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AMUSEMENTS.

FORD'S OPERA HOUSE.
CHRISTMAS WEEK.
MATINEE CHRISTMAS (MONDAY) AFTERNOON.
ERIC BAYLEY'S COMEDY COMPANY.
In the Great Success of London, by T. C. Burnand, editor of London Punch, entitled
THE COLONEL,
Now played for over 350 nights in London, and promising to equal the longest run on record.
Entirely New Scenery.
Unique and Characteristic Appointments.
Elegant Costumes, by Du Maurier, of London.
Produced under the personal supervision of Mr. Eric Bayley, of the Prince of Wales Theater, London. d23

NATIONAL THEATER. LOTTA.
Secure your seats in advance.
STANDING-ROOM ONLY AFTER 7:45.
THIS (FRIDAY) AND SATURDAY NIGHTS, AND SATURDAY MATINEE, THE
INIMITABLE AND ONLY LOTTA AS "BOB."
A Wild Flower Transplanted to a Conservatory, in her latest success, her $5,000 comedy by Marsden.
Prices of admission—Private boxes, $6 and $8; orchestra chairs, $1; orchestra circle, 75 cents; dress circle, 50 cents; gallery, 25 cents. Secured seats in both circles, 25 cents extra.
NOTE.—The above prices will be adhered to at the Saturday Matinee.
MONDAY, December 26 (Christmas week), first appearance, after an absence of six years, of the original and only VOKES FAMILY. Matinee on Christmas (Monday) afternoon. d23

LINCOLN HALL.
DECEMBER 28 AND 29. MATINEE 29TH.
Greatest Attraction of the Season,
ROYAL
HAND-BELL RINGERS
AND
GLEEMEN,
OF LONDON.
Crowded houses wherever they have appeared.
Admission.....50 cents
Admission to Matinee, Children.....25 cents
NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR RESERVED SEATS.
For sale at Ellis' Music Store, 937 Pennsylvania ave., where programs and circulars may be obtained. d23-7t

GRAND SOCIABLE
AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL,
MONDAY EVENING, December 26th,
For the benefit of
ST. DOMINIC'S CHURCH.
Tickets.....50 cents.
An excellent Supper will be provided.
Good Music. d23-3t

JUST OPENED—WAKELY'S NEW GALLERY, 723 7th street northwest. Photographs, &c., taken in the best style of the art at moderate prices. Everything new. Ready for business. Come at once. Satisfaction guaranteed. d20-6t*

ATTORNEYS.

R. ROSS PERRY,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
342 D STREET,
Opposite City Hall. n7-6m

HENRY WISE GARNETT,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
No. 2 Columbian Law Building, 5th st., bet. D and E, sep6-6m, 1p WASHINGTON, D. C.

N. H. MILLER,
Attorney-at-Law,
Has removed his office to Rooms 6 and 8, Gunton Law Building, Louisiana avenue, near City Hall. jy25-6m

HAYWARD & HUTCHINSON,
317 NINTH STREET,
HAVE AN ENTENSIVE STOCK OF GOODS IN ALL THEIR LINES.
FURNACES, RANGES, LATROBE STOVES,
SLATE MANTELS,
GRATES, &c.
SANITARY INSPECTION AND THE REMODELING AND MODERNIZING OF DEFECTIVE PLUMBING IN CITY RESIDENCES IS MADE THE SPECIAL FEATURE OF OUR BUSINESS.
☞ We give Favorable Estimates for New Constructions in all our branches. s7

UNIVERSALLY PRESCRIBED BY THE FACULTY
TAMAR a laxative and refreshing Fruit Lozenge. for CONSTIPATION, hemorrhoids, bile, headache, cerebral congestion, etc.
INDIEN prepared by GRILLON, *Sole proprietor*, Pharmacien de 1re classe de la Faculte de Paris, 27 rue Rambuteau, Paris.
GRILLON Tamar—unlike pills and the usual purgatives—is agreeable to take and never produces irritation.
Sold by all Chemists and Druggists.
75 CENTS THE BOX. n17 th12w

JOHN MORAN,
2126 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE AND 428 9TH NORTHWEST,
has on hand a large assortment of the best makes of LATROBES, Cox, Whiteman & Cox's Celebrated Splendid and Ruby and other RANGES and HEATING STOVES, Novelty FURNACES, &c.
PLUMBING, TIN-ROOFING, JOBBING, STOVE REPAIRS, &c.
Prices and terms reasonable.
☞ Connected to Telephone Exchange. n11-2m

