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[SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC LETTER.]

BUREAU OF THE DISPATCH, WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 6.

During the past week two convictions have been reached in the minds of the closest political observers in Washington, namely, that Cleveland will be the Presidential nominee of the Democratic party at the next National Convention, and that Harrison will again be the standard-bearer of the Republicans.

There are many reasons which have brought forth these conclusions. A few weeks ago it appeared that Hill had Cleveland in a position where the latter could not possibly recover his former prestige. The friends of the ex-President were discouraged and ill-humored, and the cause of their ill-temper was the seeming success of the machinations of a triumvirate composed of Hill, Gorman and Brice. In the meantime, this combination was in a mild degree boastful, and the reaction having set in, the shrewdest of observers agree that the swing of the pendulum is now in favor of Cleveland.

Hill's Greatest Political Mistake.

Probably no greater mistake was made than when Senator Hill forced the midwinter convention upon the New York Democrats. It was a needless exhibition of power, as Hill, in possession of the machinery of the State Committee, would have been able at any time, between now and next June, to have controlled an anti-Cleveland delegation from the State of New York to the Democratic National Convention. It convinced Democrats all over the country that the policy of the triumvirate is rule or ruin, and that the success of Hill meant, to a large extent, the degradation of distinguished party leaders. This was especially true in regard to the Democrats from the South, and both Hill and Gorman have suffered in the reaction.

There is a distinct line of division between the leaders in the Democratic party. It can be expressed no better than to call them Cleveland and anti-Cleveland supporters.

Mills' Friends Making Crisp Sick.

In the House the anti-Cleveland men are found close to Speaker Crisp, while the admirers of Cleveland affiliate with Mills and McMillin. There is little attempt made to conceal their differences, and the followers of Mills are making it extremely unpleasant for the Speaker. He has been halted in a dozen different enterprises by the word coming to him that to proceed meant an open fight.

Those who observed the progress of the Speakership fight will recall the fact that all the anti-Cleveland forces were rallied to elect Crisp. Hill, Gorman and Brice lent their influence to secure his elevation to the Speaker's chair, and it was the votes from Ohio, Maryland and New York that secured his election. It was given out at the time that the fight was to kill both Mills and Cleveland at the same time, and in the first flush of victory for the Crisp men it looked as though it might have been accomplished.

A Different Aspect of Affairs.

Weeks have now passed and affairs wear a different aspect. Crisp has proved a disappointment. He was expected to use his influence in changing the sentiment of the South from Cleveland to either Hill or Gorman. In this respect he has accomplished nothing. There is now a stronger Cleveland sentiment among the public men of the South than there was at the time of Crisp's election as Speaker. The Speaker is an obstinate sort of an individual, who gives his Democratic opponents a good show of resistance but he lacks the qualifications of an organizer, and has been found to be utterly useless by the combination which so substantially aided in securing his election. If the whole thing had to be done over again, the triumvirate would throw their weight for McMillin for Speaker as he has shown himself capable of accomplishing things for which Crisp is utterly useless.

Cleveland Holding the Solid South.

The failure to create an anti-Cleveland sentiment in the South has weakened the efforts of the combination. Mills, Breckenridge and Wilson have asserted that the South is prepared to nominate Cleveland whether he enters the convention with or without the delegation from his own State. Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Nebraska have practically settled upon Cleveland, and this represents the prevailing sentiment in the Northwest.

With the South almost solid and the Northwest practically so, it has become an interesting issue with the enemies of the ex-President as to how they are to secure the votes to defeat his renomination. Hill's friends have learned something in the past month, and they are far less aggressive than heretofore. It was the understanding that Senator Brice should have a delegation from Ohio which he could carry in his pocket. It was stated that of the delegates-at-large Brice and McLean were to be two of the number.

Ohio the First Stumbling Block.

The first thing they ran against was the State organization in Ohio. It is still in control of ex-Governor Campbell and hostile to the Hill-Brice-Gorman combination.

When it was known that Brice and McLean would be in the field for delegates-at-large, Campbell notified them that he would oppose them by running himself and Allen W. Thurman, the son of the recent candidate for Vice President. That meant a big fight, and Brice concluded it would be better to conciliate than to contest, so a sort of compromise was patched up, and Campbell and Brice will constitute two of the four delegates at large. McLean will be in the convention, but as a delegate from the First district in Hamilton county. With a delegation loaded up with Campbell men, Senator Brice will find it difficult to deliver the goods as advertised.

