

SCORED A DIPLOMATIC VICTORY.



WILLIAM I. BUCHANAN, HIGH COMMISSIONER OF THE UNITED STATES, AND DR. F. GONZALES GUINAN, MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF VENEZUELA, SIGNING THE PROTOCOL AT MIRAFLORES PALACE, CARACAS.

Caracas, March 12.—Resisting to the end the proposition of Commissioner Buchanan to submit the claim of the New York and Bermudez company to arbitration, because the case had already been tried and sentenced in the Venezuelan courts, President Gomez scored a great diplomatic vic-

COFFERS OF THE RICH THREATENED BY FRENCH INCOME TAX BILL.

Burden of Taxation Shifted As Far As Possible to the Wealthy—The Socialists Jubilant, While Property Classes Call the Bill "Criminal Folly."

Paris, March 12.—The country has received the passage of the income tax bill by the Chamber of Deputies with mingled feelings of rage and triumph. The commercial moneyed and property classes generally, whose interests are

promptly and vigorously our blood is rich and pure. All power and vitality comes from the blood. Many people always have impoverished blood. All may have pure, rich, vitalizing blood by using Wade's "Tonic Pills (Laxative)." They are a great nerve strengthener and blood maker. In boxes, 25c., at Wade's Drug Store. Money back if not satisfactory.

SPOTTING CRIMINALS

PLAN OF SHOPS AND BANKS FOR FOILING THIEVES.

The Moment a Suspect is Discovered in an Establishment the Warning is Quickly Given to the Employees, Who Are Instantly on the Alert.

London, March 13.—Do you know if Brown has returned that parcel of stamps yet?

Quite recently in connection with a terrible outrage in the west end of London, in which an unfortunate money changer was done to death in his office by a desperate robber, the fact was disclosed that in the case of a sudden attack it had been arranged that one of the assistants should employ the "distress signal" of hurling a brass paperweight through the window of the office.

Although most people are quite unaware of the fact, practically every banker, money changer and jeweler in the fashionable quarter of the metropolis has some prearranged code by which one employee may warn his fellows that a dubious character has entered the establishment.

In one well known bank this is the system adopted. Should a cashier's suspicions be aroused by the actions or speech of a man upon the other side of the counter, he will step across in a perfectly innocent way to a certain desk which stands quite apart from the others. The cashier at the doorway sees the action, knows its significance and is instantly on the alert.

In the case of another bank the cashier whose suspicions are aroused need not even move away from his desk to warn the watcher. The scheme employed is this: Along the guarding rail of the counter are a series of plates bearing the word "Payer" or "Receiver," according to the duties of the cashier in each particular section.

These, by design, are all placed slightly askew. Should one of the officials behind the desks suspect the secret faith of an individual to whom he is attending all he has to do is or-

der to place the patrol in uniform upon the qui vive is to reach up a leisurely hand and turn one of these plates so that it is in a perfectly straight line with the rail from which it projects.

The ingenuity of this idea lies in the fact that, while the action is perfectly natural, it is so unmistakable that even when the bank is full of people it cannot fail to be observed by the man who is on the look-out.

Quite the most elaborate system of which details are obtainable is that installed by a firm of electrical engineers for one prominent west end jeweler. The manager who is on duty sits at a glass screened desk in the rear of the shop in such a position that, while scarcely being seen himself and certainly without making any movement, he has an absolutely unimpeded view of every counter and show case.

Near him on a small board, shielded from view, is a row of tiny red electric light bulbs. One corresponds to the position of each of the slave assistants who attends to the wants of the jewel buying public. Sunk in the floor, near the foot of each assistant, is a button, and his duty is done when, should he think a customer he is serving may not be "on the square," he places his foot on this convenient button. The little glow lamp lights up at the other end of the wire, and the manager's attention is promptly focused in the direction indicated.

Should his keen scrutiny reveal an actual theft from the articles displayed on the counter or from some unprotected tray he himself presses a button as the thief turns to leave the shop. This serves to warn a smart attendant who is on duty at the portals, and the wrong-doer finds his or her pathway barred without a word having been uttered or sign of warning given.

A Common Case.

