

OVER THE OCEAN.

No Abatement of the Land League Agitation-The Pope Greatly Interested-Trouble to Get a Jury-Slosson Loses the International Billiard Match by a Scratch.

LADY FIRED AT. DUBLIN, Dec. 24.-A lady named Elford has been fired at without result on a car near Limerick Junction.

THE POPE INTERESTED. LONDON, Dec. 24.-A correspondent at Rome says on authority of a member of the Sacred College, who stands high in the confidence of the pope, I may state that the feeling excited in the Vatican by the proceedings of Parnell and the land league is even keener than previous statements allege.

RELIEF SUBSCRIPTION. DUBLIN, Dec. 24.-At a meeting of the emergency committee of the Grand Orange lodge to-day, letters were read from various parts of the north of Ireland stating that the enrollment of men for relief purposes is rapidly proceeding. Subscriptions are being raised in London, Manchester, and other parts of England, and both liberals and conservatives are subscribing.

RECOVERING CONFIDENCE. LONDON, Dec. 24.-A dispatch from Dublin to the Pall Mall Gazette says: The activity shown by the government has done a good deal to create a feeling of recovering confidence. There have been various and somewhat vigorous attempts against persons attempting to intimidate others from offering goods in the markets. The authorities are getting more help from the local magistrats.

HOME RULER ARRESTED. DUBLIN, Dec. 24.-The police of Portland Ulster to-day arrested a home ruler name Boyle, and a number of documents relating to secret societies were found upon him. The inspector general and Irish constabular has issued a circular warning the police against attempts to decoy them from their barracks and reminding them of precaution necessary to insure safety of barracks and arms.

CAN'T GET A JURY. LONDON, Dec. 24.-A dispatch from Dublin says: Grave apprehensions have arisen that the trial of the traversers will have to be adjourned owing to the non-attendance of a sufficient number of jurors. Of the twenty-four retained five may be cast aside. One is a government official, exempted from serving by act of parliament, and the other is a man at present residing in Scotland, the third is a person living in a America, the fourth man who never was in Ireland, the fifth is an invalid in England whom it would be almost impossible to convey to Ireland. Several jurors have put in affidavits containing declarations by doctors that they are unfit to serve owing to condition of their health, a few more will claim exemption as being beyond statutory age. Thus with all these objections and probability of absence of men who would rather incur penalty than serve there is a fair likelihood of legal discussion being raised on the construction of a jury when the ground is as part of the forty-seven contained names of persons by statute exempt the whole proceedings must be quashed.

GETTING READY FOR TROUBLE. LONDON, Dec. 24.-Some soldiers on leave have been ordered to Ireland. The feeling among the lower order of people is very strong against the military, even in Dublin. It is the common practice to shoulder soldiers off from the foot path to provoke a quarrel. A correspondent says: The movement of troops has excited a very uneasy feeling. It is generally believed the government is in possession of information warranting an apprehension of danger. The government has made very complete arrangements for emergencies. Immense supplies of provisions, tents and other campaign requisites have been stored in the central departments. The State preparations point to the conclusion that the government believes that a far greater danger than is seen lurks behind. A warship has arrived from Woolwich with 30,000 rounds of buckshot and a large quantity of ball cartridges and in-arching tools. Another vessel is shipping a similar cargo at Woolwich for new stations which will be occupied by troops. The positions are well chosen, being in the center of the disturbed districts, from which the troops could operate in various directions. At all stations where cavalry are quartered without infantry the supply of ammunition will be increased to fifty rounds per man.

VIGNAUX WINS BY A SCRATCH. PARIS, Dec. 24.-The billiard match was concluded to-night, Vignaux catching up the points he had lost, and scored a total of 3,000, leaving Slosson with 2,555 points. Three thousand spectators were present in the hall, and a crowd of 5,000 was outside to hear the result. Vignaux received an ovation.

MISCELLANEOUS. LONDON, Dec. 24th.-Floods are reported throughout the north of England. In the district of Manchester the basements of 4,000 dwellings are flooded. It is reported on good authority that the budget deficit next year will be £8,000,000.

