FARM PRODUCTS IN AMERICA

THE GREATEST OF THEM ALL THE INDEPENDENT CITIZEN.

Europe Looking at Our System of Land Owning as the True Solution of her Difficulties —The Agricultural Bureau in Washington.

A pungent odor of cheese greeted the nostrils of the visitors on the threshold of the American Institute yesterday. It was the fourth day of the second international dairy fair. All around the walls of the building, on a continuous dais, were all kinds of wares for sale, not all of them by any means connected, directly or indirectly, with agriculture, and long rows of tables in the body of the building groaned under the weight of butter concealed in tubs or cheese exposed to the eye and the nose. That part of the building that faces Second avenue was closed in last year's fair, but this year it was open and occupied by cattle, steam engines, and shafting and machinery. In a remote corner of it an artesian well boring machine is constantly at work boring wells. When one well is bored another is begun not far off. The depth reached is over 100 feet. The proprietor of the well borer says that before the fair is ended he will have the ground as full of holes as a sieve, and that he will have enough water on hand to fill another Croton reservoir. In the centre of the main hall the space is greater than last year, and so there is greater ease in moving around. One of the most curious exhibits is a show case filled with butter in fanciful shapes, baskets of flowers, crosses with flowers twining about them, grapes and wreaths, all moulded as though in wax. Some of the designs are of butter, dyed in colors to resemble flowers. The result of the coloring is like the result of painting a statue. A card says that the butter came already carved from Minnesota. A Chambers street firm has an elaborately arranged stand with cheese from every part of the world, each variety labelled, and all in a position to be easily examined by the visitor. Cold and icy, a pillar of salt looms up in the rear of the room, and the Thurbers' cheese pyramid seems as ambitious as the Tower of Babel. The apparatus for making cheese has not been set in motion yet, but a young man at a turning lathe turns our quassia cups, and visitors drink from them, make up faces, and turn away in disgust.

In the evening electric lights threw a glamor over the Jersey cows and Holstein heifers in the main building, and the lofty fountain glittered in the brilliant light.

At the second day's meeting of the newly created American Agricultural Association in the Metropolitan Hotel, yesterday, Dr. A. S. Heath of this city read a lecture on the inquiry: "How shall we increase the value of our dairy cows and our beef stock?" Be careful in breeding, Dr. Heath urged; if butter of large quantity and excellent quality is desired, then let those animals be taken for breeding which excel in butter making. Just so in procuring animals whose milk will make good cheese, milk cows whose milk is rich in the elements of cheese should be chosen for breeding. No one cow or breed of cows has all the points of excellence for all purposes. Three breeds of cows produce six times their weight annually in milk; the Jersey, first, a butter producer; the Ayrshire, a little heavier, and a cheese producer; and, third, the much-abused Holstein breed. Owing to the smallness of the butter globules in the Holstein cow, the cream does not rise so quickly as in a Jersey cow's milk, and hence is better adapted for retail delivery. Its milk does not sour so quickly as milk of other cows. It is good for cheese. The milk of the Jersey cow makes the finest flavored butter. The Ayrshire cow, although second to the Holstein as a milk producer, and to the Jersey in quality of milk, yet, on the whole, Dr. Hatch admired the Ayrshire more than any of the other breeds imported to this country. Dr. Heath advised farmers never to stunt or half starve heifers, as they never become good cows. On account of young stock, offensive odors in stables should be excelled by sprinkling ground plaster over the damp parts of the floor.

After Congressman George B. Loring had spoken briefly, a committee was appointed to apply to Congress for an act of incorporation. The officers elected were: President—John Merriman, Maryland. Vice-Presidents, at large—N. S. Townsend, Ohio; Moses Humphrey, Concord, N. H.; J. C. Stevens, Ohio; J. B. Bartwell, Maine; G. Gregory Smith, Vermont; D. Taggart, Pennsylvania; E. H. Hyde, Connecticut; John Scott, New Jersey; Horace H. Cook, New Jersey; Ashbel Smith, Texas; C. V. Riley, Washington, D. C. Vice-Presidents—L. L. Polk, North Carolina; Dr. H. M. Ridgley, Delaware; C. W. Thompson, Minnesota; J. D. Gillett, Illinois; Daniel Needham, Massachusetts; Edward D. Pierce, Rhode Island; J. W. Avery, Georgia; Ezra Whitman, Maryland; John D. Adams, Arkansas; D. Wyatt Aiken, South Carolina; Gov. George T. Drew, Florida; J. T. Francis, Alabama; Gov. Alcorn, Mississippi; Col. J. B. Kilbreth, Tennessee; the Hon. Cassius M. Clay, Kentucky; R. Hood Bishop, Louisiana; Roger W. Wolcott, Colorado; John Bidwell, California; S. G. Reed, Oregon; John P. Jones, Nevada; the Hon. Henry G. Davis, West Virginia; Gen. Gilbert S. Meem, Virginia; Claude Matthews, Indiana; Chester Hazen, Wisconsin; H. G. Wells, Michigan; T. H. Bonfield, Kansas; D. H. Wheeler, Kansas; Prof. G. C. Swallow, Lawson Valentine, New York city. Directors for one year—N. F. Sprague, Vermont; P. M. Pulford, Maryland; Thomas M. Holt, North Carolina; T. E. Gould, Illinois; and N. J. Coleman, Missouri. Directors for two years—Marshall Wood, Massachusetts; A. L. Kennedy, Pennsylvania; J. T. Henderson, Georgia; Mr. M. Groth, Kentucky; Mr. Murphy, Michigan; J. B. Grinnell, Iowa; and ex-Gov. Powell Clayton, Arkansas. Directors for three years—Ex-Gov. Fred. Smyth, New Hampshire; Gen. N. M. Curtis, New York; Robert Beverly, Virginia; M. J. Lawson, Ohio; Wm. S. King, Minnesota; Henry Hubbard, Colorado; Gen. A. T. A. Torbert, Delaware. Mr. J. H. Roall was made general secretary.

