

THE OPENING CONGRESS.

BILLS LIKELY TO BE TAKEN UP.

About Two Hundred and Fifty Members Present—Land Grants and Postal-Telegraph Legislation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Two hundred and fifty Senators and Representatives have arrived in town, but the city, notwithstanding the fact that it is the eve of the reassembling of Congress, is exceedingly quiet. The second and last session of the Forty-eighth Congress will open to-morrow and close on the 4th of March, 1885. Unless something unexpected happens the session will be uneventful. The calendars in both the Senate and the House are well supplied with measures of vast general importance, but it is quite probable that the appropriation bills will consume the greater part of the session, and that little other legislation will be accomplished. There appears to be good ground for the belief that the pension laws will be a subject of consideration by the House and that a bill revising them will be passed to a passage later in the session.

Representative of Illinois, informed a representative of the United Press to-day that the bills declaring the forfeiture of unearned land grants would surely receive early consideration by the House. He has assurances from Senators that the bills on this subject which have passed the House are now waiting action by the Senate, will receive prompt attention. The House committee disposed of six of these bills, and about six more, some of which are now on the House calendar, remain to be acted upon. Senator Hill, of Colorado, will urge the early consideration of the postal-telegraph bill, which was reported during the first session by the Committee on Postoffices, and Post Routes. The supporters of this measure claim that it has gained many friends during the recess, and that, if taken up, it will be favorably considered.

Although sure to draw a large crowd of spectators there is usually less interest in the House of Representatives on the opening day of the second session than on almost any other day of the session. Aside from mutual greetings, chaffing among members, congratulations, or regrets on reelection, or defeat, as the case may be, there is but little of personal interest, and there is less of general interest connected with the opening of the session. The old officers take their positions and members drop into the old seats at the fall of the gavel. The Chaplain offers his familiar prayer, and the speaker directs the roll of members to be called by states. A quorum having responded, a committee is appointed to inform the President that the two Houses are ready for business. Whatever takes place at the interview, the report goes on record that the committee discharged its duty and the President replied that he would comply with the request. The committee also delivered its message by his private secretary. It is read by the clerk at the desk, but a small percentage of the members paying attention to it. Adjournment soon follows, and Congress is out of dry-dock and ready for the three-months cruise before it.

There have been two deaths in the House since its adjournment, those were Messrs. Evans, of South Carolina, and Duncan, of Pennsylvania. These deaths will probably be announced to-morrow after the reading of the message, and an adjournment will be made as a formal mark of respect to deceased members. What line of legislation the House will first enter upon is very uncertain. There are a number of special orders that came over from last session to be passed by their special friends. Cobb (Ind.) insists that the election of a speaker be an endorsement of the policy of land-grant forfeiture and will urge his measures. Mr. Thompson (Ky.) desires to illuminate his three remaining months of Congressional life by the passage of his bill to amend the Thurman Pacific Railway act. Mr. Singleton (Miss.) will push his bill for a new Congressional library building. Besides these there are a large number of bills for public buildings, which were made a special order under the control of the chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, so that Congress need not be idle for want of work to say nothing of the thousands and upwards of bills on the several calendars. The Appropriation committee claim the right of way for bills as fast as reported. They expect to have the naval pension, and Military Academy bills ready before the close of the week. Quiet orders are being made by friends of the New Orleans exposition to secure a recess by both Houses on the 13th, that the members may attend the opening of the exposition, but the general feeling among those members who have been seen does not seem to favor it, and it is doubtful if the proposition will find favor with a majority.

Electricity in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Every committee room of the Senate has been supplied with an electric bell, which is rung by a touch upon a button in the Senate chamber. The sound of the bell at any time during the sessions of the senate will be a summons to senators in the committee rooms to appear in the senate chamber. Under the old plan, when a roll-call came up or any business demanding the presence of senators, pages had to be sent to each of those in the committee rooms. Now, by a touch, a ringing summons will be sounded in the committee rooms, restaurant and marble room, which will notify senators that they are wanted in the chamber. When Mr. Clay was speaker of the house, he had had arranged for the same purpose, but, as electricity was not then known as such a useful agent, the bells were rung by pulling a wire in the hall of the house.