These palpable failures of the anti-Cleveland machine have sent Cleveland stock booming upward in the past week.

Blaine Not Hankering to Run.

In respect to the Republican nomination for President, a singular state of affairs exists. No one fully acquainted with the sentiments expressed by representatives from all sections of the country will deny that Secretary Blaine can secure the nomination if he will signify a desire to have it. But in this connection arises the question, "Dare he take it?" Mr. Blaine cannot be elected unless President Harrison's friends consent to his election. A second defeat at the polls is not what Mr. Blaine is courting at the present time. There is reason to believe that he feels the uncertainty of support from the administration, and that is why no public declaration has fallen from his lips in respect to his future intentions.

It is now but four months until the Republican Convention will assemble. It will be agreed that if Mr. Blaine has intentions on the nomination, he must retire—or should already have done so—from the Cabinet of the President, who is himself seeking a renomination. That he has not done so by this time is construed as meaning that he has abandoned his ambition of the past, and that he will take no more chances on a battlefield where, for the first time, the White Plume was drabbled in the dust of defeat. If Blaine is out of the race, as he seems to be, the renomination of President Harrison is a foregone conclusion that needs no oracle to forecast.

LIGHTNER.

HILL HOLDING HIS OWN.

Of Nine Conventions in New York State He Only Loses One.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—So far nine of the 128 Assembly districts have held conventions to select delegates to the Democratic State Convention, to be held here on Washington's birthday. Chairman Murphy, of the State Committee, had the conventions in his district held first. Following those was the Columbia County Convention, where Colonel Samuel J. Tilden was. To-day conventions were held in Chemung, Schenectady, Rockland and Steuben counties. Essex county, too, has had its convention. These conventions are from different parts of the State. It is plain, from the resolutions passed and the delegates elected, at these conventions that the State Convention will be substantially unanimous for Senator Hill for President, and that the delegates will be Ohio's choice. It will hardly be necessary for him to have a unit rule adopted to secure for himself the unanimous vote of the 72 delegates to the National Convention from New York.

The only county convention of the nine already held that is hostile to Senator Hill is the Essex County Convention, where Smith M. Weed controlled. Mr. Weed has been unfriendly to Senator Hill ever since Senator Hill was chosen Senator after Mr. Weed had thought he would be supported by Senator, then Governor Hill, for the same office. That indicates that the Clinton county deficit will be against him. That is the only opposition outside of Albany and Genessee counties that has developed within the party organization.

CLEVELAND FRIENDLY TO CAMPBELL.

In Case He Won't Run He May Help Ohio's Ex-Governor.

DETROIT, Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—Ex-President Cleveland's visit to this State on Washington's birthday is not alone for the purpose of addressing the law students of the University, but to receive the homage of the faithful. There will be a secret political conference held during his visit, in which the ex-President, Dickinson, Vilas, Dan Lamont and ex-Governor Campbell will be the chief figures. These gentlemen have all promised to be present, and from local leaders who are in a position to know it is learned that there will undoubtedly take place the final conference on the question of Cleveland remaining in the field for the Presidental nomination.

The presence of Campbell discloses the hand which the ex-President will play in the case himself, if he finds it unwise to make the race. Rather than see the nomination go to Hill or to any other member of Gorman-Brice-Hill combination, Mr. Cleveland intends to throw all his strength for some outside man. He has picked on the ex-Governor of Ohio as the proper one. Dickinson is known to be very friendly toward the Buckeye candidate, although devoted to the interests of his former chief. He is ready to work for the Ohioan in case Cleveland concludes definitely not to run.

AGAINST THE SNAP CONVENTION.

A Democratic Manifesto Against the Action of the New York Committee.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The following has been issued by a committee of the members of the Democratic party who are opposed to the calling of a party convention in February:

The State Committee has called its convention for the 22d of February for the manifest purpose of forestalling public opinion, and of influencing the political action of other States by an apparent unanimous delegation of New York in favor of the preferred candidate of a majority of the committee. This action of that State Committee we have opposed, and shall continue to oppose to the end that all Democratic electors of the State shall have full opportunity to be represented and heard.

In our judgment you should fight at the primaries to elect delegates who regard the "snap" convention as detrimental to the true interests of the party, and who, in taking their seats, will move that the convention will dissolve without any action at all.

LOUISIANA REPUBLICANS AT OUTS.

