he was only nineteen and a half years old, and before he served three years in the rebellion was made captain.

WHITE HOUSE COURTESY.

Present Occupants of the Building Seem to Have a Small Supply of Politeness.

H. V. B., in Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Ladies visiting Washington will save themselves the mortification of offensive treatment if they keep away from the White House, unless attended by gentlemen who are acquainted with the methods in vogue there. In twenty-three years of experience at the National Capital there has never been before a time when such a warning could be justly given. But during the past week an incident occurred which warrants such a caution, although it is also just to say that most of the attendants there are gentlemen. A lady from the West visiting the city went to the White House in company with other ladies resident here—all intimate and personal friends of your correspondent. One, who had charge of the party, has been in the habit of going with visitors to the White House since the close of Mr. Lincoln's administration, and, of course, was acquainted with the rules governing such visits, and with the courtesies usually shown to visitors. On this occasion, on asking an attendant doorkeeper what rooms could be seen, they were gruffly informed that there was nothing open to the public but the corridor in which they stood and the East room. To a second question, whether this was a new order, they were informed, with an added gruffness, bordering close on insolence, that such an order had always been in force. The one in charge of the party knew, as everybody else in Washington knows, that this was false. She said to the doorkeeper that she had frequently been through other rooms, but he merely repeated, with unchanged offensiveness, that it had always been so, and that no other rooms could be seen. The party then passed into the East room. On coming out a young lady in the party went by herself to the doorkeeper, and asked him if she could not see the reception-rooms of the main floor, which are usually accessible to visitors, as she had never been in them. Without varying from his former manner this doorkeeper declared gruffly that no other rooms were open then, and none others were ever open. The point of the complaint in this case will be readily understood. It is not that the reception rooms, which visitors can generally see, might have been closed for the day, but that the fact was not stated to them with at least ordinary politeness. The total absence of this and the offensive manifestations of its opposite constitute an offense which all can appreciate.

When the ladies of the land can not visit the public portions of the White House without the risk of suffering from such offensiveness as this company experienced, it becomes a cause for national thankfulness that an atmosphere which either developes or tolerates such manifestations is about to be purified.

MINOR MATTERS.

Quarters Engaged at the Arlington for the President-Elect and His Friends.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Quarters have been engaged at the Arlington Hotel for General Harrison and party prior to the inauguration ceremonies next March. There will be in the party General Harrison and wife, Russell Harrison and wife, J. R. McKee, wife and two children; ex-Senator Saunders, of Nebraska, and wife (parents of Mrs. Russell Harrison); E. W. Halford, private secretary, wife and daughter. The distinguished guests will arrive here about a week before inauguration day. They will be located in the Johnson annex, on H street, and be served in a private dining-room. On the morning of inauguration they will go to Willard's Hotel, on Pennsylvania avenue, and occupy a parlor on the second floor, where they will view the procession as it forms. In accordance with the precedent established by Andrew Jackson, and observed by every President but two since then, President Cleveland will call for President-elect Harrison at Willard's and escort him to the Capitol.

Indiana Pensions.

Pensions have been granted the following-named Indianians:

Layman C. Plummer, West Baden; Jabez R. Morgan, Lexington, Hamilton G. Gullett, Union City; Basil Tilson, Pendleton; Samuel Thurman, Sheridan; George H. Mader, Lanesville; William Surber, Broad Ripple; John Hamlin, Acton; Robert W. Osborn, Brazil; Stewart Barnes, Sullivan; Marshall Cade, Sugar Grove; Stephen Humphries, Brownstown; John B. Carter, Kokomo; James M. Sumner, Noblesville; William H. Cartwright, Vesdersburg; Levi Hill, Tyner City; David Yount, Middletown; Thomas T. Buxton, Grant; Joseph Lewis, Martinsville; Noah Osborn, Velpen; William Jean, Campbellsburg; Alex. C. Thom, Saluda; Volney O. Fritts, Fossville; James B. Shaw, Lafayette; Benjamin F. Brandon; Kokomo; Luther Ludwick, Versailles; Rachel Furman, mother of George Wilson, Seymour; Louisa, mother of David R. Neely, Corydon.

Internal Revenue Collections.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The collections of internal revenue during the first five months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, amount to $53,091,736, being an increase of $1,231,186 over the collections during the corresponding period of last year. The receipts from spirits were $29,306,364, an increase of $1,575,854; from tobacco, $12,965,810, a decrease of $390,606; from fermented liquors, $10,465,583, and increase of $54,316; from oleomargarine, $313,653, an increase of $20,817; from banks and bankers, $5,717, an increase of $5,362; from miscellaneous, $34,600, a decrease of $34,558. The receipts for November last were $107,411 greater than those for November, 1888.