In the afternoon Prof. C. V. Riley of Washington, D. C., spoke on Agricultural Advances Made in the United States. Our Department of Agriculture at Washington, he said, by its negative results has drawn down upon itself general condemnation. It is a disgrace to the Government and a reproach to the country. It is simply a seed distributing bureau. In forming the bureau no attempt to ignore political favoritism is shown in the face of civil service reform pretensions. The bureau should of all departments be independent of politics; but farmers have no voice in naming its officials. The department furnishes state information, much of which is valueless. The farmer should be informed, perhaps by means of the Signal Service Bureau, so far as practicable, of the price of stock and produce may not be so much at the mercy of the buyer. (Applause.) The heads of divisions in the bureau ought to form an advisory board with the Commissioner. The department ought to be entirely remodeled.

Mr. J. T. Quinn of New Jersey said that he had tried Government seeds that had been sent to him, and many of them would not come up when planted.

Prof. W. O. Atwater of Middletown College, Conn., delivered a lecture on "The Application of Science in Agriculture."

In the evening the association attended the Dairy Fair, in the American Institute building. Congressman George B. Loring delivered at the fair, the lecture on the American Problem of Land Holding. He said that the American system of land holding is the foundation of great popular contentment, and, more, that it is by great social and civil opportunities, surrounded as it is by the free institutions of our land, attended as it is by the school house and meeting house, and by the complaint and by public service which leaves but few exempt among us, it is that which is the foundation on which free great social activity, great dignity of character, great enterprise and ambition. This system now attracts the attention of Bright and Gladstone, and it is the centre of discussion in the controversy between Beaconsfield and Lord Hartington. Dr. Loring had recommended, the speaker said, the Parliamentary Commission sent here to investigate the system of agriculture, to inform themselves thoroughly with regard to this system, and report on their return home. In the speaker's opinion, a similar system ought to be adopted in America, for the peasant proprietorship of Europe and countries, will result in great social and material progress.

A Dog's Sagacity.

A remarkable instance of canine sagacity and faithfulness was developed on Tuesday evening in the lost children's department at Police Headquarters. A policeman who took a little German boy to Mattie Webb was closely followed by a little yellow dog, that could not be driven away. The dog was with the child when it was found in the street, and at the Eldridge street police station exhibited the greatest solicitude in watching over it. He resented any one's approach to the child except for the policeman who found it. He would have at any time shown his sagacity, and fidelity, by following the little lost child to its home and carress its mother. John Wolf, a good natured butcher, of Willett street, claimed the child at Police Headquarters, and took it away, accompanied by the dog, which followed the child to its home, a distance of three miles. Mr. Wolf said that the boy, who is 3 years old, strayed from his home two years ago. The dog followed until the child was lost. The dog seemed to know precisely the fact, and "knew" that the child's clothes could be recognized by the house. When he disappeared, the child could have been found in the city. He was able to identify his home, the little brute followed and protected him.

The Croton Water Gates in Ninth Avenue.

At Ninety-third street and Ninth avenue are two low square granite buildings, surrounded by an iron fence. Each has a door and half a dozen barred windows, and over the door of one of the buildings is inscribed "1880." These two buildings have been objects of curiosity to many passengers on the elevated railroad and the train which passes them often asks what they are for. They shelter gates of the Croton main, and are now in use by the city. When the old main ran through Ninth avenue there was but one of these buildings, the one bearing the date 1862. But after the completion of the new main through Tenth avenue, and the destruction of the old one, the second building was erected in 1874. Water leaving the gates for Ninth avenue passes through Ninety-third street to the large reservoir in Central Park.

SENATOR BOB HART.

The Benefit that his Old Comrades of the San Francisco Gave Him.

