

Atty. Gen. Wickham, Ambassador of France and Minister of London of the Netherlands, accompanied by his wives, will leave Washington within a few days on a trip to Europe. The tour, it is said, is entirely personal.

Joseph Franzel of Sandusky, who is in jail as the result of an attempt to kill his daughter-in-law, Mary Franzel, who she then attempted to take his own life, will recover from his injuries. A warrant will be sworn out against her with assault with intent to kill.

Public dispensaries where drinks will be sold without profit, the state to furnish the alcohol for medicinal or scientific purposes, had no liquor to be sold to minors or drunkards or keepers of disreputable places, were advised by the city of Toledo, O.

More than \$100,000 worth of contraband opium was seized at the custom house in San Francisco. As the drug in smoking form is prohibited in this country, all seizures must be destroyed. Since the last destruction, 2,335 lbs., weighing 1,200 pounds, have accumulated.

Five thousand dollars for Miss Alice Houghton, an employee of the census bureau, whose scalp was badly lacerated last spring when her hair caught in revolving machinery at the bureau, is included in the supplementary estimates submitted to congress by the department of commerce and labor.

Disputed interest at \$700 and a package of \$1,800, in New, assigned \$20 notes of the First National bank of Pittsburg, were among the body of stolen checks and notes, which were postdated at Pittsburg, Ga. Several valuable registered letters and the postal savings bank deposits were taken. There is no clue.

Pupils graduated and working boys and girls looked to four public schools in Chicago where the school board inaugurated its plan of compulsory attendance. It hoped thus to overcome the evils of the public dance hall. At three of the schools the young people of all the plan was declared a success.

President Taft accepted an invitation to be present at the dedication of the new government building at Columbus, Mo., January 30. January 29 is to be a feast of the Tippecanoe club in Cleveland, and will return to Washington by way of Chicago, where he will attend a luncheon of the chamber of commerce.

In the ruins of the Robin Hood mill at Moose Jaw, Sask., which was destroyed by fire, was found, the charred body of Robert Nese, millwright. Besides the mill the fire destroyed a saw mill, a carpenter shop, the elevator, with 100,000 bushels of grain, and smaller buildings. The total loss is estimated at \$500,000.

Many lawyers from various parts of the country to the supreme court chambers in Washington to attend a memorial meeting for the late associate justice John M. Harlan. Augustus E. Wilson, the retiring governor of Kentucky, the jurist, was state president. Solicitor General Lehman and Senator Bailey were among the speakers.

The largest order for steel pipe in the history of the industry has been placed in the city of Chicago by the United States Steel corporation. 200 miles of pipe will be ordered to carry natural gas from Ross, Island to Calgary. Shipment which will require 2,000 cars, will begin about January 1, 1912, and will be completed within six months.

To an audience that filled Convention Hall, Kansas City, Col., Henry Watterton, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, delivered an address in support of the general arbitration treaties with England and France. Col. Watterton predicted that the recognition of the principle of arbitration by the United States, England and France, would mark the beginning of a world movement toward peace.

William J. Cummins, who was recently convicted of grand larceny in the manipulation of the grain lottery in the defunct Carson & Co. (Trust) company of New York, which he controlled, was admitted to bail. He is held in the city of New York.

After Judge Baldwin had absconded a verdict for the defendants in a \$5,000 allegation damage suit of Mrs. Cook against the Chicago & North Western Railway Co., O., the hearts of the jurors were touched by the hopeless condition of the plaintiff, who is a blind woman. The court granted her in a body and gave her their lives in the case.

# SULZER RESOLUTION INSULT TO RUSSIA

RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR CALLS ON PRESIDENT TAFT AND SO INFORMS HIM.

SENATE MAY MODIFY WORDING OF RESOLUTION.

Will Put an End to the Treaty, But Cut Out Accusation That It Has Been Violated by Russian Government.

The Russian government has, informally informed this government that the Sultz resolution proposing to terminate the treaty of 1832 with Russia is offensive to the czar's government. This is the resolution that the house passed a few days ago by a vote of 300 to 1.

The senate lodged an informal protest with the state department. The new ambassador from St. Petersburg, George Bakmetiev, has, however, made a clear to both President Taft and Secretary Knox what the views of the Russian government are in regard to the document introduced by the New York state representative.

Russia is incensed at the drafting of the resolution at the moment of the termination of the treaty. Russia does not question the right of the United States to denounce the treaty, but considers the Sultz resolution as unnecessarily offensive and will regard the termination of the treaty under this resolution as unfriendly to Russia on the part of the United States.

The resolution plainly states that the treaty is to be terminated because Russia has violated it. The views of the Russian government were apparently communicated to Secretary Knox and President Taft by the Russian ambassador.

It is practically certain that the senate committee will refer to its present form. The committee probably will recommend a resolution merely proposing termination of the treaty with Russia, diplomatically omitting any reference to the why and wherefore.

To J. S. Belongs the Credit. To the United States belongs the credit of bringing about a concert of action in China by the six great powers of the world.

The Washington government initiated the movement which now has taken definite shape in Shanghai. It was initiated in Washington as the most unusual and most satisfactory feature of the situation is the fact that the six powers now practically are united in their aims and desire regarding China.

The United States has been the agent to bring the powers into a common agreement based upon a recognition of the necessity of preserving the integrity and autonomy of China.

Arizona's First Election. The Democratic party in Arizona will place two members in the United States senate and one member in the house of representatives, a governor in the state capital at Phoenix and unless present indications are materially changed, will make a clean sweep of the state ticket, as a result of the first state election.

