

## CONVERSATION OF OSWEGATCHIE WILL BE URGED AT ALBANY THURSDAY

Largely Attended Meeting was Held at the Ogdensburg Club Last Night when a Delegation was Appointed to Appear at a Conference Granted by the Water Storage Commission. Major Daniels Presided.

Major William H. Daniels, one of the Cranberry Lake water power commissioners, called a meeting yesterday of the local manufacturers interested in the development of the Oswegatchie river along water storage lines, and at the Ogdensburg club last night there was a large gathering of gentlemen interested in industries which depend upon the river for power during several months of the year.

It was stated that the water power of the Oswegatchie river was largely the foundation of the industrial growth and prosperity of the city and that prompt consideration should be given the subject. Major Daniels pointed out that the State is in the process of unfolding a comprehensive plan for the conservation and development of the water power of the State. The conservation stands in the way of building storage reservoirs which would flood the State lands and this must be amended before the work can go ahead. If the recommendations contained in the annual report of the State Water Storage Commission be carried out all water storage for the Oswegatchie will be cut off. Practically complete surveys and plans have been made at great expense for the conservation of water on the Hudson, Raquette, Genesee and Delaware rivers. What is needed now is an appropriation from the legislature this year which will permit the water supply commission to do for the Oswegatchie what it has already done for these other rivers. This the commission seems willing to do provided it is authorized by the legislature.

The commission, it was stated, is about to prepare a bill outlining a comprehensive plan for conservation. It is not yet settled as to the character of the bill which will be recommended, and the policy in this regard is yet in the formative state. The Oswegatchie interests are of such vast

importance that they should be represented and considered in the draft of any bill on this subject. The need of storage reservoirs on the Oswegatchie is so manifest that it hardly requires a statement. The loss entirely due to low water and unregulated flow is very extensive.

John Hannan stated that our people must take a strong stand in the development of these policies or possibly lose what may not be recovered in many years. He said the power owners here are now fully alive to the situation and ready to back to the limit any effort to make certain the improvement of the natural resources of this section. He drew especial attention to the possibility of using Black Lake for water storage purposes and also referred to the possibility of developing electric power for the use of manufacturers here.

Others spoke upon the necessity of quick action and a motion was finally adopted naming C. O. R. Bell, Frank Chapman, John Hannan, Congressman George R. Malby, Joseph Fell, George F. Darrow, John Dorsey, Thomas Spratt and a representative of the Street Railway company to go to Albany Wednesday night to be present at the conference with the Water Storage commission Thursday morning.

Gouverneur, Dec. 27.—At a meeting here tonight for manufacturers interested in power development Supt. A. J. McDonald of the International Pulp Co., H. G. Aldrich and Nelson R. Caswell of the Aldrich Paper Co., and Judge Vasco P. Abbott were appointed to attend the conference at Albany Thursday. Tomorrow night the Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting and also appoint a delegation which will attend the conference to urge upon the commission the selection of the Oswegatchie river for improvement.

## SENSATIONAL ROCK ISLAND ADVANCE

Wall Street was in Commotion Yesterday When Common Started Upward.

New York, Dec. 27.—A startling market movement that had all the earmarks of a "corner" came today when the common stock of the Rock Island company within five minutes of the opening rose from 50 5/8 to 81, then settled back again after heavy trading to 50.

All this pyrotechnic advance of 31 points and equally surprising precipitation to the opening sale price caused a shiver of fear on the stock exchange, which spread itself across the continent on the brokers' wires. A block of 18,000 shares was sold at 81, the top price. Rock Island common closed at 49 1/2 last Friday.

Fears of a corner caused heavy selling throughout the security list and there were numerous declines of one to three points.

"It seems as though someone had been selling something he did not own," said a director of the Rock Island. "The controlling interests and officials of the company have nothing to do with the spectacular advance and it looks as if there was a considerable short interest in the stock and this interest was apparently badly squeezed today."

## MISS VANDENBURG AT ISABELLA ST.

The Prescott & Ogdensburg Ferry company sprang a surprise on the people here yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock by running the new passenger ferry boat, Miss Vandenburg, to the landing at the foot of Isabella street recently prepared by D. H. Lyon on his dock property. The boat continued landing at Isabella street during the remainder of the afternoon. This doubtless means the abandonment of the Plumb ferry dock unless an injunction develops through opposition on the part of the council to being ignored in the matter of selection of a landing place, the council contention being that designation of a landing place rests entirely with that body.

