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DID A BIG BUSINESS

Local Railways Had Plenty of Freight Traffic Last Week.

Heavy Shipments of Grain Eastward Owing to Low Rates, Which Will Likely Be Restored To-Day.

For the first time since July the train records show as large a tonnage moving as in corresponding weeks of last year, in the week ending Dec. 30 there being 475 more loaded cars received and forwarded at Indianapolis than in the corresponding week of 1892. This increase, however, comes entirely from increased shipments of grain, shippers desiring to take advantage of the low rates of a few days past, and freight men will be surprised if the coming week does not show a heavy falling off in east-bound business, as to-day, if all lines live up to their agreements, rates east-bound will be restored to the basis of 25 cents per 100 pounds, Chicago to New York, Indianapolis business taking 93 per cent. of that rate. Shipments of lumber East are large, much of it being hard woods, to be exported, and veneering. Shipments of live stock last week were the lightest in any week of the last three months. West-bound business is light, but there is some prospect of an early improvement. The reduced rates which went into effect on Saturday may increase the business somewhat, but the principal increase looked for is from the starting up of a number of the iron industries of Ohio and Pennsylvania. There is little to say that is encouraging as regards local traffic. One would have to go back a number of years to find a week in which so little was doing about the city freight depots as in the week ending Dec. 30, and, in fact, the same could be said of the business of the entire month of December, and, with but one exception, the Vandalia, fewer men are employed in offices, on the platforms and in the local yards than at any time in the last ten years. Changes in handling the business of the Vandalia necessitate their keeping up their full complement of men. The year begins with the freight men all hoping for an improvement in business, not a boom, but a steady and healthy increase in traffic. Below is given the number of cars received and forwarded at this point for the week ending Dec. 30, as compared with the corresponding week of the two preceding years:

Name of road.	1893.	1892.	1891.
L., N. A. & C., Air-line...	272	373	272
I., D. & W.....	412	416	407
C., H. & D. (Ind'p'ls div.)	674	695	863
L. E. & W.....	483	522	441
Penn.—I. & V.....	398	498	202
Penn.—J., M. & I.....	540	1,004	689
Penn.—Chicago div.....	410	691	295
Penn.—Columbus div.....	1,692	1,473	1,542
P. & E.—East div.....	1,041	988	1,204
P. & E.—West div.....	1,045	1,196	1,232
Big Four—Chicago div....	1,827	1,875	2,099
Big Four—Cincinnati div..	2,442	2,293	2,464
Big Four—St. Louis div..	2,263	1,411	1,825
Big Four—Cleveland div...	1,852	1,385	1,720
Vandalia	1,596	1,652	1,828
Totals	16,947	16,472	17,083
Empty cars.....	4,622	4,231	5,001
Total movement.....	21,569	20,703	22,084

Traffic Notes.

The east-bound movement of the Indianapolis division of the Panhandle lines was about 200 loaded cars in excess of the last week of December, 1892.

The west-bound movement of empty cars continues large. The St. Louis division of the Big Four handled last week 606 empty cars, the Chicago division 603, the Vandalia 470, and the Peoria & Eastern 343.

The Vandalia brought into Indianapolis last week 1,004 and forwarded 592 loaded cars. Its east-bound movement is still largely in excess of the west-bound. This road dropped last week about 400 cars below the number it has been handling for some weeks past.

It will be noted that the Big Four lines last week got up to their usual volume of traffic in good times, in fact, handling more business this year than in the last week of December, 1892, receiving and forwarding at Indianapolis on the four divisions 8,384 loaded cars, against 6,964 in the corresponding week of 1892; increase this year, 1,420 cars. The increased business was largely in grain for export.

The north-and-south roads continue to make unfavorable exhibits. The Louisville division of the Pennsylvania lines brought in last week but 208 and forwarded 332 loaded cars, or a total of 540, against 1,004 in the corresponding week of 1892. The Monon also handled the fewest loaded cars at this point in any week of two years past. The Lake Erie & Western did some better, from the fact that it got a little of the grain for the East, though it did not meet the reduction in rates made by the lines East. The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton is doing better, and, could the road have furnished the cars called for, would have made a more favorable exhibit.

Personal, Local and General Notes.

J. A. Garrett, general manager of the Peoria & Eastern, is spending a couple of days at Cincinnati.

Ticket and freight offices and freight depots will all be closed to-day, it being a legal holiday, and no local freight trains will be run.

Frank Bell is to succeed W. W. King to-day as city ticket and passenger agent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy at Chicago.

The Western lines have negatived the proposition to restrict or abolish the use of exchange orders, which are a great help to the scalpers.

C. E. Fuller, master bridge builder of the Vandalia, and one of the oldest employes in the service of the company, is thought to be fatally ill.