Going Home.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Maj. Calkins, of Indiana, is here for a few days to pack up his effects and send them to Indianapolis, where he will open a law office. He says he is through with Washington forever. He resigned his seat in Congress because the Indiana constitution required it in order to validate his election to the governorship. Of the causes of the Republican defeat he said: "Butler and St. John defeated us—that is, with the use of Democratic money. The Democrats had lots of money and we had none."

Murder.

The Big Rapids Pioneer says: "By telephone from Paris we learn that one James Ryan shot and killed his step-father, Thomas Ryan, at Palmer, Nichols & Co.'s camp or store on Thanksgiving day. It appears a previous family quarrel of some kind had caused a bitter feeling between the two men, which culminated in their falling up with whips on Thursday, during the forenoon, and Ryan shot and killing his step-father."

M. Worth, the man milliner, intends to come to America to lecture on art in dress.

THE POPE'S APPOINTMENTS.

Archbishop Gibbons Reported to Have Been Made a Cardinal.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 30.—Considerable comment is caused among the Catholics to-day by the alleged special cablegram from Rome, which was published in one of the morning papers to the effect that Archbishop Gibbons had been honored by his Holiness, Pope Leo XIII, by being created Cardinal. While the laity are jubilant and excited over the announcement, the venerated prelates of the Plenary Council remain as quiet and composed as usual, and pay but little attention to the report. Ever since the cable of two weeks ago was received from Rome, stating that eight new cardinals had been created, while the names of but seven were given, it has been the hope and belief of Baltimore Catholics that the other was the bishop of the province of Baltimore. The cablegram of to-day states that the reason for the Pope's withholding the announcement of the name of Archbishop Gibbons as Cardinal is because his Holiness wishes to await the closing of the Plenary Council now being held in this city, to enable his brother prelates to satisfy themselves as to the fitness of Archbishop Gibbons for the honor. On this point an eminent theologian said to-day, "The prelates of the Plenary Council have no power or right to say whether or not any choice of the Pope's suits them. Bishop Ireland, of St. Paul, said he would not be surprised if the red hat were conferred on Archbishop Gibbons, but that the Council had nothing to do with it."

Pontifical high mass was celebrated at the cathedral this morning by Bishop Longhlin, of Brooklyn, with Revs. Foley and McKim, as deacons. The prelates were robed in purple vestments during mass and wore red vestments during the solemn service of Council, which followed. A sermon was preached by Bishop Hennessy, of Dubuque, on "The Sanctity of the Church." He said, it is not meant that all the men of the church are holy. The society of the church is composed of good and bad, sinners and saints. The misdeeds of sinners are their own. The church has no part in them. The degrees of sanctity are numerous and differ from each other as the stars in the firmament do in brilliancy. Sanctity is that by which the church proclaims to the earth its heavenly origin. God gave it the work of a field of labor and sent his Spirit to abide with it forever. He gave it the sacraments to offer up for the sins of her people, and delegated his ministers to teach, men obedience. The Catholic Church claims the gift of infallibility and defies the world to point to one doctrine that she has ever changed one iota. The Christianized and converted Europe and her labors since that day have met with no greater obstacle than that of the man who told the brethren that the church had more Christs than they had Gods. The Bishop cited the work of the priests and Sisters of Charity as also affirming the sanctity of the church.

After the sermon a solemn session of the Council was held at which the work accomplished during the week was voted upon and confirmed. After vespers this evening Bishop Ireland, of Minnesota, lectured on the temperance question. The Council will be closed on next Sunday. One week later than was expected with impressive ceremonies.

A PHILADELPHIA FIGHT.

Jack Dempsey and Mike Mallon Fight it Out in Two Rounds.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30.—At an early hour this morning, in the presence of a select number of spectators, Jack Dempsey and Mike Mallon came together in a glove contest, which ended by Dempsey knocking his opponent out in two rounds. They fought with small gloves, Marquis Queensbury rules, for a purse of \$150 and gate receipts. Mallon lately won the light-weight championship and has met and vanquished some very clever men. The mill took place in a well-known sporting house in the eastern part of the city. The first round ended entirely in the New York-er's favor. In the second round Mallon was a little shaken, and Dempsey began slugging. He punished Mallon terribly, ending the round by knocking him all in a heap. When the referee ordered the men up for a third round, Mallon was unable to come to time. Dempsey took the money.

