

### STATE RIGHTS

Upheld in Two Trust Cases by the Federal Supreme Court.

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Decides that Mississippi Has Legal Right to Disband Lumber Dealers and That Kentucky Had the Right to Oust the Standard Oil from that State.

The hands of the State is their fight against "trusts" were upheld Monday by the Supreme court of the United States with telling effect.

The association of Retail Lumber Dealers in Mississippi and Louisiana was disbanded by affirmance of the decree of the supreme court of Mississippi and the Standard Oil Company of Kentucky was ousted from Tennessee by the approval of the decree of the supreme court of Tennessee.

Justice Lurton announced the opinion of the court in the Mississippi case. It was his first utterance from the supreme court bench on the "trust" question.

He accepted the findings of the state courts, and declared that it is an illegal combination and conspiracy under Mississippi statute.

### QUICK WIT SAVED THEM.

Men Climbed Cable to Avoid Shock as Elevator Fell.

Thanks to a rare presence of mind Otto Herold and F. Howard, structural iron workers at Memphis, Tenn., escaped what seemed certain death with nothing worse than blistered hands, while C. Porter, a fellow worker, who was not so quick to grasp the situation, was painfully, if not seriously, injured.

Completing their day's labor near the top of a 17-story building in course of construction, the three started to descend on a frail elevator. All went well until the 14th story was reached.

Howard and Herold, grabbing the steel cable, started a climb against the rapidly descending lift, making such headway that they were several feet above the car when it reached the ground.

Porter clung to the car and suffered several broken ribs and was badly bruised. His two companions were practically unharmed.

### CONVINCING ARGUMENT.

Lash Prove Efficacious in Georgia Convict "Strike."

The strike of thirty long term convicts in the county camps, near Reidville, Ga., has ended, and their threat to die before returning to work proved baseless.

Twelve able-bodied guards, armed with whips, gave the thirty men a sound whipping, and before the lashes had ceased to fall upon the backs of the prisoners the strike spirit oozed away.

Supervisor Tuglie superintended the job, and it was well done. The wholesale punishment was administered Monday, and after it had ended thirty men went to their work with alacrity.

### BROTHER KILLS BROTHER.

In a Family Row Over the Boundary of Some Land.

Peter Kennedy, a prominent young farmer who lived on Fair Forest creek on the line between Union and Spartanburg counties, was shot and killed by his brother, David Kennedy, Friday afternoon about 1 o'clock.

### WANTED IT BADLY

MARK TWAIN WRITES ABOUT THE PENSION THAT

He Failed to Get Because He Had Served as a Soldier in the Confederate Army.

A section chief in the pension bureau has preserved a copy of a characteristic Mark Twain letter, addressed to Gen. John C. Black, now president of the Civil Service Commission, but at the time this communication was received "was commissioner of pensions.

Senator Tillman was accompanied by his wife. The object of his visit was of a personal nature, to look after the improvement of certain property of his in the city.

Senator Tillman was seen by a reporter of The Chronicle just before boarding the train Tuesday afternoon for his home.

He jumped to the conclusion that the pension was intended for his friend and fellow citizen, Samuel L. Clemens of Hartford, Conn., and advised him accordingly.

Hon. John C. Black, Commissioner of Pensions:

Sir: I have not applied for a pension. I have often wanted a pension—often—ever so often—but, inasmuch as the only military service I ever performed during the war was in the Confederate army I have always felt a delicacy about asking you for it.

Very truly yours, S. L. Clemens. Known to the police as "Mark Twain."

### HAS TRAGIC SEQUEL

Girl, Who Eloped With Her Uncle, Dies in Childbirth.

Ida Markham, the 16-year-old girl seduced by her uncle, Hilman High, who has since been convicted and sentenced to the roads for six years for Sunday night in Waks. N. C., after becoming the mother of a child.

The young girl is reported by her parents as testifying in the last hours of her agony that High forced her to yield to him at the point of a pistol.

She was a daughter of J. C. Markham, a prosperous tobacco farmer in Richmond. The burial takes place in the city.

### DECEMBER AND MAY.

An Old Man Marries Young Woman in Romantic Way.

The Spartanburg Journal says Thomas C. Galloway, of Gadsden, Ala., and Miss M. E. McCarroll of Asheville were married in the parlors of the Finch Hotel at 8:30 Tuesday morning.

The groom is about 65 years old and the bride only about 25.

### TILLMAN IN AUGUSTA

IS QUITE FEEBLE BUT IS LOOKING VERY WELL.

The Visit of the Senior Senator Was of a Personal Nature, but Took a Shot at Teddy.