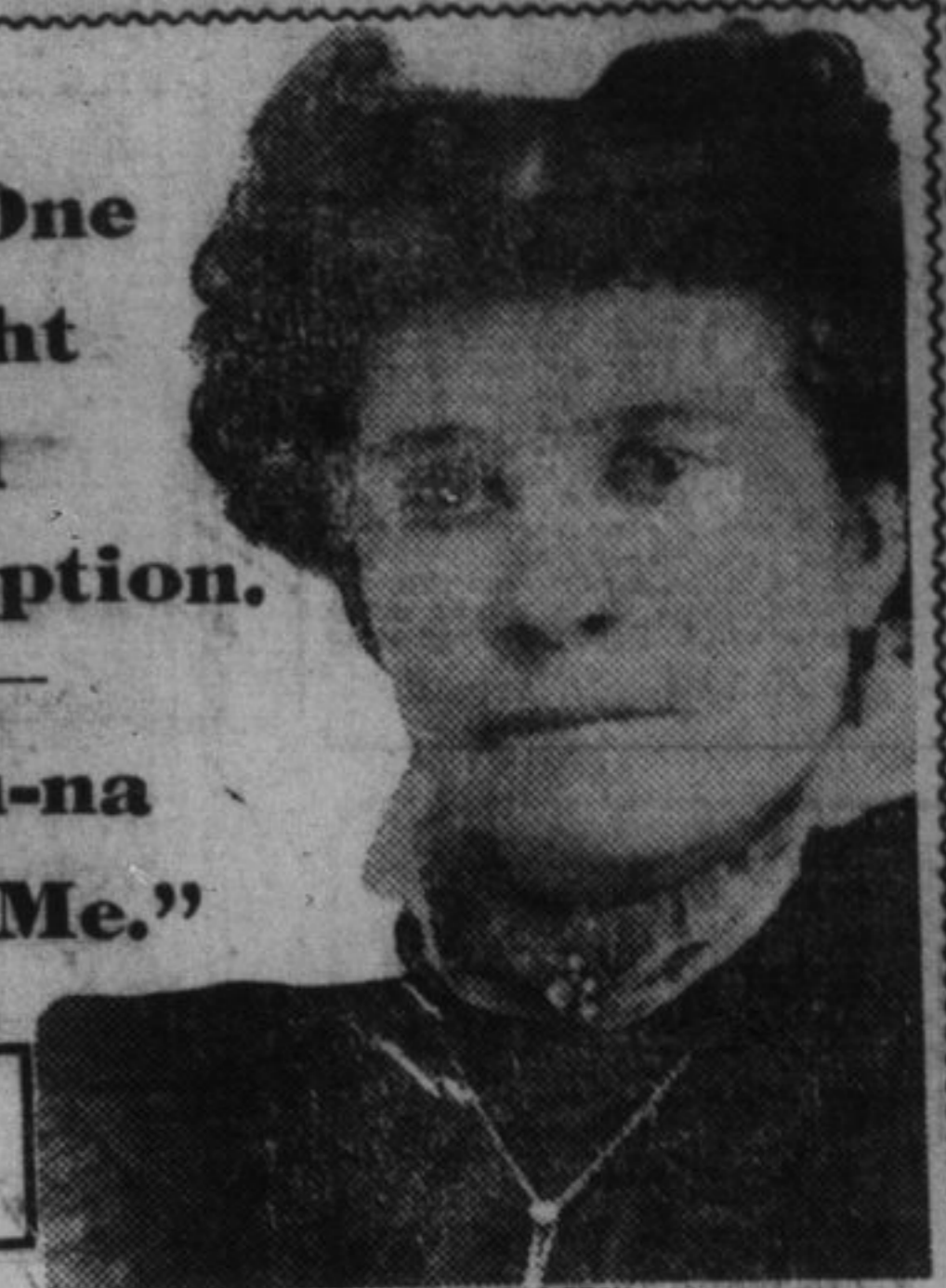
Canadian Courier.—Senator Riley, of Victoria, B.C., tells a story of a lawyer out west who did some work requiring delicate political manipulation and afterwards sent his client a bill for two hundred and twenty-five dollars. The client called to protest against what he declared an exorbitant charge.

"See here," the latter said sternly, "you know the charge is ridiculous. Why, you did not do twenty-five dollars' worth of legal work."