It is over a year since "Senator Bob Hart," the negro minstrel, professed to have been converted, and stopped drinking, bade adieu to the stage, and announced his intention of becoming a missionary. There were then few if any of his friends and comrades who fancied that Bob would stick to his resolution for any length of time, and they watched his course with interest. Now they are beginning to see that he means what he says. He has not made money since his new departure, and although Bob has protessed to have no doubt that the Lord would take care of him, and has rejected all offers of employment in his old business, the boys have become inclined to lend him a helping hand. Accordingly the members of the San Francisco Minstrels arranged to give Mr. Sutherland—for that is the Senator's real name—a benefit yesterday afternoon, in Lyric Hall. The Senator objected to this at first. He said that he didn't need it, that the Lord was taking care of him, and that he had just been appointed one of the Custom House weighers, and could get along. The boys insisted, and he consented, stipulating that the money should be used to buy a library to which he may study and better fit himself for his city missionary work—a library that may be used by other missionaries for their benefit in like manner.

Despite the rain, the hall was well filled. The San Francisco orchestra, with their faces white, first played the overture of "Hinawatha," by W. S. Mullaly, their musical director, and then Messrs. Stevens, Dixon, Raymond, Russel, and Frillman, the San Francisco quintet, sang "A Hymn of Praise." It was the well-known hymn of the Moody and Sankey collection:

Repeat the story o'er and o'er
Of grace so full and free;
Love to hear it more and more
Since grace has rescued me.

Chorus: The half was never told,
The half was never told,
Of grace divine so wonderful
The half was never told.

The minstrels sang and the orchestra played the hymn with all the expression and precision that has made the singing of the San Francisco Minstrels famous.

The Rev. George J. Mingins, who is connected with the mission work of the Church of the Holy Trinity (Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr.'s), thanked the audience in Mr. Sutherland's name. In changing his profession and mode of life he needed all the aid that men could give him. Mr. Sutherland had been an ornament to his old profession, and he (the speaker) was sure that he would be an ornament to the profession to which he had now devoted his life.

Mr. Frillman, the basso profundo of the minstrels, sang "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," and the quartet joined in the chorus, which Mr. Mullaly has interpolated. There was a unanimous demand for the repetition of this song. Charles Gibbons then rounded music out of a xylophone, and was followed by Mr. T. B. Dixon, the tenor. Mr. Dixon is a new member of the company, employed to take Mr. Wambold's place, while the latter is seeking health in Texas. He sang that charming old ballad "Sally in Our Alley," so well that the audience insisted upon his repeating it. Then Mr. Robert Ward, the cornetist, played a solo, and following him Mr. William Raymond, the second tenor of the quintet, charmed the audience by singing "The Best Little Wife in the World." As he went off the stage the Senator walked on with a chair in his hand. There was applause, which he endeavored to check, and a bouquet was thrown to him. He looked well and happy. He said:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: There is always some disappointment connected with almost everything. It has usually been my part to make the apologies. I come here now to make one, but before I do, I want to thank you for your presence and friendship. I can truly say I thank God that it rains, for if it hadn't rained I don't believe the hall would have held the people who have bought tickets. I won't attempt to thank my old companions, for I can't speak when I feel as I do. There are times when a man can't control his emotions. Mr. Backus, who is here, knows how I feel. I want to apologize for Mr. James Doherty, who has not appeared, and to introduce Mr. Frank R. Converse, the brother of Charles E. Converse, whose hymns you all sing.

Mr. Converse, who was at one time a member of the San Francisco, brought the entertainment to a close by playing the banjo very artistically.

"Bob's got religion, sure," Mr. Charles Backus said. "I can't understand him. He used to be with us you know, and was a tiptop middle man and stump speaker, but he drank and was going to the dogs. Then he got this streak and he is another man. Why he could make lots of money if he wanted to. He can come with us to-morrow at $75 or $80 a week. I'm glad the boys have given him a benefit. Why, if he'd asked me I'd have gone on too."

The Rev. Mr. Mingins said: "If ever a man was soundly converted it is Bob Sutherland. He has been working in our mission for seven months and doing much good. He wants to be a city missionary, not a minister, and he will succeed. He has a position in the Custom House, but will give his nights to study and work."

WHITMAN YET MISSING.

The Story of his Return Denied—What May Have Given Rise to the Rumor.

A rumor has become current in Port Richmond, Staten Island, that Thomas J. Whitman, the son of Stephen B. Whitman, Trustee of Port Richmond, has visited his father's house recently, and is living somewhere in the West. Young Whitman disappeared very mysteriously about two years ago. The last seen of him was at the Lafourette House, Bergen Point, where he had been spending the evening playing cards. He was in his customary excellent health and spirits. He hired a small boat to pull over to his home on the opposite shore, saying that he would return the boat the next day. That was the last his friends saw of him. His hat and coat were found on the shore a short distance from the Lafourette House, and the boat was found floating in the Kills. His father had the river dragged for his body. Some believed he had been drowned and that his body had floated out to sea; others thought he had been murdered and that his body was concealed somewhere along the shore. But he had no known enemies, and carried nothing of value about him. Neither was he in pecuniary trouble; his books were all straight, his family and his wife's family were well to do, and his domestic relations were believed to be happy. The family apparently gave him up for dead. But there were some who, when his reappearance was rumored a few days ago said: "I told you so."