A Desperate Bigamist.

TOLEDO, Nov. 30.—At half-past 10 this morning, Neville, the noted Bigamist, convicted on Saturday, made a desperate attempt to commit suicide by butting out his brains against the prison doors. He ran swiftly toward the heavy iron doors and diving at them struck his head with terrific force. He at once went into terrible convulsive fits, his pupils were administered and at 11 o'clock to-night he is resting quietly and may recover.

Killed in a Saloon Brawl.

AKRON, Nov. 30.—During a saloon brawl this afternoon, Joseph Welch, a single man, thirty-five years of age, was shot and killed by Robt. McClister, at Dennysburg, twelve miles southwest of this city. Welch and McClister had long been enemies.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Tickets from Chicago to St. Louis are now on sale at \$2, and the return trip costs but \$1.50.

A grand banquet, tendered by leading Philadelphia Democrats, has been declined by Governor Cleveland.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of J. C. Pusey, chief clerk of the Kansas penitentiary, who is charged with the embezzlement of \$7,000.

William Bess, a farmer near Chester, New York, opened his door at midnight to hear a message about a sick relative. Two men seized him and secured a watch and \$1,500.

Herman Lind, the Shakespearean reader, claims to have discovered at Louisville Rembrandt's picture of the "Slaughter of the Innocents," and procured it for \$100. Art collectors have been seeking for years for this painting.

Secretary Lincoln reports that during the past year no soldier has fired a shot at an Indian. He states that constant handling of the rolls in the office of the adjutant general has made their recopying necessary, a task which will require the services of one hundred clerks for three years.

Charles T. Goodwin, the head of a cracker manufacturing firm in New York, which recently failed, became insane and left his home in Port Chester early yesterday morning. His wife and the neighbors pursued him, and found his corpse with the entrails torn out and the head and right arm cut off.

A man calling himself Charles M. Merryman has just deceased from Wayne township, Ohio, taking with him the property of a wealthy farmer and \$3,000 of ready money. He claimed to be a relative of an influential family in the district, said he was an attorney, and presented the funds to help regain a mythical fortune left by English cousins.

EXAGGERATED REPORTS.

Intense Hunger and Suffering Prevails, But There is no Revolt and no Plan for One Foreshadowed.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 30.—Speaking of the situation in Hocking Valley, a staff correspondent of the Times, who is on the ground investigating the strike, says: "During my brief stay in New Straitsville, I have clearly ascertained that reports of the situation here, as wired throughout the country, have generally been sent from Columbus, Ohio. These reports have, as a rule, been exaggerated, or altogether false. They are furnished to various correspondents who have never been out of Columbus, by friends of the operators. That is just as unfair to the miners and the reading public as a one-sided report in favor of the miners would be to the public and operators. Some of the Columbus papers daily publish statements bitterly unfair to the miners in that almost every little thing transpiring has been magnified into ridiculous dimensions." After citing numerous instances of exaggeration, the correspondent continues: "There is no cause for great alarm, while I do not say there has been no occasion whatever for alarm, I am confident that there is not such an alarming state of anarchy prevailing in this great coal-bearing region as has been reported. There is hunger and suffering intense enough to create a fearful and savage revolt, but I deny that any general plan of revolt has been foreshadowed by the strikers. It is most certain that a few words of intelligent and manly advice would have a better effect than the presence of the whole Pinkerton force, which, under the present circumstances, is but an incitement to rebellion. In Straitsville, a town of about 3,000 inhabitants, there are six of these detectives and iron syndicate or detestable of trades-unionism in the Hocking Valley." After giving a history of the syndicate the correspondent says: "It is the offspring of a gigantic but comparatively untried body, now deceased, viz., the well-known Standard Coal and Iron Company, which it is commonly reported Blaine was connected. The pretensions of this body, with its \$75,000,000 capital, were enormous during the depression in coal trade in 1881-'82, and secured the control of the entire system of mines in Hocking Valley by a perverted consolidation with various corporations then struggling for existence in that district, with the present syndicate in March, 1883. The principal members of which are: Gen. Thomas R. Buchtel, Walter Craft, L. Longstreth, H. D. Tworly, and Messrs. Moss and Marsh. Their failure to realize their expectations, in securing control of the entire lake market, and being denied similar power over other places, prices went down and the only hope they had of continuing operation, was to reduce the wages of the miners, which went into effect Nov. 30.—A strike of the Central Labor Union to-day, donations amounting to over \$1,000 for the striking Hocking Valley miners were reported. It was announced that Sullivan had promised to be present at the sparring benefit for the strikers Tuesday night at the Casino. Several other well-known pugilists will take part in the affair.