OPEN LETTER TO BRIGHT. The Carl of Carnarvan publishes an open letter to John Bright, chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster, protesting against his speech at Birmingham on the 16th of November, in which he condemned the land laws of Ireland, and attributed the state of affairs to the rejection of the compensation for disturbance bill by the house of lords.

The Fishery Treaty. LONDON, Dec. 24.-Further correspondence relating to the Fortune Bay dispute is published. It covers a period from August 13, 1878 to June 12, 1880, and includes Lord Salisbury's dispatch of April 3, 1880, declining to entertain a claim for compensation and President Hayes' message with Secretary Everts' report of May 17. It embraces a dispatch from Lord Granville to Sir Ed. Thornton dated June 9, describing an interview with Lowell, the United States minister who remarked that a much stronger and deeper feeling than on this question existed in the United States than was appreciated in London. Lord Granville replied in a conciliatory manner, but observed that the government could make no concession which was not perfectly justified. Lowell being asked whether he had any suggestions to make replied he had none, and that he had only to conform to the language of

WICKED WORK.

Lynchings of Two Negroes in Kentucky-The St. Louis Infanticide-A Few Ohio Men "Fixed" so They Can't Hold Office-Glove Fight and Suicide at Cincinnati-Terrible Nitro-Glycerine Explosion.

DROWNED. BOSTON, Dec. 24.-Frank Hamilton, member of the sophomore class of Harvard college, was drowned while skating at Cambridge this afternoon. He belonged at Indianapolis.

ABSCONDING DEFAULTER. BOSTON, Dec. 24.-J. W. Bakendale, aged 24 years, who had charge of the financial department of the shoe manufactory of his father, John B. Bakendale, at Brockton, Mass., has disappeared and is discovered to be a defaulter in \$10,000, which forces his father to suspend business.

RAILROAD COLLISION. ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 24.-A freight train and delayed passenger train on the Air Line railroad collided ten miles from the city this evening. Peter Kris, engineer, and Jim Collins, (colored) fireman, of the passenger train, were killed. Two engines telescoped and are a total wreck. No others injured.

LYNCHED. LOUISVILLE, Dec. 24.-A lynching affair occurred at Romletts station, Hart county, last night. Two negroes nearly killed and robbed a well-known citizen named John A. Gardner. They were arrested, but during the night a crowd of seventy-five men took them from the jail and hanged them.

ST. LOUIS NOTES. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.-The inquest on the body of the dead infant found on a vacant lot Tuesday, resulted this afternoon in the coroner's jury finding Miss Groy responsible for the death of the child. The coroner's jury, Frank W. Lowry, was discharged, and she is now under police surveillance.

TWO LESS OHIO MEN TO HOLD OFFICE. WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 24.-A dispute arose this evening at the supper table in a boarding house, at New Alexandria, O., near Steubenville, and Dr. Henry, a dentist, attacked Dr. Schooley, a prominent young physician, of Mount Pleasant. A wealthy farmer, named Buckingham, took Henry's part, when Schooley drew a revolver and put a ball through Buckingham's head, inflicting a probably fatal wound. Henry seized a shovel and beat Schooley about the head, wounding him so that he can't recover. All are best citizens of Jefferson county.

NITRO-GLYCERINE EXPLOSION. BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 24.-This morning Albert Magee, of Canton, O., and Thomas Perry, went out to torpedo a well one mile east. While Magee was mixing nitro-glycerine in a derrick, Perry, who was in the engine house, turned the steam too rapidly into the frozen compound and an explosion followed which blew the derrick into bits. Perry was driven clear through the engine house, but will recover. Magee was blown into fragments, the only portions of his body recovered being his heart and lungs, which were found on a hillside a hundred yards away, and one leg of his pantaloons.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 24.-Albert Magie and Thomas Perry, moonlighters, went to the torpedo annul north of Bradford at an early hour this morning. Nitro-glycerine was congealed and Magie placed cans containing thirty-seven pounds in a tub of rain water to liquify it. Just how no human tongue will ever tell, but at any rate the compound exploded with terrific force. Magie was torn to pieces and his remains scattered about in every direction-an arm, his leg, and lungs, and heart were the largest portion of his body found. Perry was standing some distance away, but was thrown against the building near by with great violence, his hearing destroyed and body badly bruised. The derrick and engine house was badly reduced to splinters. Concussions broke the windows at a distance of nearly a mile. Magie was aged 25, and has been residing in the oil regions for several years. He is a native of Ohio.

