

THE END DRAWING NEAR.

Dissolution of Mr. Blaine Likely to Occur at Any Moment.

THE EX-SECRETARY PASSES A VERY BAD NIGHT.

Physicians and Family Summoned to the Bedside in Expectation That He Could Not Survive the Relapse—The Heart Weakens Under the Great Strain in Furnishing Blood to the Weak Organs.

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BLOODY TRAGEDY.

John Denoto Murderously Assaults His Wife With a Hatchet.

THEN SENDS A BULLET CRASHING THROUGH HIS BRAIN.

Two Men and Their Wives Placed Under Arrest at San Jose Charged With Shoplifting—The Biennial Session of the Oregon Legislature to Convene at Salem To-day—The Washington Legislature Will Also Convene To-day.

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TACOMA (Wash.), Jan. 8.—At Roslyn to-day John D. Denoto assaulted his wife with a hatchet, inflicting two serious wounds, one on the head and the other on the body. Thinking she was dead, he went to another room and put a bullet through his brain. Domestic infelicity was the cause of the tragedy. Mrs. Denoto will recover, though badly wounded. Denoto is an Italian, and six years ago came from St. Louis, where he owned a wholesale liquor house.

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BLOOD HORSE RACES.

Iris Filly Breaks the Coast Record for Half a Mile.

Second race, selling, seven furlongs, for three-year-olds and upwards, purse \$400, Altus won, Santa Fe second, Mabel M. third. Time, 1:30.

Third race, handicap, one mile and fifty yards, for all ages, purse \$1,000, Centella won, Sheridan second, Pescadero and Little Esperanza dead heat for third place. Time, 1:45.

Fourth race, selling, five furlongs, all ages, purse \$500, St. Croix won, Stoneman second, Charger third. Time, 1:01.

Fifth race, five furlongs, all ages, purse \$400, Typewriter won, Jennie Mintzer second, Little Tough third. Time, 1:02.

OREGON LEGISLATURE.

Hennal Session to Convene at Salem To-day.

SALEM (Or.), Jan. 8.—The biennial session of the Legislature will convene at noon to-morrow. Edward Hirsch of Marion and C. W. Fulton of Clatsop are out for the Presidency of the Senate, and at present the indications are favorable to Hirsch. Keedy of Multnomah and Geer of Marion are candidates for the Speakership of the House, and in the event of a failure of either of them to secure a majority in the caucus to-morrow morning, Wright of Union will probably be chosen. To-night, however, Keedy appears to have a good chance of winning.

Probably the most important measure to come up at the session will be a bill for the repeal of the mortgage tax law. A bill appropriating \$90,000 for the World's Fair exhibit will be introduced early in the session. The majority of both houses have expressed a willingness to vote for an appropriation, though the amount is likely to be cut down.

WASHINGTON LEGISLATURE.

OLYMPIA (Wash.), Jan. 8.—The Legislature will convene at noon to-morrow. The Senatorial fight is lost sight of to-night in the confusion over the Speakership contest, which will be likely to precipitate a fight to-morrow. Efforts to secure signatures to the House caucus will be prosecuted vigorously, but without much success. The Republicans of the Senate will caucus to-morrow morning.

PUGILISM.

Offer for a Fight Between Choyinski and Eather Maher or Daly.

SALEM (Or.), Jan. 8.—President Harrison of the Pacific Athletic Club made an offer to-day of \$5,000 for a finish contest between Joe Choyinski and either Peter Maher, the Irish champion, or Jim Daly, Corbett's late sparring partner.

PARSON DAVES, Choyinski's manager, stated that he preferred to hear from Maher or Daly before accepting, but was willing to match Choyinski against either of the heavy-weights for the largest purse obtainable and a substantial side wager. In the event of Choyinski's falling to get a match with Daly or Maher, Davies says he will match him for a finish contest against the winner of the Hall-Fitzsimmons fight. Davies states that he will in a few days make an effort to have James Corbett agree to fight Peter Jackson.

POMPADOUR JIM TAKES TROUBLE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—James J. Corbett, the champion pugilist, said to-night that he would fight Mitchell next October; that he had been told recently that Mitchell really means to fight. He further said Goddard had no claim upon him, and that the man entitled to his attention were first Mitchell, then Jackson.