Mr. Whitman's father said, yesterday: "I do not know who started the report of my son's return, but it was some heartless wretch. I assure you there is not a word of truth in it. He has not returned, and we do not know where he is, or that he is alive. His mother suffered a severe injury recently, and is now in a critical condition, and I would not have her hear such a report for the world. You may deny every word of it on my authority."

Recently young Whitman's brother Stephen, who resembles him very much, visited his mother, and possibly was mistaken for him, thus giving rise to the report that he had returned.

Crispin's Big Leap.

The play of "Hearts of Steel" to be produced at Niblo's Garden on Monday evening portrays several thrilling scenes in the memorable siege of Athlone, so gallantly defended against the assaults of William, Prince of Orange, by Gen. Patrick Sarsfield. Among these is the leap across the chasm made by the breaking of the bridge that spanned the Shannon when "Red Donohue" went with a party of the "Hearts of Steel" to attack the enemy in their midst while the remainder of the body were charging them in the rear.

It was difficult to obtain a horse to perform this leap; but Mr. Clarke finally engaged the services of Mr. James Cook and the beautiful white horse Crispin, which was ridden by Mr. Stevens at Hinkle's leap on the night of Henry Ward Beecher's lecture. Yesterday was the first day of rehearsal, and at 4 o'clock Mr. Cook and his horse were at the bridge. The animal collapsed suddenly on the incline, and along the side of the chasm, and Mr. Cook, just on the verge of the chasm he stopped so short that the fore feet were hardly an inch from the edge. For a long time he refused to make the leap, but the united efforts and skill of the rider finally conquered, and with a single instant's hesitation at the brink, he bounded across and remained perfectly motionless on the other side, his nostrils dilated, and every limb quivering with excitement.

Work to be Done in Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The Senate to-day adopted the joint resolution of the House providing for an adjournment over the holidays on the 19th inst. An attempt will be made to pass the pensions and fortifications appropriations before the holidays. Both of these bills have been reported by sub-committees, and will be submitted to the full Committee on appropriations to-morrow. Speaker Randall, who is pressing the Appropriations Committee to carry forward its work as specedily as possible, wishes both bills brought into the House and passed to-morrow. As it will be impossible to have the bills printed to-morrow, it is doubtful whether they will be considered. Friday is private bill day, and the House will adjourn over Saturday. Consequently the appropriation bills may not come to a vote next week. The Fortifications Appropriation bill is $100,000 more than last year, owing to the purchase of some big guns.

Mysterious Men in New Hampshire.

CORNISH FLATS, N. H., Dec. 10.—The inquest in the case of Levi H. Stone of Cornish, who died a short time ago of a fractured skull, was closed last evening. There were several witnesses who gave testimony the most important of which went to show that on the morning on which Stone was found in his barn with a fractured skull he had left his house but had been seen by several persons, and that evidence of a fight were discovered on his clothes. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that stone came to his death from a blow on the head given with some heavy instrument in the hands of some person unknown to the jury. Mrs. Stone and the sheriff are under arrest.

Preferring a Felon's Cell in New York to the Halter in Illinois.

BALLISTON, Dec. 10.—Sheriff Stevens of Lasalle county, Ill., who came here with a requisition for Patrick Lynch, who confessed implication in the murder of Benedick Lorensen in Norway, Ill., in July, 1875, has returned without his man. Lynch, having informed him in writing that he would not accept a pardon if granted, he made his escape. He served four years in Clinton prison for being implicated in Illinois.

HAVEMEYER VERSUS HAVEMEYER.

The Decision of the General Term in a Case that Attracted Much Attention.

The case of Havemeyer against Havemeyer, which attracted much attention about a year ago, has just taken a new turn in consequence of the decision of the General Term of the Supreme Court. It was one of seven suits, brought by the administrators and children of Albert Havemeyer against their cousins, John C. Havemeyer and Henry Havemeyer, the sons of the late Mayor Wm. F. Havemeyer. One suit was begun several years ago, and it resulted in a verdict for the plaintiffs for $30,000. This the General Term, on appeal, considered erroneous and set aside. Another trial was had, which resulted in a verdict for plaintiffs for $32,000, but this, also, has been set aside.