The Candidate for Governor Says He Won't Work With the State Committee.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—The Republican nominee for Governor has written the following letter to Hon. T. A. Cage, Chairman of the State Central Committee of the Republican party of Louisiana:

SIR—The Campaign Committee which you have appointed is not, in my opinion in harmony with the sentiments of the late State Convention of the Republican party. I believe that the convention meant what it said: at all events, so far as my voice in it went, I meant what I said. I must, therefore, decline to co-operate with that committee. Back of all leaders stand the Republican party—to the party I appeal. Let us hope the party will take such action as will be acceptable to all Republicans.

Very respectfully,
A. H. LEONARD.

Contract Laborers Turned Back.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Forty-eight contract laborers were returned to Europe today from the emigrant station at Ellis Island. The total number returned during the week was 124. Most of them were immigrants bound for the Pennsylvania coal mines.

ANOTHER CHARLIE ROSS.

STRANGE ABDUCTION OF A LITTLE BOY IN WOODS' RUN.

John Kane, an 8-Year-Old Boy Decoyed From His Home by a Well Dressed Stranger—A Supposition That His Father Had Him Spirited Away.

A bold abduction of a boy was made last night in Woods' Run. The son of Mrs. Kane, No. 107 Wilkins street, was enticed away from his home by a man. The police are investigating the case. They were notified at 10:30 o'clock last night that two boys, John Kantz aged 8 years, and James Hughes, a year younger, both residing on Wilkins street, Woods' Run, had been kidnaped from their homes. An investigation was started and proved that only the son of Mrs. Kane had been taken. The facts, as developed, were as follows:

The two boys were playing about 6 o'clock in the evening in front of their homes. A man offered them some candy and became friendly with them. They wished more candy and followed him down the Ft. Wayne tracks almost to Jack's Run, where he said he would get them some. When near Jack's Run he sent the Hughes boy back, giving him five cents to purchase a lead pencil. This was but a pretext to secure the boy of Mrs. Kane.

Hughes got the pencil and returned but the man and the boy had disappeared. Hughes went back home and related the facts. He could not give a good description of the man. The latter, he said, was a large man and fairly well dressed. The police have no clew as yet. Mrs. Kane, the mother of the child, was nearly hysterical when questioned last night. She had no idea why her son should be taken. She is a poor woman. Her husband left her about two years ago and since then she has not heard from him. This fact was marked by the police and they do not doubt the probability of the son being abducted by the father. Mrs. Kane, however, said the description of the man did not correspond to the appearance of Mr. Kane.

THE FIGHT GOES TO CHURCH.

Paulist Fathers Try to Defeat New York's Proposed Excise Bill.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—There will be distributed in a number of the Catholic churches of this city to-morrow circulars appealing to the people to use all their efforts to defeat the excise revision bill now pending before the Legislature. The Revs. Thomas McMillan, of the Paulist Fathers, says in a letter which he has sent out that "the time has come when priests and laymen feel compelled to raise their voices against the saloon octopus." The circular says that it is an "appeal to Catholics in behalf of the moral welfare of the community, endangered by the prevalence of intemperance and the ever increasing number of saloons in New York." Further it says:

This bill contains the most offensive features of the Schaaf bill, which evoked within the past year so much indignant opposition throughout the whole State. With propriety the new bill, prepared by the liquor dealers might be called an act to antagonize public morality by providing for an increased sale of intoxicating liquors on Sundays and in all-night dance halls. This is an outrageous attempt to serve the saloon interest at the expense of church and home.

Among the signers of the appeal are the Rev. Fathers Edward Kenna, John McQuirk, Peter Pendergast, John F. Woods, James Dougherty, Thomas P. McLoughlin, Cornelius V. Mahony, William D. Hughes, D. A. De Cristoforo, Anastasius Drickyeischel and H. Henkel.

KIDNAPER SOUTHERLAND ON TRIAL.

A Pal Testifying in His Behalf Called Down for Rank Perjury.

GREENWICH, CONN., Feb. 6. — Sam Southerland, who, with John McCann and Charles E. Waterbury, was arrested for kidnaping little 8-year-old Ward Waterbury, had a hearing to-day. John McCann, one of the kidnapers, was put on the stand. McCann testified in Southerland's favor, and in his manifest eagerness to save Southerland began contradicting the statements he had previously made. It was evident that he was perjuring himself, and Prosecutor Walsh interrupted him and appealed to Judge Hoyt. The latter severely reprimanded McCann. In McCann's confession to Prosecutor Walsh he had said that Southerland was present at Waterbury's house when the kidnaping plans were laid, and that Southerland was one of the chief conspirators. In his testimony to-day he denied this.

