in vain for those that buy, money hides in triple-bolted vaults and all of our industrial civilization is paralyzed with suspicion, hatred, fear and doubt?

"Why is it that whenever the Republican party is placed in charge of the Nation's government the whole land wakes as from a drugged and drunken sleep, industry beats its chorus of joy on a million anvils, the moving of the farmers' crops chokes elevators, railways, canals and ships, the merchant is so busy he can hardly find time enough to vote, money is as plentiful as the people's needs and as cheap as it is plentiful, and our industrial civilization, without suspicion, hatred, fear or doubt, employs a nation of brothers in the manufacture of human happiness, the highest product of all the efforts of mankind? The laboring men of America are asking and have a right to ask these questions. And this includes everybody but Bryan, Altgeld and Indians not taxed.

"Fellow-Republicans, it is because we give the people's productive energies full play. It is because the people know that no erroneous nor even doubtful theories will be tried; and this is a condition of confidence and confidence is a condition of prosperity. It is because we are better managers of the Nation's affairs, better administrators of government than the opposition, just as one man is a better manager of a store or factory or railroad than another man. It is because we do not tear down, destroy, retreat. It is because the Republican party is the constructing and constructive force of the Nation and the constructive elements of the people respond to it as naturally as the productive energies of earth answer the creative powers of spring and summer. It is this that gives men who plant great enterprises and employ thousands of workingmen the courage to proceed.

"The Republican party is the principle of human veracity manifested in political life. It is a redeemer of pledges, a keeper of promises. It is a producer as well as a prophet of prosperity.

"For the Republican party will come before the country in 1900 with every pledge redeemed. We will come before the people having kept the faith. We promised a tariff that would fill the treasury. The law is on the books. We promised prosperity to every American industry. A volume of commerce such as the world has never seen proves how that promise has been kept. We promised work for idle labor. In Indiana alone thousands of workingmen that were idle when we promised that are employed to-day, while millions more throughout the land are again at work. We promised higher wages as well as more employment. The scale of wages is steadily increasing and will continue to increase until again, as in the good Republican times of '88 and '92, American wages are the highest of the world or history.

"Into the twentieth century the nations march, the great Republic at their head, and he who carries the flag is our great leader, the American President—William McKinley—whose affectionate greetings he charged me to bear to you and the great people of this great State."

MR. GRIFFITHS IS HEARD.

John L. Griffiths followed Senator Beveridge in a short speech, in which he reviewed the work done by the Republican administration and contrasted it with that done by Democratic administrations.

In discussing the Philippine problem he said at such time as the insurgents should lay down their arms, and not until then, should the United States government enter into any discussion as to what form of government should be established there. He said the people approved of expansion, as he did himself. He referred to W. J. Bryan as the purple earthquake of oratory from Nebraska, and the remark brought such applause that he was unable to speak for two minutes.

Capt. James Dodge, in the course of his remarks, said it was a matter for congratulation that whereas former United States senators had been opposed to advancement the present ones, who were Republican, might be depended on to support the best interests of the people in a true Republican way. He also referred in a happy way to the work being done in Congress by the members from Indiana. He called particular attention to the bill being fathered by Representative Crumpacker to equalize the basis of representation in Congress from the various States. He said that although it required three times as many votes in Indiana to elect the same number of representatives as in Georgia, the latter State had done nothing to justify such a concession.

Frank B. Posey started out with a discussion of the difference between the McKinley and the Cleveland administrations. He said it really made no difference at this time whether bankers exported $5,000,000 or $50,000,000, as the volume of trade was bound to bring it back again, while during the Democratic administrations the exportation of $50,000 was a serious matter. Referring to the disfranchisement of negro voters in the South, he said that the black man, whose freedom had been consecrated by the blood of the country's best, freely shed, had rights which were equal to any. He said the black man was born on the soil and should be protected, but he had hoped that the true mission of the negro would be to carry the message of American civilization to the new equatorial countries in which the United States was exerting an influence, and that he would be the best medium of American expansion in all directions.

REPRESENTATIVE LANDIS'S REMARKS.

Representative Landis was compelled to speak out of his logical turn by the tremendous demonstration in his favor. He stepped into the circle formed by Chairman Hernly and those who had previously spoken and started out with the remark that he felt that he was the only man in the Indiana delegation who was not a lawyer and the only one who did not come loaded with a speech. "I don't think it is necessary in these times," he said. In discussing the present prosperity he told of his efforts to secure a man to do some work at his house, only to find that the man had engagements for work for two weeks ahead, and that before he could fix a time when he could do Mr. Landis's work he had to consult a pocketbook he carried. "Any administration which makes it necessary for a day laborer to employ a private secretary makes its own steam," said he. He then referred to the different noticeable conditions in such a manufacturing city as Pittsburg, where the mills were practically abandoned in 1896, but where they are now working up to their full capacity. "The Republicans are standing to-day with a complete monopoly of the confidence of the people," said he. He then referred to the "aunties" in this country and their efforts to embarrass the administration in the conduct of the war in the Philippines. "I understand," said he, "that Aguinaldo's archives have been captured, and in them were several letters from American Aguinaldos. Let me tell you that Congress will transact some business with these people as soon as those documents are produced in Washington."