The legislature, from present indications, will be more than three-fourths Democratic, leaving the Senate Henry P. Shreve of Prescott, and Mark A. Smith of Tucson to the United States senate. Carl Hayden of Globe was elected governor.

Ex-Assembly Chaplain Arrested. Rev. Charles M. Brewer, formerly a chaplain in the United States army, now pastor of a Baptist church in Okmulgee, Ok., has been accused in connection with the case of the late Quirk if implicated in a series of explosions that have baffled military authorities at Fort Riley for six months.

United States Commissioner Chase stated Brewer had been arrested at Okmulgee and was being held for United States marshals.

John Bigelow Dead. John Bigelow, noted author, diplomat and historian, died in New York. Mr. Bigelow died in the ninety-third year of his age in the old-fashioned house on Gramercy Park that had long been his residence.

At the bedside of two of his four children, Mrs. Bigelow and Miss Grace Bigelow, and his granddaughter, Miss Charlotte Harding.

Jury Frees Show Girls. Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad were acquitted of the charge of attempting to kill W. E. Stokes. The jury that tried the case had believed their story that they shot Stokes in self-defense. It was not impressed by Stokes' account of the run-up and the circumstances that led up to the shooting.

Fire underwriters report Saginaw's water supply of insufficient volume for good fire protection.

Notwithstanding the fact that Rear Admiral Richard Wainwright, wid for years retired December Secretary Meyer has decided to make use of his long experience and retain him on the staff of the navy, assigning him to the general board after retirement. Rear Admiral C. E. Vreeland, aid for inspections, has been appointed to succeed Admiral Wainwright, as aid for operations, but his successor has not yet been appointed.

# SEEN AND HEARD IN MICHIGAN

John—In a quarrel over his matters, John "Crowbridge" about his father, William "Crowbridge," in the at first thought would prove fatal, but from which the victim may recover. The shooting occurred on the Crowbridge farm, three miles east of Belding. Immediately after the shooting the older man stated that his money he had asked for, drew a revolver from his pocket and fired, missing. Then he fired again, and this shot struck the father just below the left eye, causing a course downward, cutting off the tongue and lodging in the lung.

Alleged—The trial of a lawsuit which created great interest and was attended by probably as many people as any heretofore since the celebrated Grange store case six years ago stirred up the people of southwestern Allegan county, was that of John and Royal Reeder, father and son, charged with assaulting George Barnes and his son in a cornfield, brought on by a dispute over the dividing of the shares. They were found guilty and the father was sentenced to spend 25 days in jail and pay a fine of \$25 and \$40 costs, and the son was fined \$25 fine and \$40 costs.

Traverse City—George Abbott was arrested in Northport; by Deputy State Game and Fish Warden G. Allen Smith of this city and J. B. Eddy of Charlevoix. The deputies found six boxes of whitefish concealed in a crib under the farmer's dock at Northport and two more boxes under the dock at Cedar Lodge, Northport. George Abbott was taken to a charge of catching whitefish out of season. He was fined \$100 and \$5 costs.

Traverse City—Ernest Meaborn of Carsters Stading was probably fatally injured in a shooting accident. The Diamond hunter was working when a group of boys with a 22-caliber rifle, while Meaborn was examining the gun, it was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering just beneath his right eye and lodging in the brain. His recovery is not expected. Meaborn is twenty-two years old.

Saginaw—At the last session of the Michigan Association of Deedkeepers the following officers were elected: President, E. D. Townsend; Remus; vice-president, L. S. Griggs; Flint; secretary and treasurer, J. M. 73-year-old, and the convention came to a close with the awarding of prizes. The most important business transacted came when the state organization voted to join the National Deedkeepers' association.

Kalamazoo—Highwaymen slugged and robbed John Filipe, of \$75. The hold-up was one of the most daring ever pulled off in this city. Filipe, returning from his barn to the house when suddenly two men rushed from around the corner of the barn and knocked him down. Gaping while they went through his pockets while a crowd was passing along the sidewalk. After robbing Filipe the men kicked him in the head and ran.

Saginaw—George Prine was given damages of \$5,733 against the Singer Sewing Machine company by a jury. Prine was local manager of the company for several years. Two years ago he was arrested for forgery in the case came up for trial the prosecuting attorney nullified it. Prine then commenced suit, alleging malicious prosecution.

Grand Rapids—The new board of the Michigan Masonic lodge, recently removed from this city to Alma, has been elected as follows: A. M. Hume, wonsor; J. Roscoe Swift, Master; James E. Wood, Niles; Grand Master James Thompson and Mrs. Lizzie L. Hanson of Saginaw; Clara C. Eldredge, Adm. n.

Coral—Upon returning to the house from a neighbor's, Miss Margaret Croak found her uncle, John Croak, aged eighty, dead upon the kitchen floor. She was a native of Ireland and pioneer of this town, taking the homestead on which he had since resided from the government more than fifty years ago. Heart failure was the cause of death.

Lansing—The Central Michigan Holstein Breeders' association held its annual meeting here. All the members of the association were present with the exception of Vice-President Jacob Sieght of Lansing, who withdrew in favor of Dr. W. W. Thornburn of Lansing.

Madison—Mrs. Thelma Blue of Canton, aged sixty-four years, who has a son and five daughters and five grandchildren, commenced divorce proceedings against her husband, George Blue, seventy years old, with whom she has lived forty-five years. She alleges extreme cruelty. One act which she explains in her bill is that one day, when her husband, aged angry he entered the kitchen where she was writing and with a crooked knife struck her on the back and knocked her to the floor where she was washing clothes.

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