CRIME.

THE CRIMINAL RECORD FOR 1866.

OYER AND TERMINER AND GENERAL SESSIONS.

The following is the criminal business of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Sessions—the two highest criminal courts in the city—as reported by Mr. Henry Vandervoort. Mr. Vandervoort is the oldest in office of any of the Court Clerks, having served nearly 37 years. In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, which has held terms two or three months in the year, there have been 40 convictions, distributed as follows: Manslaughter (various degrees), 9; assault with intent to do bodily harm, 2; burglary (various degrees), 7; attempt to commit burglary, 3; grand larceny, 10; attempt to commit grand larceny, 4; petit larceny from the person, 2; petit larceny, second offense, 1; petit larceny, 2; mock auction fraud, 1; assault and battery, 4.

There were only two acquittals, one of murder in the first degree, and the other of grand larceny. The mock auction fraud was the celebrated case of Zoso Burnham, who was sentenced to two years in the State Prison, but was pardoned. The Court of General Sessions has held twelve terms. The number of convictions were 943, classified as follows:

Murder in the 1st degree, 1; murder in the 2d degree, 2; manslaughter (various degrees), 6; assault with intent to kill, 2; assault with intent to do bodily harm, 28; rape, 2; assault with intent to commit a rape, 1; robbery, 1st degree, 18; assault with intent to commit robbery, 7; carrying concealed weapons, 2; assault with intent to steal as a pickpocket, 1; assault and battery and assault, 58; burglary (various degrees), 24; attempt to commit burglary, 113; grand larceny, 153; attempt to commit grand larceny, 25; embezzlement, 2; petit larceny from the person, 36; attempt to commit larceny from the person, 8; petit larceny and attempt to commit larceny, by obtaining goods by false pretenses, 10; receiving stolen goods, 3; perjury, 1; forgery (various degrees), 18; entering building in night with intent to steal, 1; conspiracy to defraud, 2; violation of Election Laws, 2; piloting without license, 1; misdemeanor (violation of Burrel Act), 1.

There have been 165 acquitted, of which 16 were robbery, 22 burglary, 86 grand larceny, and the others various offenses. The sentences in both Courts have been quite numerous. Jeremiah O'Brien, has been sentenced to death for the murder of Kate Smith, and John Ward and another have been sentenced to the State Prison for life.

The following other sentences were imposed: To be imprisoned in the State Prison, 461 males and 34 females; their aggregate term of imprisonment was 1317 years and 2 months; to be imprisoned in the Penitentiary, 177 males and 33 females; to be imprisoned in the City Prison, 10 males and 3 females; sent to the House of Refuge, 39 boys and 3 girls.

The following completes the record of the Courts: Number of persons discharged, 344; indictments found by Grand Jury, 1,708; complaints dismissed by Grand Jury, 181; recognizances to answer filed during the year, 946; recognizances forfeited during the year, 23; amounts of fines collected and paid into City Treasury, $605.

A STRANGE CRIMINAL CASE IN BROOKLYN.

Margaret Rose was brought before Justice Buckley yesterday on a charge of grand larceny, in having stolen jewelry to the value of $50 from J. A. Eckerson of No. 92 Dean-st. She plead guilty, and stated that she committed the larceny "for the sake of getting locked up;" that she had married some time since one Herman Kopler, but soon found that he had another wife; that thereupon she "felt so bad" she "wanted to be taken care of," and so stole the goods mentioned. Kopler has been arrested on a charge of bigamy, and also of complicity in the theft, and both parties are now locked up to await an examination before Justice Walsh.

JERSEY CITY.

On Christmas night a disturbance occurred in Williamson's saloon, Pavonia-ave., Jersey City, during which, it is alleged that Wm. Murphy committed a violent assault on a young man named Michael Maloney, throwing him down and biting and chewing his face in a dreadful manner. Maloney alleges that the assault was entirely unprovoked. Murphy has since claimed arrest.... Two men named Wm. Bradley and Peter Heskion, employed in the New-Jersey Railroad machine shop, engaged in an altercation yesterday about some tools, when it is alleged the latter assaulted, beat, and bruised Bradley about the head in a fearful manner. The accused was arrested by Constable Onslow, and upon being taken before Justice Lewalfe of Jersey City, was held to bail in the sum of $500, to appear for trial.... A young man named Michael Murphy appeared before Justice Lewalfe of Jersey City, yesterday afternoon, and made affidavit that Patrick Brogan, a boss mason, for whom he had recently worked, assaulted him, and drawing a revolver, threatened to shoot him. A warrant was issued and Detective McWilliams took Brogan into custody. He was held to bail to answer.

A STABBING AFFRAY AT WHITE PLAINS.

