

## ROOSEVELT OPENS WAR ON REBATING

White House Conference Decides to Begin Prosecution of Oil Trust.

Washington, D. C., May 15.—After an important conference at the White House tonight, in which the President, Attorney-General Moody, and Commissioner of Corporations Garfield participated, the announcement was authorized that the department of justice will proceed without further delay to prosecute the Standard Oil Company and a number of other oil companies on charges of violating the anti-rebate law.

Such was the intention of President Roosevelt when Commissioner Garfield submitted to him two weeks ago his report giving the results of his investigation into the Standard Oil monopoly. Unfortunately, Mr. Garfield had submitted the information he had collected to the Standard Oil Company, which it was feared might enable the officials of that corporation to set up a plea of immunity.

The administration also had to consider the effect of the action of the Standard Oil Company on the Standard Oil Company, which is a considerable extent the practice of rebates which followed the initiation of the Garfield investigation. It was decided to give the interstate commerce commission an opportunity to make some progress in the investigation it was ordered to make by Congress.

Finally, it was necessary for the President to receive from the Attorney-General a report as to the chances of Government success. The methods pursued by the Standard Oil Company were adopted only upon the advice of expert lawyers, and they appear to have been so skillfully devised in many cases that the company can be reached, if at all, only with the greatest difficulty.

But the preliminary examination which Mr. Moody has completed establishes that it will be possible to convict not only the Standard Oil Company, but some of the railroads with which it conspired to destroy its competitors by obtaining lower freight rates.

Of course, those railroads which have granted rebates within the states cannot be reached. For instance, there is the Pennsylvania, which gave the Standard a rate of 9 cents a barrel from Olean, N. Y., to Rochester, N. Y., while it charged the independent oil refineries situated in the territory adjacent to Olean 29 cents a barrel.

The federal government has no authority over this practice, but it can forbid and punish secret rates given by the Pennsylvania to the Standard from New York, and it can punish the Standard for receiving such rates.

It appears the railroads which especially are under consideration with a view to prosecution are the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, Illinois Central, Chicago and Eastern Illinois, Chicago and Alton, and Southern Railway.

But while the President wants the railroads punished for violating the Elkins anti-rebate law, he is anxious particularly that the Standard Oil Company shall be brought to justice. He has indicated to the Attorney-General the higher up the officials reached the more pleased he will be. But he recognizes the difficulties in the way of successful prosecution of the Standard Oil Company. For instance, like Rockefeller and Rogers, for instance, while they may have inspired the demand for rebates, the Government cannot prove they actually did so, and it is their subordinates who must be attacked. Even they have been surrounded by ingenious safeguards, however, and it is not at all certain they can be convicted.

As the President said in his message transmitting the Garfield report to Congress, a "sawtooth" is often a necessary method, but by itself it is an utterly inadequate method.

## CONGRESS WILL ACT TO PRESERVE FALLS

Law to Protect Niagara Probably Will Pass, Writes Washington Correspondent.

Washington, May 15.—It looks very much as if Congress would pass a law to protect Niagara Falls from the vandals who have already done so much damage there. It cannot repair what has been destroyed, but it can prevent further devastation. Representative Burton, of Cleveland, chairman of the House committee on rivers and harbors, and several of his colleagues are showing an earnest purpose to do something; President Roosevelt is taking a deep interest in the matter, which the international commission of American and Canadian engineers have made a thorough examination and have reported to their respective governments with recommendations in favor of a limit to the quantity of water to be placed at the falls for power purposes. The limit is placed at 35,000 cubic feet a second from the Canadian side, and 18,500 feet from the American side, in addition to 10,000 cubic feet a second authorized for the Chicago dam and canal. It is proposed to fix this limit by a treaty between the two governments, extending over a term of 25 years, and that will probably be done.

The people and corporations interested in the use of the water for industrial purposes are coming here with attorneys and expert engineers, and are making eloquent pleas and offering plausible compromises to save their franchises and the investments which have already been made. The plans for the utilization of the water in Niagara River for electrical power are much more extensive than anyone suspected. The General Electric Company, the New York Central Railroad, and two other corporations which have already obtained franchises from the Legislature of New York, are intending to invest not less than \$30,000,000 in the plan to develop 80,000-horsepower of electricity on the American side alone, and a corresponding amount was to be taken from the Canadian side. The proposed bill will not destroy or remove the plants that have already been erected, or commenced, but will restrict their operations by limiting their allowance of water, will prohibit any increase in their number and capacity, and will drive away new companies which have obtained charters, but have not yet gone into operation.

The largest of these companies, known as the Niagara County Irrigation and Water Supply Company, which has an unlimited charter from the Legislature of New York, and has already spent \$400,000 in carrying out its plans, is controlled by the General Electric Company, and its contracts are so valuable that it is not likely its representatives have made an extraordinary proposition to the Government.