The Augusta Chronicle says Senator Tillman was in Augusta for a few hours Tuesday, and while there was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Morrison.

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He is the grandest fakir in the world," said the senator, "and he has the best staff of press agents that there is in the world."

### SUMTER MAN SUICIDES.

Charles S. Poole Ends His Life by Taking Poison.

Another suicide had occurred at Sumter. Leaving a sealed note addressed to his wife, the contents of which is unknown, and with no known reason for the act, Charles S. Poole died Monday at the Hotel Sumter, at 3 o'clock, from the effects of a large dose of bicloride of mercury, which he administered to himself.

Mrs. Poole was summoned and a physician sent for at once, every possible effort being made to save him, but he succumbed to the terrible ravages of the drug at just twelve hours after it was administered.

### REUNION OF VETERANS.

The Old Confederates Will Meet in Spartanburg in August.

Spartanburg is getting ready for the Confederate reunion. At a joint meeting of committees from Camp Joe Walker, of the Confederate Veterans, the city council and the Chamber of Commerce, held Thursday morning, August 17 and 18 were the Confederate Veterans, to be held in the city.

### SAYS TEDDY IS A BOOP.

For Not Meeting the Pope Says Catholic Arch Bishop.

Theodore Roosevelt's action in not meeting Pope Pius on the former president's recent visit to Rome, was called insulting and a violation of Mr. Roosevelt's principle of a square deal by Most Rev. William H. O'Connell, archbishop of Boston at a public meeting of the American Federation of Catholic societies of the diocese in Lowell, Mass., Tuesday.

### WHITE SLAVE TRADE.

Georgia Judge Charges the Jury on the Subject.

As a result of the charge of the grand jury at Columbus, Ga., Monday, by Judge Gilbert of the superior court, indictments of white slave traffickers are expected to be handed down. Judge Gilbert told the jurors that New York city was not alone in its horrible examples of the sale of young girls into a life of shame and made it plain that the court expected indictments returned against several Columbus people.

### Village Destroyed.

The village of Plymouth, six miles southwest of Emporia, Kansas, is reported to have been destroyed by a tornado Monday night.

### Abduction Charged.

D. Barra, a telephone lineman, who has a wife and children in Virginia, has been jailed in Columbia charged with abducting Miss Ruby McGinnis, who has been missing six months.

### FARMERS UNION

Meet in Convention at St. Louis to Discuss General Matters.

W. J. BRYAN WILL SPEAK The Assembly Represents Millions of American Producers.—President Barrett Sounds High Note for the Planters.—Farmers Should Command and Not Beg.

The joint convention of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, the American Society of Equity and 400 subsidiary organizations opened in St. Louis on Monday morning.

Ninety addresses are on the program, which concludes Saturday night, with an address by W. J. Bryan, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, spoke Monday afternoon and outlined his plans for bringing about a new political party through an affiliation of the farmers with the laboring men.

President Barrett in opening the meeting made an excellent speech. He began his speech by saying that as the representative of 2,000,000 militant American farmers, whose organized army rests one flank upon the Atlantic and the other upon the Pacific ocean, I give to you a cordial greeting, which shall know no boundaries of State or section, no narrowness of political partisanship or bigotry, but a tolerance as broad as justice and as wide as that sincerity that underlies our common heritage of American citizenship.

Among other things he said: "The American farmer of tradition has been the farmer of the more of less humorous cartoon or caricature, variously represented as fair prey to the green goods man or the gold brick artist. And the farmer has been slow in awakening. His environment, in the first place, was against his awakening. The tardiness of facilities for communication, the infrequency with which newspapers penetrated to the far rural districts, and the natural suspicion, which is a part of his temperament, all militated to keep him in shackles as to his own power, and his duty of self-government in the premises.

The era of wakefulness to self-duty, to the obligation of self-help, to the obligation of duty to country is already dawning. I do not say that the farmer as a class is roused to his national obligations. But I do assert, with all the emphasis at my command, and supported by all the experience of a lifetime, that the lever of self-stirring, throughout the mass of the American farmer."

After stating that vandalism and craft are being eliminated from our political life, the speaker said: "We are standing more resolutely each day for a literal interpretation of the doctrine of the 'square deal.' We are determined that the people and not the politicians shall rule. The Farmers' union is responsible both for the awakened farmer and the awakened nation, as regards the farmer.

Pleading for sincere, constructive leadership among the farmers, President Barrett said in the degree that this pervails, now and in the days to come, "we shall solve the agricultural problems perplexing the best and most consecrated thought of this country." He said the selfish leadership is inevitable incendiary and destructive. "For it is almost criminal selfish aims it is willing to turn the farmer against his neighbor against his merchant, against the banker, against the resident of the city. It is leadership for revenue only, without one redeeming aspiration."