Ward Waterbury and his father repeated the testimony they gave at the trial of the other two kidnapers. Southerland himself was then called to the stand. He refused to be sworn and would not make any plea. Prosecutor Walsh then addressed the Court. He said he would admit Southerland was not actually one of the kidnapers, but asked Judge Hoyt to hold the prisoner on the ground that he was an accessory before the fact, in so far that he knew all about the matter and assisted in planning it. Judge Hoyt took the same view of the case and bound Southerland over.

FREE SILVER MEN IN EARNEST.

A Majority of the House Coinage Committee to Report a Sweeping Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 6.—A meeting of the free silver members of the House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures was held to-night at the residence of Mr. Bland, Chairman of the committee. Beside the Chairman there were present Messrs. Williams, of Illinois; Kilgore, Robertson, Pierce, Epes, McKeighan and Bartine. Five members were absent, viz.: Messrs. Taylor, of Illinois; Tracy, of New York; Johnson, of North Dakota; Williams, of Massachusetts, and Stone, of Pennsylvania, the anti-free silver men of the committee.

It is understood that there was absolutely no difference of opinion as to what course should be pursued with reference to the silver question, and that it was unanimously decided to report favorably a free and unlimited coinage measure at an early day.

COST OF THE NEW POLLS.

What County Commissioners Will Be Allowed to Pay for the Apparatus.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 6.—To-night the State Department clerks mailed to the County Commissioners throughout the State the instructions of the board appointed to decide on the style of apparatus to be used under the operations of the new Australian ballot law. The circular gives full details, so the County Commissioners can make no mistake in placing their orders for the necessary apparatus. The limit of cost on the booth is fixed at $4 75 for the original compartment and $3 50 for each additional shelf or compartment; guard rail, $4 80; ballot boxes, $3.

The transcribing clerk inserted to word "not" in the clause requiring each voter's name to be checked, thus undoing what the framers of the bill intended.

M'CLELLAND SINKING

An Operation Performed by Surgeons on the Adjutant General.

HIS CONDITION SERIOUS.

Intense Suffering From Cancer of the Liver and Stomach.

LITTLE HOPE HELD OUT FOR HIM.

Another Consultation to Be Held by the Physicians To-Day.

HIS RELATIVES TELEGRAPHED FOR.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

HARRISBURG, Feb. 7.—As a result of a surgical operation performed on Adjutant General McClelland at 1 o'clock this morning by Dr. W. H. Keen, professor of surgery in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia; Dr. Dunott and other members of the Harrisburg medical

Adjutant General McClelland.

staff, no hopes are entertained for the recovery of the long-suffering patient.

The full nature of General McClelland's disease could not be determined without an internal examination, and the sufferer was consulted as to his wishes in the matter. He consented to submit to the operation, which resulted in the discovery of the most unfavorable symptoms.

Malignant ulceration of the stomach and a cancerous condition of the liver were revealed. No relief could be extended to the patient, and his death is expected soon.

After the surgical operation he suffered great pain, and requested a hypodermic injection. It is nearly three months since the General was taken ill. All his relatives have been telegraphed for.

Sketch of the General's Life.

William McClelland, of Pittsburg, was born in March 2, 1842, in Mt. Jackson, Lawrence (then a part of Beaver) county, Pennsylvania, and received a good common school education. April 23, 1861, he enlisted as a private in the Mt. Jackson Guards, but, the quota of Pennsylvania for three months having been filled, he re-enlisted for three years, going into camp June 8, the company becoming Battery B, First Artillery, Pennsylvania Reserves; April 8, 1864, he was promoted to Second Lieutenant; September 12 to First Lieutenant, and February 23, following, to Captain.

He served in the First and Fifth Army Corps, and participated in the battles fought by the Army of the Potomac; was slightly wounded April 1, 1865, at the capture of Petersburg, and was honorably discharged June 9, 1865, by reason of the close of the war. Subsequently he was admitted to practice law.

Many Offices Held by Him.