THE DEAF HEAR THROUGH THE TEETH, AND the deaf and dumb hear and learn to speak by means of a recent wonderful scientific invention, the DENTAPHONE. What spectacles are to the near sighted, the Dentaphone is to the deaf. By its use the deaf are enabled to hear all ordinary Conversation, Lectures, Concerts, &c., perfectly; and the Deaf and Dumb hear and are being taught to understand spoken language. For sale by CHAS. FISCHER, 623 7th street northwest. d22

CAMPHORINE,
FOR CHAPPED SKIN,
Gives perfect satisfaction.
L. C. BISHOP, Druggist,
d16-1m 730 9th street, cor. H st. northwest

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ CHRISTMAS AT CENTER MARKET.
This grandest of all markets still offers to the public the best market products and table supplies that can be brought together. The large competition of dealers always tends to keep the prices down to the lowest possible margin to the cash customer. The Center Market, in its usual attractive style, WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1881, ALL DAY AND EVENING, until 11 o'clock. Monday, December 26, being a legal holiday, the market will be closed. d23-2t

☞ WASHINGTON MARKET COMPANY—THE annual meeting of the Stockholders of the WASHINGTON MARKET COMPANY will be held at the office of the company, in the city of Washington, at 12 o'clock noon, on the first Monday, being the second day of January, 1882, for the choice of thirteen Directors for the ensuing year, and to act on any other subject within the power of the corporation.
B. D. WHITNEY, Secretary.
Washington, D.C., Dec. 22, 1881. d22-9t

☞ MASONIC.—A STATED COMMUNICATION of ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 11, F. A. A. M., will be held at Masonic Temple, FRIDAY, December 23, 1881, at 7 o'clock p.m. Business: Election of officers.
By order of the W.M.
d21-3t J. C. FILL, Secretary.

☞ NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC.—WASHINGTON, December 21st, 1881.—Dividend. The Board of Directors of this bank have this day declared a dividend of 5 per cent, out of the earnings of the past six months, payable on and after January 3d, 1882. DAN'L B. CLARKE, President.
CHAS. S. BRADLEY, Cashier. d21-4t*

☞ ALL ATTORNEYS INTERESTED IN legislation providing for a settlement of that large class of meritorious outstanding claims against the District of Columbia for Special Damages to real estate by reason of public improvements, &c., are requested to meet for consultation at 6:30 p.m. December 22, at 208 4½ street northwest. d22-3t

☞ HOLIDAY GOODS.
A large assortment of Fancy Porcelain and Duplex Lamps, Portables and Fancy Shade Paper Shades. Magnificent Display of Gas Fixtures.
E. F. BROOKS.
d17 Corcoran Building.

☞ OFFICE OF THE WATER REGISTRAR,
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
WASHINGTON, December 15, 1881.
Water takers are hereby notified that water rents will be due on January 1st, 1882, and unless paid within thirty days from that date the law authorizes the water to be cut off from premises and the penalty of $2 added to the bill. THOS. C. COX,
d15-tJan1 Water Registrar.

☞ JAMES H. McGILL, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN BUILDING SUPPLIES, 1421 New York avenue, near the Treasury Department, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Bartlett, Hayward & Co.'s Architectural Iron Work. Masury's Paints and Colors, Leads, Oils, Plate, Window and Ornamental Glass; Minton's Tiles, Terra Cotta, Portland Cement, &c. d13-3m

☞ FARMERS' & MECHANICS' NAT. BANK,
GEORGETOWN, D.C., December 15, 1881.
The Board of Directors of this Bank have this day declared a dividend of four per cent out of the earnings for the past six months, payable to the Stockholders on and after January 3d, 1882.
The books for transfer of stock are closed until January 3d, 1882.
d16-law2w W. LAIRD, Jr., Cashier.