Joseph Gatt, section foreman of the Wabash at Andrews, Ind., was last week awarded the first prize on yard sections on the entire Wabash system. The prize was $100.

A. S. Mills, who has for years purchased the crossties used on the Wabash system, to-day retires after many years of such service, and goes to Denver, Col., to engage in business.

The Big Four abandons its Louisville line temporarily. As soon as it has its own line into that city competitors may look for a warm time, which will be probably by Aug. 1 of this year.

The citizens of Wallbura, Pa., have petitioned to have the name of the town caanged to Pitcairn, in honor of the superintendent of the Pittsburg division of the Pennsylvania road east.

A. G. Wells, formerly superintendent of the St. Louis division of the Big Four, is now assistant to the first vice president of the Santa Fe road, and is filling the position, it is stated, very acceptably to Vice President Robinson.

Thomas Leppert, who entered the Big Four employ a year ago as messenger boy, has proven such an adept as a telegraph operator that he has been placed in charge of the company's telegraph business at Jamestown, Ind.

The Wabash earned in the third week of December $219,301, a decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year, of $41,250. The Toledo, St. Louis & Kansas City earned in the third week $28,088, a decrease this year of $20,640.

William E. Thurber, formerly agent of the Bee line at this point, is spending New Year's with friends in this city, his wife accompanying him. Mr. Thurber is now general agent of the Mexican National, with headquarters at Chicago.

The directors of the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago will to-day declare a 1½ per cent. dividend in cash on its preferred stock. A dividend to a holder of stock of the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago is a heretofore unknown feature.

Chief Engineer Wood, of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, spent Saturday in the city, and still has hopes that the city authorities will let the company carry out its ideas as regards getting to the new city freight depot it is proposed to erect.

E. A. Peck, formerly with the Big Four, now with the St. Louis & Iron Mountain as its general superintendent, is making, it is stated, an excellent record on that road. In November the gross earnings of the system decreased 9 per cent., and the same month he reduced operating expenses 26 per cent., as compared with November, 1892. December, he thinks, will show even better results.

The Lake Shore, which, in connection with the Pittsburg and Lake Erie, established through passenger service between Pittsburg and Chicago, has abandoned its line for lack of business, and the Pennsylvania practically has full sweep again on that business.

E. H. Sabin, formerly a civil engineer residing in this city, but for ten years past with the Texas Pacific, is spending New Year's with friends here. Mr. Sabin has just been appointed district land agent of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern, with headquarters at Baltimore, Md.

Thirty of the supervisors of signals and engineers of maintenance of way on the Pennsylvania lines were in conference at Pittsburg last week. W. McGrafton, general supervisor of signals, acted as chairman, and the sessions were of much interest to those connected with the two departments.

The stockholders of the Terre Haute & Indianapolis will hold their annual meeting to-day, when the regular 3 per cent. semi-annual dividend will be declared. But few stockholders, year after year, are treated as handsomely in the matter of dividends as are those of the T. H. & I., and with this all the time betterments to the property are annually large and made without borrowing money.

The question is asked, "Does the Chicago & Eastern Illinois borrow money to pay its dividends, or raise the money by selling some securities?" One who should know says the earnings tell the story. Every month but one this year, in the depressed times, has shown an increase over corresponding months of 1892, and the road closes the year with a handsome surplus. Since July 1 the earnings have been $72,709 ahead of the same period of 1892.

Commencing with to-day passengers located in sleeping cars running on lines west of Pittsburg will be required to sign the mileage strip but once, the signature to be made on that portion of the ticket, when presented, which will be taken up by the last conductor. For example, for a passage from Pittsburg to Indianapolis, the signature should be placed upon that portion of the ticket which will be taken up between Columbus and Indianapolis.

Two years ago Jerome Larger left the employ of the Pennsylvania Company to engage in farming. Last spring, when the world's fair business was about to set in, and the business on the Chicago division of the lines was heavy, the yards at Logansport became blockaded, and John F. Miller, general superintendent and an old-time friend, persuaded him to go to Logansport and straighten out the blockade, which he soon accomplished, but since that time the company has declined to release him, and it now looks as if he had resumed railroading for life.

An official of the Pennsylvania lines states that there is no truth in the report that to-day there is to be another general reduction of expenses in all departments. There will be no further cut in wages, and most of the dismissals have already been made. In speaking of the fall of cutting down expenses which periodically comes over the Pennsylvania people, an old time employe says it was always thus. "The boys were all torn up," he said, "years ago when an economical streak came over Tom Scott, then president of the road; by one strike he saved thousands of dollars a year by ordering that all bright work on the locomotives, which was the pride of engineers, be painted black to save the polishing expenses."