About 12 or 1 o'clock on Christmas Eve William Eunis, in company with Timothy Murphy, Timothy Cronen and William Foley were going down the post road from White Plains to Tuckahoe, about an eighth of a mile from the village. The whole party had been playing dominoes at a place near by for some hours, and were much intoxicated. Murphy, Cronen and Foley attempted several times to throw Eunis down. Eunis then caught hold of Murphy, when he turned and stabbed him in several places. After Murphy had cut him Eunis sat down on a bank when Murphy jumped on him and again cut him in the abdomen. He lay in that condition, in a barn near by, until morning, when his severe injuries were discovered. But little hopes are entertained of his recovery. In the mean time Murphy had fled, leaving on the morning train for New-York. Cronen and Foley were arrested and locked up in the County Jail at White Plains. Officers were yesterday sent in pursuit of Murphy.

MURDER AND LYNCH LAW IN MINNESOTA.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 28.—On Christmas Day at New-Ulm three men were playing cards, when one named Spunner was stabbed so badly that he soon bled to death. The others, named Campbell and Liscomb, were arrested by the Sheriff, and while on their way to a magistrate handcuffed were rescued by a drunken mob and hanged. While hanging the rescued received a large number of cuts from knives. New-Ulm is on the frontier, and was the scene of a terrible Indian tragedy in 1862. Campbell and Liscomb served in Company F, 24 Maine Regiment, and were men of good character, and respectably connected.

SHOOTING CASE IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—On Wednesday evening a man named Charles Patterson, belonging to the United States Naval service, attempted to kill his sister, because she refused to leave a house of ill-fame, to which she had taken refuge from a stepmother's cruel treatment. The girl was badly wounded in the head and breast with a jack-knife. Patterson was arrested, and held to await the result of the girl's wounds. The girl is still living, but her recovery is deemed impossible.

ROBBERY AND MURDER.

RICHMOND, Dec. 27.—The store of H. W. Wall, at Moberly Depot, on the Danville Railroad, 65 miles from Richmond, was broken open this morning and plundered. Saml. Hawker, the clerk, was murdered with an ax.

THE PHILADELPHIA BOND ROBBERY.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—The particulars of the audacious robbery of bonds here yesterday from the office of C. N. Bayard, stock broker, No. 300 Chestnut-st. are as follows: One of the three thieves entered the office inquired of John Bayard, an aged gentleman who had charge of the office, the nature of the business transacted by the firm next door above. While Mr. Bayard was giving the desired information another one of the party stepped behind him. The first named individual then left. The other man then made some inquiry about home stocks and said he would like to make a purchase and finally concluded to call again in an hour. In the mean time the fellow who was standing in Mr. Bayard's rear picked up a tin box containing $100,000 worth of bonds and securities and concealed it under his coat. The men then walked leisurely out of the office. The securities stolen consisted of $8,200 in Seven-Thirty and Five-Twenty bonds, 860 shares Catawissa Railroad bonds; 550 shares North Pennsylvania Railroad; five $1000 second mortgage bonds Camden and Atlantic Railroad, and several thousand shares Camden and Passenger Railway securities. No trace of the thieves have been discovered up to a late hour this evening. The tin box was picked up to-day in Callowhill-st., by a lady and restored. It contained all the securities stolen except the Government coupon bonds which had been removed.

HANGING OF JOHN G. ROBINSON.

RICHMOND, Dec. 28.—John G. Robinson, the murderer of the Limerick family, was hung to-day, at Stafford Court-House, Va. In his confession he said he had long determined on the deed, and acknowledges having robbed his uncle in Washington City of every cent he could, but denied the murder of his cousin, of which he had been suspected. He took his fate coolly.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 28.—A man named Perkins, who was convicted, a short time ago, of robbery, and pardoned afterward by Gov. Brumlette, murdered his wife this morning, and afterward attempted suicide by cutting his throat with a razor.

ARMY GAZETTE.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

DISTRICTS ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

General Orders No. 44, dated November 15, from Headquarters Department of California, announces the following Districts:

1. Camps Goodwin and Bowie—hitherto known as Forts Goodwin and Bowie—and all stations east and south of Sacaton will constitute the District of Tucson; headquarters at Camp Lovell, Tucson.

2. Camp McDowell (known as Fort McDowell), Camp Reno, the Maricopa and Prinas villages, and country north of the Gila and east of the lower Fica, will constitute the District of the "Verde;" headquarters at Camp McDowell.

3. Camp Lincoln, Fort Whipple, the country north of the Gila not included in District of Verde, and forty miles east of the Colorado, will constitute the District of Prescott; Headquarters at Fort Whipple, Prescott.

