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KNIFE AND FORK CLUB

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18—Henry T. Hunt, mayor of Cincinnati, and Hon. William Renwick Riddell, judge of the King's Bench division of the High Court of Justice of Ontario, have been secured as the principal speakers at the annual dinner of the Knife and Fork Club, to be given at the Hotel Baltimore in this city tomorrow night.

U. OF C. CONVOCATION

Chicago, Dec. 17—A large class of graduates received degrees today at the eighty-fifth convocation of the University of Chicago. Dr. Edwin Erle Sparks, president of Pennsylvania State College, was the convocation orator.

EASTERN FRUIT GROWERS MEET

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17—The Eastern Fruit Growers' Association began its annual meeting at the Raleigh hotel today with a large and representative attendance. The practical side of fruit growing in all its phases is to be discussed by experts during the several days sessions.

HURRIES SHIP FOR SANTA CLAUS

New York, Dec. 17—To enable travellers to reach Paris and other points on the Continent in time for the Christmas holidays the steamship France, the premier vessel of the French line sailed for Cherbourg this morning instead of waiting until Thursday the regular sailing date.

**GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL
LARGEST IN WORLD**

New York, Dec. 18—The new Grand Central terminal, which, in a few weeks, will take the place of the old Grand Central Station of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, is nearly completed and may be considered in the nature of a magnificent and princely holiday gift to the city. When fully completed the station, with the additional improvements in the form of office buildings, hotels, etc., will represent a cost of \$180,000,000. It will be by far the largest railroad terminal station in the world and will be able to accommodate without congestion 70,000 outgoing passengers per hour.

The gigantic work now almost completed was begun in the spring of last year and constitutes a remarkable triumph of engineering skill and enterprise. It would have been a comparatively simple matter to tear down the old terminal station and the buildings connected with it and to erect upon the same site the new terminal with all its magnificent concomitants in the form of sky-scraper hotels, office buildings, etc., had it not been imperative to do the work without interruption or of interference with the traffic of the railway. To replace the antiquated structure with a new one, however, without the slightest interference with the enormous traffic everlastingly going on at this terminal required engineering skill and ingenuity of the highest order. The completion of such a tremendous task under the given conditions would probably have been considered impossible anywhere else.

The preliminary work was begun several years ago, when part of the passenger traffic was transferred to a temporary station on Lexington Avenue. Then several of the auxiliary buildings and the office building on Forty-second Street were built and the Grand Central Palace building, north of the terminal, begun about three years ago, was completed. The work on the terminal proper was not begun until the spring of last year when the old terminal building was torn down to make room for the new structure, now almost completed. In its outward appearance it is an imposing structure, facing Forty-second Street and resembling more a public museum or library building than a railroad terminal in its architectural beauty and magnificent proportions.

The terminal building is located on the north side of Forty-second Street between Vanderbilt Avenue and Dewey Place, rests upon a terrace elevated above the level of the street and its main floor is reached from the street by means of numerous inclined planes. The structure, above the ground, has a length of 600 feet, a width of 300 feet and rises to a height of 105 feet. But only a small part of the entire terminal structure is above ground. By far the largest part of the terminal is underground, distribute over seven different levels, the lowest at a depth of more than fifty feet below the street level.

The old terminal with its office buildings, sheds, etc., covered an area of 23 acres, while the new terminal, with its additional improvements, will cover seventy-nine acres, with a trackage of seventy acres. For the construction of the building and sub-structure 118,600 tons of steel and more than 350,000 cubic yards of concrete were required.

The terminal building was planned with a view of facilitating as much as possible the tremendous passenger traffic going on there at all seasons of the year. With that object in view the express train service and the suburban train service were placed upon different levels, with separate waiting rooms, each large enough to accommodate from 8,000 to 15,000 persons at one time. The tracks are located on levels below the levels of the waiting rooms and are reached by three to four per cent. inclines. Steps are avoided in every part of the terminal which is used by the travelling public and this constitutes a remarkable feature of the new building. Below the general concourse, which is upon the same level as the terrace upon which the building rests, is the suburban concourse, each connected with a series of large and commodious waiting rooms and rest rooms on the one side, with the lower track levels on the other. There are entrances for pedestrians on three sides of the building, for vehicles on two sides and the lower levels are connected by underground passages with the various subway and street railway systems centering around the terminal. Passengers arriving at the station will not be compelled to leave the protection of the building to reach any of the subway or other street railway lines to take them to their destination.

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**CONDEMNED ITALIAN
MAKES DISCLOSURES**

Montreal, Q., Dec. 17—Sensational revelations, made within the shadow of the gallows, which he is doomed to ascend on Friday morning, by Carlo Battista, were today taken up by the police of two continents in an effort to confirm or deny the stories, which Salvatore Marcurio's slayer, tells of a continent-wide organization of vice, terrorism, black-handism and white slavery. Ralph Meceli, sergeant detective of New York's Italian district, arrived in Montreal this morning, bearing letters from the head of the New York detective force, ready to probe the sensational disclosures made yesterday by Battista, confirming his confession of a week ago.

In the death cell this morning, Meceli, accompanied by Governor Vallee of the local jail, had a long conference with the condemned man, following which a long cable message was despatched to Naples, Italy, in an effort to confirm some of the details Battista had revealed in connection with the murder at Palermo of Joseph Petrosino, the noted American detective, a few years ago. The New York police has spent nearly half a million dollars investigating the murder of Petrosino.

Scores of prominent Montreal Italians were named by Battista in his confession yesterday and many of these were visited this morning by Detective Meceli, accompanied by Chief of Provincial Detectives McCaskill. Great excitement prevailed in the Montreal Italian colony as a result of the Battista statement.

That there is a band with a country-wide organization for the express purpose of extorting money from Italians, is the avowal of Battista, who avers that in this way several of the hold-ups often occurring in the city and vicinity are explained.

It was this band, according to Battista, which was responsible for the death of Poplander, the man who informed on Creola, and who before he could get an opportunity to testify against him in open court, was shot down in a Montreal street. It will be remembered that when Poplander was found lying dead in the gateway there was a small black cross nailed to the gate over his body. This, according to Battista, being to show that the dead one was an informer and that he had met his deserts as such.

Battista admitted that he was one of the moving spirits in the White Slave traffic work and claimed that business was organized on quite a systematic basis throughout the country. Montreal and Quebec served as headquarters, whilst houses of ill-fame at all points, even to the Pacific Coast, were supplied and controlled by the organization chiefs in Ontario and Quebec.

WASHINGTON PREPARES FOR HOLIDAYS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18—Congress will adjourn tomorrow for the holidays, this being the first outward sign that Christmas is near at hand. Some of the members are going home, but the larger majority intend to remain here during the recess. Year by year the social attractions of the capital at the Yuletide season have become more numerous and brilliant, and the women of the congressional circle, particularly those with social ambitions, are reluctant to leave even for a brief period.

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