

## SCOPE INJURED; THE NOVEMBER LARGE LARGE CIRCUIT COURT IN EXPLOSION

Ten City Blocks Shaken,  
Great Fissures Torn in  
Streets of Pittsburgh by  
Sewer Gas.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 25.—A score of persons were injured, many windows were broken, and a number of buildings shaken by an explosion of gas in a nine-foot sewer in the Lawrenceville district in Pittsburgh late today. None of the injured will die, but the property will amount to thousands of dollars.

A party of five men working at a manhole in Thirty-Eighth street, were tossed into the air. Alexander Campbell, one of the men, was buried in the hole the explosion tore in the hillside. Another hole 200 feet long and 10 feet deep was torn in Sassafras Alley, and another 15 feet deep cut the surface of Thirty-Third street. A section of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad track was lifted from its bed, and a number of girls employed in the upper stories of a factory were cut by flying glass from broken windows. Many of the other persons injured were struck by flying stones from the fissures in the streets. Ten city blocks were shaken.

## "SYRUP OF FIGS" FOR CONSTIPATED CHILD

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Harm Stomach, Liver and  
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## NEWCASTLE COUNTY COURT IN SESSION

Newcastle, N. B., Nov. 25.—The County Court opened today with Judge McLatchy presiding. The grand jury going over the preliminary evidence, found no bill against Warren Cowie and Joseph and James Collins recently sent up charged with attempt to wreck a train last month.

The plaintiff in an out-letting case from up river had been kicked by a horse and was unable to appear. There was only one other case so court adjourned without trial for the next session will be held in the new court house.

GERMAN CRUISER FOR TAMPICO.  
Vera Cruz, Nov. 25.—The German cruiser Bremen left Vera Cruz this afternoon under red orders for Tampico.

## PIMPLES NEARLY COVERED FACE

Especially on Forehead and Chin.  
Ashamed to Go Out. Cuticura  
Soap and Ointment Cured in  
Month and a Half.

McMillan St., Oil City, Ont.—"My face was nearly covered with pimples, especially on my forehead and chin. The trouble began with pimples and blackheads and there were times I felt ashamed to go out. They were little red lumps and then fostered and I squeezed them out. I tried many different remedies, but none did me any good. Then I saw the advertisement of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and sent for a sample. I got it and began using them and in a week's time I noticed a change. I used the sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and one box of Cuticura Ointment from the drug store with the Cuticura Soap. In a month and a half the pimples and blackheads were gone and my face was completely cured." (Signed) Miss Lydia McMillan, May 23, '13.

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## DEMOCRATS TO GET TOGETHER ON CURRENCY

Will Summon Party Conference at Once to Discuss  
of Main Points of  
Difference.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 25.—The currency situation took an unexpected turn in the Senate today, when Democratic leaders decided to summon a party conference at once, to discuss the points of difference and to attempt to make party members behind a bill that would have the support of President Wilson.

The conference will begin at 11 o'clock tomorrow. It was said by Democratic managers tonight that its conclusions would not be binding, but that it was expected that the Democrats would be able to agree on vital features of the pending bill and unite upon amendments which can be accepted by the President.

The second day's debate upon the big reform measure was notable for the absence of show of ill-feeling between the advocates of the different currency plans represented by Owen and Hitchcock bills. Senator Hitchcock held the Senate for more than an hour with his speech in support of the bill agreed upon by himself and the five Republicans of the senate committee. His remarks were characterized by recognition of the efforts of the President, the House, and the Democratic wings of the senate committee, and expressions of the hope that the senate would be possible to unite upon a satisfactory form of currency bill.

Senator Owen had announced early in the day that he would ask the Senate to adjourn at 1 o'clock each night and to consider the currency measure at all times when special orders did not prevent.

## RAILWAY COMMISSION ON WESTERN FREIGHT RATES

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The difference in rates in the groups would be largely due to the physical features, the rough mountainous conditions in British Columbia being expensive to haul freight.

Mr. Muller opposed granting special advantages in freight rates to the railroads, but he was overruled by the commission.

James Bicknell, K. C., senior counsel for the Dominion government, explained that the exhibit just filed prepared by Mr. Muller had been completed only last week, consequently the railway companies and the provinces affected had not had an opportunity of filing statements of the position they intend to take on the different questions.

Asks for Time.  
J. C. McPhillips, K. C., representing the Province of British Columbia, asked for a three weeks adjournment. He said he had judged from Mr. Muller's former evidence that he did not intend to make any recommendations in his report. Since he had made recommendations which might involve raising the freight rates in British Columbia and reducing them in other provinces, he wished time to consider what attitude the province should take and consequently what line of cross-examination of Mr. Muller he should follow. If his presence at this hearing before he had time to consider the report would prejudice the standing of his province in the hearing, he would prefer to withdraw and have British Columbia not represented at present.

