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ESTIMATES AND INFORMATION CHEERFULLY GIVEN AT THE DAILY TELEGRAPH OFFICE

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the St. John Opera House was held last night. The following directors were elected: A. O. Skinner, John F. Dockrill, Dr. G. A. B. Addy, E. W. Paul, W. G. Salmon, James McKinney, Jr., Fred Payne, D. O'Connell, M. L. Harrison and Dr. George A. Hetherington. The directors elected: A. O. Skinner, president; J. F. Dockrill, vice; J. Mitchell; and vice; J. F. Payne, secretary; Allan Turner, and T. L. Reed, auditors. It was stated by the president that an offer to use the Opera House had been made, but it had never been considered.

Very entertained his staff of water and a pleasant evening at Waterloo street, last night. W. J. Young, on being, agreedly surprised.

NEW YORK BANKER PREDICTS A BIG FINANCIAL PANIC

Jacob H. Schiff Urges Chamber of Commerce in Favor of More Elastic Currency—Speech Creates Sensation in Financial Circles and Causes Break on Wall Street.

New York, Jan. 4.—Unless there is currency reform, a panic beside which former panics will seem as mere child's play, was predicted by Jacob H. Schiff, head of the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., in a remarkable speech before the New York Chamber of Commerce today. Mr. Schiff said he did not regard such a panic as imminent now, but believed it will come unless something is done to remedy the lack of elasticity of the present currency system. He declared that he did not favor the plans proposed by Secretary of the Treasury Shaw for the relief of the situation, but in his opinion the secretary's plan would aid speculation rather than banks to issue a volume of additional government guaranteed currency, equal in amount to fifty per cent. of the bond secured currency maintained by them, but subject to a tax of five or six per cent. until redeemed; he is further.

"Resolved, that the committee on finance and currency submit a report at the next monthly meeting of the chamber upon the aforementioned recommendation of the secretary of the treasury, together with any other measures which the committee may be able to suggest as efficient and practicable for the attainment of the purpose for which the recommendation of the secretary of the treasury has been submitted to congress."

When the tenor of Mr. Schiff's remarks became known in Wall Street, the effect was shown almost instantaneously in the stock market. There was pressure and support and prices seemed entirely lacking, resulting in an uninterrupted decline up to the close, which was active and

The shares most vulnerable were those which have been the leaders in the recent bull speculation, especially the metal stocks. Anaconda fell to 30 1/2 points below last night and rallied, closing 34 1/2. Other losers were: Amalgamated Copper, 3 3/8; St. Paul, 1 1/2; Chicago & Northwestern, two; Delaware & Hudson, four; General Electric, 2 1/8; Great Northern, preferred, three; Louisville & Nashville, 1 1/2; Northern Pacific, two; Peoples Gas; Reading, two, and Virginia Carolina Chemical, 2 1/8. These declines occurred in spite of the fact that call money, while still firm, was weaker than for several days, loans having been made as low as eight per cent. After the close of the market, Mr. Schiff made this supplementary statement:

"My remarks were dictated simply by the conviction that something must be done to correct our inflexible currency system if we are not to run in time into great disaster. We are trying to play the role of giants while still in our swaddling clothes.

"If the president could be made to see that this is a question of vastly more importance to the material interests of the country than his own political popularity, to which he has devoted himself with such admirable energy, congress would soon see at work in a manner which would safeguard our prosperity."

WOMAN CARRIED SCREAMING FROM WHITE HOUSE DOORS

She Insisted Upon Seeing President Roosevelt 'About Her Husband's Dismissal from Government Service'—Refused to go out and Had to be Dragged to Police Station.

Washington, Jan. 4.—A distressing scene was enacted at the White House executive office today, in which a woman was carried screaming from the building because she refused to leave without resort to force.

About 1 o'clock a handsomely attired woman, apparently about fifty years of age, entered the executive office and inquired for Secretary Loeb. Though a messenger she sent her card to the secretary. On the card was engraved the name Mrs. Morris and written beneath it in ink was the address, the New Willard.

Secretary Loeb was engaged at the moment, and not recognizing the name, sent Assistant Secretary B. F. Barnes to interview the caller and ascertain the nature of her business. While awaiting a response to her card, Mrs. Morris paced up and down the reception room of the executive office, appearing to be laboring under suppressed excitement.

As soon as Mr. Barnes made himself known to her she informed him that she had been discharged from the government service and she wanted to demand from the president his reinstatement, or at least to discuss the matter with him. Mr. Barnes explained to her that the president had nothing to do with such subjects, and that she would better take up the matter with the head of the department from which her husband had been discharged. Mrs. Morris refused to go, and dared anybody to try to make her go.

One of the White House officers approached her, but she stepped backward and cried:

"Don't touch me. I'll sit down, but I won't go away."

She then, in a convenient chair, and as the officer approached, she shook her finger at him and shouted: "Don't you touch me; don't you dare touch me. I am fifty years old and never have had an officer's hand on me. I want to see the president. The officer stepped forward and tried to induce her to rise and go out quietly, but she refused to move. She was carried to the police station and the two men had practically to lift Mrs. Morris from her chair.

As she was carried out, she screamed and the officers managed to get her outside the door. They tried to lead her away, but she refused to go, and finally dropped down on the wet and muddy pavement.