☞ THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF TRUSTEES by the Stockholders of the WASHINGTON BRICK MACHINE COMPANY will be held on the second MONDAY of January, (being January 9th, 1882,) at the office of the Company, Room 4, 1420 New York avenue. Polls will be open between the hours of 12 m. and 3 p. m. By order of the Trustees. d9, 16, 23, 3t

☞ TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, OF WASHINGTON CITY.—The Annual Election of Eleven Directors of the CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, of Washington city, will be held at the Bank, corner of 7th street and Louisiana avenue, on MONDAY, January 9, 1882, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p.m. The annual report of the transactions of the Bank will be read at 1 p.m. of the same day.
SAMUEL NORMENT, President.
JAMES S. EDWARDS,
Secretary Board of Directors. d9-f&m,4w

☞ SPECIAL NOTICE.
OFFICE OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO. OF D. C.,
WASHINGTON, Nov. 30. 1881.
Policy holders are hereby notified to renew their insurance on or before the last MONDAY in December, 1881, for the year 1882. Please attend to your renewals before the last few days, and thus avoid the crowd.
On account of reduced expenses and the condition of the business of the Company for the present year, the NEW PRESIDENT recommended to the Managers at their last meeting, that the rate of interest on the premium notes be reduced to one (1) per cent on all renewals for the next year, which recommendation was approved by the Board, thus making a reduction of 33⅓ per cent on the rate paid last year.
n30-22t J. WESLEY BOTELER, Secretary.

☞ EUREKA SPRINGS WATER (from Arkansas), Summit, Deep Rock, Geyser (Saratoga), Bethesda, Blue Lick, Bedford, Salurian, Michigan, Congress Water, and other Natural Waters, freshly received, and for sale on draught at
MILBURN'S PHARMACY,
m5 1429 Pennsylvania avenue.

GEO. F. TIMMS. HARRY B. PARKER.

GEO. F. TIMMS & CO.,

400, CORNER 7TH AND D STREETS.

ONE PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE

OVERCOATS.

WINTER SUITS.

BOYS' CLOTHING.

DOUBLE SHEET.

Washington News and Gossip.

GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS TO-DAY.—Internal revenue, $469,880.35; customs, $463,088.14.

NAVAL ORDERS.—Lieut. W. H. Reeder is detached from special duty at Washington, and ordered to the Portsmouth Navy-yard, N. H. Assistant Paymaster T. J. Cowie to temporary duty at the naval pay office, Washington.

THE FUNERAL OF MRS. SWAYNE, wife of Justice Swayne, of the U.S. Supreme Court, who died yesterday, will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 1303 K street. The services will be conducted by Dr. Paret, of Epiphany church. The interment will be made in Oak Hill cemetery. The following will be the pall-bearers: Senator David Davis, Chief Justice Waite and Justices Strong, Miller, Bradley, Harlan, Field and Woods.

MR. HOWE expects to reach Washington and assume the duties of his office some time between the first and sixth of January.

MARYLAND COMPLIMENT FOR SPEAKER KEIFER.—A delegation of the Sixth Maryland Regiment, which was formerly in Speaker Keifer's command, called upon him in this city yesterday afternoon and presented resolutions. The presentation speech was made by Mr. John R. King. Speaker Keifer responded in a few fitting remarks. The Speaker left for his Ohio home last night.

NATIONAL BANKS NOT AFFECTED.—A circular issued a short time ago by Commissioner Raum and which applied only to banks (other than national banks) has caused innumerable inquiries from national banks, under the impression that they are affected thereby. On this account Treasurer Gilfillan has issued the following circular: "Washington, D. C., December 22, 1881.—No change has been made in the regulations of the Treasurer of the United States prescribing the method to be followed by national banks in making return of average deposits subject to semi-annual duty. The circular of the commissioner of internal revenue, No. 241, dated October 8, 1881, applies only to banks other than national banks."

POSTMASTER APPOINTED.—J. H. Walker was to-day commissioned postmaster at Otter Hill, Bedford county, Va.

A DULL DAY.—This has been a remarkably dull day in the departments. The members of Congress have nearly all left the city, and but few of them called at the departments to-day.

SECOND LIEUTENANT VASA E. STOLBRAND, 13th infantry, has been detailed for instruction at the school of application for infantry and cavalry at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.—Representative Springer has called upon the State and Post Office departments for copies of all correspondence with foreign governments on the subject of the postal telegraph system, apparently with the view of introducing a bill to establish the system in this country.

A HUSBAND AND HIS WIFE'S LETTER TO ANOTHER MAN.—A country postmaster wrote to the Postmaster General a day or two ago saying, "a man's wife dropped a letter in this office addressed to another man, the husband suspects something wrong. Shall I deliver the letter to him?" The postmaster was instructed that the husband could not get the letter in that way.

THE U. S. SUPREME COURT yesterday adjourned to January 4th next.

HOLIDAY TILL WEDNESDAY NEXT.—The Treasury bureau of engraving and printing will be closed from to-night until next Wednesday morning.

ATTORNEY GENERAL BREWSTER will come to Washington on the same train upon which President Arthur returns from New York.