P. J. Weise, chief train dispatcher on the Indianapolis division of the Big Four, has resigned and C. W. Buchanan has been appointed to the position. Mr. Weise has been a faithful employe of the company for over twenty-eight years, and has been a dispatcher for over twenty-one years, during which time no accident has occurred that could be accredited to any negligence on his part. He has accepted a position as day operator at Union City for the present, Superintendent Higgins giving him six months' time in which he can resume his old position if he so desires. Mr. Weise's reason for resigning was that the work imposed upon him was too heavy, and he desires to enter another line of business and quit railroading.

Harry Lancaster, who for many years was connected with the Indianapolis office of the American Express Company, now agent of the company at Lafayette, has just been granted a patent from the United States Patent Office, dated Dec. 11, 1893, on a patent safety self-closing switch, for use on railroad tracks, which promises to revolutionize railroading, so far as saving life and property is concerned, keeping the main line of the track at switches constantly closed when a train passes over, or in case the switch should be open, closing it by its ingenious mechanical action before the train reaches the switch. The train may be running at the rate of fifty miles an hour or faster, and the engineer be asleep, and if the switch has been left open it will be closed and the train pass over in safety, the engine itself closing it by a contrivance attached seventy-five feet before the switch is reached. It can be used to keep open the main track at all times, is very simple and inexpensive in construction, not affected by any quantity of heat or cold, or any amount of snow or ice. Thomas Morris, of the Big Four, Joseph Coburn, of the Monon, and W. W. Wentz, all experts in railroad matters of this character, pronounce it a success.

To Public-Spirited Women.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal:

I would like a litle space in which to speak a good word for the Local Council of Women of Indianapolis, and to urge upon the public-spirited women of the city the importance of attending its meetings and becoming identified with its interests. Many women seem anxious to know of what benefit a membership in the council will be to their especial association. And in asking this question they show a misapprehension of its aims, which it is my earnest desire to correct. In its constitution Article II says: "The aim of this council is to bring the various associations of women of Indianapolis into closer relations through an organic union, * * * the object of which is to serve as a medium of communication and a means of prosecuting any work of common interest." The object thus expressed may be summed up in two words, viz., sympathy, power. The power to work together for good in the city is not to be lightly cast aside. The influence or power that would be granted neither to one woman nor to one association is readily recognized when wielded by a committee from the Local Council, composed, as it now is, of about fifty clubs and societies of women in this city, ranging in membership from fifteen to one hundred. At the meeting to be held in the east parlor of the Propylaeum on Tuesday, Jan. 2, at 2:30 p. m., two important committees are to bring in reports that should be of interest to every thoughtful woman in Indianapolis. The one was appointed to urge the Common Council to abolish wine rooms, wherein so many young girls are lured to their ruin; the other to ascertain what steps are necessary to be taken to have women placed upon the School Board. These reports will be of interest, and a lively and earnest discussion is expected. At the last meeting the corresponding secretary was instructed to communicate with societies not yet united with the Local Council, and to urge them to join. Not knowing how to reach them all, I have taken this means of explaining its object, and hereby urgently invite them to attend the meeting next Tuesday afternoon, and to come prepared to cast in their lot with us.

MRS. JOSEPH S. JENCKES,
Corresponding Secretary Local Council of Women of Indianapolis.

Editor Stead Scored.

Chicago Journal.

Mr. Stead is not one of those meek and lowly reformers who pursue reform for the reform's sake. He has coined his disgusting exposures into pounds sterling and waxed fat and made himself an international nuisance out of the proceeds of his "Modern Babylon." His enthusiasm and spontaneity is all humbug. These fervid, scorching, blistering interviews he gives out are generally carefully prepared and come to the newspaper offices neatly typewritten. Great is Humbug and Mr. Stead is one of its proficients.

Waite Should Button His Lips.

Boston Herald.

Governor Waite's attempt to justify his remark concerning hell freezing over by observing that the Savior used the same word on a less provocation shows him to be about as sacrilegious as he is profane and hebetudinous. Waite should retire.

Well Fixed.

Boston Transcript.

If you have bought your diary, boned a calendar and made the customary resolutions as to ultra morality, you are pretty well fixed for the new year and are to be congratulated accordingly.

A Woman's Comparison.

Mrs. J. Ellen Thompson.

Free traders and mugwumps are like bachelors. No man ever knew what love was till he loved one woman. No man ever knew what patriotism was till he loved one flag.

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NEWS IN SUNDAY'S JOURNAL.

Resume of Events Chronicled in the Issue of Dec. 31.

Assassin Prendergast hopes to secure a new trial.

Boss McKane, of Gravesend, has been indicted on eleven counts.

Mr. Cleveland has decided not to reinstate Colonel Hoge, who was dismissed from the diplomatic service.

President Reinhart, of the Atchison railway, denies that stockholders will be assessed to reorganize the company.

Cleveland's Hawaiian policy was severely condemned by the minority report of the House committee on foreign relations.