4. The stations on the Colorado above Bill Williams's Fork, and the country within 40 miles of the river, will constitute the District of Upper Colorado; headquarters at Camp Mohave (known heretofore as Fort Mohave).

The station on the Colorado River, below Bill Williams's Fork, to include within 40 miles of the river, the country below the Gila not included in the District of the Verde or Tucson, and California south of the 33d parallel of latitude, will constitute the District of the Lower Colorado, headquarters at Fort Yuma.

The depots of the Districts of Tucson, the Verde, Prescott, the Upper Colorado and the Lower Colorado, will be respectively at Tucson, Camp McDowell, Fort Whipple, Camp Mohave, and Fort Yuma.

HONORABLY MUSTERED OUT.

Brevet Col. Charles B. Wagner, Captain, Assistant Quartermaster, to take effect Jan. 1 next; Second Lieut. Robert Cullen, 1st Reserve Corps, to date from Nov. 30 last; Second Lieut. Gent, Tipton, 19th Regiment Veteran Reserve Corps, Dec. 24.

ORDERED.

Capt. J. H. Belcher, Assistant Quartermaster, to duty at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, under direction of Brevet Brig.-Gen. L. C. Easton, Chief Quartermaster Department of Missouri; Capt. Geo. L. Chaney, 6th U. S. Infantry, to take command of recruits from New-York to Macon, Ga., reporting from thence to his regiment for duty.

RELIEVED.

Brevet Major-Gen. J. A. Foster, Colonel and Depot Quartermaster, from duty at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and ordered to proceed to Detroit, Mich., and settle his accounts.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Brevet Brigadier-Gen. L. C. Easton, Chief Quartermaster Department of Missouri, has been ordered to relieve Brevet Brigadier-Gen. Foster from duty at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

NAVY GAZETTE.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

DETACHED.

Dec. 21.—Lieut.-Commander Charles H. Greene, from steamer Monongahela, and waiting orders.

APPOINTED.

Dec. 21.—Acting Master William Burditt, an Acting Boatswain in the Regular Navy.

HONORABLY DISCHARGED.

Dec. 21.—Acting Master Wm. Burditt.

PERSONAL.—Among the arrivals at the hotels are Viscount de Nouë, Paris, at the Brevoort House; Gen. W. L. Elliott, U. S. A., and Col. T. W. Sweeny, Philadelphia, at the Astor; Archdeacon LeGay Patton, Ala., at the St. Nicholas Hotel; Mrs. Angel de Yturbide, Mexico, at the Everett House; Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] at the Metropolitan Hotel.

FIRES.

IN PINE-ST.—LOSS ABOUT $35,000.

At 6½ o'clock last evening a fire was discovered on the second floor of the five-story building No. 65 Pine-st. The flames spread rapidly, and, in spite of the utmost exertions of the firemen, the building was completely gutted. The first floor and basement were occupied by Henry Checas, dealer in hemp and cordage. Loss on stock about $10,000; probably insured. The upper floors were occupied by Howard & Sniller, dealers in cotton waste, and Goddard & Etterson, dealers in cotton samples. Their combined loss is about $12,000. The building is damaged to the extent of $6,000; probably insured.

The adjoining five-story building is occupied by Wilmhiler & Co., dealers in wool. Loss on stock by water, $6,000; insured.

No. 63 is occupied on the first floor by Schlesinger & Co., commission merchants, and on the upper floor by Riben & Unzor, commission merchants. Their combined loss by water is about $2,800.

IN CHURCH AND MURRAY-STS.—LOSS ABOUT $35,000.

While the firemen were at work upon the fire in Pine-st., the bells rang for a fire in Murray-st., near Church. Several of the engines at the former fire were at once ordered by Chief-Engineer Kingsland to "take up" and proceed to the new fire. On reaching the spot the fire was found to have originated on the third floor of the building No. 55 Murray-st., in the premises occupied by J. Seiler & Co., dealer in children's clothing. The building was in the form of a letter L, numbering 60 on Church-st. Owing to the delay in coming from the other fire, the flames had attained such headway that before they were extinguished the three upper floors were badly damaged.

The first floor and basement were occupied by Strauss, Pelxotto & Co., dealers in cloths. Loss on stock by water, $10,000; insured in city companies.

The second floor was occupied by Johnson, Meyer & Co., wholesale dealers in tailors' trimmings. Loss on stock by fire and water, $12,000; insured.

Seiler & Co.'s loss on the third floor, by fire and water, is fully $12,000; insured.

The fourth and fifth floors were unoccupied. The building is owned by Dr. T. Hunter, and is damaged to the extent of $6,000; insured.