"A distinct part of the rural problem is the cultivation of a better and more cooperative spirit between the city man and the country man. After all, they have almost everything in common. We are both interested in the curbing and purging, not the destruction, of great agencies of civilization. We are both interested in building up a more staunch American citizenship, free of pollution from fascinating alien strains, bred and pure and militant Americanism. And unless we realize this close mutual relation we shall both suffer."

Speaking of the campaign of the Farmers' union for the enactment of certain national legislation, Mr. Barrett said: "Politicians in general have paid and are paying more attention to the farmer, and that is because the farmer is paying more attention to the politician. Once let the public officer conceive the idea that he is being watched continually by his constituent, and that the latter is carefully comparing promise with performance, and we shall elevate the standard of public service in this country."

"I have urged upon Farmers' union members to refuse to let their attitude toward their congressmen be colored by any trivial gifts on the part of the congressmen, the bribery of a petty office for a relative, or a cordial handshake from the great man himself. The test of worthiness of continued endorsement at the polls is deeds, not flattery, and that man is a traitor to his country and to his ideals who betrays his fellows by considering a public obligation cancelled by a private favor."

Alabama Local Option. Alabama had an election on Tuesday and the returns from sixty-seven counties show that Emmet O'Neal, local optionist, was nominated for Governor in the Democratic primary held in that State by a majority of 1,200 over his opponent, H. S. D. Mallory. Mallory ran on a state-wide prohibition platform.

Two Die in Sewer. A sewer ditch in West Winston, N. C., caved in at noon Monday, killing Harry Stinson and William Nash, negroes. Three other men had narrow escapes.

### A LIVELY CORPSE

WERE MOST AGREEABLY SURPRISED ON TRAIN ARRIVAL

Went to Meet Dead Body of Brother, but Saw Him Get off Train Well and Happy.

Through a misunderstanding in a long distance telephone message relatives of T. C. Chandler of Washington, D. C., went to the depot at Wadesboro, N. C., the other night expecting to meet the dead body of Mr. Chandler, and were most happily surprised to greet him well and happy. The Messenger and Intelligence tells the story.

T. C. Chandler of Washington, D. C., John W. Chandler of Virginia, and R. W. Chandler of Mangum, (Richmond county, are brothers. They are all getting to be old men, and, though their paths through life have been divergent, they nevertheless, have preserved an unusual affection for each other.

John W. Chandler has for some time been on a visit to R. W. Chandler at Mangum, T. C. Chandler attended the reunion at Mobile and reached Charlotte Saturday on the return trip. From Charlotte he telephoned R. W. Chandler that he would pay him a visit and to meet him in Wadesboro, with a wagon Saturday afternoon to carry his trunk to Mangum.

When Col. Roosevelt believes that a slight within the party, when it is confined to opinions of legislation, may be healthful, he does not favor a degree of insurgency that threatens to disrupt the party at the polls and will probably deliver some speeches in the congressional campaign in the West, urging the return of republicans to Congress.

### REFUSED TO ANSWER.

Census Questions and Warrants Have Been Issued.

The Columbia Record says Census Supervisor Dupre may in a few days cause warrants to be issued against four persons in this district, who are refusing to give information to enumerators. Three of these live in Columbia, and the fourth in Orangeburg.

### GAVE UP THE FIGHT.

"When a Man's Down and Out It's Time to Quit."

At Chicago J. Henry Ball, a carpenter, 53 years old, committed suicide in his room at a lodging house Tuesday by drinking carbolic acid. He left a letter addressed to a fellow carpenter, which reads: "When a man is down and out, in a land of plenty, and cannot even get a meal, it is time to quit. I went last night to the Moody church and after the service I asked one of the ministers for aid."

### STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

Fire Partially Destroys Chattanooga Courthouse.

At Chattanooga, Tenn., the county Court House, valued at \$180,000, was damaged by fire Saturday night to the extent of at least \$75,000, and if the valuable records are found to have been destroyed the loss will reach in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000. The fire was caused by a bolt of lightning, which struck the dome on top of the dome, containing the big clock. The entire upper portion of the building was consumed.

### They Are Held.

The Serbian government has received a dispatch from Uskub station that a number of foreign newspaper men reporting the war in Albania were seized by the Albanians at Katchanik Pass some days ago and carried off to a lonely and almost inaccessible place in the mountains.