Lieutenant Governor Haggard began his remarks with the statement that Representative Landis was not the only one who "ran a one-horse paper," and who was not a lawyer. He said he believed the Republican party would triumph in this election, not only in Indiana, but in the entire country. "But," said he, "the enemy is at work all the time. I have been all over the State on a mission of love, and I have found that Democrats are working everywhere. They have agents among the workingmen, whom they try to stir up to discontent. When the workman acknowledges that he is getting all the work he can do at fair wages they say: 'Think how much better off you would have been had Bryan been elected.'"

MR. OVERSTREET TALKS.

Representative Overstreet began by saying: "There never was a time when an Indiana Republican was not willing and ready to say a good word for the good old party. I have seen demonstrations during the last three years of the fact that everything proposed by the opposition, whether by Democrats or Populists, was wrong, and if it were necessary in order to further prove the fallacy of their claims that the people should be heard on the subject there would be another Republican victory. Indiana has had much to do with Republicanism during the last ten years. It was Indiana which took the first stand on the money question, and now Indiana has a place in the councils of the Nation up near the head of the table. The public confidence we predicted has been realized. It was not so much money we wanted as business. Without the increase of one dollar in the regular coinage of the country, the administration has increased the volume of money in circulation by hundreds of millions. Our predictions have come true, but we must be careful that our very prosperity does not accomplish our ruin. Every time prosperity comes there is a feeling that money can be made without work, and speculation begins. It is this we must be careful of in order that misfortune shall not grow out of our prosperity."

MR. LANDIS'S PLAN.

He Outlines His Position Regarding the Governorship.

Representative Charles B. Landis, of Delphi, after the love feast yesterday, outlined his position to the Journal with reference to the governorship. "I am a representative from the Ninth district and have fourteen months yet to serve," said he, "and I am asking for a renomination. I am not a candidate for the governorship and never have been. I am not foolish enough to say that I would not accept the nomination if it were tendered me, for, aside from the two United States senators from this State, I do not know of a man in Indiana who would not feel honored by the nomination. But I have not thought of the matter, because I am in the midst of an important session of Congress, when my whole time should be given to the interests of my party and my people. I have no time in which to make a canvass for the nomination, and therefore do not wish to stand in any false light. I have been told that I can be nominated, but I will make no effort to secure the place, not because I would not like it, but because I could not in honor take the time for making a canvass from the duties of the position to which I have been elected. If I could be nominated without any effort on my part, I am not fool enough to say I would refuse it, but I cannot spare any time in which to make any fight for the place. In the meantime I am attending strictly to my duties, and at the proper time I will ask for renomination to Congress from the Ninth district."

WAS IN DEMAND.

Many People Anxious to Talk with Perry S. Heath.

First Assistant Postmaster General Perry S. Heath was at the Denison for a few hours yesterday and left for Muncie last night. While he was in the city he was much sought after by politicians from all parts of the State and found his time much taken up in the discussion of national affairs and the extension of the postal system of the country now under way.

Old Friends Meet.

Lieutenant Governor Jones, of Ohio, has campaigned with Representative Landis in times past, and the two met in the corridor of the Denison yesterday afternoon for the first time in months. At first sight of each other the action was mutual, and, not waiting to shake hands, they threw their arms around each other and hugged for several seconds. Finally the big Ohioan held the Delphi statesman off at arm's length, and looking down at him from his great height, said: "Why, Charlie, this is the first time I have seen you since we met in Pittsburg. That was a great speech you made." The Delphi orator was so confused that he could do nothing but smile and blush while Governor Jones told the circumstances to the large crowd gathered about.

Michigan City Politics.

Senator Uriah Culbert, of Michigan City, attended the love feast and emphatically announced that he would not permit his name to be used as a candidate for senator. He said he had been informed that Representative Furniss, of Furnissville, would again be a candidate, and that his chances for re-election were good.

He said that, in view of the fact that Laporte county is normally Democratic, the fight for the seat in the Senate will be close, and the only candidate announced so far is Tom Herald, of Westville. Senator Culbert said in his opinion the slight factional fight stirred up by the Superior Court gitation had been smoothed over, and the Republicans had a fighting chance to elect their ticket.