The Fire Department is entitled to much praise for their exertions. Despite the intense cold they worked with a will, and by preventing the flames from extending to the adjoining buildings, saved an enormous amount of valuable property. Sections of Police from the Third and adjoining Precincts were present under the command of Capt. Greer, and materially aided the firemen in saving property.

FIRE AT BERGEN HILL—NARROW ESCAPE OF A FAMILY.

Yesterday morning about 1 o'clock a fire broke out in a two-story and basement frame building situated on the Hoboken and Hudson City road, foot of Bergen Hill. The building which was 25 feet front and 100 feet deep, was owned and occupied by Townsend Jackson, who carried on the carriage and wagon manufacturing business on the first floor and basement and occupied the upper part as a residence. The fire originated in the paint shop from some unknown cause and spread through the building with great rapidity. When Mr. Jackson was awakened by the alarm, the danger was so imminent from the rapidly approaching flames that himself wife and child were compelled to escape to the street in their night clothes without saving a single article of wearing apparel. Immediately thereafter, owing to the high wind, the entire building was enveloped in flames and in half an hour the structure and contents was leveled to the ground. Five engine companies from Jersey City, Hoboken and Hudson City, were upon the ground at the earliest possible moment, but owing to the fact that the fire had gained such head-way, and that there was no water to be had in the vicinity, they could do nothing toward arresting it. The loss is estimated at fully $10,000, of which the buildings are valued at $8,000, and the carriages and wagons and hand stock, tools, &c., at least $2,000. Mr. Jackson was insured for $7,000, but being absent yesterday, the names of the companies could not be ascertained.

IN JERSEY CITY.

Shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred in the coppersmith shop of W. & P. Ruff, No. 127 Hudson-st., Jersey City. It originated from a furnace in the rear part of the shop and destroyed a tier of shelves filled with patterns before it was extinguished. The damage amounts to between $300 and $400, which is covered by insurance in a New-York company. A saloon in the basement kept by Charles Singer was damaged by water to the extent of $50.

A HOTEL BURNED.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

LEE, Mass., Dec. 28.—The Housatonic House in this place was burned to the ground to-day. The loss is estimated at $25,000. The property was insured for $8,000.

PARTICULARS OF THE GREAT FIRE IN MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—The particulars of the great fire at Warrensburg, Mo., were received here to-day. Twenty-two buildings were destroyed, and a loss of $200,000 sustained. The principal losers were Runington & Sloan, furniture; Joseph Lopheimer, Hyatt, Allen & Co., A. H. Gilkeron, Schoedlisp & Co., H. Neil, and Cruse & Smith. The fire swept both sides of Pine-st.

LARGE FIRE IN MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—A destructive fire broke out at the Eagle Works, corner of Second and Fowler sts., at 5 o'clock this morning, destroying the entire concern, foundry, machine shops, wagon, paint and blacksmiths' shops, with their contents, consisting of engines, machinery, tools and stock. Repair shop for Mississippi Car Works, Railroad house and stable, and a number of small shanties also destroyed. Johnson & Co's lumber yard partially burned.

The entire loss $50,000, is as follows: D. M. Miller, loss on foundry, $25,000, insured for $8,000. W. E. Goodman, tools, $2,000; J. M. Stowell, portable engines, $1,500, insured. McBeth J. Richardson, loss in machine shop, $3,000, insured for $1,000. Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien Railroad, loss $2,500. Johnson & Co., lumber, $3,000; railroad house and stable, loss $1,200.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 28.—A fire took place to-night in the building occupied by Shea & O'Connel, merchant tailors, and L. Wehl, hardware dealer. Loss estimated at $25,000. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.—The tannery and store-house of Henry Kessler, corner of Lindlay and Canal-sts., was burned to-night. Loss on leather, &c., $10,000; insured in the Eagle Company. Samuel Wander's slaughter-house, and two dwellings adjoining, were also burned. Loss, $3,000; no insurance.

CASUALTIES.

FATAL MACHINERY ACCIDENT IN NEWARK.

On Thursday afternoon a man named Benjamin Watson, a tinsmith in the employ of Anderson & Assman, at No. 170 Market-st., Newark, was engaged in repairing some gaspipes in Moore & Seeley's hat factory, on Railroad-ave., when his clothes were by some means caught in the belting, and in a moment the unfortunate man was whirled about a shaft and thrown upon the floor, one of his legs being torn completely from his body, his ribs crushed, his other leg broken in two places, and his body bruised and lacerated all over. The poor fellow in this shattered condition lived two hours, retaining his consciousness to the last. After his decease he was removed to his home, next to the canal, in Washington-st. He was 31 years of age. He leaves a wife and child.