(From Sunday's Second Edition.)

Addie Irvine Wins.

SALT LAKE CITY, U. T., Dec. 30.—It will be a joyful surprise to the Indiana friends of Mrs. Adelaide Irvine, formerly Addie Smith, of Marion and Wabash, Ind., when they hear that Judge Zone to-day granted her a divorce in the suit brought against her by her husband, William H. Irvine, formerly of Marion, Ind. Irvine not only lost his case, but the custody of the beautiful nine-year-old Flossie, their only child, goes to the mother. The Judge, in commenting on Irvine's shooting of banker C. E. Montgomery, which occurred in a hotel at Lincoln, Neb., a year ago, denounced it as a brutal murder, saying Montgomery had never been given time to explain or defend himself before Irvine shot him down.

"No one but a coward would have been guilty of such an act," he said. He also severely criticised the manner in which Irvine got the Omaha confession of guilt from his wife. He believed that Mrs. Irvine's actions at the Wellington Hotel, Chicago, in the famous interviews between herself and husband, after she had gone to Chicago with Montgomery, showed her innocence, as she refused to admit her guilt, even when threatened with death. In conclusion, it was held that the charges against the woman had not been proven, but that her charge of cruelty against her husband had been fully substantiated. The court granted her a decree on that ground, and awarded her the custody of the nine-year-old daughter, with all costs of the suit. The amount of alimony and attorneys' fees will be decided on next Tuesday.

This case has many features that go to make it the most sensational divorce suit ever tried in Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Irvine came here from Omaha about four years ago. About three years prior to that they had moved to Omaha from Marion, where Irvine met and married his wife ten years ago. Addie Smith's girlhood had passed in Wabash, where she still has relatives. The family removed to Marion about fifteen years ago, where Mrs. Irvine's brother, William C. Smith, sister, Mrs. William Hogan, and her mother, Mrs. D. E. Wilson, still reside, and are among the best people of that city. Irvine inherited considerable property, and, after going to Omaha, he went in business with C. E. Montgomery and considerably increased his fortune. In her testimony Mrs. Irvine testified that their life in Omaha was far from happy, and Irvine threatened to leave her. They decided to go to Utah and begin all over. There they got on little better. Mrs. Irvine was a good-looking, voluptuous blonde of fine figure and bright, impulsive disposition. One day, at a summer resort hotel, she was weeping, when Montgomery came along and began to sympathize with her. He said her husband didn't love her. Montgomery took her boat-riding, and afterwards she saw him frequently. Her husband forbade her having anything to do with Montgomery, and she did not tell him of their confidential relations. She told of repeated cruelties on the part of her husband, and they were about to separate. Irvine had become one of the prominent men in Utah, and was exceedingly popular in the clubs.

Mrs. Irvine planned to pay a visit to her relatives in Marion, and telegraphed word of her plans to Montgomery. The banker met her at Omaha and accompanied her on the train to Chicago. He gave her a card with a fictitious name, and sent her to Grace Hotel, in Chicago, where she registered the false name and took a room already engaged by Montgomery, his being next with a door between. Mrs. Irvine had her daughter with her, and Montgomery spent the evening with her at the hotel, coming to her room after little Flossie had been put to bed.

Irvine had dogged her footsteps, learned of the occurrence, and hastened on to Chicago in a frantic state of mind. His wife wired him falsely she had stopped at the Grand Pacific. He wired for a confirmation, and the hotel people denied she was there. He then sent her a message to meet him at the Wellington, which she did. There was a stormy scene. Irvine threatened to shoot her if she did not confess she had been guilty with Montgomery. She declared she was only indiscreet, and told him to shoot; that she would not lie to save her life. Her mother came and took her daughter home, and Irvine returned West and shot Montgomery on sight in the Lincoln Hotel. He was acquitted on his trial, and at once began to lay plans to obtain a divorce. After the murder he had made over to Mrs. Irvine much property, including $2,000 for her support and that of Flossie, together with an agreement that she could have Flossie in case of a separation, on condition that he might have the child with him during his trial. He pretended to want to make up again, to which Mrs. Irvine was heartily agreeable, and they resumed marital relations. To test her love for him, as he put it, he asked for all the property he had given her and also for a confession from her of guilt with Montgomery. Mrs. Irvine gave him back his stocks and bonds, and finally signed a confession which, it is claimed, Irvine dictated. He then sued for divorce. She, however, faithfully refused to confess to her people to any crime further than indiscretions with Montgomery, and testified on the stand that the written confession was false. The evidence was well backed up, and the court evidently believed Mrs. Irvine, and not her husband.