JEWIS LEAVING GERMANY. BERLIN, Dec. 24.-Many Jews residing here avoid appearing in public localities. Many Jewish families are preparing to emigrate to Belgium, France and England.

ALL AROUND THE GLOBE. Rev. Dr. McCloskey, president of St. Mary's college, Emmetsburg, Va., is dead.

All banks, exchanges and business houses in New York City will be closed to-day.

Allen C. Burns, cashier of the Discount and Deposit bank, of Chattanooga, Tenn., died this morning of heart disease.

Van Dyke & Co.'s furniture establishment, at Patterson, N. J., burned last night. Loss \$45,000; insurance \$30,000.

The Vermont legislature has passed a bill taxing express and telegraphic companies two per cent. on gross receipts.

John Sullivan, of Boston, and John Donaldson, of Cleveland, had a glove match at Cincinnati last night. Sullivan won in ten rounds.

A Washington dispatch says James Madison Tarleton, consul general at Melbourne, Australia, under President Pierce, died from want and exposure last night.

Frank Ratterman, a wealthy German pioneer of Cincinnati, committed suicide by hanging himself. It is thought he was afflicted with softening of the brain.

At Chatham, Va., last night the telegraph office, passenger depot and express office were burned, with a large quantity of express matter. Also four hundred dollars in money. Origin unknown.

At Horse Cave, Ky., yesterday, James Gardner, a prominent citizen, was killed and robbed by a negro named Campbell.

Jim Duane, who so brutally assaulted ex-Judge Morris of Brooklyn some time ago, gave himself up yesterday and was held for trial in \$10,000 bail.

A furious snow storm set in at St. Louis about 8 o'clock last night, and in two hours four inches of snow fell. The storm continues and promises to last all night.

The wood famine that has been reported to exist in many places in the State to the inconvenience and discomfort of the people has in a great measure subsided, at least for the present, a fair wood supply having been provided.

One of the horses drawing the Big Stone City stage to Brown's Valley, died the other day of epizootic when about two miles from the town. The plucky driver took the place of the deceased equine and the stage went into town right side up and on time.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The Annual Holiday Bringing Its Usual Joys and More of Them Than Ordinary-How It Will Be Observed.

A merry Christmas and many happy returns of the occasion! No doubt the gentle reader will remember, as he slips his Java this morning, easily attired in new dressing gown and slippers, that he has heard that remark before. Nevertheless there is something suggestively cheerful in the remark, so let it be recorded.

Speaking of the holiday season, it is a decided fact, everywhere observable during the past few weeks, that the present season has been the most active in all respects, ever witnessed in St. Paul. It has been evidenced in the crowded streets and the driving business activity at all the stores. Business in all departments of trade has been exceptionally brisk. Particularly is this so with regard to the immense value of business transacted in the sale of what is known as holiday goods. From the dealer in diamonds, or seal skins, to the man who runs the ten cent store around the corner, all rejoice in having reaped the benefits of a most prosperous harvest.

The rush or rather "crush" on the streets and at the stores came to a climax yesterday when St. Paul never presented a more animated or lively appearance. Bevy on bevy of bright eyed girls, substantially built matrons, and their relations in general, constantly passed up and down the crowded thoroughfares, clustered in and out of the stores and made the scene look bright everywhere.

The merchants of St. Paul are entitled to some credit for the unusually fine display everywhere made of holiday goods, and within the scene was indescribable. The animated scene of yesterday afternoon was continued till a late hour last night, which was taken advantage of by those who could not find time to do their shopping during the day.

Wending their way home, laden with bundles of good things with which to surprise the loved ones, might be seen the anxious relative, jealous only that the contents of the packages might be kept in secret until the morning.