THREE BOYS DROWNED NEAR NEW-BRUNSWICK, N. J.

On Wednesday, the 26th inst., three boys were drowned at two different skating ponds near New-Brunswick. Two of them, Willie and James Stryker, were skating on a millpond near Middletown, and, one of them breaking through the ice, the other came to his aid, when he also broke in, and the two brothers drowned together. The third lad, Thomas Carr, who was the son of a widow, was skating on Aiken's fishpond, near the city, when he broke through and was drowned before aid could be extended to him.

DEATH BY POISON IN BROOKLYN.

A lady named Mrs. Henry, and residing in Nassau-st., died yesterday morning, in great agony, from the effects of a dose of corrosive sublimate, accidentally administered by her mother, who mistook the bottle containing the poison for one containing medicine. Coroner Lynch was notified and will hold an inquest to-day.

ACCIDENTS IN BROOKLYN.

Two workmen named Peter Castle and John Shields, were severely and probably fatally injured by the caving in of an embankment at the corner of Flatbush and Vanderbilt-aves. The sufferers are now at the City Hospital.... Sarah Whalen, a woman of 50 years of age and a resident of Centre-st., near Smith-st., died at the Long Island College Hospital yesterday from injuries received by the explosion of a kerosene lamp on Thursday evening. The explosion was caused by carelessness in filling the lamp.... A little boy named Philip Collamere was left alone by his parents, who reside at the corner of Atlantic-ave. and Elliot-place, on Thursday evening, and during their absence his clothes caught fire and he was burned so severely that he died in a few hours afterward.... Philip Canterbury, a laborer in the employ of D. R. Floyd, Greenport, L. I., fell by accident upon a pitchfork, while loading a cart with cornstalks, on Thursday, and was instantly killed.

DROWNED.

Late on Thursday night Joseph Silva, a sailor employed on the steamer Vicksburg, lying at Pier No. 25, N. R., fell overboard and was drowned yesterday morning; the body was recovered, and later in the day Coroner Wilde held an inquest on it on board the steamer. Deceased was a native of Portugal, aged 24 years.

KILLED BY FALLING FROM A WINDOW.—Last night Eliza Reynolds, a native of Ireland, aged 20 years, fell from a second-story window of her residence, No. 336 East Thirty-second-st., to the pavement, and was instantly killed. A coroner was notified to hold an inquest.

OBITUARY.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

LUCIUS B. PECK.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 28.—The Hon. Lucius B. Peck died last night, at the Merrimac House, of paralysis. The deceased was a representative in Congress from Vermont from 1847 to 1851, and United States Attorney for Vermont from 1853 to 1857.

W. H. JIPSON.

William H. Jipson, better known as "Boston," died in this city yesterday of consumption, in the 54th year of his age. Deceased was long known to the habitués of Tammany and the old "Pewter Mug," and was greatly esteemed by the old typographical fraternity.

THE NATIONAL FINANCES.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The gold receipts for customs at our principal ports, from Dec. 15 to Dec. 22, 1866, are as follows as compared with those of the preceding week:

	THIS WEEK.	LAST WEEK.
Boston	$219,968 06	$210,564 41
New-York	1,057,129 82	1,471,495 38
Philadelphia	129,615 82	150,855 19
Baltimore	69,430 56	97,517 52
New-Orleans (Dec. 8 to 15)	182,284 15	222,748 07
San Francisco (Nov. 17 to 24)	80,839 13	134,783 09

WHAT IS DIRT?

Solon Robinson's lecture, entitled "What is Dirt?" which he delivered December 13 and 14, at Newtown and Quakertown, Bucks County, Penn., is already producing good results. The Doylestown Intelligencer, as well as private letters, are very complimentary.

The Quakerstown Farmers' Club, at a meeting December 29, passed the following resolutions:

That in consideration of the pleasure derived by many of us from the lecture delivered at this place by Solon Robinson, on the 14th inst., and for the many agricultural truths and valuable suggestions contained therein, we render him our hearty thanks.

That, as stewards over a goodly heritage, we will endeavor to further the object of his mission to "cause two blades of grass to grow where but one grows now," and to let no "worn out land" lie within our borders.

JOHN MOORE, Secretary.

Dec. 22, 1866.

This shows that seed was sown upon good ground, and not upon "worn out farms."

Mr. Robinson has engaged to deliver the same lecture at the following places:

To the Highland Horticultural Society, at Highland, Ulster County, N. Y., Saturday evening, Dec. 29. At the Lecture Room of "the Westbury Educational Association," North Hempstead, Long Island, Thursday evening, Jan. 3. At Flemington, N. J., evening of Jan. 8. At Mount Laurel, Washington County, N. J., evening of Jan. 10. At Vineland, N. J., evening of Jan. 11. At New Paltz, Ulster County, New-York, evening of Jan. 18.