The chairman assured Mr. Phillips that he would be given all opportunity to recall Mr. Muller after he had thoroughly considered the exhibit, and that British Columbia's interests would not be allowed to suffer on account of his not having had time to consider Mr. Muller's report.

Value of Equipment.  
Mr. Muller said that he had not attempted in arriving at the cost of road and equipment of the Canadian railroads, to segregate the amount of money expended which came from capital, from that expended from the earnings of the companies. However, he believed that his totals included both. It showed the value of the road and equipment as shown in the companies books.

The cardinal principle on which to fix the freight rates was on the cost of operations plus a reasonable profit. Referring to the advantage of the government controlling extensions, he said that often a company extended a line into a new district, and for some years it produced little revenue, as the district was gradually filling up. As it grew to be a greater revenue producer, another line extended a branch to tap the territory whose needs could have been well looked after by one and with reasonable rates could have produced a profit for the company, has to pay higher rates to cover the cost of operation of the two lines and interest and profits on the capital that has been unnecessarily invested by the second company entering the territory. When there was no government control of rates, it was an advantage to have two or three competitive carriers to keep down the rates, but with government control it is better to restrict the one line in a territory, thus reducing the capitalization and cost of maintenance and operation.

The government should be in a position, he said, to stop such competitive extensions to existing lines by compelling the companies to get government approval.

He said that it was extremely essential that an equitable freight rate should be decided upon that would be fair to the railway companies, fair

## THE MEXICAN REBELS WERE DRIVEN BACK

Attacked Posse of Federals  
in Vicinity of Torreón  
but were Repulsed—Concession to Europeans.

Mexico City, Nov. 25.—The first bill to be introduced in the new Mexican congress was one to ratify a concession to Europeans. The Department of Communications sent today to the chamber for ratification a concession to a Belgian syndicate to build five thousand miles of narrow gauge railway in Mexico. This was referred to a committee.

The only other matter before congress today was a measure presented by the War Department providing for reforms in the naval organization. Three thousand rebels have moved eastward from Torreón. According to the War Department they attacked a federal force under command of General Arguedo, about 125 miles east of Torreón, but were repulsed, forty-five of them being killed.

Traffic over the main line of the National Railway, which was resumed yesterday after many weeks, has again been interrupted, the rebels cutting the line south of Saltillo.

## MAIL TRUCKS MUST OBEY THE RULES NOT AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE EXTRA

During Current Year Fifteen  
Persons Killed by  
Speeding Trucks—Pass  
Resolution to this Effect

Quebec, Nov. 25.—That the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway was not authorized to add an extra \$1 on the demurrage rate charged the Chicoutimi Pulp Company, was the decision rendered by the Public Utilities Commission at its session this morning.

The complainant company set forth that they were being charged \$3 per day for demurrage instead of \$2, which amount they considered excessive. The company on their part claimed that merchants and others neglected to take their goods from the cars within the proper time, consequently depriving the railway company of the use of the cars.

## RECEPTION TENDERED REV. R. J. HOUGHTON

The reception tendered Rev. R. J. Houghton, the new pastor of the Congregational Church, last evening, was a very enjoyable affair. The reception took place in the vestry and was largely attended. One of the features of the evening was the addresses of welcome to Mr. Houghton made by Rev. F. S. Porter on behalf of the Baptists, by Rev. Dr. Morrison on behalf of the Presbyterians, and Rev. H. E. Thomas on behalf of the Methodists.

C. E. Macmillan occupied the chair and there were piano solos by Miss Hazel Slocum and songs by Mrs. Perry. Refreshments were served by the ladies.

The reception committee was composed of Mrs. C. H. Flewelling, Mrs. John W. Wade, C. E. Macmillan and J. A. Brooks.

GRAYS TO TRAIN IN SAVANNAH.  
Savannah, Ga., Nov. 25.—The Providence Club of the International League will train here next spring. Manager Donovan said today. Donovan has been in Savannah for the last week, looking the situation over.

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Dredging Company will construct a  
breakwater at Maces Bay, N. B., for  
\$11,823. E. A. Bleakney gets the con-  
tract for fittings for the post office  
at Gananoque, at \$2,500.

His Excuse  
The tramp had called to ask for  
food and the mistress of the house  
asked him to wash his hands in hot  
soap and water before she would give  
him anything to eat. The tramp  
said: "Why not?" asked the woman in  
surprise.

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