To-day will be observed by a general suspension of business throughout the city. The banks, courts, public offices and stores will remain closed and business will be ignored except where it becomes a matter of necessity. The postoffice will be closed from 9 A. M. to 6 o'clock P. M. this evening. This afternoon and evening will witness a number of Sunday school anniversaries, which will be celebrated by churches throughout the city. The German society will give a grand Christmas entertainment at the Athenaeum this evening, where an immense time is expected.

Christmas Notes. Merry Christmas! What did you get in your stocking? The streets yesterday presented a gala day appearance.

Business to-day will be generally suspended throughout the city. To-day the postoffice will be closed from 9 A. M. to 6 o'clock P. M.

The fall of snow yesterday made good sleighing for Christmas driving. The offices at the State capital were closed last evening until Monday morning.

The inmates of the county jail will be generously supplied with a substantial Christmas dinner by Sheriff King.

The street and sewer force were made happy yesterday on getting their December salaries, amounting in all to \$726.43.

There will be Christmas services at the German Evangelical church, and preaching by Rev. Mr. Conrad, this morning at 10:30 o'clock. The Sunday school children will have a tree and festival at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

If you are at home, this beautiful Christmas morning, when the earth is robed in her snowy garment of white, spotless as the sacrificial lamb, surrounded by a brood of merry hearted children with their joy and health in their faces, and with the woman you love by your side, make up your minds to this, that it is the nearest heaven, on this globe of grief, that you or they will ever get, and play it for all its worth.

Mr. Harry Smith, who has been for a long time connected with the Northwestern Fuel company of this city, was presented last evening with a beautiful case of Shakspeare works. The case is of Russian leather, and contains ten books bound in Russian leather, to match. The donors are the fellow-clerks of Mr. Smith, who wished to show him that they were not less than his own officials and some kind of a remembrance of their esteem.

Who does not know Joseph Brown, the efficient and old-time janitor of the court house and county buildings? The hundreds of his friends in St. Paul can readily imagine how happy the genial and kind-hearted old man looked last evening as he left the office of the court house, with presents graciously contributed by his judges, clerks, officials and employees of the various offices. It was worth a mint of money to behold his almost radiant face as he straightened his aged back and walked homeward with the elasticity of youth.

The employees of P. H. Kelley have for years made him a beautiful present as each Christmas time rolled round. This time proved no exception. Last evening a beautiful bronze statue of Jason with his foot resting on the golden fleece, mounted upon a magnificent pedestal was sent to Mr. Kelly's residence, bearing the simple inscription "A Merry Christmas to Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Kelly from the Employees." The statue so mounted stands six feet high and is one of the finest ever brought to the city. The employees in that establishment never do anything by halves.

Gov. Porter Denies. A Washington telegram says, Governor-elect Porter, of Indiana, is mentioned for secretary of the treasury under Gen. Garfield, and he will accept if the position is tendered him.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24.-Governor Porter, of Indiana, in an interview with the Courier-Journal, Indianapolis, correspondent this evening, denied the Washington dispatch in the New York Telegram that he would accept treasury port folio if tendered and that his friends were urging him for the position, as ridiculous. He says he has not had word from Garfield directly or indirectly upon the subject, and it has not been mentioned to him.

"Then you intend to serve in Indiana as governor for the next four years?" was asked. "Nothing else is thought of," he replied. The governor admitted the soft impeachment contained in the telegram that he intended to marry Miss Stone on the 5th of January.

The Albert Lee Enterprise of Dec. 9, says a farmer was in town last week who had a load of ice cut out of Fontenay lake and hauled twelve miles to his home. There is evidently already suffering and inconvenience from a lack of water for home use and for stock. Many farmers will be obliged to melt snow and ice for their stock, which will be no small amount of trouble.

SPARK'S GRIEVANCE.

How He Came to be Touched off in the House the Other Day-His Statement of the Provocation.