Methodist Ministers Protest.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—The Methodist Ministers' Association of Columbus to-day adopted the following:

We, the methodist ministers of Columbus, in view of the elevation of a Christian man to the presidency, do feel that this is a fitting time for high official discountenance to the tendencies in certain quarters to imitate the follies, displays, pageantry and extravagance of European courts. We, therefore, respectfully protest against the proposed expenditure of nearly one hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of imitating these follies, corrupting the simplicity of republican principles, encouraging the tendencies to extravagance and perpetuating that relic of barbarism—the inauguration ball—on the occasion of his inauguration.

General Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—A. G. O'Donnell has been appointed gauger at Sandusky, O.

All the departments closed at noon to-day and government business will be suspended until Wednesday morning.

The President to-day pardoned John S. Sullivan, of the District of Columbia, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced June 8, 1888, to one year's imprisonment at Albany and $50 fine. The execution of the sentence was suspended by the court.

Boy Shot by a Footpad.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 24.—As Moses Wright, a fifteen-year-old boy, was passing the corner of Fourteenth and Vine streets, on his way home, at 8 o'clock to-night, with some Christmas packages, a man ordered him to hold up his hands and almost immediately afterward fired at him. The bullet entered to the right of the right eye and came out near the ear. The wound is not necessarily fatal. The miscreant escaped, and the boy does not know whether he was a white man or a negro.

Home for Soldiers' Orphans.

DAYTON, O., Dec 24.—The Ohio Soldiers' Orphans' home board, now in session at Xenia, ordered the transfer of fifty-four children, now in various county orphans' homes, to the State institution, accepted the new cottages recently constructed and admitted to the home 220 orphans from over the State. To-night the 645 children at the home received Christmas presents at the hands of the Grand Army, Women's Relief Corps, and the Sons of Veterans committees of the State.

They Don't Want the Truth Told.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A Herald dispatch from Wahalak, Miss., says: "Advices from the front indicate that the whites have the negro murderers cornered in the mountains, and that they can be captured without aid from adjoining counties. Two newspaper correspondents have been ordered to quit Kemper county because of the tone of their articles, and they departed yesterday (Sunday) in a hurry, thus saving their lives."

Shot Dead by His Nephew.

GADSDEN, Ala., Dec. 24.—Jesse J. Taylor, an old and highly respected citizen of this county, was to-day shot and instantly killed by his nephew, Arch Crazee, a young man about twenty-five years old. Taylor was trying to prevent a difficulty between Crazee and a man named Lancaster, when the former turned, and, placing a pistol against Taylor's head, shot him dead. Crazee escaped, but a sheriff's posse is in pursuit.

INDIANA AND ILLINOIS NEWS

Indiana Workingmen Swindled by a Fraudulent Building Association.

Factional Quarrel in a Church—A Boy Murdered with a Car-Pin—White-Cap Assassination—Crusade Against Betting.

INDIANA.

A Building-Association Swindle Involving Many Thousand Dollars.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

TIPTON, Dec. 24.—The arrest of Charles S. Cutting and W. F. Shaw, at Chicago, as detailed in this morning's paper, has caused much uneasiness among some of our citizens. Shaw is secretary and manager of the Columbia Building and Loan Association, with headquarters at Chicago, but which has branch associations in this and other cities throughout the State. Nearly $20,000 worth of stock has been taken in the concern in this place. For some time the Tipton stockholders have been fearful of the honesty of the institution, and they are now satisfied that it is a fraud.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARION, Dec. 24.—The announcement of the flight of W. F. Shaw, secretary and treasurer of the Columbia Building and Loan Association, of Chicago, created a sensation here, where a branch was established last July. About seventy people were taken in here to the extent of over six hundred shares, upon which over $1,000 had been paid in. No one has any hope of getting any part of it back. The first representative of the company here was L. S. Hurst, who was recently exposed as a swindler and blackleg. Hurst, before his exposure, got into the good graces of a widow, Mrs. Shrock, a dressmaker of this place, and married her. When it became necessary for him to leave the country he abandoned her.