"That may be," assented the legal gentleman blandly, "in fact, I'll admit that there's hardly ten dollars' worth of legal service in that deal. But you forget that there's two hundred and fifteen dollars' worth of political pull."

"Every One Thought I Had Consumption."

Pe-ru-na Saved Me."



MRS. MOIE PARIZEAU.

"I hardly know how to thank you for the good Pe-ru-na has done me. I suffered five years with pain in the stomach. About a year ago it became so bad I could hardly bear it. I coughed day and night and grew weaker and weaker. The pain extended through my body and I also had difficulty in breathing, which made me cough. Everyone thought I had consumption. My husband heard of Pe-ru-na and bought five bottles. This treatment virtually cured me and now I recommend Pe-ru-na to every one who is suffering. I thank Dr. Hartman for this excellent remedy." Mrs. Julie de Vercheres, P. Q., Canada.

WOMEN SHOULD BEWARE OF CATCHING COLD.

By reason of their delicate structure, the lungs are frequently the seat of a cold, especially if there is the slightest weakness of these organs. The treatment of catarrh of the lungs is also more difficult and discouraging than catarrh of any other organ of the body.

It would be wise therefore, to guard against it by every precaution possible.

Pe-ru-na has been found the most reliable of all remedies for coughs, colds and catarrh, by reason of the fact that it goes at once to the very seat of the trouble.

It searches out every crevice, every duct of the body. It quickens and equalizes the circulation of the blood, thus relieving the congested mucous membranes. It exercises a healing and soothing effect upon the mucous membranes, no matter whether they are the more exposed membranes of the head and throat, or whether they line the remotest cells of the lungs.

Mrs. Jaschob, 1631 Hicks St., Toledo, Ohio, writes: "When I wrote to you for advice, I had been sick for three years. I had trouble with my throat. Often I could not breathe through my nose. I also had pains in my chest and a cough. I took Pe-ru-na according to directions and it has cured me."

SCENES IN LIBERIA, CONDITIONS OF WHICH A U. S. COMMISSION MAY INVESTIGATE



ORATORY AT ATHENS.

High School Pupils in a Platform Debate.

Athens, March 11.—Despite inclement weather, the oratorical contest drew a large crowd last night. The three youthful orators were students of the high school, and their fellow students turned out in great numbers. Clare Saunderson spoke on Canada, looking backward over 100 years; Wilbert Page spoke of "Canada, a Prospective View of 100 Years Hence," while Morley Smith spoke on "Christian Citizenship for Canada." The addresses were unusually good and proved a revelation as to the ability and eloquence of our students. Judges from a distance had been secured and their decision was in favor of the second speaker, Wilbert Page, and accordingly the prize, a \$5 gold coin, was presented by Rev. F. A. Read to the successful competitor. Beautiful Bibles were awarded to the other speakers, Reeve Holmes making the presentation. Vocal selections were given at intervals by Misses Culbert, Wilkes, Slack and Leggett, and Messrs. Wilkes and Myers, and instrumental music by Mesdames Beckstedt and Kendrick. A flag drill by ten little girls and two tableaux, "Sleep, Night, Death," and "Dawn," are also worthy of special comment.

(a) box of Comfort soap), having brought a load of forty-two; Riley Cross was awarded second prize, an eighty-day clock, his load numbering forty-one; and Waldron Sheldahl received third prize, an alarm clock, for his load of thirty-nine. The lady bringing in the largest load of ladies was Miss Mabel Cross, and to her was awarded the only ladies prize, a handsome ring.