COURSE OF THE JEANNETTE.—The Secretary of the Navy has requested Commodore DeKraft, in charge of the Hydrographic Bureau, to prepare as soon as possible a chart showing the track of the Arctic exploring steamer Jeannette from the time of leaving San Francisco onward to Herald Island, when she was last seen by American whalers, and her probable course from that point to the locality where the telegrams announce the Jeannette was crushed by the ice; then the probable course of the boats in which the brave explorers took passage for the Siberian coast. The chart will also show the landing points, the route down the Lena, and the probable route home, at least through the Russian possessions. The track of the search steamer Rodgers, this last summer, the route marked out for Lieut. Putnam and his men for a sledge party along the northern coast of Siberia this winter in search of the Jeannette, and such other tracings as will best indicate the progress of both expeditions will also be embraced on the chart. Draughtsmen are busy making the preliminary sketches.

SUPPRESSING THE LAND LEAGUE.—A cablegram to the New York *Herald* from Dublin December 22d, says: "I understand on good authority that the Prisoners' Aid Society, organized by the Ladies' League, will this week be suppressed, on the ground that it is simply the Land League under another name. Mr. Kettle, who was liberated to-night, was honorary secretary of the League and one of the signers of the no rent manifesto. I understand that a further seizure of arms is likely to take place in Dublin in a few days. It will be much more important than the first."

THEO. W. SWAYZE has been appointed stenographer to Appointment Clerk Butler, of the Treasury department.

THE HOLIDAYS IN THE DEPARTMENTS.—By an agreement reached at the last Cabinet meeting, all the government departments will be closed at noon to-morrow and at noon every day next week, with the exception of Monday, when the departments will be closed all day, Congress having just made that a legal holiday instead of Christmas.

MR. R. S. BLAINE, a brother of ex-Senator Blaine, is to be appointed newspaper clerk under the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THE GARFIELD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FUND.—The committee of the Garfield Memorial Hospital acknowledge the receipt of the following additional subscriptions to the fund: Jacob H. Schiff, New York, $500; Hon. James G. Blaine, $100; Lansburgh & Bro., $25; Capt. I. N. Burritt, $25.

APPOINTMENT CLERK OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.—A rumor, which has no foundation whatever, has been circulated around the Treasury department during the past two days that there would be a new assistant appointment clerk of the Treasury department. Mr. Eaton will continue in that position.

THAT REPUBLICS CAN BE GRATEFUL is shown by the issuance to-day over Secretary Kirkwood's signature, of twenty-seven pieces of bounty-land scrip to the heirs of John Paul Jones, a captain in the American navy, in appreciative acknowledgment of brave and meritorious services in connection with the capture of certain British vessels of war.

PERSONAL.—Ex-Secretary McDonald left for Indiana last night.——Dion Boucicault arrived in New York from Europe yesterday.——Col. Nicholas Smith, the famous Kentucky beauty, and husband of one of Horace Greeley's daughters, is said to be an aspirant for a foreign mission.——Mr. Norman Bestor has returned from his ranche in Kansas, and will spend the winter in Washington.——Mr. Nathan A. C. Smith, of the Post Office department, left the city last evening for Florida, where he will spend the holidays.——Senators Aldrich, Hawley, Hoar and McPherson, Representative Robinson, of Ohio, and J. N. Tyner and Gen. J. A. Williamson, of Washington, were registered in New York last night.

THE DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

Bill Defining the Rate of Interest on Unpaid Taxes.

The following bill, introduced in the House by Mr. Bowman, of Massachusetts, will early engage the attention of the House committee on the District, to which committee it was referred: It is "a bill defining the rate of interest to be charged on arrearages of general and special taxes now due the District of Columbia, and the meaning and intent of acts approved June 19, 1878, and June 27, 1879, relative to the adjustment of special assessments in said District, and for certain other purposes," and it enacts:

That the rate of interest to be collected of any person owing arrearages of general taxes prior to July 1st, 1880, or assessments for special improvements now due to, and the liens for which are held by, the District of Columbia, shall be six per centum per annum, in lieu of the rate and penalties now fixed by law: *Provided*, That this provision shall apply only to taxes and assessments paid on or before the 31st day of December, 1882.