The Six-Day Bicycle Race.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—At 10 o'clock tonight the six-day race at Madison-square Garden came to a close in a blaze of glory. There were few empty seats in the vast building and the track was encircled by rows of spectators three and four deep. Albert Schock, the wonderful man from Chicago, broke all records and carried off the winner's purse of $1,200, and Frank Waller, the Californian, who might have won the race if trade interests had not killed his chances, took $800 as second money. Billy Martin, who is now ex-champion and ex-record holder, got $500. Frank Albert, the New York boy, who has shown wonderful gains, will have a $350 purse to reward his stamina, while George Van Emberg, the boy wonder of the contest, will carry $250 back to New Jersey. Old Pete Golden, whose nonchalance and easy-going riding was one of the features of the show, will have $150 to show for a game race, although he did not cover the stipulated 1,400 miles. The others will receive a present from the management to cover their expenses for sticking out the week. The score in miles at the finish stood:

Schock	1,600
Waller	1,484
Martin	1,430
Albert	1,410
Van Emberg	1,401
Golden	1,313
Meixel	1,130
Forster	1,045
Hosmer	969
Barton	1,008
Ashinger	879

No estimate could be had of the gross receipts of the week to-night, but it is certain they are over $25,000. The expenses of the meeting have been very heavy, and $7,000 rent will be taken out. Whatever is left of the net profits will be divided between the garden and riders, the latter receiving 25 per cent. thereof, divided among the leaders as follows: Schock, 50 per cent.; Waller, 25; Martin, 12½; Albert, 8; Van Emberg, 4½. The winner has a most creditable record. He contested in twenty-seven six-day races in all. In addition to these Schock has figured in at least one hundred other races, of which he won a great number.

Industries to Resume.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 30.—The advent of the New Year will be accompanied by a decided boom in industrial circles in this section. By announcement made by the various mill owners on the South Side nearly every mill will be in operation by the middle of next week. Most of the plants will be run double turn. The resumption on the South Side alone, it is estimated, will give employment to three thousand idle men. Among the mills preparing to start up next week are the Sligo rolling-mill, Oliver & Roberts's wire and rod works and Oliver's Tenth-street mills. As stated several days ago, all of the Carnegie plants will be in operation on Monday. The various wage scales are being rapidly accepted by the men. The scale at Beaver Falls was signed by three hundred men yesterday, and fully as many more have signed the Lawrenceville scale. Nearly all the men have signed at Homestead. Assurances have been given the men that work will be reasonably steady, as the company is taking all the orders it can secure, with the intention of operating the mills. After an idleness of nearly ten months the Carrie furnace No. 1, at Keating station, will be put in blast next week. About three hundred men will be given employment. Munhall's coal works, near Homestead, will resume work next week, after being closed down for nearly five months. Over two hundred men will be given work.

Speaking of the proposed resumption, Secretary Lovejoy, of the Carnegie company, said to-night: It is our intention to not allow our 12,000 employes to want during the winter. We will keep our plants in operation, and where a mill is running on single turn we will provide for all our men by having alternating crews. The outlook is much better than at any time since spring. There is a better tone to the iron market and orders are coming in more freely."

Stole Nearly $20,000.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 30.—William A. Bennett, one of the best-known bank tellers in Providence, has fled, taking with him nearly $20,000. He has been in the employ of the Globe National Bank about ten years. He had full swing in the bank, and had the entire confidence of Cashier Geo. C. Noyes. After the close of banking hours on Thursday he spoke to Mr. Noyes, saying that a distant relative had died and that he should like to attend the funeral. Mr. Noyes granted a leave of absence and Bennett went out. As he did not return at the hour that he said he would yesterday it led to suspicion that something was wrong. Mr. Noyes, in making up his cash for the day, found that his gold was wrong. There was a bag on the floor of the vault that ought to have had $4,000 in it, but the gold coin had been entirely abstracted and in its place had been substituted about two hundred dollars in silver. The money in bills was next overhauled, and about six thousand dollars more was found to have vanished. Bennett is about five feet seven inches in height, of heavy build, has light-brown hair, light-brown eyes and smooth face. It is thought he has taken a steamer for Europe.

Bank Examiner Day, in examining the books of the bank to-day, found that the defaulting teller, William Austin Bennett, who fled Friday, made his first grab Dec. 15, when he stole $8,000. In addition it has been found that he tooks $6,000 Thursday and $4,000 in gold at some unknown time. The examination will not be completed until Monday. Owing to the clever way in which Bennett doctored the books, it will be necessary to call in every pass book belonging to the bank in order to ascertain the exact loss. The bank officials believe that Bennett took about $20,000. He lost his money on Manhattan and New England stock. The fact that a woman with whom he was intimate came from New York Tuesday and is still here leads his friends to believe that he has committed suicide. The United States authorities have taken the case in charge, and will endeavor to locate the absconder.