[Washington Special, Dec. 21.] In an interview to-night, Mr. Sparks lays the whole blame of the outbreak on Mr. Weaver, who, he says, is a truculent, quarrelsome fellow, always pitching into other people. "Mr. Bland was on the floor," explained Mr. Sparks, "answering some of Gen. Weaver's arguments. He and Weaver had been having it hot and heavy for some time. In fact, there had been very exciting discussion all the afternoon. I had been taking no part, and so far from having any intention of provoking a quarrel with Gen. Weaver, I will say that he and I have always been friends. Well, while Bland was speaking, I interrupted him, to remark upon the inconsistency of the gentleman from Iowa, meaning Gen. Weaver. I said that, whereas he was now complaining of the act of 1869 and the funding act of 1870, he was at the time a member of the Republican party, and in so far was responsible for those acts. I did not even address my words to Gen. Weaver, but he took fire, and at once retorted that my statement was false, or that it was a lie, or words to that effect. Well, of course, I got angry, and we had some pretty sharp words for a minute or two. And then the whole thing quieted down. That would have been the end of it, had not some one whispered to me that Weaver had mistaken my first remark, and that he thought I was alluding to his late campaign, and his trading with the Republicans. This view of the case at once struck me, and I instantly wrote Weaver a note, explaining the situation, and saying over again that I only referred to his responsibility as a Republican for acts committed by the Republican Congress in 1869 and 1870. I think any man ought to have accepted that, and acknowledge it, for it is really true. After a while Weaver again got the floor, and I, to set myself right with the House, repeated my explanation. Weaver, instead of accepting it, made some taunting remarks about its being well for me that I impeached his word when I was not in reach of his arm, or he would have chastised me. This angered me, and I replied, as disdainfully as I could, that I was not afraid of his arm. Weaver then taunted me with having had to apologize once before for misconduct on the floor of the House. We then had some more hard words. I said he lied, and that he was a contemptible scoundrel, and then he made as if he would come at me. He did come seven or eight yards toward me.

"It is said, Mr. Sparks, that you picked up a chair as if to strike Gen. Weaver." "That is not true. There was a great deal of excitement in the chamber. I was standing in one of the narrow aisles near my desk. Seeing Weaver coming I took hold of a chair to push it out of my way, so that he could not get at me. I have a freer field, where I could act if necessary. I did not try to pick up a chair, nor did I begin to take my coat off. Some one of my friends caught me by the shoulders from behind and pulled my coat partially off my back to restrain me, and this may have given rise to the story."

"Will there be anything further between you and Mr. Weaver, Mr. Sparks?" "Well," said Mr. Sparks after a pause, "I don't know about that. I can't answer for Gen. Weaver. I am annoyed greatly at the circumstance, not because I have been in the wrong, for, from the first, I had the right of it, but, because, in the versions of the occurrence which will find their way to the country, I will get the credit for being a quarrelsome man. This is the second spot in which I have been engaged, and it has been through no fault of mine, I assure you. I want the country to know, however, that all my friends think I was justified in saying and doing what I did. The fellow Weaver is a pestilent fellow, and tried to pick a quarrel with Bland, Sam Ford, Reagan, and several others to-day."

"You were, of course, very much excited, Mr. Sparks?" "No, I was very angry for a few moments, but as cool as I am now. The idea of being afraid of Weaver is too ridiculous." Then, after a pause, Mr. Sparks said very quietly, "I could whip Weaver, and I'd have done it if he had struck me. I never was afraid of any man or set of men, and I don't fear Weaver and his whole d-d crowd."

A Winter Suggestion. To the Editor of the Globe. I wonder it has not occurred to some one to assist nature a little in regard to improving our streets. The sleighing is first rate in the country but bad in the city. Now if the street sprinklers would go to work and wet the main streets so liberally as they do in the summer it would make good sleighing, which would enable the farmers to bring their produce to market and make business lively during the holidays. I think if the merchants and business men would contribute twenty-five cents each it might be accomplished. I would think it would pay to try it. SUBSCRIBER.