Sec. 2. That it is the meaning and intent of "An act to provide for the revision and correction of assessments for special improvements in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved June 19, 1878, and of the third section of "An act fixing the rate of interest upon arrearages of general taxes and assessments for special improvements now due to the District of Columbia, and for a revision of assessments for special improvements, and for other purposes," approved June 27, 1879; that the Commissioners of the District of Columbia revise and correct all assessments for special improvements completed subsequent to Feb. 21, 1871, and to issue in each and every case where the assessment is ascertained to be excessive, to the party who paid the same, a drawback certificate for the amount of such excess, which certificate shall be received for general taxes due prior to July 1st, 1877, and for all assessments for special improvements; and that the said Commissioners shall issue to the holder of each certificate of assessment reduced in said revision a drawback certificate for said reduction of principal and interest, which certificate shall be received for all assessments for special improvements.

Sec. 3. That in cases where the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, or their predecessors in office, have canceled or do cancel the assessment for special improvements levied by the corporation of Washington and erroneously assessed against property exempt under existing law, said Commissioners are authorized and directed to redeem the outstanding certificates of assessments so canceled by issuing to the holders thereof drawback certificates in amount corresponding with principal and accrued interest, which certificates shall be receivable for assessments of special improvements.

The Modified Bid for the Free Bridge.

PROBABILITY THAT THE CONTRACT WILL BE AWARDED TO THE CORRUGATED IRON COMPANY.

The modifications made in their original bid by the Corrugated Iron company to build a free bridge across the Potomac are very material. These modifications are all in the interest of durability and strength. They are so radical that it is necessary that the whole ground be gone over again. For this reason Gen. Wright, chief of engineers, has referred the matter back to Gen. Abert, who has charge of river and harbor improvements in the District. If Gen. Abert decides that under their modified plans the Corrugated Iron company will build a suitable bridge the contract will be awarded to them. Otherwise the whole matter will be referred back to Congress with a recommendation that a larger appropriation to secure the durability and strength of the proposed structure be made. It looks, however, as if the Corrugated Iron Company would get the contract under the $145,000 appropriation.

The Treasury Investigation.

AN EXPENDITURE OF $7,200 FOR A WORTHLESS HEATING ARRANGEMENT.

The Treasury contingent fund investigation has brought to light the facts in regard to the payment of $7,200 for a new-fangled boiler, a scheme in connection with the heating of public buildings. This matter was mentioned in THE STAR at the time that the Meline committee was at work under Secretary Windom. The Senate investigation shows that the $7,200 was paid to a man in Chicago named McMullin, who held that his alleged improvement would be a great saving in coal to the government. The improvement was perfectly worthless. The Senate committee, however, brings out a further fact that the money was paid to McMullin upon the recommendation of J. B. Hawley, who was then First Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and a candidate for the Illinois gubernatorial nomination. It has also been shown in the Senate investigation that McMullin was to do all he could to secure that nomination for Hawley.

The Jeannette Party.

THANKS OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES.

The following dispatch was sent to-day.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
WASHINGTON, December 23, 1881.

HOFFMAN, St. Petersburg.—Convey the thanks of the President to the Imperial government for its liberal and generous action in advancing the necessary funds to render assistance to the members of the Jeannette expedition, and inform Mr. de Giers that you are authorized to draw on me to reimburse that government if it will kindly inform you of the amount.

FRELINGHUYSEN, Secretary of State.

THE NEW CHINESE MINISTER, Cheang Tsaoyu, and suite, numbering, including servants, 24 persons, arrived in this city to-day by special train on the Pennsylvania line at 12:20 o'clock, and were at once taken to their rooms at the Arlington.

NO TREASURY DEPARTMENT DISCHARGES.—There will not be any discharges January 1st next from the Treasury on the lapse roll, as has been stated.

The Freeman Family Troubles.

THE WIFE STATES THAT HER HUSBAND HAS SOLD ALL HIS EFFECTS, GONE TO NORTH CAROLINA AND LEFT HER DESTITUTE.

Mrs. Laura O. Freeman, who was recently held in the Police Court on the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill her husband, Columbus L. Freeman, by poisoning his coffee and who afterwards had her husband arrested for assaulting her, by trying to smother her, came to the Police Court this afternoon to see the judge about her case. She was crying bitterly and seemed to be very much grieved about something. She is rather a good looking woman, and was well dressed. She afterwards told a STAR reporter that after her husband was released from the Police Court last Wednesday he sold out all the furniture, and took the four children and the proceeds of the sale of the furniture, and left for Battsville, in the state of North Carolina, to be a clerk in his father's store, leaving her destitute and depending on strangers for a place to sleep. She said she loves her husband yet although he has treated her shamefully. She had a bundle containing large framed photographs of her children, which she said was all she had left of her family or home. She says she is only 29 years old, and has five children, and was married to Freeman in Richmond, Va., when she was 14 years old; that she incurred the displeasure of her family in marrying him and will not ask any favors from them now. She said if she had the means she would follow him and get possession of her children.