HARES AND HOUNDS.

The Former Had the Best of It at Ocean View Yesterday.

ROCKERY MERCHANT, Eugene Walters and wife and Emilie Walters and wife were arrested to-day for shoplifting. Four boxes of goods stolen from merchants during the holiday season were found in the Walters' residence. The arrested parties claim to have lately come from Chicago.

Condition of Colonel Haymond.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Colonel Haymond's condition remains unchanged. No immediate danger is anticipated.

CONGRESSMAN CAMINETTI.

Will Devote His Time to the Mining Bill and River Improvements.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—When Congressman Caminetti arrived yesterday, after a stormy and cold voyage across the continent, he at once sought Senator Stewart and talked over the prospects of the hydraulic mining bill which is now before the Senate Mining Committee. He was pleased to learn that the measure would be called up Tuesday for full consideration. He has already accepted the Felton amendments, which only affect minor details, and hopes to see it go through without further change.

Mr. Berry of Yuba County, it is believed, will not insist upon any radical changes in the interests of the farmers, whom he represents, and his business here will probably be concluded when the bill is reported, and even before that time. He had intended to depart for home on Monday, but the committee meeting set for Tuesday changed his plans.

While Mr. Caminetti will devote all his energies to the mining bill for the present, he has laid out another piece of work that will not permit him to indulge in idleness during the session. That is to lay the foundations for placing the improvements of California's navigable rivers under the contract system. If he can succeed it will save the ever recurring fight on the appropriation which is never at large as it should be. There are many difficulties in the way, however, as the scheme involves entirely new surveys and the establishment of a system similar to that now in force on the Mississippi River. It is an undertaking of great magnitude, and there will be many obstacles thrown in the way. But Mr. Caminetti says he can see no reason why he cannot achieve his ends. The bill vetting the rights of settlers and miners in Yosemite Park will also be pushed by Mr. Caminetti, and there is good reason to believe that he will succeed in passing it. With these three objects to work for he thinks he will have all he can attend to up to March 4th.

WATER FAMINE AVERTED.

A Calamity Which Would Have Been Very Serious to Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The calamity of a water famine which would have been very serious to Chicago, was averted to-day, and it would be a famine which in all probability could not have been relieved before spring. Captain McKee, keeper of the crib of the Chicago Pumping Station, was discharged this morning by City Engineer Clark, because the men under him intended to allow the ice to accumulate around the intakes so the supply would be cut off, and then they intended to strike, demanding the removal of McKee, who they claim treated them badly.

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Raging in Wisconsin—One Man Fatally Frozen.

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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

Will Meet To-day to Declare the Will of the People.

CONGRESS WILL CANVASS THE VOTE FEBRUARY 8TH.

Interest in Congress the Present Week Centers on the Disposition Made of the Anti-Options Bill in the Senate—Terrific Snowstorm in Wisconsin, Causing the Blocking of Railroads.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—To-morrow the Electors selected in every State in the Union will meet and carry out the will of the people as expressed at the polls last November. Congress is required to be in joint session to count the electoral vote at 1 o'clock on the second Wednesday in February after the meeting of the Electors, which will be February 8th. The President of the Senate will preside over the joint Assembly, with the Speaker of the House sitting at his left. The certificates will then be opened, read and the results noted.

Possibly objection may be raised to some of the votes from California, Kansas, Michigan, Ohio and Oregon, and in this event the law provides that the two Houses shall separate, consider objections and report their findings. The count cannot proceed until after each objection is disposed of.

After the certificates are all read the tellers will deliver the result to the President, who in accordance with the facts makes proper announcement. The announcement is declared by law, and will be a sufficient and constitutional declaration of the election of Grover Cleveland and Adlai Stevenson. This will conclude all formalities prior to the inauguration.

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The Territory is designated as one Judicial District, with a resident District Judge, who is required to hold at least two terms annually, one each at Sitka and Juneau. The bill directs the President to appoint seven Commissioners, with the powers of County Judges, at an annual salary of \$2,000 each.

OTHER NEWS.

Gift to a Library.

Mr. Huntington's Donation of a Hundred Thousand Dollars.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Ollis P. Huntington, who built the Westchester library and reading-room a year and a half ago, has added to his gift \$100,000 in bonds bearing 4 per cent. interest, to be used in any way the Trustees see fit.