As Mrs. Morris is a large woman, the officers had difficulty in handling her, but they eventually picked her up bodily and with the assistance of one of the House officers, carried her screaming to the police call box on the east side of the White House. From there a call was sent in for a patrol wagon. When the wagon arrived, Mrs. Morris refused to enter it, and hysterically begged the bystanders to help her. She was forced to get into the wagon and was taken to the house of detention. There she was placed under the care of the matron, who succeeded in calming her.

Thus far no charge has been filed against Mrs. Morris. She had been a guest of the New Willard hotel for about three weeks, registering from the District of Columbia. Mrs. Morris is the wife of Dr. Meyer Morris, of this city, and is a younger sister of Representative Hull, of Iowa.

About 1800 Mr. Morris was appointed a clerk in the office of the surgeon-general, and in April, 1902, he was discharged. The reasons were not specifically stated in the record of the case. Mrs. Morris was resting quietly at the house of detention tonight, and was attended by a physician, but the officials were not prepared to state what disposition would be made of her.

TO ASSIST YOUNG MEN AFTER MANY YEARS

Provincial Government will Furnish Transportation for New Brunswick Students of Scientific Agriculture.

The local government through the commissioner of agriculture, Hon. L. P. Faris, is carrying out a plan for assisting young men of the province in the acquiring of an education in scientific agriculture. As there is no school of agriculture in New Brunswick, the government will furnish transportation home and back again.

This plan, those engaged or to engage in farming and who are progressive enough to wish scientific agricultural knowledge in a position to acquire it, as well as if a school existed in New Brunswick.

Speaking of the matter yesterday, A. Peters, deputy commissioner of agriculture, said that one young man, Harold Hatheway of Kingsclear, had already availed himself of the opportunity and was attending at Truro. There is to be a short course at Truro, beginning Febru-

ary 1 and lasting two weeks and it is expected that quite a number will take advantage of the department's offer and take in the course.

The McLaughlin boiler shop, York Point Slip, resumed work yesterday—will be enlarged.

The McLaughlin boiler shop, York Point slip, started work yesterday for the first time in several years. It has been leased to Alex. Wilson, mechanical engineer, and James O'Donnell, boiler maker, who have the sub-contract for supplying the iron work for the I. C. B. train shed extension.

A number of men are employed, drilling, punching and shearing the plates, and doing general work. Mr. Wilson said that it was their intention to keep the boiler shop going permanently and to form a company in a short time and build a machine shop in connection.

This said Mr. Wilson, will give employment to between forty and fifty men, while only eight are employed now.

He said it was their plan when the enlargement was completed to build boilers and to do all kinds of iron work, and that he considered it better to get all the old industries started and do work steadily than to start new manufacturers and allow them to go out of existence.

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HUMOR

AN ABSENTMINDED MAN.

Story of a Clergyman Who Always Had to Be Reminded.

"Speaking of absentminded people," said the man from the country, "you ought to live next door to my neighbor. He is a clergyman, but I wonder he remembered the hour set for his ordination and got there in time, or of his marriage, or of anything. Probably he paid somebody to remind him."

"His wife starts him off for church in time for the sermon or he would never get there till the congregation was ready to break up. He forgets to come to his meals on time, and you know a man is pretty forgetful when it comes down to that. At table he often dips his fork into his coffee and begins to write on the tablecloth, thinking he is at his desk, and there are traditions to the effect that he once stood on a street corner and absentmindedly tore up a ten dollar bill."

"Last week he reached the limit. With his wife and daughters he was invited to dinner. They got home about 10 o'clock, and he stopped on the veranda, rummaged through every pocket and discovered, to his dismay and theirs, that he had forgotten his key—that is to say, that he had left it in the house and locked it in, the door being one of those self fastening ones."

"We live in twin houses, side by side, exactly alike to the door jamba. So he called up to my window and begged me to contrive some way to get into his house and admit him. It was raining hard, but I poked my head out of the window of my bedroom, and we held a conference as to ways and means. The conference resulted in my climbing around on the cornice of the second story in the pouring rain, from my bathroom window to his, opening the window and climbing in."

"The rain came down in sheets while I was doing this. I was in my pajamas. When I got in his bathroom I was wet to the skin. I went down stairs to the front door to let the absentminded individual and his family into their house. When I got there I was the maddest individual you ever saw. The door was unlocked. The absentminded man tried to thank me for his key."—New York Press.

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COMPTON ELECTIONS

Incomplete Returns Show the Return of Liberal Candidate by 350 Majority.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—(Special)—Incomplete returns from Compton by-election today indicate the return of A. B. Hunt, Liberal, by a majority of 350 over Rufus Pope, Conservative.

In the general election Mr. Hunt had a majority of 265 over Mr. Pope, who represented the county from 1891 to 1900, but Mr. Hunt was unseated for illegal acts. The present fight was a bitter one and both party leaders took part in the campaign.

TERRIBLE PAINS ACROSS BACK

SUFFERED EIGHT MONTHS WITH KIDNEY TROUBLE. WOULD HAVE TO STAY IN BED FOR THREE DAYS AT A TIME

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Mr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Hazelton, Ont., writes us as follows: "I was a great sufferer from kidney trouble for eight months. I had terrible pains across the small of my back. I would have to stay in bed for three days at a time and could not do any work. I tried several remedies but of no avail, and also plasters but they were of no use.

One day a neighbor of mine advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills. I was so much discouraged I told him I was tired of trying remedies, but he urged me to try one box so I purchased one, and before I was through using it, I found a change for the better so I got five boxes more, and I have had no trouble with my kidneys since. I would not be without Doan's Pills in my house."

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