Senator Wood Talks.

Senator William Wood, of Lafayette, arrived in time for the love feast yesterday and gave out the information that he proposed to return to the Senate if the people of Tippecanoe county wanted him to, and that he believed Representative Reser would also be a candidate for re-election. Regarding the congressional outlook in the Tenth district he said it was about sure that Representative Crumpacker, of Valparaiso, would be returned, as he was thoroughly acceptable to the Republicans of Tippecanoe county and could count on the support of Porter and Lake counties in his race.

A Corridor Rumor.

It was rumored around the Denison corridor yesterday that in case Col. W. T. Durbin was elected Governor he would appoint O. M. Tichenor, the former adjutant of the One-hundred-and-sixty-first Regiment, his private secretary. Mr. Tichenor is a candidate for the secretaryship of the state committee, as is Frank Jones, of Marion, and Grant Mitchener, of Valparaiso.

Laugh at the Story.

The story in an afternoon paper that Chairman Hernly was behind the "boom" of Representative Landis for the governorship created a hearty laugh in the Denison last night. Chairman Hernly expressed the opinion that it was ridiculous to think of him, in his official position, booming any candidate. He says he has a friendly feeling for them all.

Colonel Thayer's Decision.

Col. Ed Thayer, whose friends have been urging him to be a candidate for district chairman of the Sixth district, yesterday decided not to be a candidate, and this is thought to leave the field clear for Miles K. Moffett, of Connersville. It is quite likely that Colonel Thayer will be appointed on the state advisory committee.

Senator Bell to Run Again.

Senator Walter W. Ball, of Muncie, announced at the Denison last night that he intended to run for renomination, and that he knew of no opposition to his canvass. The fact that he says that a Republican nomination in Delaware county is equivalent to an election indicates what he believes his chances to be.

Senators Arm-in-Arm.

It was remarked by many in attendance at the love feast yesterday that Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge walked into the room arm-in-arm, and it was further remarked that they came out of Senator Fairbanks's room into the hall, where the feast was in progress.

He Is a Candidate.

It was announced at the Denison last night that Samuel Baldwin, of Fountain county, was a candidate for the post of commandant of the State Soldiers' Home at Lafayette, to succeed General Packard. Mr. Baldwin is at present trustee of Shawnee township.

Fountain County All Right.

G. W. Boyd and O. Boord, of Covington, were at the love feast and said that prospects were brighter in Fountain county than at any time in years. Mr. Boyd said all former factional differences had been healed and the party placed on a strong footing.

A Candidate Announced.

Chairman Charles G. Swain, of Wayne county, was announced yesterday as a candidate for chairman of the Sixth district.

OBITUARY.

Death of Joseph Wittgenstein While Eating Oysters.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—While eating oysters in a restaurant on upper Broadway to-night Joseph Wittgenstein, sixty years old, died suddenly of heart failure. Wittgenstein was born in Louisiana and for many years was a planter. During the civil war he was appointed a provost marshal by General Butler, and later had occasion to arrest that official because of his refusal to obey a summons to court. He also went to Nicaragua with General Walker and on several occasions distinguished himself during filibustering expeditions.

Other Deaths.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Dr. Thomas O'Callaghan, a well-known physician of Jersey City, died suddenly to-day while making a professional call. After the doctor entered the sick room he asked for a spoon. An attendant went for one and when he returned the doctor was lying on the floor unconscious and died before aid could be summoned.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 27.—Capt. Jacob Jay Vandergrift, one of the wealthiest and most prominent men of Pittsburg and a pioneer of the petroleum and natural gas producing industry, died suddenly in this city at his home last night. He was seventy-two years of age, and his death resulted from heart trouble.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Dec. 27.—Seneca E. Truesdell, one of the oldest newspaper men in the Northwest, died here to-night. For many years he was connected in various capacities with the Pioneer Press, in St. Paul. Before that he worked in St. Louis and San Francisco.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 27.—Dr. Joseph Rhodes Buchanan, a well-known writer on medical and occult sciences, is dead, aged eighty-five.

LEAVE THE K. OF L.

Chicago Letter Carriers Repudiate Anti-McKinley Resolutions.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—By the unanimous action of Local Assembly, No. 1460, Knights of Labor, the ranks of that organization were reduced nearly five hundred last night. At a meeting the members of the assembly, which is composed of letter carriers, decided to withdraw from the national organization in accordance with a ruling made by District Master Workman E. J. Lindholm on Dec. 15, when he suspended the local body because it attempted to repudiate the action of the National Assembly in Boston recently in adopting resolutions against the administration of President McKinley. Last night the resolutions were repudiated and the members voted unanimously to withdraw from the national body. Not only did they agree to withdraw, but they also decided to surrender their charter, thus dissolving the local organization. The decision was reached by ballot, and not one voted against the dissolution of the Local Assembly. Charles D. Duffy, who presided at the meeting, is president of the Chicago Association of Letter Carriers and vice president of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

WEARY OF BUDDHISM.