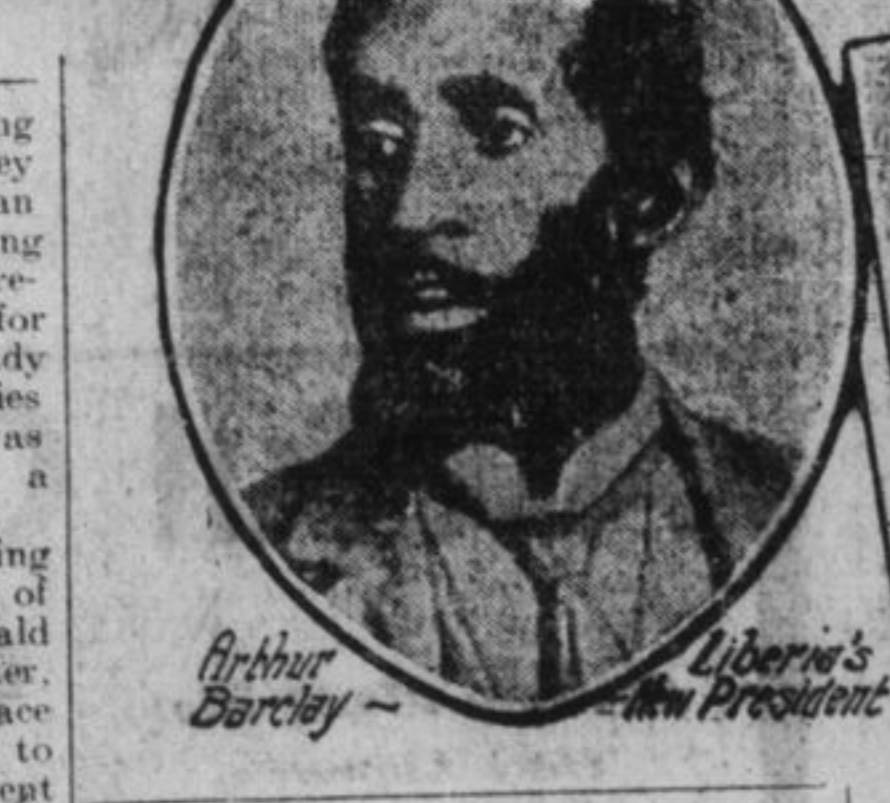
Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Ethel Arnold, daughter of H. H. Arnold, merchant, and Ronald Lorraine Cliff, of New Westminster, B.C. The ceremony is to take place March 31st. C. C. Slack has gone to Brockville, where he has employment at the carriage works. Mrs. Poole and son, of Grenadier Island, have been guests of Mrs. Rappell. Jean Kuley has gone to visit her sister, Mrs. Pinkerton, at Buchanan, Sask. Mrs. Blyington has accompanied her son to his home at Carlyle, Sask.

A Pecuniary Disappointment.

"Never lend money," writes Mark Twain to a friend, "unless you get a mortgage and not less than seven per cent. I once loaned a fellow five dollars and had to send a letter to ask him for it back. He wrote in reply, 'I not only enclose you the five dollars which you so generously lent to me, but five dollars additional which I am going to ask you to lay aside for me for a rainy day. But I could not find any money enclosed. I thought maybe it had fallen out when I opened the letter, so I searched for it under the table and all over the floor, but to no purpose.