For many years a ship canal on the American side, similar to the Welland Canal on the Canadian side, has been contemplated to connect Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. Surveys have been made, plans have been drawn, and estimates have been submitted, and the project is only waiting the action of Congress. The General Electric Company proposes to dig that canal, free of cost to the Government, under the supervision of the war department, on a location and upon plans to be approved by the United States engineers from the town of La Salle, at Cayuga Island, a few miles above the falls, across Niagara County, back of the cities of Niagara Falls and Suspension Bridge, to a point somewhere between Devil's Hole and mile below the whirlpool, and the city of Lewiston. They agree to make this excavation at a cost of about \$2,000,000 for the benefit of the lake commerce of the United States, provided they are allowed the exclusive use of the water flowing through this canal, to the amount of at least 10,000 cubic feet per second, for power purposes. This will increase the limit of water to be taken from the falls on the American side to 35,000 cubic feet per second, instead of 25,000, as recommended by the international commission. The General Electric Company does not agree to build locks to keep the canal open, or maintain it, but will make the excavations necessary.

The attorneys for the company have submitted to the Secretary of War and the congressional committee a draft of a bill to be enacted by Congress to carry this plan into effect. It provides that the total amount of water to be diverted on the American side shall not exceed 35,000 cubic feet per second, and that at least 10,000 cubic feet of that water shall be conducted through the proposed canal, which shall be kept open and maintained at all times as a free public highway for the shipping and commerce of the United States; that the importation of electrical power generated from the waters of Niagara River in Canada into the United States shall hereafter be prohibited, except under contracts that were in force on April 15, 1906, and that no future plan shall be enacted for the use of the water on either bank of the river.

**Church and Emigrant.**  
London, May 15.—At the annual meeting of the Church Immigration Society, which was held at the Grosvenor Hotel, the plan to establish a Church of England colony in Canada had been temporarily abandoned, upon learning that the cost would amount to £1,000.

Rev. E. M. Tomlinson, the chairman, said next in importance to assisting emigrants, was the building up of the church in the colonies. He advocated a regular staff of chaplains to go back and forth with the boats.

The Archbishop of Rupert's Land, said there was great danger of emigrants drifting from the church, and perhaps their religion if they were not looked after.

During the year the society spent \$1,010 in passages for emigrants.

## LEARNS SECRET OF OLD MASTERS

A Young British Artist Makes a Sensation With His Colors.

London, May 15.—Painting in the dark is the latest thing in art. H. Keyworth Raine, who has been called the "Cellar Artist," is creating a sensation in London art circles. He is not a mere dabbler. There is decided method in what his fellow artists are pleased to term his madness. While many wielders of the brush are finding the utmost difficulty in making a living, even in the strongest daylight, Keyworth Raine is getting rich in a dingy cellar, opposite St. George's Church, Manover Square.

The "Cellar Artist" has attracted the attention of some of the wealthiest and most distinguished people in England. No less a personage than Lord Iveagh, the King's great chamberlain, has come out as Raine's bold champion and practical patron. He has more orders than he can execute, and titled people are inviting him to their country estates, and giving him commissions galore.

Already, through the influence of Lord Iveagh, he has painted the portraits of the Earl of Buchan, Lady Evelyn Guinness, Sir Neville Chamberlain, K. C. B., Sir John Arnott, and hosts of others.

The lightless artist does not seem to court publicity. He is not even in the London directory. After a search, his studio was found by the writer. The proper address is 13A George Street, Manover Square, but if you apply at the imposing building, which this number represents, you will even then have some difficulty in locating your man. It is only when you go round by the side of the building, that you notice a modest little sign on a dingy looking railing. You read the words "Cellar Studio." Descending a steep flight of narrow and dingy steps, you come into a still narrower and more dingy passage, which leads into an even dingier beyond. This beyond is involved in a somber darkness that would have done credit to the Tenth Plague of Egypt. Out of the depths of the blackness a voice calls you:

"Will you step this way, into the studio?"

"You don't know which way this is, but trusting to Providence and obeying the voice, you enter a door and have the impression of being in a narrow room. The only visible object in this room is a chair standing on a sort of pedestal, and vaguely lighted by a streak of light, carefully shrouded off by a strip of yellowish paper. The voice proceeds to assure you that the stairs occupy the chair on the pedestal, and that the light entering the window is all the illumination he requires for his portraits.

Up to this time you have not had an opportunity to see the artist, but he is himself at all, and have to gather your impressions from his voice, which conveys a vague notion that his owner is slightly deaf, for he speaks in the measured monotone of one listening to his own words as measured by their sound. Charles Lamb mourned the days before the invention of artificial light, saying, how wretchedly a joke must have passed off when you had to feel your fingers to learn whether they were smiling or not; and perhaps the lack of conversation, while sitters are having their portraits painted, has put the cellar artist at a disadvantage so far as his voice is concerned. But, as his voice is all you have to go by at such an interview, it naturally assumes a greater importance than it would under ordinary circumstances.