Countess Canavarro Quits a Convent and Is Anxious to Return Home.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 27.—The Chronicle says: "Countess Canavarro, a convert to Buddhism, has either found her new faith unsatisfactory, or at least her ardor to devote herself to an ascetic life in the Orient has cooled. The mid-November papers of Ceylon, where the neophyte went to study the mysteries of Buddhism, tell of her leaving the Sangamitta Convent, conducted by the Buddhists. The Standard of that place adds: 'The countess finds herself in distressed circumstances, and has applied to her friends in San Francisco for assistance.'

"The countess is the daughter of the late Major McElroy, who died in Merceda about seventeen years ago. Her mother was Spanish, and she was born in Texas. She received her title through her husband, who is the representative of Portugal in the Hawaiian islands. Count A. De Canavarro is said to be related to the royal family of Portugal."

JEALOUS OF A MOTHER'S LOVE.

Servant Hanged for Killing Mistress Whose Children She Liked.

BRANDON, Manitoba, Dec. 27.—Emily Hilda Blake, a domestic, was hanged here this morning. Only a few persons witnessed the execution. Miss Blake, who was only twenty-two years old, walked firmly to the scaffold without assistance, and was the coolest of the party, with the exception of Hangman Ratcliffe. She made no statement. The crime for which she was hanged was the murder of her mistress, Mrs. Robert Lane, of Brandon, on July 5 last. Mrs. Lane was found dying with a bullet hole in her breast, and the Blake girl gave the alarm, saying a tramp had murdered her. Later she was charged with and confessed the crime, saying she did it because she loved Mrs. Lane's children and was jealous of the mother's love. Her trial was brief, as she refused all offers of counsel and pleaded guilty.

NICARAGUA CANAL'S RIVAL.

The Panama Company, with Thirty Millions, Incorporated at Trenton.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 27.—The Panama Canal Company of America, with an authorized capital of $30,000,000, was incorporated here late this afternoon. The object of the company, as shown by the articles of incorporation, is to acquire by purchase the ship canal of the Campagnie Nouvelle du Canal de Panama and the railway across the Isthmus of Panama; also to construct, equip and operate said canal and railway and the various enterprises connected therewith. The articles also empower the company to enter into arrangements with any government that may seem conducive to the company's object. The capital stock is divided into first and second preferred and common stock. The incorporators are three New York and New Jersey men.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and Continued Cold To-Day and To-Morrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:

For Ohio—Fair in western, snow in eastern portion on Thursday; Friday fair; fresh westerly winds.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair; continued cold on Thursday and Friday; fresh west to north winds.

Local Observations on Wednesday.

	Bar.	Ther.	R.H.	Wind.	Pre.	Weather.
7 a. m.	30.21	21	68	West.	0.00	Cloudy.
7 p. m.	30.24	19	66	N'west.	0.00	Clear.

Maximum temperature, 24; minimum temperature, 18.

Following is a comparative statement of the mean temperature and total precipitation Dec. 27:

	Temp.	Pre.
Normal	27	0.10
Mean	21	0.00
Departure	—6	—0.10
Departure since Dec. 1	—23	*0.02
Departure since Jan. 1	*148	—5.69

*Plus. C. F. R. WAPPENHANS, Local Forecast Official.

Yesterday's Temperatures.

Stations.	Min.	Max.	7 p. m.
Atlanta, Ga	30	48	46
Bismarck, N. S	—12	8	—2
Buffalo, N. Y	16	20	16
Calgary, N. W. T	14	14	8
Chicago, Ill	8	22	18
Cairo, Ill	26	30	26
Cheyenne, Wyo	12	22	20
Cincinnati, O	28	28	24
Concordia, Kan	14	24	20
Davenport, Ia	10	20	16
Des Moines, Ia	8	20	14
Galveston, Tex	52	68	64
Helena, Mont	14	24	12
Jacksonville, Fla	38	64	60
Kansas City, Mo	16	20	20
Little Rock, Ark	30	42	40
Marquette, Mich	12	16	12
Memphis, Tenn	30	42	34
Nashville, Tenn	28	32	34
New Orleans, La	36	72	66
New York, N. Y	18	32	28
North Platte, Neb	16	22	20
Oklahoma, O. T	26	38	32
Omaha, Neb	12	20	16
Pittsburg, Pa	12	26	20
Qu'Appelle, N. W. T	—14	—10	—14
Rapid City, S. D	8	18	12
Salt Lake City, Utah	16	34	28
St. Louis, Mo	18	24	24
St. Paul, Minn	4	18	14
Springfield, Ill	18	24	22
Springfield, Mo	22	22	28
Vicksburg, Miss	50	68	58
Washington, D. C	12	30	28

ARRESTED AND SET FREE

MYSTERY IN THE LATEST TYLER LYNCHING DEVELOPMENT.