The Senate, Liberia

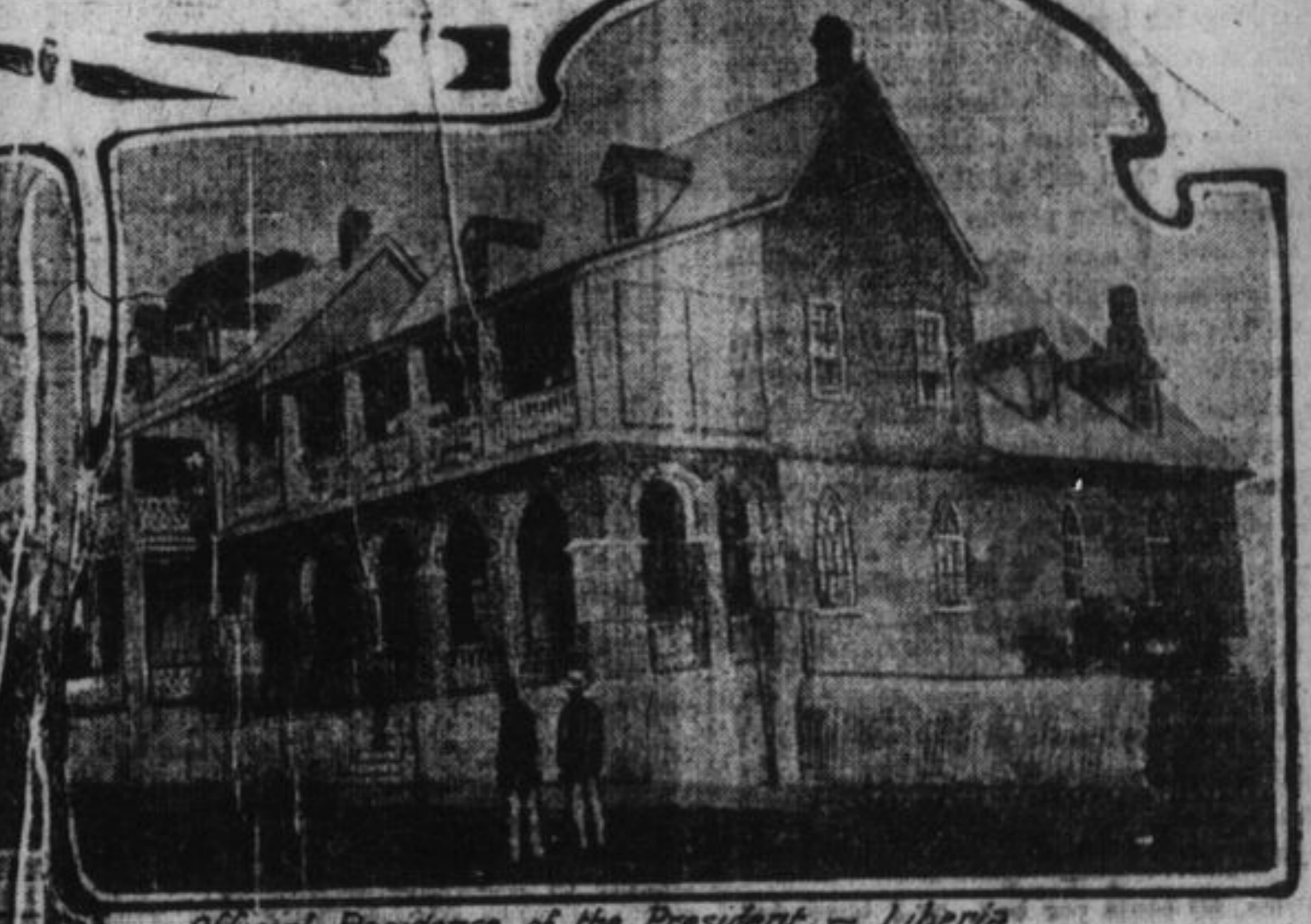


Arthur Barclay—Liberia's first President.