A Queer Church Fight.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARTINSVILLE, Dec. 24.—The members of the Christian Church at Monrovia, this county, have been at loggerheads for several years, one portion of the congregation claiming to be Christians, the other portion alleging that they are nothing but Campbellites. At one time the factions took issue with each other over a simple mess of green peas; at another, over an ordinary bed comfort. Elder McPheeters has had charge of this denomination for several years. One faction takes exception to his methods, whatsoever they are. The other favors his methods. On Thursday night, while a call-meeting was being held in the church for the purpose of re-organizing the Sunday-school, two of the prominent members entered into a dispute, and at once came to blows right in the church. During the melee one of the belligerents struck the wife of the other, who had stepped in between the men to part them. Matters have since been somewhat smoothed over.

An Enemy of the White Caps Assassinated.

HUNTINGBURG, Dec. 24.—Sebastian Hobbs, a farmer living three miles south of Bird's Eye, in Dubois county, was called out of his house, Saturday night, and two shots fired at him. One shot struck him in the abdomen, producing a fatal wound. One Smith was arrested on suspicion of having done the shooting. Hobbs had made himself obnoxious to the White Caps by procuring evidence against them and urging prosecutions.

A dispatch from Leavenworth says that Gregory, the White Cap who was thought to have been killed by Davis for the alleged betrayal of the latter's daughter, is alive and may recover. Public opinion is now changing in favor of the wounded man, as it is said the charges against him in relation to the girl were untrue.

Died from Injuries Received in a Fight.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ROCKPORT, Dec. 24.—A terrible fight occurred at Grandview, six miles up the river from this place, late on Saturday night, between James McKay and Joe F. Sherrill. McKay was so badly beaten over the head that he died from the effects this morning. The fight was the result of an old feud in regard to a house-burning, in which both men were implicated.

Murdered With a Car-Pin.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SULLIVAN, Dec. 24.—On Saturday night last, Corral White, while intoxicated, struck a boy, named Arthur Hale, a blow on the head with a car-pin, from the effects of which Hale died, to-day. White has been arrested, and is now in jail awaiting trial. This is the worst case of plain murder that has occurred here. Sympathy is all in favor of the deceased.

Killed While Walking on the Track.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SULLIVAN, Dec. 24.—Mike Smith was run over by the cars here this evening, and instantly killed. He was walking on the track, and either did not hear the whistle or was unable to get off in time. He was an ex-soldier. No blame is attached to the railroad company.

Suicide of a Young Lady.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LOGANSPORT, Dec. 24.—A telegram received here to-night from Royal Center, twelve miles northwest, states that Miss Emma Pherson, of that place, committed suicide by taking strychnine. It was the result of a love affair, in which a young man named Solomon Berkshire was involved.

Two Boys Drowned.

HAMMOND, Dec. 24.—John Frame and Nicholas Hammond, nineteen years old, while skating on the Calumet river, near Hammond, yesterday, broke through the ice and were drowned. Frame's body was recovered, but Hammond's was carried away by the current.

Wants $5,000 from a Railroad.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARION, Dec. 24.—Frank Ginger has sued the Cincinnati, Wabash & Michigan Railroad Company for $5,000 damages for injuries sustained while in the employ of the defendant as brakeman, on Nov. 1.

Minor Notes.

F. L. Lamont, of Auburn, was killed by falling down stairs on Sunday.

The officers of Goshen raided a gambling-house last Saturday night and captured a complete outfit.

The Morgan county commissioners have contracted for a new iron bridge over White river, at Paragon.

There is a tailless calf, four months old, owned by a Montgomery county man living near Waynetown.

There is a natural column of sand-stone in Daviess county, forty-six feet in height. It is called Jug Rock.

On last Saturday, Henry Montgomery and Lou Emma Doget, of Decatur, Ind., ran away from home and were married at Crawfordsville.

Ault & Co.'s wooden-ware factory of Martinsville, employing 100 hands, has shut down for six weeks, owing to accumulation of manufactured stock.

At Medaryville, yesterday afternoon, two young men named McCallip and Phillip, engaged in a drunken row in which both were pummeled badly.

Samuel Ball, of LaPorte, left home, last Monday morning, to go to to his work. He has not been heard of since, and his young wife is almost crazed with grief.

An employe of the Studebakers, at South Bend, named Jacob Long, died on Saturday from the effects of being struck in the abdomen by a flying stick of timber.

A mutual insurance company, with headquarters at Huntington, has been organized for the protection of farm property in the counties of Wabash, Huntington and Wells.

One hundred and thirty convicts in the State prison north have been leased to a Boston man, at 53 cents a day. Their labor will be used in the manufacture of boots and shoes.