Coxe to Satolli.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Bishop Coxe has just made public his fourth letter to Mgr. Satolli. Beginning with a classical reference to the Virgilian tale of "The Wooden Horse of Troy," he says: "Now, at Gonzaga College, you talked like a Simon, but more adroitly. You said we must pull down our great national bulwarks, the common schools, and accept your machine instead. You made it clear that what we need, in your opinion, is the constitution, according to Sheehan, and education, according to Satolli." He then quotes from the revised statues of the United States that section which declares it a punishable offense to carry on intercourse with foreign powers to defeat the measures of our government.

Again, reverting to the subject of schools, the Bishop writes: "You profess to admire our institutions, but what can we find to admire in any country where you might have copied them? For four hundred years the petty island of San Domingo has been under the exclusive control of your ecclesiastics, and what have your schools done for its wretched people, among whom a large proportion are not only heathen, but cannibals to-day? Why not go where neither schools nor universities exist that are worthy of the name and let us alone, who, for nearly three centuries, have been teaching everybody to read, and whose schools were not godless till your ecclesiastics forced the politicians to take out of them the ten commandments and the Lord's Prayer." The Bishop concludes these remarks as follows: "You are a stranger alike to our language and the spirit of our laws, and they who sent you on your mission to Washington were guilty of what one of your casuists pronounced worse than a crime, a blunder.

"We wish you a happy New Year with distinguished consideration. Your Christian brother, A. CLEVELAND COXE,
"Bishop of Western New York."

May Result in a Feud.

WABASH, Ind., Dec. 30.—Not for years has the southern part of this county had such a sensation as that growing out of the whipping by Homer Hale, the well-known horseman, of Rev. Keely, State evangelist of the Presbyterian Church, whose home is at Indianapolis. Although the assault occurred last Tuesday excitement continues unabated and the general sentiment is one of condemnation of Hale. Last evening at the regular revival meeting at Liberty Church resolutions denouncing the assault as unprovoked, brutal and cowardly and condemning Hale in strong language, while expressing sympathy with the minister, were adopted unanimously and the same were sent to the Wabash papers for publication. In addition members of the church have placed the case in the hands of the prosecutor and demand that the grand jury indict Hale. Hale, on a plea of guilty before a justice, was fined $5, but as the prosecuting witness was confined to his bed from injuries received, this is no bar to indictment. Hale insists that he had provocation, but says he is sorry the affair occurred. The whole family is very proud and vindictive and it is feared that the trouble will breed a fued in the county which will last for years. Rev. Keely with his face swollen and discolored is speaking to crowded houses.

Desha Breckinridge Speaks.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 30.—Desha Breckinridge, oldest son of Col. W. P. C. Breckinridge, when asked about "blocking" Miss Pollard in her effort to find testimony in Cincinnati in her favor, as has been stated, said.: "I went to Cincinnati simply to learn the persons whom Miss Pollard connects with the case against my father. I only wanted to find out the truth of her asertions. I found them to be a tissue of lies, and she will surely be unable to prove any of them."

Asked if he would outline what he discovered there, young Breckinridge said: "I hardly think it worth while, but Miss Pollard says that on the first of April, 1885, she went to the Foundling Asylum, at Norwood, under the name of Louise Wilson. The Mother Superior says that she was not there, and she is not registered. The other charges seem to be of the same groundless character. "No, I never attempted to keep Miss Pollard from obtaining evidence, for if her charges are true she will have no trouble about that. The girl's mother doesn't claim that her daughter is worthy of much consideration, and thinks her conduct inexcusable."

Terrific Explosion.

HAMMOND, Ind., Dec. 30.—The main building of the Indiana Natural-gas and Fuel Company plant at East Chicago, two miles east of here, was wrecked at 12:15 o'clock this afternoon by a terrific explosion. The following two men were fatally injured:

CHARLES H. WILDERHOLD, employe, crushed and bruised about the head.

— LUTHERHOF, an employe, injuries similar to the above.

The men were working on the gas meter and a few minutes after they entered the small hallway leading to the gas tanks, the air was filled with flying bricks and sheets of roofing. Wilderhold, after being hurled through the narrow door, mounted a railroad velocipede and pumped a distance of nearly a mile to the supply station, where he shut off a valve. He then fell exhausted to the ground. Medical aid was immediately summoned and the injured men were conveyed to their homes. The loss on the buildings is estimated to be nearly $40,000, fully covered by insurance.

Redkey Gets the Next Institute.

FARMLAND, Ind., Dec. 30. — The quarterly and ministerial institute being held in this place closed its third day's session to-night. After the discussion of several important subjects, Rev. C. O. Brown, of Portland, was chosen elder of the First district; Rev. A. M. Addington, of Sherman, elder of the Second district. Rev. J. R. Cortner, of Winchester, who had served as secretary for the past six years, tendered his resignation, which was accepted, and Rev. W. H. H. Tate, of Pikeville, O., was elected in his stead. The next institute will be held at Redkey, in April, 1894. Rev. S. M. Stone, of Blountsville, Henry county, president of the association, was prevented being present on account of sickness. Rev. S. W. Bennett, of Woodlington, O., presided over the meeting. Rev. J. M. Brown, of Redkey, will fill the pulpit tomorrow.