WARLIKE WOMEN.

Two of Them do Some Pretty Effective Shooting.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 30.—Jno. Logan, who was shot last night by Georgiana Conway, still lives at the hospital. He is in a critical condition with little chance of recovery. Investigation of the case shows that Logan and Devonshire visited the girls at home until a brother forbade them, and then induced them to leave home and live with them. The girls say they led miserable lives, and continually pleaded with the men to marry them. Finally they returned home both en masse and determined to kill their seducers. For several nights they have promenade Canal street looking for the men. Walking up behind them last night both girls drew revolvers and fired simultaneously. Devonshire ran, when the younger sister fired again, the bullet grazing his neck. Georgiana's bullet struck Logan in the back, passing through the kidneys. A struggle ensued for the possession of the weapon, and the girl fired again shattering Logan's jaw, and he fell.

The girls were visited in prison to-day and were found cool and collected. Josephine expressed regret that her shots were not more effective. They are very pretty brunettes, well educated and belong to a respectable family. James Conway, their brother, was arrested to-day as accessory.

Barnum Bowled Down.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 30.—Mrs. P. T. Barnum is seriously ill at "Waldmere" in this city. Barnum has been feeling "blue" lately. A few days ago he jammed one of his fingers badly by a window falling on it. One of his agents who called on him found him in a dejected mood. Barnum said he was feeling bad, and if the Lord called him, he was ready to go.

Business Notes.

Two rolling mills in Pittsburg, which have been suspended for several weeks, will resume operations next Monday. A factory at Brunswick, Maine, will reduce wages 8 to 12 per cent; a sewing machine factory at Bridgeport, Connecticut, will shut down till January, and a wire mill at Easton, Pennsylvania, will resume work at cut wages.

A Prize Boat Race.

CAIRO, Nov. 30.—A prize of \$500 has been offered to the battalions that shall make the quickest and most skillful passage of the rapids between Ferras and Debbah.

A CHURCH CENTENNIAL.

The Foundation of Methodism to be Celebrated.

The centennial celebration of the founding of the M. E. Church, will begin Wednesday, December 24, that being the anniversary of the assembling of its first conference. As the first session of that conference continued one week, the celebration will continue the same period. The general conference and bishops have been making preparations for this event for four years. It will be one of special religious interest, and to that end the following program has been prepared for the week: The program is as follows: Wednesday, December 24—Theme, Personal consecration. Thursday—Praying the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers. Friday—The prayer of faith. This day should be observed as a day of fasting and prayer for God's blessing on the church. Saturday—Prayer for God's blessing on the services of the Sabbath. Sunday—At 9 a.m. Love feast. At 10:30 a.m., Centenary sermon. Theme: Christian education the leading work of our second century, or gratitude for what God has done for us and for the world during the past hundred years through the M. E. Church. After the sermon, let the centenary offerings be received from the church and congregation. Where pledges have already been made let the roll be called, and the offerings already pledged be presented first, and then let the voluntary offerings of the people be added. At 3 or 7 p.m., Sunday school celebration. Monday, the Spirit Baptist. Tuesday, Christian activity. Wednesday, Watch night. Theme, The Christian's responsibility for the salvation of souls. Thursday, Christian unity. Friday, Conquest of the world in the name of Christ.

AMUSEMENTS.

Close of Patti Rosa's Engagement—'Lights o' London' To-Night.