Wheat in Wabash county is said to be suffering from a lack of snow covering. In many instances the successive thawings and freezings have exposed the roots to the elements.

Mrs. George Leightner, who separated from her husband a few weeks ago, at Logansport, was found dead in her bed on Sunday. Mrs. Leightner was sixty-seven years of age.

Lida Randall, employed as a domestic in a Greencastle household, was found dead in bed on Sunday morning. The coroner's investigation found her death to have been the result of an operation for laparotomy, performed on her at Indianapolis.

Charles Hawk, nineteen years old, residing near Philadelphia, Hancock county, has been arrested on the charge of having committed a criminal assault on Miss Sarah Piles, a prominent young lady of the neighborhood. He was bound over to the Circuit Court, at Greenfield, in the sum of $500.

At the recent election the Republicans of Huntington county carried the county for every man on the ticket, this being the third time that they so succeeded. One candidate, James M. Natfield, has been on the ticket at each one of these elections—in 1872 for surveyor, in 1886 for prosecuting attorney, and in 1888 for judge of the Circuit Court.

One year ago the scholars of Center Church Sunday-school, at Crawfordsville, were each given a penny, with instructions to see how much they could make out of it within a year. On Sunday night the reports were handed in. Out of the 165 pennies given out, all were increased except two, and one penny had grown to $4. The total amount returned was $28, which will be devoted to missionary purposes.

Wabash county farmers have discovered that the gas and oil leases they have recently made on their farms are a cloud on the title of their property. One man who wished to mortgage his farm was astonished to find that he could not do so on this account. Some of the leases are ambiguous in phraseology, and can be construed to mean a perpetual lease. Suits will be immediately filed to quiet title by a large number of the farmers.

ILLINOIS.

A Judge Creates a Sensation by Wanting to Indict Every Election Better.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MONTICELLO, Dec. 24.—Judge Hughes's instruction to the grand jury of Coles county causes a sensation here, as he instructed the grand jury to bring in indictments against every one who had bet on the election, whether Democrat, Republican or Prohibitionist, and to summon all candidates who had run for office before the grand jury. It has been ascertained that a large number of the present grand jury either won or lost bets on the late election, and the question is, will he order a special venire to indict the grand jury?

A Lynching Possible.

SHAWNEETOWN, Dec. 24.—Clinton Garrett, a white man, was assaulted to-day by a negro named John Price and fatally injured. Price fled, and about a mile from town met George Francis, knocked him down and robbed him, securing a small sum of money. The sheriff organized a posse of 100 men, captured the negro and lodged him in jail. If Garrett dies to-night there will be a lynching. To-night a negro who was defending Price and abusing the injured white man, was set upon by a crowd and roughly handled.

State Teachers' Association.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MONTICELLO, Dec. 24.—The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Illinois State Teachers' Association will be held at Representative's hall, in the Capitol, commencing Dec. 26. Many prominent educators from other States will be present. Prof. F. A. Tracy will preside, and Prof. B. C. Dougherty will read a paper on "What Shall Be the Basis of Graduation and Promotion in the Public Schools." There will be some six hundred teachers in attendance.

Brief Mention.

Henry Hayes, aged eighty, was killed by the cars at Savanna last Saturday.

S. S. Carroll, a prominent citizen of Aledo, hanged himself while insane, on Sunday.

The State central committee of the United Labor party of Illinois met in Decatur Jan. 9.

Mr. Daniel Lynn, an aged pioneer of Marshall, died on Sunday and was buried yesterday by the Masonic order. He was seventy years of age.

Jehu Baker served notice last Saturday on W. S. Forman, Democratic Congressman-elect from the Eighteenth district, that he will contest his election.

Marshall has a new paper, the Marshall Advance, published by Rev. J. Jay Dugan and devoted to the interests of the M. E. Church. It is a four-column, four-page monthly.

Frank Rodgers, aged twenty years, residing at Mount Vernon, committed suicide last Saturday night by shooting himself in the temple. He lived until noon on Sunday. Disappointment in love was the cause.