Opposition to Brookshire.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 30.—At the convention of Democrats here to-day nineteen delegates were chosen to go to the district convention in Terre Haute in January. The meeting was thrown into an uproar by a fight of anti-Brookshire men to capture the convention, but when the result was finally cast up it was found the antis had captured only seven out of the delegation. A resolution was passed calling on Congressman Brookshire to work for the adoption of the original Wilson tariff bill in its "virgin purity," and that the Democrats of this county would hold him to account for his actions. A postoffice fight here this year caused the anti-Brookshire movement.

Seriously Hurt in an Explosion.

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 30.—A serious accident occurred at the Port glass works last evening. The factory had a close call from destruction by fire and two men were seriously burned. Night watchman William Cleary entered the natural gas regulator house to make some repairs when an explosion occurred. The building was blown to atoms and the factory caught fire. Mr. Cleary was blown some distance, and was insensible with his clothes on fire when found by Superintendent Dolloway. Cleary was badly burned as was Dolloway in making the rescue. The factory building caught fire, but was extinguished with little loss.

Receiver for the Ohio Valley.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 30.—The application for a receiver for the Ohio Valley Railroad Company, which was filed yesterday, was argued to-day in the United States court, and Judge Barr appointed Col. John MacLeod as receiver. Humphrey & Davis appeared for the anti-Huntington stock and bondholders, and Colonel Bullitt and Mr. Darby for the Huntington interests. This is the last of the Huntington roads running through Kentucky, with one exception, the Chesapeake & Ohio, not in the hands of a receiver. The Chesapeake, Ohio & Southwestern and the Chesapeake & Ohio roads are separate corporations.

Was It a Meteor?

WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 30.—Much excitement was occasioned in the section south of this place about 8 o'clock last night by a great shock which caused houses to tremble as far southwest as Sparta, ten miles from here. Responsible persons saw a bright light descend and disappear in the south, while at the same time the surroundings were made almost as light as day. The general impression was that a meteor had fallen. The shock was felt very plainly in Washington. It created much uneasiness among the farmers, and many of them came to this place to-day to make inquiries.

Cleveland and "Lilli" Indorsed.

MARION, Ind., Dec. 30.—The Grant county Democracy met in mass convention at the Probate Court room here to-day to select delegates to the district convention to be held at Peru. The attendance was small. Resolutions were adopted indorsing the present administration, including its flirtation with Queen "Lil," and favoring a careful revision of the tariff, a double standard of money and approving the work of Congressman Martin. David Overman was announced as a probable candidate for a position on the State central committee.

A Populist Leader in Trouble.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 30.—W. R. Smith, a Populist leader and orator of some prominence in the interior, who is locally known as "Duster Bill," is in jail here charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes. His latest victim, and the one that caused his arrest, is a Mr. Byrne, of Andsville, Ky. His scheme was to personate a lost wandering son who felt repentant and desired to return home. He answered all the advertisements he could find of this nature and conducted quite a thriving business in collecting advances from anxious parents.

Elopement at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—A sensation was developed here to-night when it was learned that two well-known St. Louisians had eloped, Mr. Gus V. R. Meechin having abandoned his wife and taken with him in his flight the wife and two children of Martin L. Becker, general freight claim agent of the Wabash railway. Meechin has been prominent in business and politics in this city for years. Mr. Becker has started in pursuit of his wife to secure the return of his children. The elopers have been located in New York city.

Three Crushed and Mangled.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 30.—Three men may die as the result of a wreck on the Northern Pacific, between Boulder and Elkhorn, Mont., to-day. The train ran into a deep snowbank, the engine and tender being jack-knifed. Three men were terribly crushed and mangled. Engineer Dennis J. Delay had both legs amputated below the knees, fireman John Regan was crushed about the left thigh and spine, and H. J. Hayes, brakeman, lost is left leg below the knee. They are in the hospital, and it is feared all three may die.

Twelve Still Missing.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 30.—The work of clearing away the debris at the wrecked bridge has been suspended for the present, and the chances for the recovery of the remaining bodies are very poor. It is not known how many bodies are under the wreck, but twelve men are missing. Timekeeper Kelly said to-day he had no idea when the work of clearing away the wreckage would be pursued, but the bridge company would be compelled to clear the river.

Alleged Witch Eaten by Ants.