## BIG DIFFERENCE IN BIDS.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 27.—There was a big difference in the bids of the Great Lakes Towing Company and the Reid Wrecking Company for the work of releasing the wrecked steamer Wissahickon and delivering the boat and her cargo to the nearest port of repair. James Reid wanted \$30,000 or 30 per cent of the value of the ship and cargo. The Great Lakes Towing Company, which was awarded the contract, bid \$30,000 or 25 per cent of the value of the ship and cargo.

## THE THIRD DEGREE.

"The Third Degree," by Charles Klein, author of "The Lion and the Mouse," was written by Mr. Klein while sojourning at Sheppard's Hotel, Cairo, Egypt. That is, the scenario, or plan, was laid out there, written partly in India, then a portion of the third act was scribbled down hurriedly while Mr. Klein was crossing the English Channel, and the business, or movement of the actors, was inserted while the great ship, "Mauretania" was crossing the Atlantic. This should owing to its having been written in so many different countries characterize the manuscript of the Klein masterpiece as a "polyglot." At the Opera House, Monday evening, January 3rd.

## MINISTER AND WIFE MURDERED.

Washington, Indiana, Dec. 27.—Rev. William Bitter and his wife were found murdered in their home here today and the entire county is aroused. The wife was found lying full length upon the floor of the sitting room of their country home, her head toward the fire place and her hair dishevelled. She was in her bare feet and had probably made ready to retire when the crime was committed. She was choked to death. The body of the minister was found in the cellar at the foot of the stairway. He had been strangled and thrown down stairs.

## CARDINAL SATOLLI IS DYING.

Rome, Dec. 27.—There is no hope for the recovery of Cardinal Satolli. There was a slight improvement in his condition today but the physicians in attendance say that these rallies count for nothing and that the Cardinal's death may be looked for within the next twenty-four hours. He has some conscious moments but they are few and far between.

## IN DEFENSE OF CAPTAIN BALFOUR

Capt. Sayre of the Steamer Munro Tells of Movements About the Clarion.

Writing from Milwaukee Captain C. E. Sayre of the steamer J. G. Munroe, which went aground on Southeast Shoal, Lake Erie, while trying to aid the burning steamer Clarion, says:

"The writer was an eye witness (so far as the night would permit) of all that took place around Southeast Shoal on the evening of December 8 last, and risked his ship and men in an effort to save the Clarion's crew, and failed only because the fog signal at Southeast Shoal lightship was not sounded until after the fire broke through the deck of the Clarion and his own ship was among the breakers of the shoal.

"After the dense vapor that shrouded the earlier efforts of rescue had somewhat cleared from the bridge of the Munroe, around 1,000 feet of the lightship, I saw the Hanna go by and shape a course towards the burning boat, which had drifted over and to the eastward of the shoal.

"A few minutes later I saw the Bope pass under slow speed, and it was evident that her master was taking in the situation and could see the Hanna going to the burning boat. Now anyone familiar with the handling of a 10,000 ton boat in such a storm knows that they must have gear-room. Had Captain Balfour crowded his own big steamer into the vicinity of the wreck, undoubtedly he would have blocked the maneuvers of the Hanna trying to save the remnant of the Clarion's crew. We should commend his good judgment rather than criticize him and lament the fact that those who know so much yet do little at such times have been given a hearing."

Captain Sayre characterizes some of the talk regarding the action of the steamer Bope as that of "idle chair warmers who sail the large steamers of the Great Lakes while toasting their inactive limbs by warm office stoves."

## JONES M'INTOSH COMPANY GREETING.

The Jones, McIntosh Tobacco company of this city, having enjoyed a holiday trade far beyond its most sanguine expectations, takes this opportunity of expressing to its patrons warm appreciation of the patronage accorded this business firm, which, though organized less than a year, has a once stepped into the foremost ranks, both in retail and wholesale circles.

The Jones, McIntosh Tobacco Co., made extensive preparations for the holiday trade and greeted the shoppers with an abundant and superior line of smokers' supplies, presenting to the public the largest and most varied line ever seen in Northern New York. It requires confidence, capital and enterprise to do this but the reputation which the new stock received fully warranted the pains taken in its selection. With grateful feelings the company wishes its friends a truly happy and prosperous New Year.