GIFT TO A LIBRARY.

Mr. Huntington said last night: "I purposely gave the money without reservation, so that the Trustees might be guided entirely by what the good of the library required. They are at liberty to hold it as an endowment fund or to expend it in any other way. I have prepared this building for all who may desire to enjoy its advantages, and I have given this additional sum of money so that the library's sphere of usefulness may be enlarged and perpetuated."

"In order to get the best possible results from the employment of our time it is necessary to have something in view beyond getting money."

The library is a handsome brick building two stories high. It is 42 feet wide and about 100 feet deep. There is already a good nucleus for a large library and desirable books are being bought from time to time.

OPPOSED TO SILVER.

Cleveland Thinks No More Should be Purchased.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—President-elect Cleveland was kept very busy yesterday, and it is generally supposed that silver occupied his time almost exclusively. Representative Harter of Ohio held his attention for several hours, and although he declined to be very communicative after his interview with Cleveland, he said enough to convince people that the new President wants only on the silver question, and that he is against silver generally; that he desires the Sherman bill to be repealed, and that the Government absolutely cease buying silver; that he is opposed to any compromise so far as reviving the Bland bill is concerned, and he does not think there should even be an enactment for the purchase of 2,000,000 ounces a month. It is time, as Mr. Cleveland's friends believe, to stop the purchase of silver altogether. Mr. Cleveland granted graciously audience to General Patrick Collins of Massachusetts and ex-Representative Russell of the same State.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

Nicaragua Insists Upon an Apology From Costa Rica.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 8.—A Nicaraguan dispatch received in this city says Nicaragua insists that Costa Rica should offer an apology for recently allowing some of her troops to cross the frontier of the former republic.

A dispatch from Honduras says it is rumored that Honduras, Salvador and Nicaragua will enter into an offense and defense alliance designed to preserve peace in Central America.

WIRE COMBINE.

Western Firms to Consolidate With a Large Capital.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 3.—A movement is on foot to form a combination of manufacturers of wire, wire rods and cut nails. Western firms in Cleveland, Cleveland, Joliet and Pittsburg consolidated a year ago, and a proposition has been made to the latter company to combine with the Washburn and Moen Company. It is proposed to consolidate the three industries with a capital of \$25,000,000. The reasons given for the combine are the overstocked markets and ruinous prices prevailing.

EPISCOPAL JUBILEE.

Opened by the Pope With a Reception to Children.

ROME, Jan. 8.—The Pope opened the Episcopal jubilee to-day by giving a reception to the children in Consistorial Hall. There were present 500 children belonging to the noble Catholic families, with their parents. A choir of children sang a hymn dedicated to Christopher Columbus, after which the Pope distributed medals among the children and dismissed them with his blessing.

Skating Challenge Issued.

MINNEAPOLIS (Minn.), Jan. 8.—The Normania Skating Club to-night issued a challenge on behalf of Norway to skate any one three races of one, three, and a half miles for \$250 to \$1,000 a side. The club is especially anxious to have Joe Donaghe accept, and will pay his expenses to have the match skated in Minneapolis.

Bloody Deed of a Shiftless Fellow.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 8.—Woodley, a shiftless fellow, during a quarrel this evening, cut his wife's throat with a razor, and then severed his own jugular with the same weapon, dying in a short time. Mrs. Woodley is in a critical condition, and cannot live.

Charged With Embezzlement.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 8.—The manager of the Brussels branch of the New York Life Insurance Company has made legal complaint against the cashier and clerk formerly employed by him. He charges them with having absconded with \$75,000.

Senator Kenna More Comfortable.

OPPOSITION TO SATOLLI.

The Vatican Will Cause an Inquiry as to the Motives.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY AGAINST ARCHBISHOP IRELAND.

Nearly Every Town in Northern Mexico Affected With an Epidemic of Typhus Fever—Alarming Rates of Mortality From the Disease—The Epidemic Crosses the Border Into Texas—More Deaths and New Cases Reported in New York.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

ROME, Jan. 8.—The Vatican has caused an inquiry to be made into the motives and event of the opposition to Satolli's mission. The Pope holds absolutely to the policy that ecclesiastical affairs in the United States shall develop themselves along moderate lines and in a spirit of harmony with institutions of the United States. From official sources your correspondent learns that all Archbishops who took part in the New York conference affirmed fourteen scholastic proposals which Mgr. Satolli placed before them in the name of the Pope.