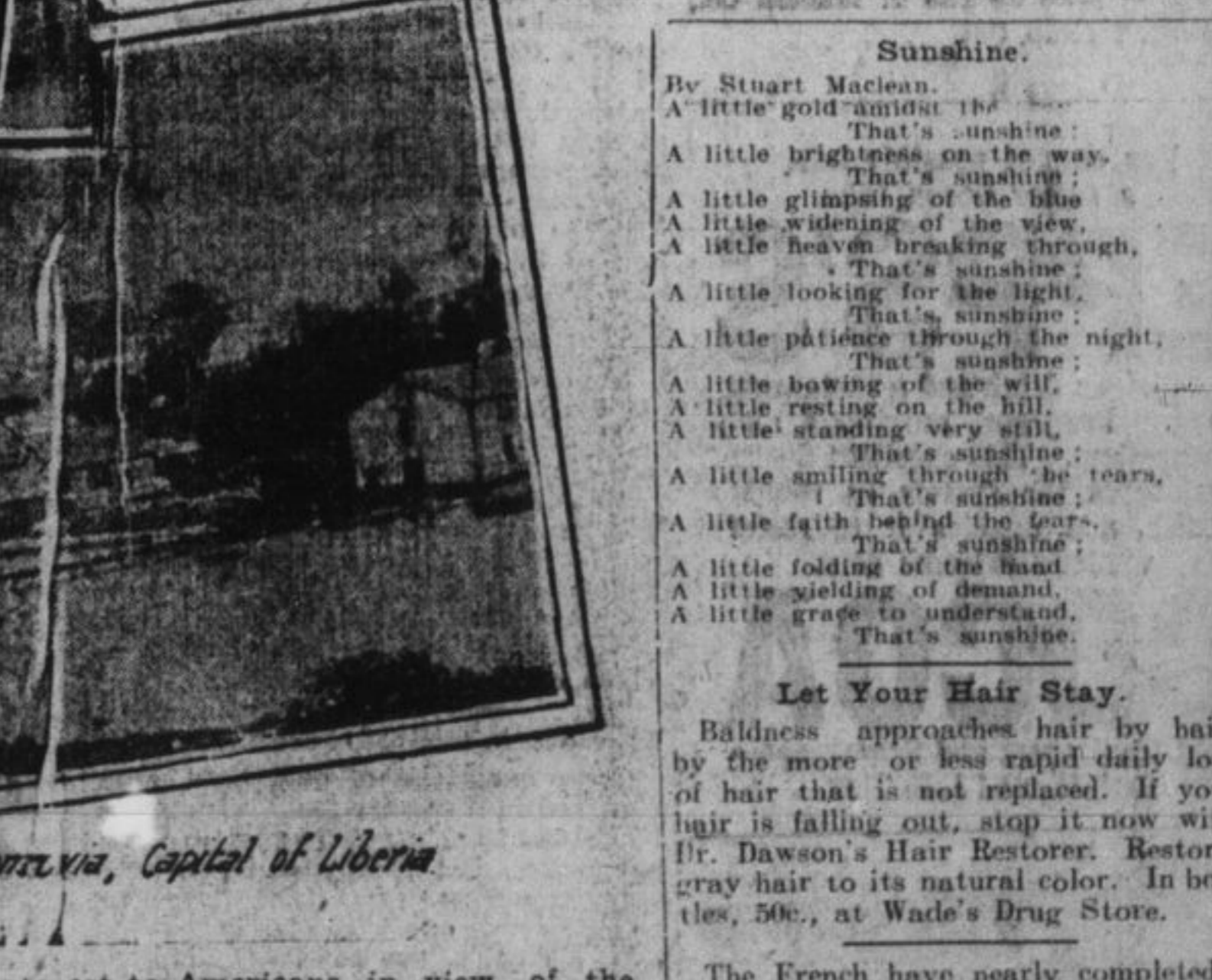
Then quite accidentally I turned over the sheet of notepaper on which the letter was written and discovered this postscript: 'I've just looked out of the window and find that it is raining like the very dickens.'

The louder a man talks—well, you know what there is in a bass drum. We feel sorry for a man that other men call "pretty."

An ordinary piano contains a mile of wire string.



Official Residence of the President—Liberia



A View of Monrovia, Capital of Liberia

Conditions in Liberia at present are of more than passing interest to Americans, in view of the fact that Congress is likely to pass an appropriation for the expenses of a commission to go to Liberia to investigate and make recommendations as to what specific action on the part of the government will most aptly tender effective relief to that republic under the present critical circumstances. Anticipating favorable action by Congress on one of the supply bills to pay the expenses of the proposed commission to Liberia to investigate and report on conditions there, the following-named persons have been tasked to act: Robert C. Ogden, Jacob H. Hollander and Booker T. Washington. It is understood that they will serve. The state department is very anxious that the appropriation be made promptly in order that the commission may reach Liberia before the rainy season sets in.

Sunshine. By Stuart Maclean. A little gold amidst the grey. That's sunshine. A little brightness on the way. That's sunshine. A little glimpsing of the blue. That's sunshine. A little widening of the view. That's sunshine. A little heaven breaking through. That's sunshine. A little looking for the light. That's sunshine. A little patience through the night. That's sunshine. A little bowing of the will. That's sunshine. A little resting on the hill. That's sunshine. A little standing very still. That's sunshine. A little smiling through the tears. That's sunshine. A little faith behind the door. That's sunshine. A little folding of the hand. That's sunshine. A little yielding of demand. That's sunshine. A little grace to understand. That's sunshine.

Let Your Hair Stay. Baldness approaches hair by hair, by the more or less rapid daily loss of hair that is not replaced. If your hair is falling out, stop it now with Dr. Dawson's Hair Restorer. Restores gray hair to its natural color. In bottles, 50c., at Wade's Drug Store.

The French have nearly completed a telephone system which covers their great possessions in Africa. Nothing puffs a woman up more than to have a seventeenth cousin suddenly become famous. The sweet potato and the Jerusalem artichoke are supposed to be indigenous to America.

Red-Rose Tea

"Is Good Tea" ALWAYS SOLD IN LEAD PACKAGES, NEVER IN BULK.