Youthful Presence of Mind. [Gloucester Enterprise.] On Sunday, November 14, as Matthias Goetz and Leslie May, five year old sons of Matthias Goetz and William May, of Winstead, were playing on the bank of the lake, one of them dropped an apple which rolled down the bank and some distance out on the ice. The lake had just frozen and the ice was thin. With-out a thought of danger, the little fellows ran out after their apple and both broke through the ice in ten feet of water. No one was near to hear their cries or render the least assistance. Little Matty succeeded in climbing out and at once set to work to rescue his companion who was now clinging to the edge of the broken ice. He caught hold of a cloak which was around the little fellow's shoulders and it pulled loose without drawing him away from the brink as he could and threw one end of the cloak to Lester, telling him to take hold of it, which he did, and drew him from what promised in a short time to be a watery grave. It was a wonderful example of presence of mind in such young children in time of danger. Little Matty afterward remarked, on being congratulated, that he "didn't want to die under the ice, and didn't want Leslie May to die there, either." They are certainly brave little fellows.

The New Unit Review of Dec. 8 says: "Since our last issue several more children have been wrested from their homes by that dread disease diphtheria. Rev. J. C. Johns, of the M. E. church, had three of his children buried last week in one grave."

CITY GLOBULES.

The hearing of the special term calendar will be postponed until next week. A young man was yanked to the tower by officer Gruber yesterday afternoon for attempting to clean out Emmert's brewery.

Mr. A. T. C. Pierson was yesterday able to leave his home for a short time, and though still feeble is in a fair way to recover speedily. Yesterday afternoon a poor victim to rum named Martin Buckley, came up to Officer Nygaard and asked to be locked up. The poor fellow was on the verge of tremens, and he was accommodated.

Last night an inebriated individual approached two young men on Third street and paid his respects by trying to knock one of them down. The pugilist was nabbed by officer Bremer, who locked him up.

A man named Charles Boyd was brought to St. Paul last night from Leach Lake, in custody of a deputy United States marshal, and incarcerated in the county jail. He was arrested on the charge of selling liquor to Indians.

Julius Fish, for fourteen days in the employ of Geo. Fetsch, wine merchant, at No. 21 East Fifth street, has absconded. Mr. Fetsch's money drawer was relieved of \$7.25 at the time of his departure, and he is supposed to be the thief.

A communication signed by a number of citizens has been sent the GLOBE complaining of the disorderly saloon kept by one Brown Olson, on Rosabel street. If the statements made are correct the man's license should be revoked.

A Swede named J. P. Peterson was arraigned at the police court yesterday, charged with drunkenness and trying to beat a friend out of a \$10 gold piece. The friend refused to appear against him and he was discharged for want of prosecution.

A mysterious looking female, was doing the rounds yesterday in a closely-covered cutter, and requesting signatures to a bill to be presented to the legislature, allowing women to vote on public lands, the defendant of sale of ardent spirits in the State of Minnesota.

Jerry Kanada, formerly of company H, Seventh cavalry, and H. J. Canavan, formerly of company H, Seventh infantry, two military convicts, have been sent from Fort Snelling to the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, in charge of Lieut. Douglas, Seventh infantry.

The voting at the German Catholic fair, which closed on Thursday night, for the several articles, resulted as follows: For the skates-George Presley, 345 votes; John Winter, 273; Peter Eiswirth, 243. For the doll-Angusta Schonarth, 143; Laura Wagner, 141. For the bride-Henry Vili, 95; A. Jensen, 358.

A young man named Thomas Foley, 17 years of age, died at the residence of Pound-Master Shields, No. 34 Aurora avenue, yesterday morning, from consumption. He had been taken charge of by Mr. Shields at the request of his father, who has since refused to pay for his board and attendance. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

N. Millette had been on an extended debauch. Night before last he went home highly budged and raised petition, to the annoyance of a neighbor, who was a conservative. He testified that defendant had become so addicted to liquor that they could do nothing with him. The prisoner seemed repentant and promised to brace up. He was fined \$10 and put under bonds of \$200 to keep the peace.

A raw-looking Teuton just from the Fatherland, as indicated by his obtuse understanding of English and a funny little cap that looked like an inverted saucer, was up yesterday having been beaten drunk. He gave the name of Ferdinand Kittle and explained that he was not accustomed to American lager, which he had drunk, and was taxed five dollars and sentence was suspended during good behavior.

George Henry has the reputation of being a hard citizen. Thursday night at a late hour he was picked up by Capt. Clark and Sergeant Walsh highly lushed. First he stated that he was boarded at the Metropolitan hotel and afterwards he asserted that he took his provisions at the American House. He was taken to the court yesterday and was sent up for seven days. It is to be hoped that, when let out he will turn over a new leaf and start even with the new year.