Patti Rosa closed her engagement at Redmond's Saturday evening. The charming little lady has appeared to better advantage than ever before in Mizpah, and has made such an impression here as will insure her a kind reception here on future visits. She is an ambitious, pains-taking actress, and will continue to improve and grow in popular favor just as she is enabled to get decent material to advance with. No one depicts the difficulty in securing a good, strong play more than Miss Rosa herself. She is sparing no inducement to get such a drama, and it is to be hoped that she will succeed.

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A DOCTOR SUICIDES.

He Donates His Body to the Chicago Medical College.

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 30.—Dr. F. Decastro killed himself at the Morris House to-day by putting a bullet through his temple. Poverty, fear of insanity and dissipation are given as the probable causes. He left a note dated July 10 saying he had lost several fortunes and seen many ups and downs and contemplated suicide. He was a contributor to story papers at times and wrote a story for the last New York Clipper, describing his death in dream. He sometimes practiced medicine and did so in Chicago some years ago. He left a letter giving his body to the Chicago Medical College. He was about forty-five years of age.

The Boers.

VIENNA, Nov. 30.—A Berlin correspondent of the Neue Presse states that the Boers are negotiating for German protection of their right in Zululand, offering to cede the Bay of St. Lucia to Germany in return therefor.

NOTED PEOPLE.

Mine Albani will sail from England for America next month.

Durbin Ward hobs up serenely in Ohio as a candidate for United States senator.

Colonel R. G. Ingersoll is meeting with much success in his new role of cowboy.

Ristori will perform at Detroit to-night and to-morrow night, speaking English.

Monsignor Capel intends to visit New Orleans and San Francisco before returning to Europe, so will remain four months longer in this country.

Mr. Cleveland, it is said, will attend the church of Buchanan and Lincoln when he takes up his residence in Washington. This ought to satisfy Mr. Beecher.

Joel T. Hart's body was exhumed at Florence, Italy, a few days ago, and is now on the way to America for interment in Kentucky. The legislature of that state bears the expense of the removal.

Editor McCune, of the Buffalo Courier, thinks that all of the men named for the treasury chair in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet are most likely to be offered the place. Mr. McCune stands as a close political friend of the president-elect.

The Boston lady, Mrs. John Mullen, who sold \$215 worth of peanuts on the Common to satisfy an election bet, lost a similar wager at the time of Fremont's candidacy, and said it on a southern fair grounds, selling twenty-two barrels in three hours.

Becky Jones is said to still stand firm in her determination not to preach on family bereavement, notwithstanding Judge Barrett's assurance to her that her case cannot be reviewed upon habeas corpus or the auxiliary certiorari. This looks dark for Becky.

SOME SUNDAY SERVICES.

LESSONS FROM THE PULPITS.

A Newly-Married Pastor Welcomed Home—"Elements of Manliness"—A Sermon on Doubt.

Yesterday marked the second anniversary of Rev. Marcus L. Bocher's pastorate of Mission Wood Presbyterian Church. In remembrance of this fact, and that it was also to be his first Sunday at home after a somewhat extended trip with his estimable bride throughout the East, his church and congregation made for him a most tender and loving reception. The little chapel was entirely transformed inside, the walls and ceiling were beautifully tinted and papered, and many rich floral offerings and decorations were arranged about the altar. Over and just behind the desk was a framed motto arranged from autumn flowers "B, Welcome Home." During the opening services the pastor feelingly spoke of the happy surprise and assured the congregation their tokens of love for him and his were appreciated and the love reciprocated.

Rev. Mr. Bocher read the fourth and fifth chapters of Esther for his morning lesson and took for his text Esther, V, 13—"Yet all this availed me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate." The story of Haman and Mordecai is familiar to everyone. Haman grew in favor with the king and was given promotions, granted powers and received great riches and favored distinctions—was even the chaser, one who alone could enter Queen Esther's banquet. With all this he was not happy, one thing was still wanting—Mordecai sat in the king's gate and had failed to recognize his greatness, failed to reverence him. The whole course was full of apt illustrations of how trifles have affected lives of men, the welfare of nations, etc. The pastor said that two years ago, when he assumed the pastorate of the church, Mission Wood had but few members and the first conference numbered but forty-one people. Now there is a strong society and the church is full. He wished to begin the third year by helping earnestly to remove every hindrance, every Mordecai that in any way obstructed their full and free efforts as a Christian church, and he made an urgent plea for unity of Christian endeavor, more charity and that no discordant element might come in to discourage and destroy any work for good accomplished.