Fort Wayne Has a Two-Hundred-Thousand-Dollar Fire—Smallpox Scare at Bluffton—Casualties.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SCOTTSBURG, Ind., Dec. 27.—The sensation created here last Saturday by the report of the arrest of Freeman Moon upon the charge of aiding and assisting in the hanging of Marion Tyler and of his subsequent release is yet the most absorbing topic. Some of the officers connected with the matter have all the time denied any knowledge of the transaction, but that the arrest was actually made is proved by the return on the warrant, a copy of which was secured to-day. The warrant upon which Moon was arrested orders "any constable of Scott county * * * to arrest Freeman Moon * * * to answer the charge of having * * * on the 24th day of December, 1898, aided and assisted in the hanging of Marion Tyler." E. C. Gobin is named as complainant. The warrant is signed by Edwin J. Cranford, justice of the peace. On the back of the warrant is the following return:

"Came to hand Dec. 22, 1899. Executed by arresting the within named defendant, and the court not being in session, it being a late hour at night, I turned the defendant over to the Scott county sheriff, and when I returned for the defendant on the morning of the 23d the sheriff could not tell me where he was. I therefore return this writ without the defendant.

"JOHN W. M'KNIGHT, Constable."

The warrant was issued to Constable McKnight last Friday night between 8 and 9 o'clock, and was returned by him about 10 o'clock Saturday morning. What adds to the mystery of the affair is the fact that Moon was in town Saturday afternoon and again Tuesday, but up to to-night he has not appeared before Justice Cranford for a hearing. That he was released upon bond is untrue. The mystery surrounding the affair is as deep now as it was last Saturday. Why he was allowed to depart without a hearing before the justice, and why he has not been rearrested is yet unexplained. The impression prevails that he was arrested with the belief that he would make a confession, but Moon is reported as saying that he knew nothing and had nothing to confess.

COSTLY FORT WAYNE FIRE.

Fully Two Hundred Thousand Dollars in Property Destroyed.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Fire, which started at 5 o'clock this morning, destroyed the wholesale and retail dry goods establishment of George Dewald & Co. and the crockery store of M. F. Kaag, causing an aggregate loss of $200,000, on which there is a total insurance of $135,000. The loss on the Dewald stock is $150,000, on which there is insurance amounting to $105,000. The loss on the building is $20,000, with $12,000 insurance. M. F. Kaag's loss is $15,000 on stock and $10,000 on building, insurance of $17,000 covering both. The fire is believed to have originated from a rise in the natural gas pressure, which overheated a stove on the third floor of the Dewald store. Both firms have secured new quarters and will re-engage in business at once.

The companies carrying policies on the Dewald stock includes Pennsylvania, $5,000; Imperial, $3,000; Milwaukee, $2,500; Aetna, $1,000; Germania, $1,000; Fireman's Fund, $1,000; Glens Falls, $1,000; German of Freeport, $5,000; Pacific, $2,500; Rochester German, $2,500; Queen, $2,500; Sun, $3,500; Northwestern National, $2,500; Milwaukee Mechanics', $2,500; Lancashire, $1,500; Sun, of New Orleans, $2,500; Equitable, $2,500; Hanover, $5,500; Scottish Union and National, $2,500; Palatine, $2,500; Northern Assurance, $2,000; Western Assurance, $2,500; Home, $5,000; Commercial Union, $2,500; Niagara Fire, $2,500; Hartford, $7,000; Franklin $2,500; Phenix of New York, $2,200; National, 2,500; Phoenix of Hartford, $2,000; New York Underwriters', $3,500; Fireman's Fund, $5,000; Michigan Fire and Marine, $2,500, and Springfield and Marine, $5,000. On the Dewald building: Royal Insurance Company, $2,500; Westchester, $2,500; Liverpool, London and Globe, $7,000. Total, $12,000. Furniture and fixtures: Continental, $2,000; Phenix of New York, $1,250. Total, $3,250.

The Dewald concern was established in 1846 by Jones & Hartman, but became, in 1854, the firm of Townley, Dewald & Bond, which was succeeded in 1870 by George Dewald & Co. The Dewald building was one of the landmarks of this city, and when erected in 1844 was one of the most pretentious commercial structures in the Northwest.