The plaintiffs claimed that, being the holders of about 11,000 shares of Long Island Railroad stock, while the defendants owned about 9,000 shares, and wishing to sell the whole 20,000 shares to Mr. Poppenhusen, who owned a rival railroad, they (the plaintiffs) induced the defendants to agree to unite in a sale of all the 20,000 shares, which would be a majority of the stock, leaving other stockholders out. This agreement, the plaintiffs averred, the defendants had broken in several ways, and so they demanded damages.

It appeared that Henry O. Havemeyer, one of the plaintiffs, went to the defendants and made the agreement on which the suits were brought; but the defendants showed that on the very day when Henry O. Havemeyer went to the defendants to get authority to act for them, and to get them to unite in the proposed sale, he wrote to Mr. Poppenhusen, the opposite party in the negotiation, the following letter:

DEAR SIR: A Mr. Godefroy has had some conversation with me regarding the stock held by the estate of the late Albert Havemeyer. Will you be kind enough to inform me if you contemplate purchasing a controlling interest in the Long Island Railroad? Not knowing Mr. Godefroy, I am not sure that he is authorized to represent you in this matter. What you choose to tell me will be regarded strictly confidential, as in this matter I desire to work in your interest and not in the interest of those who have the present control. I desire to sell the stock I control, and would sell it, though I cannot commit myself just yet, at the average price you pay for the balance, which, with mine, would give you a majority of it. I advise you of this that you may feel assured that if you contemplate purchasing the road you may depend upon the ten or thirteen thousand shares I hold.

The sale of this stock is of such importance to the persons I represent that I would willingly assist you if you think I can in getting the majority of the entire stock. An early reply will oblige, yours truly,

H. O. HAVEMEYER.

Mr. Poppenhusen answered this letter thus:

In reply to your favor of to-day, I beg to say that Mr. Godefroy is authorized to act for us in the matter of L. I. R.R. stock. Thanking you for kind offers of assistance in the matter, we will, if necessary, make use of them.

Henry O. Havemeyer, it was alleged, concealed this correspondence from the defendants, and they did not find it out until some time afterward. They maintained, among other things, that the writing of these letters absolved them from the agreement. On the trial the Court refused to take that view of it. The General Term has decided that the refusal of the Court was erroneous, and that the correspondence between Henry O. Havemeyer and Mr. Poppenhusen was the first breach of the contract, and that, therefore, the plaintiffs could not recover. For this reason, with several others assigned in a long opinion written by Judge Sedgwick, the judgment has been reversed, and the Court, after deliberation, has concluded, substantially, that the plaintiffs cannot maintain the action.

Peter Tostevin's Suicide.

Peter Tostevin, the builder, who committed suicide in his home at 82 South Tenth street, Brooklyn, while temporarily insane on Monday, leaves a fortune of $100,000. He was for many years a successful builder, both in this city and in Brooklyn, and was the contractor for many important works. Mr. Tostevin was conspicuous for a time in 1871, when, having refused to submit to alleged exactions of a Superintendent of Repairs of the Building Department under the Tweed regime, he was assaulted in the latter's office, knocked down, and forcibly ejected. His accusations against the Superintendent of Buildings forced the latter's retirement. Mr. Tostevin was 52 years of age. He had for some time been suffering from depression of spirits, and he seriously demonstrated in making some money in land. He went to the fourth floor of his residence on Monday to resume some work, and soon afterward shot himself through the heart with a rifle. Mr. Tostevin was once a trustee of the Dry Dock Savings Bank.

Mary Anne Brown's Case.

May Anne Brown, who for years has been a constant inmate of the City Prison, where, on account of her neatness and brightness, Matron Foster detailed her as a messenger, was again before Justice Otterbourg, yesterday. Less than a week ago, on her promising to reform, a good place was found for her by Mrs. Vacht, but after three or four days, the girl was tempted again, and was arrested by Policeman Finken for intoxication. She attempted suicide in her cell in the Tenth street police station, but was cut down in time. When asked why she had tried to commit suicide, she replied that nothing but prison life restrained her from drinking, and that she was tired of that. Justice Otterbourg committed her

The Rev. Dr. Eggleston's Resignation.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Eggleston, the preacher and novelist, has resigned as pastor of the Church of Christian Endeavor in Brooklyn. In his letter to the members of the church he says that there is no probability of his ever being able to return to the care and responsibilities of work as his physician urges him to seek entire relief from responsibility and not again to resume labors which have come so near putting an end to his life and overthrowing his reason. His resignation has been accepted at his request. Dr. Eggleston is to seek rest in Europe.

Mrs. Marks's Bottle of Vitriol.

The charge made by Wolf Marks, a clothing dealer of this city, against his wife, Marietta Marks, that she had thrown vitriol at him, with deadly intent, was further examined by Justice Elliott, in Brooklyn, yesterday. Justice Elliott dismissed the charge, principally because the complainant's alleged friend, Charles Jenkins, who, at a previous examination, testified that he saw Marks turn the bottle of vitriol against his coat after he (Jenkins) had struck him. Marks and his wife have a divorce litigation pending.