He has been closely studying this method of painting for more than seven years," said Keyworth Raine, "and I have come to the conclusion that Velasquez, Rembrandt and other great artists of their school worked somewhat after my system. I do not claim that they worked absolutely in the dark as I do, but I do maintain that they studied light values just as I am doing."

"I also claim to have rediscovered the principle of method coloring employed by Titian, and taught in Venice and Flanders centuries ago. By my method any painter can do four times the amount of his present work in half the time."

"Not at all," answered the cellar painter. "My eyes have been examined by well-known specialists, and they have found that I am not color blind. By my method any painter can do four times the amount of his present work in half the time."

**G. T. P. CONTRACTS**  
Deeds Signed for Construction of Quebec-Winnipeg Section.

Ottawa, Ont., May 16.—The contracts for the Quebec and Winnipeg sections of the eastern division of the Grand Trunk Pacific were signed today. The former goes to the firm of Macdonald & O'Brien, the latter to J. D. McArthur.

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**THE INNOCENT SUFFERED**  
French Lady Wrongfully Arrested, Takes Case to British Commons.

London, May 15.—The notice paper of the House of Commons for tonight contained no fewer than ten questions and notices of motion concerning the action of the police in the case of the French woman—Mme. d'Angely—who was arrested on Regent street the other night on the charge of being a disorderly person. The facts of the case are briefly as follows:

Mme. d'Angely, a married woman of unimpeachable character, while waiting for her husband on Regent street at 11:30 p.m., was arrested as a prostitute playing her trade and hauled off to the Marlborough street police station.

On the following day Magistrate Denham discharged her with the remark that no respectable woman was seen on Regent street after 9 o'clock at night. Denham is known as an upholder of police methods, and has been several scandals lately on that account.

D'Angely determined to obtain an apology from the police, who for several days after the event shadowed his wife.

The case is not unusual, but it points once more to the grave scandal caused by the daily and nightly traffic in vice in Regent street and Piccadilly, which are used as a "beat" by women, mostly foreigners. The consequence is that respectable women dare not be seen in the vicinity unless escorted by male relatives for fear of being arrested.

Replying to a question about the d'Angely case in the House of Commons this evening, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said that the Government was fully alive to the importance of the subject, and had found that there was a general desire for a full inquiry as to the duties of the police in dealing with drunkenness and solicitation, and the manner in which those duties were discharged.

**NERVOUS CHILDREN**  
St. Vitus Dance, Neuralgia and Headaches Common Among School Children.

St. Vitus' dance is a disease that is becoming more and more common among school children. Young people feel the nerves with study and the nerves cry out. Sometimes the trouble takes the form of neuralgia, headache, nervous exhaustion, weakness of the limbs, and other troubles. Young people call "being run down." In other cases St. Vitus' dance is the result, and the sufferer frequently loses all control of the limbs, which keep up a constant jerking and twitching. It is only just the same as a trouble—though the blood which feeds and strengthens the nerves, and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are the only medicine that can make the new rich, red blood that feeds the nerves and strengthens every part of the body. The case of Flossie Dean, of Crowland, Ont., proves the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mrs. Dean says: "A couple of years ago my daughter Flossie was dangerously afflicted with St. Vitus' dance. She became so nervous that after a time we could not let her see even her friends. She could not pick up a dish, lace her shoes, or make any movement to help herself. She had grown thin and very pale, and as she had been treated by several doctors without benefit, I feared she would not recover. A friend advised me to give her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after she had used a couple of boxes I could see that they were helping her. We gave her nine boxes in all, and by that time she was perfectly well, and every symptom of trouble had passed away. She is now a strong, well-developed girl."

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The Government proposed to appoint a royal commission for that purpose. Sir Henry was asked whether compensation would be given Mme. d'Angely for the injury she had suffered. He replied that that would constitute an incident of the inquiry.

### LIONS RAID AN AFRICAN TOWN

Herd of Hungry Animals Kill Eleven Natives and Put Rest to Flight.

London, May 15.—A dispatch from Blantyre, British Central Africa, states that a herd of hungry lions attacked the town of Choromo, British Central Africa, and not only killed eleven natives, but put the rest of the population to flight and demolished many of their huts.

Between 15 and 20 lions made the raid at dusk. They first attacked two natives on the outskirts of the town. One of the natives escaped, and while the body of his companion was being torn to pieces he ran to the Government building.

The watchman on duty refused to believe his story, and while the frightened native was protesting the lions suddenly dashed into the main street.

Three watchmen were struck down before they could reach their rifles, and the native who had previously escaped was likewise killed.

A fourth watchman, who fled to an inner room, was pursued by two of the brutes and torn to pieces.

A child was seized in front of one of the huts, and when the frantic mother attempted to rescue it she was likewise attacked and eaten. Three other natives were killed and eaten.

The lions killed a large number of goats and other live stock, and afterwards roamed through the town prowling round some of the huts, in which the inmates had barricaded themselves.

A large number of natives who managed to escape from the town got into their canoes and paddled to the middle of the River Shire, where they spent the night.

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