The insurance on the Kaag stock affects the following companies: New Hampshire, $1,000; Germania of New York, $1,000; Geneva Fire, $1,000; Williamsburg City, $1,000; Concordia of Milwaukee, $2,000; Pennsylvania Fire, $1,500; Phoenix of Hartford, $1,000, and Orient of Hartford, $1,000.

Hardwood Mill Destroyed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Charles H. Barnaby's sawmill and hard-wood manufacturing plant was burned to-night, entailing a loss of $10,000. The plant was one of the most complete for its size in central Indiana and was doing a flourishing business. Mr. Barnaby makes a specialty of band-sawed oak and other hard woods, and has contracts ahead for nearly a year's work. The loss is partially covered by insurance, as follows: One thousand dollars each in the Niagara of New York, Phenix of Brooklyn, Hanover of New York, Indiana Lumbermen's Mutual of Indianapolis and North American; total, $5,000. The plant will be rebuilt at once in better shape than ever.

Sawmill Destroyed by Fire.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Theodore Moore's sawmill at Carthage was destroyed by fire early this morning. The loss is about $1,800 to $2,000.

BY HIS SISTER'S FIANCE.

Boy Killed in Rush County While on a Hunting Trip.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Steven Lucas, seventeen years old, was accidentally shot and killed yesterday evening in Walker township by William Goddard, aged twenty years. Lucas and William and Pleasant Goddard were winding up a day's hunting. William Goddard's gun rested on his knee with the muzzle pointed toward Lucas. Without warning the gun was discharged and the charge carried with it part of Lucas's skull on the right side of his head. He fell backward and died instantly. Lucas's brains fell out on the frozen ground, leaving his skull empty. Coroner Wooden was called last night and holds Goddard blameless. Goddard is the fiance of Lucas's sister, which adds much unusual sadness to the accident.

Child Burned to Death.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Lester, the three-year-old son of Bertha Morris, was burned to death this afternoon. The child was watching the burning of a pile of straw, when his dress caught fire, and before aid came his flesh had been cooked black. He died a short time afterward.

Woman's Probably Fatal Fall.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

AUBURN, Ind., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Andrew Smurr, of Butler, fell backward from the courthouse door here to-day and sustained injuries which probably will prove fatal. She was witness in a case now on trial.

PAINTER FATALLY POUNDED.

Conflicting Stories as to How He Received His Injuries.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KOKOMO, Ind., Dec. 27.—A stranger calling himself Charles Lewis, a sign painter, of Pittsburg, Pa., was mysteriously assaulted by unknown persons at an early hour this morning, receiving fatal injuries. Shortly before daylight Lewis appeared at the county jail and asked admittance. It was then discovered that the man had both arms broken, a shoulder mangled, and his skull crushed. Lewis said he was attacked by a gang of tramps near the Belt Railroad and robbed of his money, the gang leaving him for dead near the Kokomo creek bridge.

The watchman at the Pulp mills says Lewis had been drinking heavily and had slept at the mills the last three nights, and that he saw Lewis, with a piece of Babbit metal in each hand, pounding himself over the head and shoulders.

Robbers Wrecked a Store.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., Dec. 27.—Jefferson Blankenbaker's general store at Crandall, on the Air-line, west of this city, was almost wrecked by safe crackers last night. The safe was blown to pieces, and shelving on one side of the store was thrown down. Counters were overturned, and the damage to the stock of goods will amount to several hundred dollars. The robbers secured $90 in money and $200 in notes. The robbers escaped.

BLUFFTON'S SMALLPOX SCARE.

Mandamus Proceedings Over Attendance on the Schools.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BLUFFTON, Ind., Dec. 27.—Bluffton has been in a turmoil for three months over vaccination. An order was issued Sept. 4 by Health Officer Herne, indorsed by the County Commissioners, directing the vaccination of all school children in the city and county. It was obeyed, and five thousand have been vaccinated. There remained 150 in Bluffton not operated on when smallpox broke out in Adams county, about twenty miles distant. Dr. Herne ordered all unvaccinated children out of the schools. The School Board refused, and mandamus proceedings were begun by the Health Board. Judge Vaughn to-day decided that it could not be enforced, on the grounds that the existence of smallpox in Adams and Allen counties, which border on Wells, did not endanger the public health at the time the orders were issued. The Health Board will appeal to the Supreme Court.