Hon. Scott Wike, Democratic Congressman-elect from the Twelfth district, is very sick at his home in Pittsfield, and fears are entertained of his recovery. His vigorous canvass and an unusual amount of court business during the November term completely exhausted his energies.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Burning of Nashville's Handsomest Business Building—Loss Over $100,000.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 24.—To-night at 9:30 o'clock the Baxter court, the handsomest office buildings in Nashville, was destroyed by fire, which originated in the engine-room. The building cost $60,000, and was insured for $50,000. In the building were the offices of a number of leading lawyers, among them that of Mr. Baxter, general attorney of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, who lost valuable libraries and papers. R. G. Dun & Co. lost all their records, as did the Hermitage Insurance Company. Judge Matt W. Allen was at work on the sixth floor when the fire started, and managed to fight his way to the second floor through smoke and flames, where, after desperate efforts, he was rescued by firemen. He was very seriously burned and bruised by the falling wreck. The office of the Evening Banner and that of Riddle & Co. were damaged by smoke and water. The entire loss will be over $100,000 on building and libraries, but no estimate can be placed on the papers destroyed, some of which were invaluable. At 11:30 P. M. the fire was under perfect control.

Other Fires.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WABASH, Ind., Dec. 24.—The farm dwelling of Thomas Lipscomb, two and one-half miles south of this city, was burned this morning. The family had just finished breakfast when the flames burst out. A portion of the contents were saved. There was an insurance of $850 on the property, in the German, of Freeport, Ill. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 24.—A fire in Marion, yesterday, burned out the buildings occupied by James Gregory & Son, dry goods; H. H. Hurt, jr., D. J. Ballard, saddlery; A. V. Welch, grocer; Butler & Mitchell's book store; the Western Union Telegraph office, and Morton's photograph gallery. All the merchants saved their stocks. No estimate of the loss is given.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 24.—There is no truth in the report that was telegraphed over the country on Saturday that the village of Hermansville, Mich., had been wiped out by fire with heavy loss. The story originated from the fact that a small boiler at the lumber mill at that point exploded, scalding a man severely and destroying the boiler shed. Loss about $1,000.

MINIER, Ill., Dec. 24.—The Union Hotel, a saloon adjoining, C. C. Flower's livery-stable, a grocery and saloon owned by H. Schrader, and P. A. Lower's grocery-store, were destroyed by fire to-day. The loss will exceed $20,000. A heavy wind prevailed at the time, and a dreadful conflagration was prevented with great difficulty.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 24.—It was reported at a late hour to-night that a disastrous fire was raging in the village of New Cumberland. As the railroad telegraph office at that point is closed there is no means of obtaining a confirmation of the rumor to-night.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 24.—E. T. Friam's Keystone lock-works were destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $15,000; insurance, $8,000. The origin of the fire was accidental.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Fire to-night in the five story building, No. 74 Reade street, did $20,000 damage, distributed among several companies.

Mrs. Chaska and Her Indian Husband.

FORT BENNETT, Dak., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Chaska, nee Cora Bell Fellows, the Washington society belle, who, with her Indian husband, achieved some notoriety, about a year ago, by exhibiting in dime museums, gave birth to a boy baby here yesterday. The couple came here from the reservation in order to secure the services of a white physician. The small fortune they accumulated in their five weeks' of exhibition is almost gone, and they have nothing to show for it save an abundance of wearing apparel, horses and carriages and farming implements. Chaska has not learned how to use the later, and is not likely to until starvation compels him.

Failure of Tally-Sheet Prosecutions.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—The famous tally-sheet trials are at an end, Prosecuting Attorney Huling having this afternoon nolled the indictments against Thomas J. Cogan, Charles T. Blackburn, of Cincinnati; C. R. A. and R. B. Montgomery, Algernon Granville and Fred Steube, of Columbus.

THE way to make money is to save it. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the most economical medicine to buy, as it is the only medicine of which can truly be said, "One hundred doses one dollar." Do not take any other preparation if you have decided to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE BLUE AND THE GRAY.

An Incident Marking the Disappearance of the Animosities of the War Days.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 24.—A new era is dawning upon the land. The time is fast disappearing when geographical locations mark the division line in politics. The men who wore the blue and those who wore the gray are no longer inspired by the animosities of a quarter of a century ago. While here and there politicians may fan the flame of sectional hate, the men who took part in the fratricidal strife are keeping step to the music of the Union, with their faces turned toward the morning, looking for the coming of the day when all parts of the country will be welded together, with the differences of the past as a reminiscence only. Already signs are numerous that the new South intends to make common cause with the North and West to bring about the consummation all patriots long for. The key note has been sounded by Gen. Bradley T. Johnson, who, as president of the association of the Maryland Line, inclosed to General Agnus a letter, whose contents will be found below. The letter is a testimonial from the Maryland Line on account of the successful efforts of General Agnus to secure the Pikesville arsenal as a home for disabled confederate soldiers. It is beautifully engrossed, and is framed in handsomely carved oak. General Agnus, some time ago, paid a tribute to the confederate soldiers, in which he said that "we [the Union soldiers] fought because we loved you, not because we hated you. We regarded you as too good and brave to be separated from us. You, who are Marylanders, have frequently supped at the same table we did, rejoiced when we were glad, and wept when we were sad. Why, then, should we not be as brothers, sharing a common lot, and be happy because of this common heritage of ours?"