SALE OF PICTURES.

A fine collection of oil paintings by American artists and some choice foreign works were sold at the rooms of Leeds & Miner No. 817 and 819 Broadway yesterday evening. The rooms were well filled with those interested in art and the biddings universally spirited. In the Harts Mountains," by W. Whittredge, brought $315; "Thanatopsis," by Durand, a well known picture illustrative of Bryant's poem, $1,350; "Lake Scene—Sunset," another celebrated picture by Durand, $1,400; "Stoke Poges Church," the scene of Gray's Elegy, by J. F. Cropsey, $425; "Near Farmington, Conn., James M. Hart, $1,110; Bierstadt's "Black River, Kansas," $500; "Amalfi, Bay of Naples," by Haseltine, $530; "Time to Go," F. W. Edmonds, $505; two pictures by James A. Suydam, "The Hook Mount, near Nyack," and "Near Cold Spring, Hudson River," brought $560 and $355 respectively. "The Catskill Mountains, from Hillsdale," another picture by Durand, $950.

A Desirable Holiday Gift.

At this season of the year every one expects to give and receive Holiday Presents. In a sentimental sense, the value of these is estimated by the motive which prompted the giving. Time, things in themselves trifling may be invested with a value beyond that of gold. But this is an age of practicality as well as of sentiment, and presents possessing an intrinsic as well as an associated value are most eagerly sought after by gift-givers, and most highly prized by the recipients. In this age of changing fashions and rapid transitions it is difficult to find articles which will retain their value. More difficult still, one would think, to find articles which not only do not lose their value, but which may be made to yield a permanent and splendid interest. Yet, in the Grover & Baker Sewing-Machine, we have such an article.

Any first-class Sewing-Machine is suitable for a present, and will be duly appreciated by any woman, be she wife, sister, daughter, mother, or bride-elect. But we recommend the Grover & Baker, because it is the best. Our reasons for pronouncing it so are many, and to those acquainted with the relative merits of Sewing-Machines, obvious. But even the uninitiated, even the most superficial observer, will at once see the value of such points as these:

The thread can be used directly from the spool, thus saving the waste and trouble of re-winding.

It makes a stitch at once durable, beautiful and unique—a stitch which, while it has its peculiar and unparalleled advantages in the way of plain sewing, can be turned to account in all kinds of embroidery and ornamental needle-work.

Owing to the use of two threads, silk and flax can be used on one side, and cotton on the other, and a great saving of these rich materials be thereby effected.

The machine is extremely simple, and consequently easily understood, and not liable to get out of order.

It can do all that any machine can in hemming, felling, tucking, gathering, quilting, braiding, &c., and that, too, in a finer style, and with less expenditure of time and trouble. And beside this it can do what no other machine can do, namely, Embroider. For this quality alone it is worth its price to any family that would dress fashionably. And yet

It costs no more than a machine without the capacity of embroidery.

Add to all these the peculiarity that while its stitching will not rip by stretch or strain, or even by cutting at intervals, it can yet be ripped with the greatest ease, when ripping is desired.

Owing to these and to other qualities, it has won for itself the position of favorite of the ladies—the most popular machine of the day. Altogether, we know of nothing that would prove a more acceptable present to the majority of American ladies.—[New-York Reader.

A NEW GAME FOR THE HOME CIRCLE.—We take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to every new effort to make home attractive, and so throw the safeguards of indoor family amusement and intercourse around all members of the household. We, therefore, cheerfully commend the new parlor game, called MARVELLE, which has just been introduced. The game is a most interesting one, and can be easily comprehended, and is played by any number of persons. It is gotten up in elegant style, and is so simple in some of its features, that the young folks can readily play it, while other combinations are susceptible of such skill that the most mature are interested and pleased with it.

The Eaglewood Military Academy will reopen on Thursday, Jan. 3, after the holiday vacation.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—Flour 25 cents higher; Superior, Winter $12 50; XX, $10 75. Wheat higher; $2 for No. 2, and $1 83 for No. 3. Corn—9c. for No. 1. Oats unchanged. Provisions firm; Mess Pork, $17 75; Dressed Hogs higher, $6 75@$7 10. Receipts—10,000 bbls. Flour, 12,000 bush. Wheat, 2,000 bush. Corn, 850 Dressed Hogs. Shipped—900 bbls. Flour, 4,000 bush. Wheat.