Danger in a School.

Public School Building No. 7, the most costly school house in Jersey City, and, until recently, supposed to be the most substantial, is reported by Principal Hoyt and Director Cringle of the School Committee, to be in a dangerous condition. They say that the arches of roof of the building was not properly placed in position, and that the walls have been greatly weakened by the inequality of the weight resting upon them. The subject is to be presented to the Board of Education at its next meeting.

Nominated by Mr. Hayes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Mr. Hayes sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day: James B. Sener of Virginia to be Chief Justice of Wyoming Territory. To be Registers of the Land Office—Edward Stevenson at Reed City, Mich.; John C. Bradley at Marysville, Cal. The Senate confirmed the nominations of John Hay of Ohio to be Assistant Secretary of State, and Henry Harris of New Hampshire to be Deputy Second Auditor of the Treasury.

The Civil Rights Act.

Samuel D. Singleton, a ticket taker at the Grand Opera House, was arrested, yesterday, charged with violation of the Civil Rights act in refusing admission to the Opera House to William R. Davis, a colored man. He gave $300 bail before Commissioner Deuel. The incident in the case is the first found under the Civil Rights act in this district.

Business Chances.

A BACK SHOP down town to let, comprising two very light lofts, 80 feet by 25; fixtures, tools, machines, and stock for floating 60 trunks, will be sold on easy terms. Address TAILOR, box 122, Sun office.

FOR SALE—A butcher shop, in best locality on 5th av., on account of sickness of proprietor. Inquire at BLUM'S, 59 Murray st.

MILK wagon and cans for sale, all complete, cheap; can be seen on 1st av., between 63d and 64th sts.

WANTED—A sober young American man as partner in starting a small business. Address GEORGE West, Station M, city.

Musical Instruments.

A GREAT OFFER FOR HOLIDAYS!!—A splendid organ, $45, $48, $60, $65, $85, $70 upward; 7-octave pianos, $125, $135, $175, do. $140, $150 upward; warranted; monthly or instalments received; instruments to rent, tuned and repaired. HORACE WATERS, Agent, 826 Broadway, cor. 13th st.

A $125 Beautiful upright, also, square piano, almost new; good pianos, $50; GOLDSMITH'S, 20 Bleecker st.

BARGAINS.—Pianos, $10, $80; nearly new, $140. Organs, equals to pianos, $35, $75, $105, $150 up; finest high top organs, $205. GORDON & SON, 13 East 14th st.

FOR SALE Cheap—A new first-class upright piano, at 70 Norman av., Brooklyn, E. D.

THE MASON & HAMLIN ORGAN CO., 46 EAST 14TH ST. (Union square), offer the largest assortment in the city of the BEST CABINET OR PARLOR ORGANS IN THE WORLD—winners of highest distinction at EVERY WORLD'S FAIR FOR THIRTEEN YEARS. Prices, $50, $60, $78, $94, $100 to $600 and upward. Also, for easy payments, $5 a month for 12 mos., or re-75 a quarter for 10 quarters, and upward.

THREE elegant upright pianos on sale at Maxwell's, 87 East 14th st.; owners unable to come to town and will sell at sacrifice; cost $1,500; Warerooms offered in second hand, all makes. Please call before buying elsewhere. MAXWELL'S, rear Wallack's.

Financial.

DIVIDEND NO. 6.—ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY.—Executive Office, 145 Broadway, New York, Dec. 9, 1879.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company, held this day, a dividend of three-fourths of one per cent, payable out of net earnings for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1879, and also a dividend of one quarter of one per cent out of the surplus remaining in the treasury, was declared payable Dec. 20, 1879, to stockholders of record on the closing of the transfer books, Friday, Dec. 19, 1879, at 3 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books will be reopened on Tuesday morning, Dec. 31, 1879.

A. B. CHANDLER, Treasurer.

Sporting.

IMPORTED GAME FOWLS.—Fancy Pigeons and smooth-legged snow-white African Bantams to be sold at C. W. BARKER & SON'S Auction, Broadway and Thirty-ninth st., on Saturday, 13th inst., at 11 o'clock. Black Reds, Ginger Reds, Dominicks, and Brass Backs, selected from the choicest breeds in the old country. Pigeons—Antwerp Carriers, blue, black, and yellow bald pate Tumblers, and red Fantails.

Wanted---Female.

A.—UP-TOWN ADVERTISERS May leave their favors for THE SUN at the only authorized up-town advertisement offices,
1,238 Broadway, corner of 31st st.; till 9 P. M., and
308 West 23d st., corner of 8th av., till 8 P. M.
200 3d av., corner of 47th st., till 8 P. M.
92 East 14th st., corner Union square, till 8 P. M.
No extra charge.

A CHAMBERMAID and 2 young girls wanted; 3 waitresses, 1 cook. 136 6th av., above 10th st.; free.