The following is the letter:

"HEADQUARTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE MARYLAND LINE,
"BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 10, 1888.

"Gen. Felix Agnus:

"My Dear General—I thank you in the name and on behalf of the fighting confederates of Maryland for the generous and manly word the American has spoken in behalf of a home for our destitute comrades. The fighting Union soldier, with the knightly grace of Sir Philip Sidney, has ever been our warmest friend, for Captain Thompson, who introduced the bill in the House, fought under Farragut—and his heart is as sound as the oak of the ship he defended.

The daring are the loving,
The tender are the true,

And to-day some of the truest friends I have are in the army of the United States. Our flag is furled, our sabres rust, our heroes dead, and, like the Black Douglas, we carry the heart of Bruce in a jeweled casket on our pilgrimage to the holy land. I have never doubted that when, on our journey, we were beset with perils or poverty, disease, cold, hunger and starvation, the sound of 'The Rally' from our bugles would bring to our aid the heroic veterans of McClellan, of Hooker, of Meade, and of Grant. Reverently and devoutly, General, I pray God to bless you and yours and your honorable comrades of the Union army for the chivalric generosity of your support in this our time of trial. I am your friend, BRADLEY T. JOHNSON,
"President of the Association of the Maryland Line."

BUSINESS EMBARRASSMENTS.

A Nebraska National Bank Conducts Business Loosely, and Is Forced to Suspend.

RED CLOUD, Neb., Dec. 24.—A notice posted on the front door of the Red Cloud National Bank, this morning, announced the closing of that institution, and that it was in the hands of the Comptroller's agent. Drafts made by the bank on Omaha and Kansas City were protested Saturday, and unpaid. The bank's affairs are in bad shape, caused principally, it is understood, by the loose manner in which the Red Cloud Building Company has been allowed to transact their business at this bank. National Bank Examiner Griffith is in charge, but will not be able to make a statement for some time.

Other Failures.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—All day to-day the assignee of A. Ebert, who failed last Wednesday, with assets estimated at $45,000, was struggling with creditors who had come with writs of replevin to carry away their goods, and who had employed a long line of wagons to carry away their property. The assignee closed the store and stationed himself at the rear door, which he had barricaded so as to allow but one man to pass at a time, and then, with the writ in his hands describing the property of each creditor, he checked off the articles as they were identified and borne out by their claimants. There has never been such a failure in Cincinnati. Ebert is missing. His wife, it is said, sailed for Europe a month ago. It was about that time that he opened the "Crystal Hall," on Fourth street, and began to fill it with a varied assortment of queensware, china and jewelry, lamps, bronzes and tableware. It appears that he had bought in reasonably small quantities from a wide circle of dealers. His immediate departure from the city, and the fact that a quantity of watches and other valuable goods was found secreted in his Main-street store, indicated something was wrong. The stock was appraised above his estimate of its value.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 24.—George F. Mellin, of this city, recently failed, has filed a statement of liabilities, which foot up $61,649. There are no assets. Among the principal out-of-town creditors is William F. Swan, Denver, Col., notes, with interest from July, 1887, $26,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—P. F. Haber, dealer in boots and shoes, confessed judgment to-day in the sum of $6,000. Other debts will make his total liabilities $9,000; the assets are estimated at $10,000.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—Henry W. Behrman, dry goods merchant, at Newport, Ky., assigned to-day to John S. Ducker. Assets, $10,000; liabilities, $15,000.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A. Hamilton & Co., cloak manufacturers, 37 Kingston street, have made an assignment. Liabilities, $30,000.

Obituary.