When Fred Hardiman was on the turf, in the days of yore, he used to make it pretty lively for the boys. But he left St. Paul, and although getting towards the down grade, he is trying to make a name for himself. Thursday he came to the city and the old influence coming over him, he indulged freely in budge. He was yanked up and yesterday was in the court. He explained that he resided in Stillwater, and that he had a horse named Tom. On condition that he would leave town, he was discharged.

At a late hour night before last a pedestrian on Jackson street, near Seventh, observed a flaring light in the office of Chase & Co.'s commission house on Jackson street. An investigation showed that one of the employes had fallen asleep in the office in his chair, and that the chimney pipe, which had become broken, the smoke from which had almost asphyxiated the sleeper, who could not be aroused by any amount of pounding on the door. Entrance was finally made by way of a rear window, the light extinguished, and the man taken from his perilous position.

A rather singular piece of business was transacted in the vault of the register of deeds yesterday afternoon, which will probably be mentioned to the party interested in a grand deal of trouble. About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a man named August Siegler was detected in the act of changing, erasing and raising lines on a certified copy of a plat of Siegler & Mather's subdivision of a parcel of land in this city. County Attorney Egan has taken charge of the affair and it will be legally investigated. Siegler has been in the asylum for insanity, but if this is madness there is a deal of madness of merey in it. Siegler was arrested last night and locked up.

An action for damages was commenced in the district court yesterday by Henry L. Moss against the village of Marshall, Lyon county, who wants \$5,551 for injuries caused by a defective sidewalk. It is alleged that while walking on a public street of Marshall, on November 19th, 1879, the plaintiff stepped on a defective and broken plank, was thrown down and greatly injured. His right shoulder was dislocated, and it is alleged that he was otherwise permanently injured. The accident is attributed to the dangerous and unsafe condition of the sidewalk. On this account he asks judgment for the amount stated. Messrs. Allis & Allis are the attorneys for plaintiff.

It is heard, sad hizzoner, as he clamored to his accustomed seat on the bench, yesterday morning, to deprive a sinner of his turkey and sage dressing on Christmas. After all, he continued, we are all poor creatures, and they do say that a knapsack of mercy is as good as a full hand with only a pair of trays to beat. Just then the bailiff quit tickling the stove with a poker and he was ordered to trot out the prisoners. I. W. Wilson, a dumpty little Teuton, had taken more lager than he could carry, and he passed the night in the quag at the instance of Officer Bahr, who explained that the prisoner had been found on Third street last week over a late hour Thursday night. The man said he had a wife and a brood of little gretchens and the court presented him with discharge papers as a Christian as present.

Fire at St. Cloud. The Pacific flour mill at St. Cloud and elevator adjoining containing 2,500 bushels of wheat burned up at an early hour yesterday morning.

Grand time at Rink, with music.

DOWN SHE GOES.

The Chicago Market Continues to Tumble-The "Long" Firm-A New Hoard of Trade Building Changing the Business Center of Chicago.

[Special Telegram from the Globe.] CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-Cables dull and uninteresting. The eastern markets are dull and lowering. We only held up a little in the morning, but as there were no buyers, it was unavoidable that we should go down and down. We went slow but sure, cereals closing at the lowest price of the day, while provisions improved some. I think that most of the weak people, with margins running out, have been shaken off. I look for an improvement next week, or, anyhow, immediately after New Year. Merry Christmas!

Chicago Wants a New Board of Trade Building. CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-The sub-committee of directors of the board of trade have reported a proposition for a new chamber of commerce, which will be voted on the 30th inst. It provides for building a magnificent edifice on the vacant lots south of the Grand Pacific hotel owned by W. L. Scott, of Erie, Pa., who makes a liberal offer of the site. It is believed that the plan would receive little support from any quarter and would be generally antagonized. Interviews with a great number of members of the board, however, establish the fact that a very large proportion of them favor the proposed change of location. Such a change would mark an important era in the current of business in the city. It would take many banks, most of the commission firms, telegraph companies and many other business severals blocks further south than their present location, and result in building numbers of magnificent structures where now are only empty lots.