A GOOD chambermaid; call from 11 till 2. 153 Greene st.

BROWNING, KING & CO. want operators, basters, and finishers on men's and boys' clothing, at their manufactory, 527 to 541 West 23d st.

DRESSMAKER wanted. 117 Varick st., room 11.

EXPERIENCED operator on custom shirts, to work in the store; steady employment.
REVER SIMON, 492 Broome st.

FOLDERS wanted at pamphlet bindery, 29 Rockman st.
MICHAEL METZ

FITTER on misses' and children's grain shoes; none but an experienced hand. 85 Warren st.

GIRL wanted, 12 or 13 years of age. Apply between 2 and 3 o'clock, to LEE & CO., 65 Nassau st.

OPERATORS wanted on children's shoes. 97 South 6th st., Williamsburgh.

PANTS FINISHERS wanted by BROWNING, KING & CO., 527 West 23d st.

SEWING MACHINES.—Selling off great sacrifice; best cabinet, half case, all kinds; liberal terms; rented; repaired well. 157 East Broadway, near Canal st., and 23 Greenwich av., corner of West 10th st.

SEWING machines, wholesale and retail; Howe, Home, Domestic, W. & W., Singer, &c., new, from $15 to $35; discount to dealers. BLUM'S, 57 and 59 Murray st.

SEWING MACHINES, all kinds, $7; warranted for 3 years. 304 East Broadway, junction of Grand st.

WANTED—Girls experienced in packing soda and saleratus, or similar goods. Apply at J. MONROE TAYLOR'S Chemical Works, foot Sackett st., near Hamilton Ferry, Brooklyn.

WHITE VEST manufacturers, capable of making large quantities.
ALFRED BENJAMIN & CO., 73 and 75 Wooster st.

WANTED—Six girls in a dollar store; wages, $7 per week. Enclose postal card with your address to W. S., box 148, Sun office.

WANTED—A girl 15 years of age, to mind a baby; wages, $6 a month. Inquire at 10 6th av., from 8 till 11 A. M.

WANTED—A good, steady woman for general housework; wages, $7 to $8. Basement door 241 West 39th st.

WANTED—A young girl to assist in taking care of a child; wages, $4 per month. Apply at 238 East 29th st., 2d floor.

WANTED—A girl to side half bound covers; steady work.
S. M. CAIN, 15 Spruce st.

WANTED—A good young girl for light housework; a good home and low wages. 310 East 25th st.

WANTED—In bookbindery, 55 Beekman st., experienced folders on steady work.

WANTED—A girl to mind children. 416 East 18th street.

WOMAN for light housework. Call at 389 Washington st. from 10 to 2.

YOUNG girls can obtain situations free, lodgings and meals at 6c. each, at the Girls' Lodging House, 27 St. Mark's place, 8th st. (under care of Children's Aid Society). Also, free instruction on sewing machines from 9 to 5 daily to all who may apply, and dressmaking taught gratuitously.

100 HANDS on fine jean drawers to work home. Apply, with reference, to
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100 GOOD new shirt ironers on colored shirts, and learner; highest prices paid. 449 West 38th st.

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AN A1 BOOKBINDER is wanted to go South and accept a permanent position. He must be a reliable, steady man, a good practical workman in all branches of the trade, and capable of superintending, forwarding, finishing up, ruling, &c. Address, with references and full particulars, HARRISON, P. O. box 2,814, New York.

A. L. DUNLEVEY & CO.—Teas, coffees, &c., Japanese curiosities, all kinds of pure spices, at 1 per retail price. Call or send for price list. Fulton, corner Water st.; elegant salesroom up stairs. Established 1857. Agents wanted, male and female. DUNLEVEY'S.

A FOREMAN for a wholesale youths', boys', and children's clothing house in Chicago; must have ample experience, be of sober habits, and a good pattern cutter. Address, stating wages demanded, F., Post Office box 1,942, New York.

A CHRISTMAS present worth giving.—Men's overcoats $2.50, $3, $4, $6, $8, $10, and $12. J. L. DAVIES, successor to Cameron, 172 Bridge st., Brooklyn.

AGENTS make $25 till Christmas daily selling AMERY'S holiday cards. 49 and 95 Bowery, 2 corners Hester st.

A YOUNG MAN to assist in a liquor store; best reference required. Apply between 9 and 10:30 A. M., at 424 3d av.

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AGENTS—You can easily make $3 to $5 per day selling the original Hit-A-Oss. 3 Elizabeth st.

A PLATE PRINTER wanted at S. J. NEWICK'S, 66 and 68 Fulton st., New York.

A GOOD horse collar maker wanted; steady work. Call for 8 days, 547 Hudson st.

A FIRST-CLASS unsmith wanted. Apply at 42 South 5th av.

BOOK EDGE gilder wanted; to a good hand a steady job. J. T. SHEPPERD & SON, 46 Centre st.