A Millionaire from Alaska.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KOKOMO, Ind., Dec. 27.—Elwood Madden, an early resident of this city, who had not been heard of for many years, returned to-day from Cape Nome, Alaska, a millionaire, it is said. His reappearance was a glad Christmas surprise to his two sisters, Mrs. E. F. Murden and Mrs. E. A. Callendar, the latter being matron of the Howard County Orphans' Home. He promised all his nieces who remained single until next year a trip to the Paris exposition. They all promised. One of them, Miss Bessie Callendar, was married only the day before his return. Mr. Madden says the half has not been told of the richness of the Cape Nome district. Great nuggets of gold, he says, are found under the moss without digging. He will return at once with machinery. He went from Albuquerque, N. M., to Alaska three years ago.

Will Examine the County Records.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENSBURG, Ind., Dec. 27.—The Decatur County Council in special session this afternoon appropriated $1,000 to employ experts to examine the books of the auditor, clerk, treasurer, sheriff and recorder for twenty years back. This is done at the request of the Board of Commissioners. All the Republican members voted for the appropriation. In addition to this appropriation the Council instructed the Board of Commissioners to issue bonds to the amount of $8,000 to cover this year's deficit in the county fund caused by the act of 1899 forbidding the use of one fund to cover overdrafts of another. The Council also authorized a temporary loan of $5,000, making the county indebtedness $57,000.

Harris Murder Trial at Bedford.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BEDFORD, Ind., Dec. 27.—David O. Harris was placed on trial before the Lawrence Circuit Court to-day for the killing of George Brown, at Seymour, last June. Seventy-five witnesses on each side are here from Jackson county. Both the State and defendant are represented by a large array of the best legal talent in southern Indiana. Judge Martin occupies the bench. The trial will occupy the entire week.

Stricken with Paralysis.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LIBERTY, Ind., Dec. 27.—Capt. Silas D. Byram, postmaster of Liberty, was stricken with paralysis this morning and is now in a critical condition. His children have been telegraphed for in anticipation of a turn for the worse.

Brewers Will Train at Richmond.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 27.—The Milwaukee Baseball Club has made arrangements to use the Richmond park to practice next spring. The club will come April 1 and remain three weeks.

Indiana Obituary.

PENDLETON, Ind., Dec. 27.—Elijah Rogers, aged seventy years, a local capitalist and financier, and, with Andrew Smith, of Indianapolis, a promoter of the Bank of Pendleton, died here this afternoon of abscess of the lungs. He formerly lived at Indianapolis and was born and reared in this community. He left a widow and daughter, Mrs. Rebecca George, of Indianapolis. The funeral services will be held here Friday. Mr. Rogers was interested in the elevator and farm implement business, as well as the bank, and leaves a considerable property.

PORTLAND, Ind., Dec. 27.—Abijah Bowman, one of the oldest pioneers of Jay county, died to-day, at the home of Mr. Rigby, near West Grove. Had he lived until February he would have reached the age of ninety-two years. He and his father built the old grist mill at Pennville, in 1835, and he was one of the earliest surveyors of Jay county, this being at a time when land was purchased of the government. His wife died a quarter of a century ago, since which time he has lived with his children. He was a member of the Friends' Church.

Indiana Notes.

A local telephone company has been organized at Portland, and a franchise has been asked of the City Council, to bring about a reduction of rates by competition.

Frank Lander, of Wabash, has been appointed second lieutenant in the United States marine corps, subject to passing the required mental and physical examination.

Wabash County Commissioners awarded the contract for books, stationery and printing, in Classes 1 and 2, to W. B. Burford, of Indianapolis, at $1,775. Class 3 went to a Wabash bidder at $641.

PLAGUE IN HONOLULU.

The Bubonic Pest Said to Be Raging in Hawaii's Capital.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—A special to the Times-Herald from San Francisco says: "The army transports Centennial and Newport, which arrived here late to-night from Manila, via Honolulu, bring the startling news that the bubonic plague is raging in the capital city of the Hawaiian islands. The details are not obtainable at this hour, but it is understood the scourge was brought into Honolulu by a vessel from one of the infected ports of China. The administration of Honolulu is on a very modern and scientific basis. Americans are in charge and the probability is the plague will not spread outside of the Asiatic quarters of the city."

COMPLAINT OF JURORS

"SHADOWED" EVERYWHERE BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S SPIES.

Protest Made by Some of the Men Who Are Listening to the Molineux Case Testimony.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Two things of interest, if not of importance, were developed at the trial of Roland B. Molineux to-day. The first incident was the protest made to Recorder Goff against the policy of "shadowing" adopted by the district attorney. The jurors claimed that a detective has been assigned to each member, and that the "shadows" had allowed their zeal to outrun their discretion. One of the jurors told the recorder that he had attended a Christmas tree festival on Christmas night, and that his every movement about the tree, even the actions of his children, had been closely watched. To have his every word and his every act scrutinized, the juror said, was a vexation that was rapidly becoming intolerable.