Howe and Brewster Will Stir Them Up.

From the Pittsburg Telegraph.

Hon. Timothy Howe, just nominated to be Postmaster General, has had some experience in investigating frauds, and there seems to be still room for such service in the postal department. Howe and Brewster will stir up those route agents.

A watchmaker opened a shop at Lehigh, Iowa, and repaired watches at such astonishingly cheap rates that over a hundred were soon on the bench. Then he packed them in his trunk and traveled on.

Telegrams to The Star.

NEBRASKA STAR ROUTE CASES.

ACCIDENT TO THE FLAGSHIP TENNESSEE.

NEW PACIFIC RAILROAD SCHEME.

VARIOUS PHASES OF THE IRISH QUESTION.

Disaster to the Flagship Tennessee.

RUN INTO BY A STEAMER IN NEW YORK HARBOR AND CUT TO THE WATER'S EDGE.

NEW YORK, December 23.—The flagship Tennessee was floated out of the Brooklyn navy yard dry dock yesterday, and proceeded to Ellis island, in the bay where she anchored to take in powder. While at anchor in the afternoon she was run into by a steamer believed to be the Western Star, which came up in the fog and struck the Tennessee amidships. The flagship was cut down to the water's edge, and had to be heeled over to one side by moving the artillery over to the side opposite to that on which she was struck, so as to prevent the water from flowing in. It will be necessary to put the Tennessee again on the dry dock, and it will probably be a month before the necessary repairs can be made. The officers of the Tennessee say that she was anchored out of the channel, and that the fog was not so dense but that the steamer could be seen from the deck of the Tennessee, and was hailed before she struck the ship. The departure of the Tennessee for Aspinwall was set down for Tuesday next, but will be delayed some weeks by this accident.

The Eastern Hemisphere.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, December, 23.—The Mincing Lane markets, the London stock exchange and the Liverpool Cotton exchange will be closed on Saturday and Monday, the 24th and 26th, and the Liverpool Cotton exchange will also be closed on the 31st inst. and 2d of January.

MANCHESTER MARKET.

The Manchester *Guardian* in its commercial article this morning says: Buyers having few orders in hand are inclined to do as little business as possible. Prices are steady however. The demand for yarn for home consumption has fallen off.

DEFENCE OF PROPERTY IN IRELAND.

LONDON, December 23.—The Lord Mayor's fund for the defence of property in Ireland now amounts to £7,000. The fund for the relief of Irish ladies in distress has reached nearly the sum of £10,000.

THE EMPEROR WILLIAM'S BANQUET.

BERLIN, December 23.—The Emperor William gave his annual banquet to the diplomatic body last evening.

ITALIAN CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

ROME, December 23.—The chamber of deputies has adjourned until the 19th of January.

THE LORD MAYOR EXPLAINS.

LONDON, December 23.—The *Daily News* publishes copies of telegrams sent by Mr. Gladstone to the lord mayor at the time the fund for the defence of property in Ireland was being inaugurated, in which the prime minister expressed the belief that an association for the purpose indicated would be a justifiable movement, but that advice from the government as to English aid involved many other considerations, and would be likely to do more harm than good. The same journal, in a leading article, charges the lord mayor with allowing a false representation of the purport of the telegrams to be used by the tories, and says the Mansion-house fund is little more than a party demonstration against the government, and that the lord mayor is more anxious to damage the government than to help the landlords. The lord mayor has consequently addressed a letter to the governor of the bank of England, stating that the object of the fund is to uphold the rights of property against an organized combination to defraud.

MR. PIGOTT ON FENIANISM.

LONDON, December 23.—Mr. Pigott, former proprietor of the Dublin *Irishman*, who recently issued articles respecting the land league, publishes a letter further explaining his views, in which he says he believes that Fenianism is practically extinct in America and in Ireland, and nearly so in Great Britain; that the "no rent" manifesto has caused such a run upon the resources of the land league that they must soon be exhausted, and that probably a general adoption of the "no rent" policy will lead to such exasperation that there will be organized attacks on the military and police, which attacks can be effectually stamped out and the league with them.