WILMINGTON, Dec. 28.—Cotton market quiet at 30@31c. Spirits Turpentine unchanged at 61c. Rosin steady at $3@$6 50. Tar, $1 50; Timber, $8@$12.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Flour firm and higher; lower grades $9 25@$9 50; higher, $12@$13 75. Wheat dull; Spring, $2; Fall, $2 65. Corn declined; Mixed, 74c.; White, 76c. Oats dull at 64@65c. Rye $1 10. Barley steady and unchanged. Pork $26. Whisky $2 25. Hogs 5@6½c.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.—Flour is quiet; high grades are firm. Wheat is very scarce; Red, $3 15@$3 25. Corn steady. Seeds inactive; Clover, $8 25. Provisions dull and drooping. Sugar heavy. Coffee quiet; Rio, 17@18c. Whisky heavy; Western, $2 23@$2 25. Pennsylvania, $3 15@$3 20.

MOBILE, Dec. 27.—The Cotton market rules steady, with fair inquiry; sales of 1,200 bales at 30c. for average Middling.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Flour is in moderate demand chiefly for the Interior. Eastern and Southern trade and the market is yet unchanged; sales of 1,000 barrels at $11 75 for No. 1 Spring, $13 50@$13 75 for Red Winter, $15 for White, and $15 50@$15 75 for Double Extra. Rye Flour steady at $7. Wheat is in better demand for City and Country Milling; sales 18,000 bush. No. 2 Chicago Spring at $2 26; 2,400 bush. Wisconsin Spring at $2 30; 1,440 bush. Milwaukee Club at $2 35@$2 37; 1,200 bush. Canada Spring at $2 35, and 360 bush. Choice White Canada at $3. Corn quiet and unchanged at $1 12 for No. 1 by car lots. Oats quiet; sales of Choice Western at 65c. Barley dull; sales 5,000 bush. Bay Quinte at $1 10. Rye nominal. Peas held at about $1 25 for choice lots of Canada. Shorts, $18@$21; Shipstuff $20@$21; Middlings, $20@$25 per ton delivered to cars. Railroad freights—Flour to Boston, $1; to New-York, 90c.; to Albany, 80c.

BUFFALO, Dec. 28.—Flour dull and drooping. Wheat quiet with small sales; No. 2 Milwaukee Club, $2 40. Corn quiet and nominal, $1 for No. 1 Illinois. Oats selling at 50@55c. in a retail way. Barley nominal at $1@$1 05. Rye held at $1. Mess Pork, $20 65. Dressed Hogs dull within the range of 7@7½c. Whisky quiet and firm, $2 20@$2 40, by retail.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.—Flour steady but unchanged. Hogs active and higher, $6 20@$6 60; live, $7 25@$7 65; dressed receipts, 1,720; stock light and sales rapid. Mess Pork steady, $19 50. Lard firm and higher at 11½@12c. for Leaf. Cotton unsteady at 29@30c. Whisky firmer at 25@26c.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 28.—Tobacco unchanged. Cotton—sales of Middling at 30c. Mess Pork—sales at $20; Bulk Shoulders, 8½c.; Clear Sides, 10½c. Hogs—sales at $6 50; light receipts. Green Shoulders—sales at 9c.; Hams, 16c. Flour—sales of superfine at $9 50. Wheat—sales of Winter at $2 75, and Prime Spring at $2 45. Corn—sales of ear in bulk, at 58c., and shelled at 65@67c. Oats—sales at 60@62c. Prime Lard, 12c. Whisky, in bond, at 24c. Sugar—sales at 10@12½c. Weather clear—Mercury 28.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 28.—Cotton—Sales of Ordinary at 26c.; Good Ordinary, 27c.; Low Middling, 28c.; Middling, 29c.; Strict Middling, 32c.; Good Middling, 33c.; Market dull. No money.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—Cotton active; sales of the day, 8,000 bales; Low Middling, 29@30c.; Middling, 31c.; sales of the week, 23,000 bales; receipts, 29,467 bales; stock, 224,022 bales. Sugar in good demand; sales of Fair at 9½c.; Prime to Choice, 10@12½c. Molasses in good demand; sales of Fair at 90c.; Prime to Choice, 62@65c. Sterling, 47@ New-York sight, ¼ discount; gold, 134.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Flour steady. Receipts, 3,000 bbls. Shipments, 3,100 bbls. Sales of Spring Extras at $10@$11. Wheat—Receipts, 13,000 bush. Shipments, 6,000 bush. No. 1 firmer; sales at $2 26@$2 13, and No. 2 at $1 83. Corn—No. 1, 4c. lower; sales at 73@73½c. Oats steady; sales of No. 2 at 41½c. Rye quiet; sales of No. 1 91c., and No. 2 at 84@87c. Barley dull; sales of No. 2 at 67@68c. Mess Pork is held firmly at an advance of 25c., but the demand is not active; sales of 1,350 bbls. at $18 50@$18 75. Lard dull and nominal at 11½.