TIPTON, Ind., Dec. 24.—J. I. Young died at his home in this city at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon of typhoid fever. He was at one time sheriff of this county and owned large tracts of land adjacent to this city, but lost it through financial reverses. During the war Mr. Young dealt extensively in horses, selling them to the government, and amassed a considerable fortune from this business. He was well known throughout southern Indiana and western Ohio. He leaves a wife and several children.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Col. Charles H. Coster dropped to the pavement in front of the Presbyterian Hospital last night, suffering from heart disease, and died shortly afterwards. He was well-known in Grand Army circles, being a prominent member of George Washington Post. He at one time held the position of pension agent in this city, and afterwards was a collector of internal revenue. Capt. John H. Coster, secretary of the American Jocky Club, is a brother of the deceased.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 24.—Capt. C. E. Tomblier, of this city, died this morning, aged fifty-two years, from effects of a fall a few days since, in which his skull was fractured. He was a retired merchant. He was born in Bethlehem, Pa. He served gallantly in the war, being a member of Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers at the beginning, and later was captain of Company A, Sixty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He took part in twenty-two pitched battles.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 24.—John A. Yates, a journalist well known in New York and Brooklyn for the past thirty years, was found dead in his bed, to-day, having died of heart disease. He was sixty years old, and a native of England.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Col. James F. Casey, brother-in-law of General Grant, and an old Kentuckian, died last night.

Shot While Trying to Liberate a Prisoner.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 24.—At 12 o'clock last night City Marshal McMahon shot A. G. Clay and Newton Doolan while they were attempting to break into the jail for the purpose of liberating a prisoner named Green, charged with liquor-selling, who was to be tried to-day. They had nearly succeeded in breaking a door down when the marshal fired. Both men were badly wounded.

Messenger Boy Robbed of $1,000.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 24.—This afternoon Joseph Sturtevant, a nineteen-year-old messenger in the employ of Dilworth, Porter & Co., drew $1,000 from bank, and went to the Penn building to pay an account for that firm. Four men entered the elevator with him, jostling him roughly. Putting his hand into his coat pocket he found the money was not there. He accused the men of robbing him, but they laughed in his face, saying they did not think he would be trusted to carry so much money. While Sturtevant rushed to a telephone to notify the police, the men took the elevator and quickly left the building. There is no clew.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Senator Beck arrived at Savannah, Ga., yesterday, and will spend some time in that city.

At LaCrosse, Wis., last Friday, the Mississippi was closed so that foot passengers could cross on the ice. Yesterday the river was open, and the ferry-boat was running.

Because her husband danced with another woman once, Sunday night, at a ball in Duluth, Mrs. Zieus, aged twenty years, took strychnine yesterday morning and died before assistance arrived.

At Heflyn, Ala., Sunday night, Turner Bryant was shot dead by his father-in-law, P. T. Chambers, while trying to force an entrance to Chambers's house, where Mrs. Bryant, who had left her husband, was living.

At Duluth, yesterday, while a gang of men were at work at the Ohio Coal Company's dock, one of the bins, holding 600 tons of stone coal, burst and buried John Jackson and John Olesen under the mass. Both were killed.

Lawrence Hundertonock, thirty-five years old, was found dead in his bed at 500 West One-hundred-and-fifty-ninth street, New York, yesterday. The gas was turned on full force, and he had been smothered in his sleep.

Word has been received at Denver from Boulder, Col., that Hastings's saw-mill boiler, near Gold Hill, exploded on Saturday, instantly killing Andy McDonald, A. Barnard and two men named Nodlett and Niles, and fatally scalding Mike Barnard.

A passenger train on the Western & Atlantic railway was derailed at McIver's Station, by an open switch. The engine, mail car, smoker and express cars were badly damaged, and others slightly. Hugh Young, a mail agent, was killed, and the engineer, fireman and conductor injured. No passengers were hurt.

DAILY WEATHER BULLETIN.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—For Indiana and Illinois—Rain; colder; winds becoming westerly.

Local Weather Report.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.

Time.	Bar.	Ther.	R. H.	Wind.	Weather	Prec
7 A. M...	30.22	36	73	South	Fair.	.....
2 P. M...	30.14	55	55	South	Cloudy	.....
7 P. M...	30.16	49	67	South	Cloudy	.....

Maximum thermometer, 56; minimum thermometer, 35.

Following is a comparative statement of the condition of temperature and precipitation on Dec. 24, 1888:

	Tem.	Precip.
Normal	30	0.11
Mean	42	0.00
Departure from normal	*12	—0.11
Total excess or deficiency since Dec. 1	*13	—1.43
Total excess or deficiency since Jan. 1	—888	—3.82

*Plus.

General Observations.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24—7 P. M.