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A Sermon on Doubt.

The subject of Rev. A. R. Merriam's discourse at the Park Church Sunday morning was Doubt, his text being Ps. 73:16, 17. These days, said he, are called days of doubt, and by some a doubting mind is regarded as a mark of distinction. This doubting age, as it is called, is all aglow with the best religious inquiry. We confound the truth that it is natural to doubt with the untruth that it is natural to disbelieve. Doubt and disbelief are two different things. A man ceases to be a doubter and becomes a disbeliever when he does a dishonest struggle for light and act as diligently towards the truth as he does towards other things. With some men doubts are intellectual, with others, moral. More often, though, there is a moral cause, perhaps some secret sin, bolstered by that doubt, or pride, which has anchored us to some opinion which we will not change. The lesson of the text is that we should guard against discouragement from doubts; never be afraid of them; treat them as you would temptations. As Bushnell once said, if you cannot clear away a doubt to-day, keep it until to-morrow, hang it up, turn a free glance at it now and then and you will be surprised some day to find it gone. Do not doubt all religious truths because one does not seem positive; do not think you must solve all doubts before you can believe anything. Believe what you can now, and the rest will come if you strive for it. Measure your religious state by your belief, not by your doubts, even though you have but one belief, and decide questions of doubt independent of every one else but God.

McGARY AND MORGAN.

Their Examination on a Charge of Robbery Adjourned.

The examination of Andrew McGary and Hugh Morgan, charged with drugging and robbing William Carleton, a farmer aged 67 years, of \$600 in the St. Charles restaurant, came up for trial in the Police Court last Saturday morning. Most of the testimony was got in and the case was adjourned until Dec. 4.

Carleton testified that he entered the place about 10 o'clock in the forenoon; that he drank several glasses of whisky, became stupefied and did not awake until 9 or 10 o'clock at night. When he reached his hotel he discovered that his pocket book containing \$600 was gone.

Alison Denison, a man who had been employed about the restaurant, testified that Carleton drank several times in McGary's place, that at first the bottle was handed out to him, but afterwards McGary poured the liquor in a glass behind the bar, and handed it to Carleton; that he saw McGary pour a white powder into the glass which disappeared when the whisky was poured into it. He went behind the bar and examined the paper from which McGary took the powder and found it labelled morphine, from E. B. Eecott's drug store; also testified that he saw McGary put his hand into Carleton's inside pocket while the latter was unconscious in a chair in the restaurant. The testimony of Adelbert Mott corroborated the testimony of Denison, and that Carleton showed a package of money while in the place, fully an inch thick; that Morgan while they were standing at the bar put his hand into Carleton's pocket. At the conclusion of the testimony Prosecuting Attorney Turner requested of the court that further bail be demanded in the case of McGary, as he understood that Cummings was not responsible, and the court (kind-hearted old man Holmes) adjourned the hearing on the question of security until 10 o'clock to-day.

MICHIGAN FRUIT-GROWERS.

Program of the First Annual Meeting to be Held at Fennville.

The first annual meeting of the West Michigan Fruit-Growers Association will be held at Fennville Dec. 3, 4 and 5. The following is the program adopted by the Executive Board:

1. Dec. 3, 7 p. m.—Address of welcome.
2. Response by President, Walter Phillips.
3. A paper, "Why is a society of this character needed for Western Michigan?" by G. H. LaFleur, of Allegan.
4. Essay by Prof. Charles Scott, of Holland City.
5. Dec. 4, 9 a. m.—A paper, subject, "The cause of the Vitis Leaf in Peach Trees, and the remedy, if any," by A. S. Dykman, of South Haven, followed by a discussion.
6. 11 a. m.—Answer of anonymous questions by members of the Society.
7. 2 p. m.—A paper on "The Influence of Fruit upon Mankind, both Physically and Intellectually," by A. S. Kedzie, of Grand Haven.
8. A paper, "The best varieties of apples for Western Michigan," by W. A. Brown, of Stevensville.
9. A paper on "The establishment of casing factories."
10. A paper on "The choice of a location for a Vineyard, and how to succeed in Grape Culture," by Charles Patton, of Holland City, followed by discussion.
11. A paper, subject, "Is it advisable to connect general Fruit Culture with Agriculture?" by H. Dale Adams, of Galesburg, followed by discussion.
12. Dec. 5, 9 a. m.—Reports.
13. 10 a. m.—Election of officers. Adjournment.

