

DIED ON THE OPERA STAGE.

CASTELMARY HAD JUST ENDED THE SECOND ACT OF "MARTHA."

He was attacked with heart disease and fell across a table. The audience thought it was good acting and applauded. He died in Jean de Reszke's arms—his career as a singer.

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MME. CALVE ILL.

She, as well as Mme. Emmae of the Metropolitan, confessed to her room. It was said last night that Mme. Calve was ill of rheumatism, and that the attack was so serious that she was confined to her room.

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that instant Castelmary expired. M. de Reszke, with the assistance of some of the stage hands, carried the body to Castelmary's dressing room on the second floor.

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PURROY RALLIES HIS MEN.

BIRTH OF THE TAMMANY HOME RULE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Crocker and Sheehan bitterly denounced at a meeting in Lyric Hall at which the County Clerk's Followers Organized for a Reform and Political Party.

"The Tammany Home Rule General Committee" is what County Clerk Henry D. Purroy's new political organization decided by resolution last night to call itself.

"Resolved, That with the objects in view which have been hereinbefore stated, and fully realizing that the great municipal election of the present year will be the most important and far-reaching in its results, for good or ill, that this city has ever known, the Tammany Home Rule General Committee, now duly inaugurated, hereby pledges itself to work unceasingly and zealously until it shall have become an important and reliable ally of all decent citizens in their efforts to drive unfitness from political office."

Mr. Purroy promised that there would be 1,000 delegates present at the meeting. There were nearly 1,500 voters crowded into the hall, and they were an enthusiastic lot.

"Now that this girl has confessed," he said, "I'll do the same thing, I simply went to the Tombs and confessed. I was locked up in the Tombs until Damp Hampton came and made a confession. All along McLaughlin had proclaimed his innocence. Yesterday, however, when confronted with the sworn statement made by the Hamilton woman, he 'came in' as the District Attorney put it, and agreed to tell the whole story."

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After recess permanent organization was effected, with Henry D. Purroy Chairman; Henry Murray, First Vice Chairman; J. J. McManus, Treasurer; six Secretaries, and five Sergeants at Arms.

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HAMERSLEY HEIRS ROBBED.

A \$15,000 SHORTAGE IN ONE OF THE HAMERSLEY ESTATES.

The District Attorney's Office Asked to Take Action in the Matter—Forger Alleged in Addition to the Theft—What the Lawyers in the Case Say.

Henry H. Man of the law firm of Man & Man, whose office is at 66 Wall street, went to the Criminal Court building yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Moss and her husband.

"It is another Hamersley estate," said the lawyer, "I would like to guess that there has been nothing to do with the Louis Hamersley estate, which was thought to have been one of our firm's interests."

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THE CABINET PLACES TO FILL.

Senator Quay is Worried Over One and McKinley Over Both.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Senator Quay left town rather suddenly this evening, and the politicians at first thought that he was going to Philadelphia to confer with some of his political friends.

The Senator is worried over the repeated statements of those who have visited the President-elect that a Pennsylvaniaist is to be appointed to place the seal on the tariff, and it is believed that the reason why he went to Philadelphia to-night was that he learned that P. C. Knox of Pittsburgh was in Canton to-day. Mr. Knox is Charles Magee's candidate for the office of Attorney-General.

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The Costume Ball of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin.

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Once in a generation or thereabouts the rivalry of social ambitions crystallize in an entertainment so stupendous in scope and sumptuous in detail that it makes an epoch in the history of the city. From a private party concerning only the givers of the feast and the circle from which their guests are chosen it takes rank as a matter of public importance.

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WYLER KILLING AMERICANS.

North Dakota Thinks It is About Time That We Had Something to Say.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 10.—The following correspondence has been unanimously passed by both houses of the Legislature. "We watch with deep and abiding interest the heroic battle of the Cuban patriots against cruelty and oppression. Our best hopes go out for the full success of their determined contest for liberty."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The torpedo fleet commanded by Prince George, second son of the King of Greece, has sailed for Crete. Before the fleet departed Prince George had a grand occasion. The Prince declared that he would prevent the Turkish troops sent from Smyrna, the news of whose despatch to Crete created intense excitement here, from debarking in the island.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Secretary Olney has declined the invitation of President Eliot of Harvard to become professor of international law, and will so notify him in a few days. "The letter of President Eliot carried with it the offer of a large salary, but Mr. Olney proposes returning actively to the practice of law on leaving the Cabinet, and does not wish to be hampered by other engagements."

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PROBATION RESTORED IN IOWA CITY.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 10.

A great sensation has been caused here by the decision of the Supreme Court, rendered this morning, that the Malott liquor law does not apply to cities under special charters. This restores the prohibitory law in Duaneport, Dubuque, Cedar Rapids, Keokuk, and several smaller cities.

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