### Shot for Ten Cents.

In a dispute over ten cents, which arose while the parties were gambling, Ned Wicker Sunday morning shot and probably mortally wounded Erch Bridges in the St. Phillip's section of Newbury country, both parties being colored.

### Killed by Train.

Jack Hall, white, aged 83 years, was killed by a south-bound Central of Georgia passenger train at Iver, Ga., at an early hour Friday morning. Mr. Hall had been fishing and was caught on the trestle and knocked, dying instantly.

### TEDDY TALKS

SAYS HE WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.

Working to Carry Out the Policies He Started.

The Washington Post says in letters which Theodore Roosevelt is alleged to have written to President Taft, Senator Root and Wm. Loeb, Jr., the former president thoroughly endorses the Taft administration, favors Mr. Loeb to succeed Governor Hughes of New York and indicates that his decision to remain in private life is final and unalterable. The Colonel will not even be a candidate to succeed Chauncey M. DePew in the Senate and much less would he desire any other office.

It is said also the former president will in no sense be a candidate for the presidency in 1912. On the contrary his letters are said to indicate that it is his conviction that the re-election of President Taft is the Republican party's duty.

When Col. Roosevelt speaks before the national conservation congress in St. Paul in September, it is said he will declare himself again for the policies for which he has always stood, but will insist that the work be pressed forward without conservation a part for political expedients.

### DEALERS RAN TO EARTH

White Slaves Are Being Bought and Sold on the New York Market.

Two Young Earnest Women Workers Make Most Revolting Discoveries and Uncover the Vilest and Most Horrible of Traffics and Bring the Guilty Fiends to Justice.

The New York World says white slavery in that city was shown to be a real, hideous fact in the last few days. The following proof of the above we take from the World: After three months of careful planning by District Attorney Whitman and John D. Rockefeller, Jr., foreman of a Grand Jury now in session, four girls were bought in New York by an Assistant District-Attorney and two courageous women, graduates of Smith and Radcliffe Colleges, who had worked with the Rockefeller Grand Jury on the cases.

The girls were purchased in the open market. The District-Attorney has the receipts for the money paid for them. The girls were sold to the direct understanding that they were to be carried to Alaska for moral purposes. They were sold as slaves, without any reservation, according to the evidence in the possession of the District-Attorney.

Each of the girls gave her age officially as sixteen and seventeen years old. One girl who was found by the authorities cried bitterly for a half hour because she had been taken so quickly from a home of love that she did not bring her doll. Another little girl cried equally hard for her Teddy bear.

Three arrests have already been made in the cases and other arrests are predicted by the District-Attorney within a short time. The first was that of Harry Levenson, 27 years old, living at No. 16 East 3rd street. The District-Attorney charges that through the agency of Assistant District Attorney James B. Reynolds, and the two college women, two girls were purchased from him. The second arrest was that of Belle Moore, a negro, living at No. 348 West Forty-first street. The District Attorney charges that two white girls were purchased from her last week by the same agents. In connection with the woman's arrest the District Attorney stated that not one-quarter of the facts could be made public at this time.

### MURDERERS IDENTIFIED.

By One of the Men They Attempted to Assassinate.

It begins to look as if two negroes who held up a car, murdering the motorman, and dangerously wounding the conductor, near Atlanta, Ga., some time ago has been caught. Willie Johnson and Charlie Walker, have been identified by Conductor Walter Bryson as the assassins of himself and Motorman S. T. Brown. Brown was killed on spot. Almost by a miracle Bryson, who was shot through and through, is fast on the road to recovery. He will be released from the hospital within a day or two. Bryson, who never failed once in his identification, says the negro Jackson shot him and that Walker killed Brown.

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### STORK IN YANKEELAND

ALIEN RACES SHOW MARKED INCREASE IN CONNECTICUT.

Birth Rate Among Native Stock is in the Decline.—Latins Lead all Foreign Races.

The report of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of Connecticut indicates that that state, once the home of the New England Yankee, is becoming a foreign community. Study of the tabulations concerning births reveal that the native stock of the commonwealth is being overwhelmed by the superior numbers of the invading races from overseas.

In its Connecticut rounds the stork prefers to visit alien households. In 1908 there were 26,694 births in the state. The number of cases in which both parents were foreign born footed to 14,130, establishing a new high record. The percentage of foreign births in the past decade has increased from 41.7 to 52.9 per cent.

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### VERY HEAVY RAIN.

The heaviest rainfall in years fell in Greenville for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, eight and one-half inches being recorded by the Government weather man.

### STOVE EXPLODES.

At Philadelphia Mrs. Yette Friedman, 60 years old, was killed Monday by an explosion of what is believed to have been dynamite in the range of her home.