Gov. Hughes has ordered a special election on Jan. 25 in the 42nd senatorial district, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Raines of Canandaigua. The district comprises the townships of Ontario, Wayne and Yates.

## CANNOT IDENTIFY VICTIM OF ATTACK

Young Man Sandbagged in Florida Has Faint Recollection of Ogdensburg.

Robert T. Baker received a letter from Gordon H. Smith, formerly of this city, in which the writer seeks information regarding a young man who was sandbagged and robbed at St. Augustine, Fla., and whose memory has been sadly affected by the blow. Mr. Smith incloses a photograph and states that he sends the letter to Mr. Baker because of the fact that the victim in the course of his rambling responses to questions spoke of Ogdensburg, a big furniture store and Mr. Baker. The photograph is displayed in the window of the McGillis store, but so far has not been recognized by anyone. The letter is as follows:

"Nov. 24th the man whose photo I inclose was sandbagged and robbed in St. Augustine, Fla. Not a single thing was left in his clothing, nor marks of any kind on the clothing, whereby any clue can be obtained as to his identity and from that day to now the past is blotted from his memory. He had a Red Man's button on his coat and it was all that was left. He remembers nothing only since he came to the hospital. He is well read and must be a college graduate. He is familiar in a way with towns all over the United States but only as a dream, nothing definite except names of hotels and streets. I had a long talk with him and he has been in Northern New York. He has heard of Dekalb Junction, but has no recollection of same. He has been on the St. Lawrence and Rackett rivers. He has asked me of Ogdensburg; and had a big furniture store, and described you (Mr. Baker) as well as I could and asked if I knew any one in Ogdensburg by the name of Baker. That is as near as he can hitch anything together. The towns he mentions are good sized towns and have furniture stores in them. His asking about 'Baker' made me write you as I have, and if you recognize him as any salesman that has ever called on you telegraph me at once to Atlanta, Ga., P. O. Box 625, his name or firm should you recall it. This is only a chance but all that has and can be done in a month has failed to let him know who or what he is or where from. Write me and return photo if you will. He is about 30 years old and weighs about 160 pounds. He has 'A. E. D.' tattooed on right arm and below it a cross and two hearts surrounded by a border—all he has to know himself by."

"GORDON H. SMITH."

## MATHEWSON GIVES BATTING ORDER

Nine Well Known Diamond Stars to Appear Here with the McGraw Leaguers.

For the indoor baseball game to be played in the armory here the following line-up and batting order is sent out by Christie Mathewson, the world's greatest pitcher, who also appears with the team:

Hartman, Savannah club, ss.  
Harrison, Macon, (Ga.) club, c.  
Hal Chase, New York Americans, 1b.  
Batch, Rochester, Eastern League, 2b.  
Zimmerman, Chicago Cubs, 2b.  
Crandall, Waterbury, Conn., club, cf.  
Randolph, Toronto, E. L. twirler, if.  
Bennett, North Car. league, rf.  
Christy Mathewson, N. Y. Nat. p.  
Back of this all-star bunch will be John J. McGrath, the manager, as utility man.

## LOCAL 217 OFFICERS.

At the regular meeting of the International Longshoremen's Association Local 217, last evening, the following officers were elected:

President—William M. Kelly.  
Vice-president—H. A. Olmstead.  
Fin. Sec.—D. H. Corcoran.  
Treas.—H. Woodley.  
Rec. Sec.—William J. LeBeau.  
Trustees—James Graham, Frank E. Nuttall and Joseph Dupuis.

## MR. REMINGTON WAS WELL KNOWN HERE

Artist who Achieved Deserved Success and Popularity as Illustrator is Dead.

Ridgefield, Conn., Dec. 27.—Frederick Remington, the artist, died at his home in Ridgefield yesterday from heart failure and shock, superinduced by an operation for appendicitis performed Thursday.

Mr. Remington had been in good health until last Sunday, when he remarked that he seemed slightly indisposed. It was not until Wednesday that he suffered pain to any extent and physicians were called. That night it was deemed wise to call in a New York specialist, and the next day an operation for appendicitis was performed. The patient seemed to be progressing favorably Friday and Saturday, but next morning a change set in and death came about 9:30 o'clock.

Mr. Remington came here last May to make his permanent home. He was in his 48th year, and was a native of Canton, N. Y., to which place the body will be taken Monday afternoon, following prayers at the house. The funeral services will be in the Universalist Church at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Remington married Miss Eva Caton of Gloversville, who survives.