DEATH OF A JOURNALIST.

LONDON, December 23.—The death is announced in Paris of Granville Murray, journalist and author of "The Member for Paris."

THE SILVER QUESTION.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—At a meeting of bankers and merchants of London yesterday a resolution was passed in favor of the formation of an association to consider the rehabilitation of silver, and Mr. Henry Hucks Gibbs, one of the directors of the Bank of England, was chosen president of the council.

A NEW LINE OF OCEAN STEAMERS.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Daily News* says: The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd will start direct steamship communication with the United States and Brazil. The first steamer will start on the 25th of January for New York, and the second for Brazil in February.

A LARGE FRENCH COMMERCIAL HOUSE IN TROUBLE.

A Paris dispatch to the *Pall Mall Gazette* this evening says: "A large French house in the Indian trade is in difficulties. Some French credit establishments will lose heavily. One is involved to the extent of 100,000 pounds."

SECURITY OF THEATERS AGAINST FIRE.

BERLIN, December 23.—Herr von Puttkammer, minister of the interior, has approved stringent rules for the greater security of theaters against fire, which are to take immediate effect.

Close of Canal Navigation.

BORDENTOWN, N. J., December 23.—Delaware and Raritan canal navigation closed here last night. All boats in the canal between this city and New Brunswick will be locked out.

Central Pacific Railroad.

PAPERS OF ORGANIZATION—CAPITAL $13,500,000.

CHEYENNE, WYO., December 23.—The *Ledger* to-day publishes a copy of the papers of organization of the Central Pacific R. R., of Wyoming, filed with the secretary of Wyoming Territory, by Charles Crocker, Charles F. Crocker and W. V. Huntington, incorporators and trustees. The capital stock is $13,500,000, in 135,000 shares. The chief office is at Evanston, Wyoming. The road will commence on a point of the north and south boundary line, between the territories of Wyoming and Utah, where the Bear river crosses the boundary line; running thence through Mintah, Sweet Water, Carbon, Albany and Laramie counties, in Wyoming, to a point on the eastern boundary line of Wyoming, where the Niobrara river crosses the line. The distance is four hundred and fifty miles. The capital stock represents the actual contemplated cost of construction and right of way. Each trustee takes 33,750 shares.

Frightful Accident to a Pleasure Party.

ELMIRA, N. Y., December 23.—Last night a party of five left this city, to drive to Ridgebury Penn., to attend a party. The night was dark and stormy and at Wellsburg, six miles from Elmira, the double wagon, containing the party was thrown from a high bridge, and the entire party hurled sixteen feet into the bed of a creek. The names of the persons and their injuries are as follows: Leroy Horban, internally injured; Edward Smith, tongue bitten in two; Miss Norah Desmond, thigh broken; Miss Nellie Howard, skull fractured; Miss May Dacey, back and hip injured.

A Wife Killer's Sentence.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Thomas McKeever, a bricklayer, 36 years old, who was indicted for murder in the first degree for stabbing and killing his wife Maria, October 29th last, while he was under the influence of liquor, was arraigned in the court of general sessions today. He pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the first degree, and was sentenced to state prison for 15 years.

Ten Years in State Prison.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Ten years in the state prison was the sentence imposed to-day on Wm. Eckert, in the court of general sessions. He was convicted of an assault with intent to kill Mrs. Annie M. Lewis, by shooting her on the 23d of last month.

Arrest of a Train Robber.

ST. LOUIS, MO., December 23.—Texas specials state that Stewart, the notorious train robber, incendiary and bank robber, has been arrested at Houston. It is said he robbed the Chicago and Alton train of $10,000. Detectives have been looking for Stewart seven years. He will be taken to Kansas City, where ten indictments stand against him.

The Nebraska Star Route Prosecutions.

OMAHA, NEB., December 23.—Judge Dundy, in the United States court to-day, granted the motion to quash the indictment for procuring false reports of mail arrivals that were found against Corbin, Iddings and Clary in the Sidney and Deadwood line star route cases, but sustained the main indictments, charging conspiracy. Two new indictments have been found to cover the defects in the first, and trial is expected to be held at Lincoln next month.

Escape of Prisoners.

MEMPHIS, December 23.—All the prisoners confined in the jail at Hernando, Miss., escaped last night. Among the number was Ed. Nelms, colored, under sentence of death for the assassination of Rufus Armistead in July, 1880.