The arguments in favor of this removal are the cheapness of the land. The growing expense for offices in the present sites and the fact that the removal of the county and city offices into the new buildings which will soon take place, is destined to make the office room in proximity to present quarters still more scanty and expensive.

[Chicago Tribune, 33.] "After a Storm, There Comes a Calm." This is eminently true of the grain and provision markets yesterday. After the excitement, nervous feeling, and panicky condition of the market during Monday and Tuesday, it was fitting that there should be a lull. The market was exceedingly steady in cereals. There was a healthier and calmer feeling, with very little doing in grain. But underneath all was a spirit of uncertainty as to the future of some of the more conservative dealers are predicting that wheat will go down to 95 cents, and the downright "bears" say 85. There are no "bulls" in such a market as this. Besides, the "longs" have pretty much all unloaded, though there is still much February wheat now held in reserve for higher prices, which was bought between the highest prices of the market.

Provisions fell off decidedly under the unloading of 12,000 barrels of pork held by Gardner, Stone & Co., and 4,000 barrels sold on account of A. S. Loewenthal. This large unloading, with smaller lots, caused a weak market. Wheat fluctuated between 98 1/2 cents and 99 1/2 during the day, for February. Corn for May delivery ranged from 42 1/2 to 42 3/4 bid. February pork dropped off 25 cents a barrel. It opened at \$13.15, fell to \$12.90, and closed at \$13.05. Lard dropped off 12 1/2 cents per 100 pounds, closing at \$8.67 1/2 to \$8.60, against \$8.62 1/2, \$8.65 the evening previous. The oats market was quiet and steady.

Rumors of further failures were still current on the street yesterday, but there was no real reason for them. There can be no doubt that there are some firms that will be weak in case of a further decline in the market, which is not at all unlikely, as the wheat supply is alleged to be greatly in excess of the actual demand.

THE SUSPENDED FIRMS had nothing to say or to report. Messrs. Gardner, Stone & Co. are busily engaged in getting out a statement. They had nothing to add to what was stated in yesterday's Tribune. They hoped to get out a statement in a day or two, but they could give no real information as to how they actually stood until all their accounts were in; nor could they yet tell whether they would continue on in business.

As regards Ray & McLauri, Mr. Ray stated that the worst that they had expected had befallen them. None of the last drafts on the Buffalo parties were honored, and the firm was left in the lurch. He expected that their shortage would be in the neighborhood of \$20,000. They had already paid out since they closed about \$30,000 in differences. Mr. McLauri returned home last evening, and the firm hope to have their statement ready to-morrow.

John & McDonald's clerks are still busily engaged upon the books of the firm, and it will be a couple of days yet before the statement of the affairs of the concern is ready to be presented to the creditors. All the accounts have not yet been handed in, and that somewhat delays matters. What the firm will do in the future is yet undecided.

One cold is sometimes contracted on top of another, the accompanying cough becoming settled and confirmed, and the lungs so strained and racked that the production of tubercles frequently follows. Many existing cases of pulmonary disease may be thus accounted for, and yet how many others are now carelessly allowing themselves to drift through the preliminary symptoms, controlled by the fatal policy of allowing a cold to take care of itself. On the first intimation of a cough or cold, or any throat or lung trouble, resort promptly to Dr. Jayne's Expectant, a safe curative of long established reputation, and you may avoid the consequences of such dangerous trifling.

A Good Minister Physically. [Louisville Courier-Journal.] Secretary Ramsey is talked of for minister to Germany. Ramsey was brought up among the Pennsylvania Dutch, who don't talk the High German. The secretary will make a good minister, physically, at least.

Handsome Patent Rockers, Easy Chairs, Camp Chairs, Ladies' Desks, Pedestals at Stee Bros'.

Could Not Get Up Stairs. Mrs. R. C. Robins makes comment that for years she has been a great sufferer from kidney affection and that for several months the pains in her back were so severe she could not get up stairs. She has now worn DAY'S KIDNEY PAIN for four weeks, is free from pain, and believes herself entirely cured.

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