MOBILE, Dec. 28.—Cotton—Sales for the week, 900 bales; receipts, 14,124 bales; exports, 4,767 bales; unsold, 43,059 bales; to-day 1,220 bales were sold at 30c. ⅌ lb.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 28.—Cotton unchanged; sales 200 bales; Middling 30c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 28.—Cotton active; sales 1,000 bales; Middling 31½c.

ALBANY CATTLE MARKET.

ALBANY, Dec. 28.—There has scarcely been any cattle market here thus far this week. The effect of the light sales and decline in prices in New-York and Brighton was felt here at the opening, and, this being followed by the severest storm of snow and wind that has been experienced here in 20 or 30 years, an end was put to almost all traffic in live stock. The cattle have suffered much in weight and appearance; and, it being uncertain when stock trains can be got through to the South and East, buyers decline to operate. The receipts up to to-night are 2,900 head. Not more than 500 head have yet changed hands, at prices varying from 5 to 7½c., the highest figure for a drove of Kentucky averaging 1,300 lb. This indicates a decline of ½c. ⅌ lb. Sheep in light request at 4@5½c. for common light to good, and 6@6½c. for extra. Receipts, 1,000. Hogs, 6@7c. Receipts, 6,000. Dressed Hogs, 8@8½.

THE CENTRAL SYSTEM.

ALBANY, Dec. 28.—The system of selling grain by the central has been recommended by the Board of Trade, for adoption on and after the 1st of March next.

A Perfect Sewing-Machine.—Mrs. J. W. Watkins of Brooklyn writes: "After an experience of four years with 'Elliptic,' and considerable with other first-class machines, I deem it but just to your admirable machine to state that I consider it not only superior to all others as a family machine, but as a perfect sewing-machine in every respect; performing as it does so rapidly, noiselessly and perfectly every possible variety of family sewing, and without so wonderfully simple and easy to operate that a child can use it without difficulty. I cannot say too much in its praise."—[Advertisement.

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MARRIED.

ELMENDORF—DE PEW—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Dec. 27, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. J. Elmendorf, D. D., Anthony Elmendorf to S. Louise, daughter of the late Henry W. De Pew, esq.

GRAHAM—KEEN—On Thursday evening, the 27th inst., by the Rev. Thomas Carlton, D. D., William Graham to Kate J. Keen, youngest daughter of the late Washburn A. Keen, esq., all of this city.

SAVAGE—SMITH—At Albany, on Wednesday, Dec. 26, by the Rev. J. Van Vechten, D. D., Edward Savage to Sarah E., daughter of Theodore D. Smith, all of Albany. No cards.

SHAW—FISHER—At Worcester, Mass., on Thursday, Dec. 27, by the Rev. M. Richardson, Edwin J. Shaw to A. L. Josie Fisher, daughter of Waterman A. Fisher esq.

WALTON—MACARDELL—On Thursday, 27th inst., by the Rev. W. T. Wenke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Brooklyn, Mr. Walter Walton to Miss Keziah S. Macardell, both of Brooklyn. No cards.

DIED.

BADGER—James W. Badger, of paralysis.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. B. F. Sturges, at Cypress Hills, on Sunday, at 2 o'clock. His relatives and friends are invited to attend without further invitation.

BORLAND—On Friday morning, Dec. 28, Gilbert Frank, only son of Gilbert E. and Margaret Borland, aged 3 years, 8 months and 13 days.

The funeral will take place on Monday, the 31st inst., at 11 o'clock, at the residence of his grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Greenwood, No. 76 West Forty-fifth-st., New-York. Relatives and friends are invited to attend without further notice.

GARDINER—At his late residence, Brooklyn, Henry Denison Gardiner.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral, on Saturday, 29th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m. Baltic-st., second house east of Fifth-ave., Brooklyn.

JIPSON—In this city, on Friday, Dec. 28, of consumption, William H. Jipson, in the 54th year of his age.

The funeral will take place at 2 p. m. this day, from Leggett's Hotel, No. 40 Chatham-st.

KNIGHT—At East Corinth, Vermont, on Monday morning, Dec. 24, Fanny Elizabeth, wife of Capt. Hale Knight, formerly of New-York.

ROGERS—In Bergen, on Thursday, Dec. 27, Miss Mary Ann Rogers of Montville, Conn., aged 67 years.

Funeral on Saturday, Dec. 29, at 11½ o'clock a. m., from the residence of O. J. Geer, Palisade-ave., South Bergen, N. J.

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