Sentenced for Manslaughter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Bernard Carney, 29 years old, who was indicted for killing his brother, John Carney, a fireman, Nov. 18, during a quarrel between them, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the third degree, in the general sessions court to-day, and was sentenced to the state prison for three years and six months.

Services of Song.

HOW CHRISTMAS DAY WILL BE CELEBRATED IN THE CHURCHES.

All the choirs of the city have been practicing during the week the music for Christmas morning. Following are programs of music not included in the lists heretofore published in the STAR:

St. Matthew (Catholic)—Low masses will be celebrated at 5, 7, and 9 o'clock. Solemn high mass and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 11 a. m. This will be the only service at which the choir will assist. The following music will be rendered: Guilmant's Royal Mass No. 3, in E flat, for the first time in this country. Before the mass, Adeste Fideles; before the sermon, Deitsch's Veni Creator; at offertory, Gaudeamus Diabilli; before benediction, Il. Natali, Gounod at benediction, O Salutaris, Barili; Tantum Ergo Donezzetti. Sermon by Rev. Father F. E. Boyle. There will be no vespers. The choir is composed of the following: Soprani—Mrs. Chas. McCartee, Miss Mamie Livingstone, Mrs. M. Barringer, Miss Isabella Smith, Miss L. E. Norman, Miss Nellie McAuliff, Miss Beale, Miss Nannie Noonan and Miss Cora Clarke. Alti—Miss Josephine Esputa, Miss May Newton, Miss Dollie Patterson, Miss Nellie McLinden, Miss Nannie O'Hare, Miss May McAuliff and Miss Maggie Hallett. Tenori—Messrs. W. H. Burnett, J. E. Shorb, Earnest May, Arthur May, W. E. Morgan and James Patterson. Bassi—J. F. H. Blois, Henry Kaiser, A. Brooks, John Daly, Chas. E. Gannon and L. E. Gannon. John P. Lawrence, organist; L. E. Gannon, director.

St. John's (P. E.), West Washington—Venite, D. Mendelssohn; Te Deum, D. Miller; Gloria Patri, Mosenthal; Jubilate Devo, E flat, J. Stainer; Hymn, 21, Hutchins; Kyri Eleison, Baker; Hymn, Hutchins; Offertory, "O Zion, That Bringest Good Tidings," J. Stainer. The choir consists of soprani, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. Barbarin, Miss Lockwood, Miss Irene Jones, Miss Getty, Miss Marbury, Miss Annie Jones, Miss Dodge, Miss Moffat; alti, Miss Barbarin, Miss Earle, Miss Hyde, Miss Susie Earle, Miss Billings; tenri, Mr. Offley, Mr. Peters, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Deeble, Mr. Parris; basi, Messrs. Barbarin, Cox, Lake, Moffat, Whittaker, Barrett. Leader, E. S. Holmes. Organist, W. E. Middleton.

Memorial, (Lutheran), 14th street and Vermont avenue, Rev. Dr. J. G. Butler, pastor. At the 11 o'clock service the following program will be rendered: "Glory be to God in the Highest," Pergolesi; "Gloria Patri," Monk; "Gloria in Excelsis," Gregorian chant; Hymn 110; Offertory: a, solo "In a Lovely Manger," b.; "Angel chorus" with obligato solo, b; quintecte, "Sweet, Sweet Peace," d; grand chorus, "Glory in the Highest;" Hymn 230. Post sermon: Soprano solo, "Cantique De Noell," Adam; Hymn 234. At the afternoon (4 o'clock) service will be rendered: Voluntary, "Christus Consolator," composed for this service by J. H. Seiffert; Hymn 111; Offertory: "The Foe Behind, The Deep Before," Lloyd, with organ, flute and cornet accompaniment; Hymn 229; Post sermon: "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Man," L. Fayette Sypes; Hymn 233. This choir is under the direction of Mr. John H. Seiffert. Mrs. Wm. M. Rouzee, organist; Professor McFarland, flute; Mr. Wm. Long, cornet; Mrs. Little, Mrs. Bradford, Mrs. Seiffert and Miss Gust, soprani; Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Shepherd and Miss Butler, alti; Messrs. Bright and Bache, tenori; Messrs. Brown and Seiffert, basi.

Holy Cross Church, P. E.—The first vespers of the Christmas services will be held Saturday at 7 p. m. On Christmas day the first mass will be at 7:30 a. m.; matins at 9:30 a. m.; litany, choral, Gregorian at 10:30; high mass at 11 a. m. The music will be plain song—hymns, ancient and modern. The serm