Station.	Barometer.	Thermometer. Exp.	Min.	Max	Precipitat'n	Weath'r
New York city...	30.32	40	28	50	.....	Clear.
Buffalo, N. Y.....	30.14	44	36	46	.....	Cloudy
Philadelphia, Pa..	30.36	42	28	50	.....	Clear.
Pittsburg, Pa.....	30.26	48	32	54	.....	Clear.
Washington, D.C.	30.36	36	22	48	.....	Clear.
Charleston, S. C..	30.40	52	36	52	.....	Clear.
Atlanta, Ga.....	30.42	50	36	58	.....	Clear.
Jacksonville, Fla.	30.36	56	44	68	.....	Clear.
Pensacola, Fla...	30.30	56	48	58	.....	Clear.
Montgomery, Ala	30.34	58	42	64	.....	Clear.
Vicksburg, Miss..	30.18	62	44	70	.....	Clear.
New Orleans, La.	30.22	54	48	72	.....	Clear.
Little Rock, Ark.	30.10	62	48	66	.....	Clear.
Galveston, Tex...	30.08	62	60	...	.....	Clear.
San Antonio, Tex	29.98	66	56	72	T	Cloudy
Memphis, Tenn..	30.18	58	42	64	.....	Clear.
Nashville, Tenn..	30.26	52	32	60	.....	Clear.
Louisville, Ky...	30.22	52	34	58	.....	Clear.
Indianapolis, Ind.	30.16	48	34	56	.....	Cloudy
Cincinnati, O....	30.24	48	32	58	.....	Clear.
Cleveland, O.....	30.18	48	36	50	.....	Clear.
Toledo, O.....	30.12	48	36	50	.....	Cloudy
Marquette, Mich.	29.90	28	28	40	.20	Cloudy
S. Ste. Marie, Mich	29.82	40	40	42	.06	Rain.
Chicago, Ill.....	29.98	48	40	48	.08	Rain.
Cairo, Ill.....	30.14	56	40	60	.....	Clear.
Springfield, Ill...	30.08	48	40	54	.10	Rain.
Milwaukee, Wis..	29.94	48	42	50	.04	Cloudy
Duluth, Minn.....	30.00	24	24	34	T	Snow.
St. Paul, Minn...	29.94	24	24	34	.12	Snow.
Morehead, Minn..	30.20	8	4	8	T	Fair.
St. Vincent, Minn	30.26	0	—2	6	.....	Clear.
Davenport, Ia....	29.94	48	44	56	.02	Rain.
Dubuque, Ia.....	29.92	40	40	56	T	Cloudy
Des Moines, Ia...	30.04	30	30	56	T	Clear.
St. Louis, Mo....	30.08	52	42	58	.14	Rain.
Kansas City, Mo.	30.00	46	46	58	.02	Rain.
Fort Sill, Ind. T..	29.90	60	52	66	.14	Cloudy
Dodge City, Kan.	30.00	32	32	42	.....	Clear.
Omaha, Neb.....	30.12	26	26	36	T	Cloudy
North Platte, Neb	30.12	24	24	30	.02	Snow.
Valentine, Neb...	30.22	20	20	30	.02	Fair.
Yankton, D. T....	30.18	16	16	26	.02	Clear.
Ft. Sully, D. T...	30.24	10	10	16	.04	Clear.
Bismarck, D. T...	30.36	10	10	12	.16	Cloudy
Ft. Buford, D. T..	30.34	4	10	16	.....	Fair.
P. Arthur's L'd'g.	30.34	8	8	12	.....	Clear.
Qu'Appelle, N. W.	30.06	14	—2	38	.....	Cloudy
Ft. As'nab'ne, M. T	30.38	0	8	14	.....	Clear.
Helena, M. T.....	30.30	14	12	16	.04	Snow.
Boise City, I. T..	30.16	30	22	30	.....	Clear.
Cheyenne, W. T..	30.04	18	18	28	.....	Foggy.
Ft. M'Kn'ny, W.T.	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....
Ft. Wahaskie, Wy	30.12	14	14	32	.08	Snow.
Denver, Col.....	30.02	28	21	38	.....	Cloudy
Pueblo, Col.....	29.94	42	28	52	.....	Clear.
Santa Fe, N. M..	29.90	32	30	38	.....	Cloudy
Salt Lake City...	30.02	28	28	32	.02	Cloudy

T—Trace of precipitation. Note—One inch of melted snow equals ten inches of snow.

Murder Growing Out of a Feud.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Information comes from Denison, Tex., to the effect that Dudley Luttrell shot and instantly killed J. M. Moyer,