BOOKBINDERS.—Blank book forwarder wanted.
JAMES B. ENGLISH, 42 Park place.

BOY wanted, who can feed both Gordon and cylinder presses.
STYLES & CASH, 77 8th st.

BRUSHMAKERS.—One or two good nailers at the McLAUGHLIN Factory, 28 Exchange st., Boston.

BOY 18 years of age; one who has worked at coopering preferred. Inquire at 110 Wall st.

BOY wanted who can mould bread and be useful. 284 Bleecker st.

DIE SINKER.—Steady employment to a die sinker who can make soap dies and cut letters in the best manner. Must be able to design. Address for three days E. S., box 118, Sun office.

EGGNER press feeders wanted; steady work for the right hands. Apply at DAY & BATCHELAR'S, 11 Frankfort st.

EXPERIENCED clothing cutters. Apply to ALFRED BENJAMIN & CO., 73 and 75 Wooster st.

GROCER wanted—A smart young man from 18 to 21 years; must understand his business, and take care of a horse; reference required.
O'GEARY, 210 East 59th st.

GOOD working soap maker wanted; wages $10 per week. Address SOAP, Sun up-town office, 1,238 Broadway.

GORDON pressman wanted at 221 Fulton st. Apply at 8 o'clock.

HANDS wanted on coats, vests, and pants.
BROWNING, KING & CO., 541 West 23d st.

PROOF READER wanted for book room; an expert and experienced man.
MARTIN B. BROWN, 49 and 51 Park place.

STREET MEN and peddlers wanted at 43 Maiden lane, third floor.

TELEGRAPH LINEMEN wanted by the Gold and Stock Telegraph Company. Apply at Superintendent's office, room 42, Cortlandt st.
GEO. B. SCOTT, Superintendent.

TO BOOKBINDERS.—Wanted a young man as porter and boy to feed ruling machines; call after 10 o'clock. Apply at SAWYER'S bindery, 9 Thames st.

TO BUTCHERS.—Wanted, a young man that understands the business. Apply at 2,358 3d av.

WANTED—Two machinists, one for lathe and one for planer, to go to Pennsylvania; steady work all winter; none but competent hands need apply. Inquire between 12 and 1, Friday and Saturday.
C. S. MAURICE, 239 Broadway, room 15.

WANTED—One or two good cabinetmakers for a short distance in the country. Apply between 12 and 1 o'clock at
PELOUBET, PELTON & CO.'S, 14 East 14th st.

WANTED—100 experienced tunnelmen at Dutchess Bay Tunnel cow pasture, Boston, Mass. wages, $1.60. Apply to R. A. MALONE, Contractor.

WANTED—A boy in a large importing house to run errands and make himself generally useful. Address, in own handwriting, Post Office box 4,068.

WANTED—A strong, honest boy, with reference, who has worked in a carpenter shop. Address, in own handwriting, 41 A, Post st., 27 Charles st.

WANTED—A man to take charge of a shop, bottling ale, &c. Address, stating experience and where last employed, ALE, box 162, Sun office.

WANTED—A young man that understands selling ladies' and gents' furnishing goods. Apply between 3 and 9 at night in store 599 Broadway.

WANTED—A good wagon blacksmith, as partner in a good paying shop. Apply for 2 days at 114 Hamilton av., South Brooklyn.

WANTED—An errand boy in a laundry; must make himself generally useful. Address B., box 149, Sun office.

WANTED—A first class brass moulder.
W. H. McKENNA & SON, 596 Broome st.

WANTED—100 cash boys. Apply, with reference, from 7 to 9 in the morning, at 500 Broadway.

WANTED—In bookbindery, 55 Beekman st., case makers; steady work winter and summer.

WANTED—A boy willing to work; apply after 9 A. M. Mona Mntg Co., 152 Nassau st.

WANTED—Short boys, 15 or 16 years old, at corner of Mott and Hester sts., basement.

WANTED—Two wire hands, call early, prepared for work. 522 West 20th st.

WANTED—A man to line refrigerators. Call at 54 Roosevelt st.

WANTED—A boy 14 to 15, in grocer's. 31 Cornelia street.

WANTED—A boy to mind fire, clerks and chasers wanted. Call 2nd floor, up stairs.

3 POUNDS 60c. tea, $1. Coffee, &c., wholesale prices. AMERICAN TEA SUPPLY, 204 Water st., up stairs.

5 POUNDS sample tea, $1; 5 pounds pure coffee, 90c. Sample Tea Co., 293 Pearl st. and 140 Fulton st.

5 POUNDS pure tea or coffee at wholesale prices. The Canton Tea Company, 148 Chambers st.

6 POUNDS sample tea, $1. Fulton, cor. Water st. Salesroom up stairs. Agents wanted. AMBROSE S.

7 POUNDS sample tea, $1; 5 pounds pure coffee, 50c.; teas, co