The County Jail Inspection.

The County Jail Inspectors report that during the six months ending Nov. 1, 822 prisoners were confined in that institution. Their report adds: "The want of any considerable amount of employment for prisoners and the impracticability of separating them from each other except by confining them in cells are evils which the Sheriff is unable to remedy with the present construction of the jail and provisions for employment."

Sad Sequel to Thanksgiving.

Brooklyn, Nov. 30.—Frank Saunders, the inventor of the parlor rowing machine, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself over the remains of his wife Luella. Mrs. Saunders died yesterday from the effects of an overdose of chloral. The affliction rendered Saunders insane, and this morning he went to the room in which were the remains of his wife and shot himself. They lived in Plainfield, N. J., and were spending Thanksgiving with Mrs. Saunders's father, Geo. F. Thomas, of this city.

TRADE AND FINANCE.

Grand Rapids.

TELEGRAPH OFFICE, Nov. 30.
GRAIN—Corn, 50c. Oats, 25c.20c; rye, 35c. Wheat, 72c. Rye, 36c. 36c.20c.
FLOUR AND FEED—Family, \$4.50; wholesale, \$4.00; retail, 40c. per ton, \$18.00; wholesale, \$16.00 per cwt. Meal and feed, per ton, \$22.00; wholesale, \$20.00 per cwt.
PROVISIONS—Butter, per side, \$5.00; 50 lbs. Vails \$4.00; 50 lbs. scores, Lemons \$5.00; 50 lbs. nutmeg, \$4.00. Dressed hogs, \$5.00; 50 lbs. Pork, per side, \$10.00; 50 lbs. lard, 14c. 14c.20c; shoulders, 12c.20c; smoked hogs, 12c. 12c.20c; Venison, 10c.20c per lb. Lard, 12c.20c; tallow, 10c.20c.
HUTCHER AND CHERRY—Butter: Tubs and 50 lbs. 34c.20c; creamery, tubs, 35c. Cheese: Full cream 14c.20c; half cream, 13c.20c.
POULTRY—Spring chickens: Olive, 6c.20c per lb. Fowls: Alive, 5c.20c; dressed, 6c.20c. Turkeys, Alive, 6c.20c; dressed, 7c.20c. Ducks, dressed 12c.20c.
EGGS—Fresh, 10c.20c; basket lots, 20c.20c.
VEGETABLES—Potatoes: 10c.20c; sweet potatoes, per bush, \$1.50; 50 lbs. 30c.20c. Parsnips, per bush, \$1.50; 50 lbs. 30c.20c. Cabbages, per hundred, \$3.00; 50 lbs. 30c.20c. Squash, per hundred, 15c.20c. Turnips, per bush, 20c.20c. Celery, per 100 bunches, 25c.20c. Cranberries, \$5.00 per ton. FRESH FRUITS—Apples, per bush, 25c.20c. Grapes: Kelley Island, 30c.20c.
HONEY—White clover, 12c.20c; dark, 10c.20c; strained, 8c.20c.
SALT—Sulphur, barrel, \$1.25; Baggage, \$1.25. SUGAR—Timothy, \$1.00; 50 lbs. clover, \$1.00; 50 lbs. 10c.20c.
HIDES—20c.20c, per lb. 5c.20c; part cured, 10c.20c; cured, 15c.20c; dry hides and skins, 10c.20c; salt hides, green or cured, 10c.20c; deerskin, per skin, 25c.20c.
WOLLEN—Felt—Shawls and Summer shawls, per piece, 10c.20c; full price, 10c.20c; Winter shawls, \$1.00; 50 lbs. 10c.20c.
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HAY—Timothy, 10c.20c; 50 lbs. 10c.20c; clover, 10c.20c; 50 lbs. 10c.20c.
Wool—Wool, 10c.20c; 50 lbs. 10c.20c; 50 lbs. 10c.20c.
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