Mr. Remington went West after a short apprenticeship as an office clerk and became a cowboy on a ranch. It was in this western life that he found the subjects for a majority of his creations of pencil and brush.

He was a member of the National Academy of Design and in addition to his paintings he attained considerable success as a sculpture and as author of several books on western life. He studied art at Yale and later in New York.

Mr. Remington's father, Col. Samuel Remington, was a distinguished soldier in the Civil War and at one time an editor in Ogdensburg. Young Frederick received his early education at the Liberal Institute, Burlington, Vt., from which he entered Yale. The brief career at Yale he abandoned to become an artist.

In childhood he had been at heart an artist and his latent talent was awakened by the virile subjects which he encountered after going west. Returning to New York with depleted finances, he gained fame by his strong sketches of cowboy life, Indians, miners, Mexicans and frontier soldiers. He created a new school and has perhaps done more than any other man to perpetuate the wild life incident to the conquering of the West.

Physically he was of powerful build and was in rugged health most of the time. The few works which he contributed to literature indicate that he might have been an author of note had he desired.

Frederick Remington was regarded largely as an Ogdensburg boy. His boyhood days were passed in this city and he was a regular visitor here during the summer months. He spent many summers at Chippewa Bay and has for many years been a member of the Century Club. A delegation from here will go to Canton today to attend the funeral. Among the honorary bearers will be John C. Howard, Alric R. Herriman, Edward L. Strong, and James G. Westbrook.

Frederick Remington achieved deserved success and popularity as an illustrator of American frontier life. He has seen and been a part of it in his younger days, before he ever expected to become its historian in picture. As an artist he frequently returned to study in later years where the types he so graphically portrayed were fast disappearing. His cowboys, Indians and army toopers, when they first appeared in the pages of the magazines, were new and strange to most Easterners. He introduced them to a new world on this continent, and helped to create a demand for Western stories and pictures which many a later contributor has turned to good profit, though usually with less actual knowledge and experience of the West than Remington had acquired.

John Sheldon, one of the best-known residents of Watertown, particularly among the older people of the city, died Sunday morning at the home of his daughter, Dr. Hattie Sheldon, in Buffalo, following a long declining state of health.

## ADMIRAL KIMBALL SENDS MESSAGE OF GENERAL ELECTION PROCLAMATION BY MADRIZ.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Rear Admiral W. W. Kimball, commanding the American naval forces at Nicaragua, has sent a dispatch to the Navy department saying that President Jose Madriz of Nicaragua to whom Jose Santos Zelaya turned over the affairs of the government, has issued a proclamation to the people of Nicaragua declaring in favor of general elections for the next President of the Republic. He has also invited the insurgents under General Estrada, President of the Provisional government, to lay down their arms and turn their rifles and ammunition over to the government.

A dispatch was also received at the State department today from the American vice-counsel at Managua saying that Madriz was sending troops eastward with the intention of meeting the insurgent army which was supposed at Managua to be advancing on the capitol. The son of an American citizen at Managua, he added, had been beaten and arrested, but gave no further details of the assault. With the assent of the Republic of Salvador Admiral Kimball has dispatched 700 marines on one of the islands in the Gulf of Fonseca. The marines had been aboard the Buffalo for several weeks and Admiral Kimball desired to relieve them from the cramped quarters aboard the ship.

## PRINCE CHUM WAS BADLY WOUNDED.

Shanghai, Dec. 27.—Prince Chum, the regent and father of the child Emperor, Hsuan Pong, was seriously wounded while leaving his palace at Peking today. His assailant was arrested. He was formerly a cook in the Imperial household. Prince Chum has been a conspicuous figure in the Chinese Empire for years. He was appointed regent until his son, the Emperor, who is a baby, comes of age. Chum is a brother of the late Emperor. He has always favored the abolishment of Eastern superstition.

## DINED WITHOUT MR. CARNEGIE.

New York, Dec. 27.—Andrew Carnegie, who was to have entertained President Taft at dinner if the snow had not deterred the President from coming to the assembly of Historical Societies today, is laid up in bed with a bruised knee, a result of a fall in Central Park, and Governor Hughes and members of the club dined at his house without him. Mr. Carnegie slipped on an icy pavement in the park at a point opposite 79th street, well inside the park, where loose snow hid the glassy surface.