One of the jurors objected to the detective assigned to him peering over his shoulder and sidling up to him when he was talking business with some of his employes. Foreman Marin, who was one of the complaining jurors, seemed to think that the entire range of the domestic and business economy of the jurymen had been made the subject of a close scrutiny by the ambitious detectives. It is said that Recorder Goff told the jurors that he could do nothing for them, and that they went away anything but well pleased.

Assistant District Attorney McIntyre, in explaining the action of the district attorney's office, said that fifteen detectives had been selected to watch the members of the jury. He said it was the custom to employ men to "shadow" jurors during an important murder case, and that the precautionary action thus taken was in the interest of justice and the public good. It is understood, however, that orders will be issued to the "shadows" to give the jurors as little trouble as possible in the future.

The other incident of interest occurred during the cross-examination of Handwriting Expert Ames, of San Francisco, who is the author of a book on "Biblical Myths." Mr. Weeks inquired whether the expert had ever written this sentence: "Again ignorance and fear tremble and are prostrate before self-seeking cunning and fraud, according to the firm of Moses, Jehovah & Co. (unlimited, re-established, articles of copartnership perpetual, powers omnipotent, capital infinite, realms terrestrial and celestial and Moses its general financier.)"

At this point Assistant Attorney Osborne objected emphatically to the introduction of these writings of Expert Ames for the purposes of prejudicing the jury. After a lively battle of words for a few moments the recorder called Mr. Weeks to order and ruled that the law allowed no religious test of a witness, and that an affirmation does not necessarily embrace a declaration of faith in God.

During recess Clerk of the Court Brophy explained that Expert Ames had merely affirmed, when taking the stand, that he had not used the words, "So help me God." The day was largely devoted to technical examination of Handwriting Experts Ames and Tyrrell. Nothing new or important was developed.

The trial, which is now in its forty-fourth day, has broken the record for murder trials in New York county by one day, with the prosecution apparently not having half finished its side of the case. It is understood that the State will introduce very little, if any, additional expert handwriting evidence, and that expert medical witnesses will soon be called to the stand for the purpose of proving the body of the crime and showing that Mrs. Adams really died as a result of the administration of the contents of the poison package.

ON DUTY AGAIN.

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has arrived: "All ranks have complete confidence in Sir Redvers Buller and there is a stern determination to succeed next time at all costs. A painful impression was caused by the announcement of the change of commander-in-chief, and the soldiers here are resolved to vindicate their trusted leader. The situation, nevertheless, is difficult, the Boer position being one of extraordinary strength, with high hills lined tier on tier with trenches and galleries, rising from an almost unfordable river, and with a smooth plain in front. The enemy have all the ranges marked, and many powerful guns dominate the various points of the river, while the drifts are commanded by converging musketry fire from probably twelve thousand Boers. There are sixteen miles of wild, broken country before reaching Ladysmith, which demands early relief."

SORTIE FROM KIMBERLEY.

Colonel Peakman Found the Enemy in Strong Position.

KIMBERLEY, Wednesday, Dec. 20.—At 2:30 o'clock this morning mounted detachments, under Colonel Peakman, with three Maxims and three seven-pounders, under Major May, reconnoitered. Leaving the intrenchments, the British advanced on Toll Pan. The Boer pickets fired, and our Maxims replied, the Boers disappearing over the ridge. Our guns then began to shell Toll Pan at a range of 2,500 yards. A Boer gun dropped shells near our men, but did no damage. As the Boers were strongly intrenched, we withdrew. Their guns are well placed.

"SPARTAN MOTHERS."

Alfred Austin's Latest Contribution to South African War Poetry.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—In this week's edition of the Independent will appear a poem by Alfred Austin, poet laureate of England, on the war in the Transvaal, entitled "Spartan Mothers." The last two stanzas follow:

"The sister's sigh, the maiden's tear,
The wife's, the widow's stifled wail—
These nerve the hand, these brace the spear,
And speed them over veldt and vale.
What is to him,
Or life or limb,
Who rends the chain and breaks the rod?
Who falls for freedom falls for God.

"And should it be his happy fate
Hale to return to home and rest,
She will be standing at the gate
To fold him to her trembling breast.
Or, should he fall
By ridge or wall
And lie 'neath some green southern sod,
Who dies for country sleeps with God."

HINDOOS LOYAL.

They Pray for Success of Empress Victoria's Army in South Africa.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Hindoo astrologers, according to Bombay papers which have just been received, are attributing the famine plague and British reverses to the peculiar conjunction