MONSIGNOR SATOLLI.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Monsignor Satolli remained in Washington to-day and did not go to New York to take part in the feast of St. Agnes, at which it was stated that both he and Archbishop Corrigan would officiate. Mgr. Satolli absolutely declined to say anything on the Corrigan publication, holding that it would be improper for him to do so.

NO CHARGES YET PREFERRED.

ST. PAUL (Minn.), Jan. 8.—Archbishop Ireland would not talk to-day about the story that he forwarded charges to the Pope against Archbishop Corrigan and others for an organized conspiracy for the overthrow of Mgr. Satolli and himself. He read the story, but would say nothing about it. However, Rev. Dr. John Conway, editor of the *Northern Christian Chronicle*, who stands nearest Archbishop Ireland of all ecclesiastics in the Northwest, gave the following statement to the Associated Press:

"The news from Chicago regarding the conspiracy against Monsignor Satolli and Archbishop Ireland was received in St. Paul with surprise. Journalists directly interested in church matters knew by journalistic intuition that a conspiracy was being hatched. The people at large heard the rumbling noises, but never dreamed that such a plan was concocted. As to the statement that Archbishop Ireland has preferred charges at Rome, there is no necessity for doing so, because the Vatican has a representative here in the person of Monsignor Satolli. Moreover, he has just learned clear evidence from papers upon which charges could be based."

Further than this Dr. Conway would say nothing, but there is good reason for believing that no such charges have been formally preferred.

ARCHBISHOP CORRIGAN REFUSES TO TALK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Archbishop Corrigan refused to-day to discuss the published statement that Archbishop Ireland had sent charges to Rome accusing the New York prelate of conspiring with others to defeat Satolli's mission to this country and injure Archbishop Ireland. The Archbishop said he declined to discuss any such questions in the newspapers, and that if any charges had been preferred against him it would be time enough to consider them when he received official notice of their existence.

Father Lavelle dictated the following statement:

"With regard to the article, I have only this to say on my part at present: Archbishop Corrigan and the Bishops, priests and people who believe with him in this controversy yield to no man in the world in point of respect and loyalty to the Holy See and its accepted representative, Mgr. Satolli."

(The matter referred to above was in relation to an article published in the *Chicago Sun* that formal charges of the gravest character have been preferred against the Most Rev. Michael Augustine Corrigan, Roman Catholic Archbishop of New York, by a brother prelate. His Grace of New York is accused by the Most Rev. John Ireland, Archbishop of St. Paul, of having engaged in an unlawful conspiracy to weaken or undo the effect of the Pope's decisions in respect to church matters in America, and of having had recourse to methods unbecoming a Bishop and designed to discredit the mission of Archbishop Ireland and Monsignor Satolli. The partners of Archbishop Corrigan in the conspiracy are alleged to be the priests in his immediate entourage, notably Father Michael Joseph Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's Cathedral, who is especially named by Archbishop Ireland as a conspirator, and possibly Father Gerardo Frante, Archbishop Corrigan's Italian Secretary. It is said also that other priests are involved. As regards Archbishop Corrigan, there is said to be documentary evidence which will be produced against the distinguished prelate. If the documents are interpreted aright by Archbishop Corrigan's accusers, they prove the existence of a conspiracy of which the Archbishop's residence on Madison avenue was the center, and which extended in numerous ramifications throughout America, into France and Italy, and even to the shadow of St. Peter's itself.)

TYPHUS FEVER.

Nearly Every Town in Northern Mexico Afflicted With the Epidemic.

TORREON (Mex.), Jan. 8.—Nearly all of the towns and cities of Northern Mexico, except Monterey and Durango, are affected with an epidemic of typhus fever, and the rates of mortality from the disease alarming. The epidemic entered Eagle Pass, Tex., where a brother of the Mexican consul died with it. The health authorities of the Government, aided by those of different cities, are using every means to control and stamp out the epidemic.

TYPHUS FEVER IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Six deaths from typhus fever occurred during Saturday night on North Brothers Island. Three new cases were reported to-day.