

DEPUTIES ACCUSED.

Sensational Scenes in the French Senate Chamber.

BOUVIER ANSWERS HIS ACCUSERS

M. Paul Deroulle Makes a Violent Attack on M. Clemenceau, Seconded by M. Milleroye and the Bonapartists in the Senate.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—M. Floquet, president of the chamber of deputies, announced to the house yesterday that he had received from the procurator general an application for authority to prosecute M. Rouvier, ex-minister of finance; M. Jules Roche, ex-minister of commerce; Emmanuel Arago, member for Corsica; Adolphe Dron, member for Dordogne; Severin, Louis, member for the Seine; and Baron de Soubeyran, member for the Gironde, member for Orne. The application was made on the ground that the standing committee of the Panama canal had received many checks from the individuals in question which were not cashed, and that the application of the law was exempt from certain legal proceedings. The committee decided that the standing committee should meet and consider the application.

In the senate and the lower chamber special committees were elected to consider the application of the procurator general, and both were under-ordered to favor the prosecution of ex-Minister Rouvier. At a meeting of M. Le Royer, the president, it was decided that he would have a demand for the prosecution of the canal company. The matter was referred, as in the lower chamber, to the standing committee.

M. Rouvier appeared before the standing committee of which he is a member, in his own defense. The report of the special committee, read by Chairman Alexandre Milleroye, favored the granting of the application for authority to prosecute, but in the intense anxiety of mind it was hardly noticed. M. Rouvier waited impatiently for the explanation of the accused members. Deputy Arago, charged by the committee with the duty of police, with corruption in connection with the loan of 1883, was the first to speak. He made a general denial.

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banks, steam engines, magic lanterns, singing birds, tin pens, Noah's ark. This only limits our immense stock.

Mr. Peshall's Confidence.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 21.—Charles J. Peshall, Esq., of Jersey City, counsel for Edward Hallinger, the colored wife murderer, was here yesterday and will leave tomorrow, held a long conference with Judge Ashland, of the United States district court. The nature of the conference is not known, but when Mr. Peshall left for home he said: "You can say that I told Hallinger will not hang to morrow."

March in South Africa.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—According to information brought by the Philadelphia ship Jacob E. Ridgway, from South Africa, Gideon W. Marsh, the fugitive American bank robber, who was supposed to have been in Brazil during the summer, was at Cape Town, South Africa, on Monday morning. He was seen by a number of the English, and he was identified and had been known as a Philadelphia bank robber.

To Defend the America Cap.

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Belmont Mines Burning.

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Minister Lincoln Visits the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—United States Minister Robert T. Lincoln was at the Capitol for a short time yesterday and was warmly greeted by his friends in the Senate. A luncheon was given him by Senator Aldrich, chairman of the rules committee, to which about half a dozen other senators were invited.

For a sore throat there is nothing better than a flannel bandage dampened with Eucalypti extract. It is nearly always effective in a couple of days.

This remedy is also a favorite for rheumatism and has cured many very severe cases. 50 cent bottle for sale at Reynolds' Pharmacy, corner Park and Third avenues. T. S. Armstrong, manager.

Stabbed by an Unknown Assassin.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 21.—Eljah Williams, who lives in Lackawanna township, while going home yesterday, was wounded by a shot from an unknown assassin and stabbed four times. He was found by a passerby, who carried him to a hospital, where he died.

Mr. Palmer Held for Murder.

GREENBURGH, Pa., Dec. 21.—The hearing in the Palmer poisoning case was held yesterday, and Mr. Kate Palmer, who is charged with the poisoning of her husband, was held for trial at the February term of court.

SUGGESTS OF NEWS.

Dying a Fire in Cincinnati last night, Fireman Emory left from a four-story building and was killed.

Marie Nevins, the divorced wife of James G. Nevins, died yesterday. It was stated that she is to marry her physician.

John and Marilla Anderson, 14 and 10 years old, killed a lone female deer in the woods, and took possession of a house. The deer was killed by a house.

The Younger has confessed.

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PARIS, Dec. 21.—Mr. Edward Parker Deacon has won in the suit against him by the proprietor of the hotel Splendide at Cannes, for damage done by the explosion of the hotel.

The action was brought by the hotel Splendide, which was destroyed by the explosion of the hotel.

Minister Lincoln Visits the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—United States Minister Robert T. Lincoln was at the Capitol for a short time yesterday and was warmly greeted by his friends in the Senate. A luncheon was given him by Senator Aldrich, chairman of the rules committee, to which about half a dozen other senators were invited.

For a sore throat there is nothing better than a flannel bandage dampened with Eucalypti extract. It is nearly always effective in a couple of days.

This remedy is also a favorite for rheumatism and has cured many very severe cases. 50 cent bottle for sale at Reynolds' Pharmacy, corner Park and Third avenues. T. S. Armstrong, manager.

Stabbed by an Unknown Assassin.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 21.—Eljah Williams, who lives in Lackawanna township, while going home yesterday, was wounded by a shot from an unknown assassin and stabbed four times. He was found by a passerby, who carried him to a hospital, where he died.

Mr. Palmer Held for Murder.

GREENBURGH, Pa., Dec. 21.—The hearing in the Palmer poisoning case was held yesterday, and Mr. Kate Palmer, who is charged with the poisoning of her husband, was held for trial at the February term of court.

SUGGESTS OF NEWS.

Dying a Fire in Cincinnati last night, Fireman Emory left from a four-story building and was killed.

Marie Nevins, the divorced wife of James G. Nevins, died yesterday. It was stated that she is to marry her physician.

John and Marilla Anderson, 14 and 10 years old, killed a lone female deer in the woods, and took possession of a house. The deer was killed by a house.

The Younger has confessed.

The New Machine Company, of Williamsport, Pa., has announced a reduction of wages of 10 per cent.

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WERE THEY POISONED?

NEW CASE OF HOMICIDE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Senate was rather indifferently interested yesterday in the case of the McGarrath bill, and remained in session for four hours. Several important bills were introduced and two were passed, authorizing the sale of the lands of the Brooklyn N. Y. railway, and the lands in the vicinity of Fort Mifflin, Delaware.

Mr. Baile (Term), made a speech in favor of the bill authorizing the employment of federal supervisors and special deputies at \$1000 per year.

When the conclusion of the morning hour left that the McGarrath bill, which was entitled to consideration in the morning hour, was not taken up, and went over.

An effort was made by Mr. Blackburn to take up the Hudson river bridge bill, but it was so late that it was not taken up.

The McGarrath bill was successfully resisted by Mr. Washburn (Ill.) and the friends of