CAPETOWN, Dec. 30.—A terrible punishment, according to reports, has been inflicted upon a woman in Pondeland, who was accused of causing the death of her child by witchcraft. She was bound to a stake, placed in the middle of an ant hill, and her body, stripped of all clothing, smeared from head to foot with grease. The ants, attracted by the grease, swarmed all over the unfortunate creature, and eventually devoured her.

Chicago's Population.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—At a banquet meeting of business men to-night S. S. Greely, a statistician, submitted figures showing that the population of Chicago is 2,045,999. This result was obtained by multiplying the vote at the last mayoralty election by 8.78, the average of population for every voter. Figuring by the City Directory, adding one year's increase and 5 per cent. omissions, he made it 1,758,199.

Tragic End of a Carnival.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.—A dispatch from Nijni Novgorod states that during a charity carnival that was being held on the Volga river the ice broke and a large number of persons fell into the river. Twenty-eight were drowned before assistance could reach them. It is thought that some of those who were rescued will die from the effect of the shock and exposure.

Baits for Gudgeons.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 30.—This section of the State has recently been flooded with green goods circulars offering to exchange large amounts of counterfeit greenbacks for $8,000 currency. The writer signed the name of A. E. Price, and his address as West Fifth street, New York.

Struck at a Crossing.

MORAN, Kan., Dec. 30.—While crossing the railway track near here in a buggy this afternoon, Mrs. James Carroll and four children were struck by a freight train, and Mrs. Carroll and babe were fatally injured. Another of the children was seriously hurt.

Mrs. Evans Held in Bonds.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Evans has been held in the sum of $3,000 for complicity in releasing her husband, train robber Evans. Her brother, George Byrd, of Visalia, will furnish bonds. There are no tidings from the sheriff's posse.

Offered $40,000 in Gold.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Col., Dec. 30.—Mayor Whiting and other leading citizens telegraphed Mitchell and Corbett to-night offering them $40,000 in gold bullion to fight here. This is double the amount offered yesterday.

Public Debt Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—It is estimated that the public debt statement, to be issued on Tuesday, will show a reduction of $5,060,000 in the balance available for the payment of the public debt.

He Married a Man.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 30.—Oscar F. Spate to-day filed a petition for divorce from his wife, Honora H. Spate, on the ground that the person to whom he had been joined in wedlock was a man. The Spates were married in Chicago March 17, 1887. They have both been residents of that city for a number of years. As soon as Spate discovered the true condition of affairs he left his wife and came to Omaha, where he has since resided.

Providence Not Responsible.

Boston Journal.

The worst business year for half a century is not the excited claim of political partisans, but the calm judgment of expert mercantile authority. It is well for the American people to remember, however, that it is no visitation of Providence. It is something which they have brought on themselves.

The Hawaiian Boomerang.

New York Recorder.

The Hawaiian restoration scheme was conceived and planned for the sole purpose of throwing discredit on President Harrison. Up to date it has thrown discredit on nearly everybody concerned except him and ex-Minister Stevens.

The Best Shoes for the Least Money.

W. L. DOUGLAS $3 SHOE GENUINE WELT.

Squeakless, Bottom Waterproof. Best Shoe sold at the price.

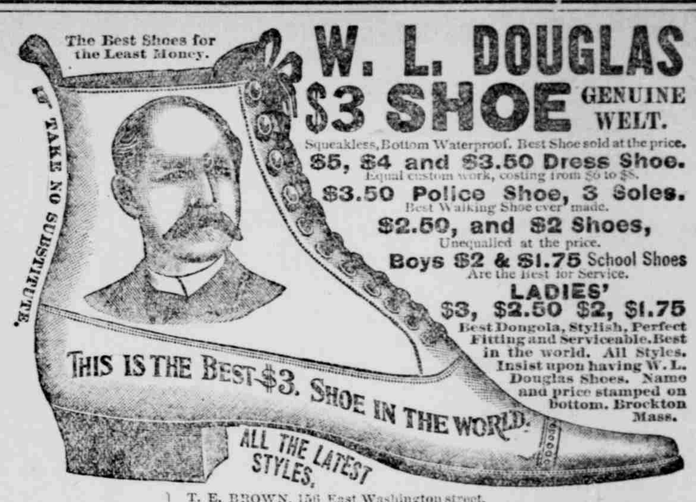
$5, $4 and $3.50 Dress Shoe. Equal custom work, costing from $6 to $8.

$3.50 Police Shoe, 3 Soles. Best Walking Shoe ever made.

$2.50, and $2 Shoes, Unequalled at the price.

Boys $2 & $1.75 School Shoes Are the best for Service.

LADIES' $3, $2.50 $2, $1.75 Best Dongola, Stylish, Perfect Fitting and Serviceable. Best in the world. All Styles. Insist upon having W. L. Douglas Shoes. Name and price stamped on bottom. Brockton Mass.



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