In 1870 he was elected to the Forty-second Congress in a strong Republican district; several times he was Secretary of the State Democratic Committee, and Chairman in 1876-77; has been a member of the State Executive Committee, and Secretary of the National Campaign Committee in 1888; is a Director of the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce; Jury Commissioner United States Circuit Court; a charter member of Duquesne Post No. 259, and member of the Executive Committee National Council of Administration, G. A. R.; also, a member of the Union Veteran Legion and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion; is a national commissioner of the World's Columbian Exposition, and was appointed Adjutant General January 20, 1891.

GRIP LEADS TO SUICIDE.

Five Sufferers in Western New York Killed Themselves Last Week.

BATH, N. Y., Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—Five persons committed suicide in Western New York this week, victims of grip and its sequences. Edwin A. Crown, financial clerk of a lumber company of Tonawanda, locked himself in his office Monday and strangled himself to death with his pocket handkerchief. He had been suffering from grip, was 38 years old and leaves a wife and five children. Tuesday James Gotta, a conspicuous and wealthy citizen of Medina, hanged himself in his barn. He was just getting around after a long illness from grip. He was 51 years old, and leaves a wife and daughter. Salem H. Waters, of Waters Creek, aged 63, hanged himself from a tree in his orchard Wednesday. He was a wealthy farmer. His wife died from grip two weeks ago.

John Stein, aged 60, of Batavia, on Monday told a friend that he believed he was threatened with grip. He did not return home that night. Next morning a man fished the body of John Stein from beneath the ice. The day before, John Sawdy, a 6-year-old, was drowned through the same hole in the ice. Mahlon Chambers, of Charlotteville, got out of bed Wednesday, where he had been ill with the grip for a week, and taking his revolver from a bureau drawer blew his brains out. He was 48 years old and single.

FUN TO BE IN PRISON.

The Deer Island Convicts Gambled and Held Prize Fights.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—The decapitated officials of Deer Island's institution tell stories of the lawlessness among the prisoners which are without parallel in reformatory institutions of the country. According to these yarns, card playing and gambling are the common amusement of the prisoners who have regular boards and paraphernalia. The prisoners settled disputes among themselves in the regulation prize ring style. With regard to the gambling it is said that the prisoners made the office a sort of banking house for them.

The prisoners had so much leeway that they had plotted to raid the women's wing. This would have been done Thursday but for the unexpected arrival of the Boston police. The prisoners had planned to cut the telephone wire but it was overlooked.

IN DEFENSE OF THE JOB.

AN AGENT OF THE NICARAGUA CANAL COMPANY TALKS.

He Modifies the Statements of R. T. Sparks, Published in The Dispatch—The Company Owns to Being Rather Inactive Till Congress Is Heard From.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Captain William L. Merry, ex-President of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, was seen to-day regarding the statements made by R. T. Sparks, who has returned here from Managua, that work on the Nicaragua Canal has ceased. Captain Merry is the local agent for the Nicaragua Government, and is also interested in the development of the canal. He said the statement that work on the canal has ceased is incorrect. The construction company does not profess to be doing extensive work on the canal pending the negotiation of their securities in Europe, or until their contract has been passed upon by Congress; but his advices from the District Engineer in December showed that there were over 400 men on the pay roll at the time, and that work was progressing steadily, if slowly.

The company has a concession from Nicaragua for 100 years. It was required to expend $2,000,000 in work the first year. According to the report of the board appointed by that Government, nearly $3,000,000 were expended by the company, and the Government not only approved the work of construction, but granted another extension of ten years in addition to that originally fixed for the completion of the work.

A. G. Menocal, representative of the construction company, is now in London effecting the disposal of $100,000,000 in bonds and $90,000,000 in stock of the canal company, and pending the disposal of these securities and the action of Congress, which must necessarily modify the company's projects, the latter is unwarranted in making any extensive improvements.

M'KINLEY MADE HIM POOR.

A Broker Asks to Have Alimony Reduced on Account of the Law.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—[*Special.*] — Two years ago, Sarah E, Wanzer obtained an absolute divorce in Brooklyn from sugar broker Moses G. Wanzer, and the court awarded Mrs. Wanzer $1,764 a year alimony for the support of herself and three daughters. Yesterday District Attorney Ridgway applied to Judge Clement in the City Court in behalf of Mr. Wanzer for a reduction of the alimony to $800, on the ground that the McKinley bill reduced Mr. Frazer's income.

Judge Clement inquired if Mr. Wanzer had not been paying $800 a year rent for a home in Taylor street, and also if he had not rented a cottage at Islip last summer for $250 a month. Mr. Ridgway answered that Mr. Wanzer had given up these houses, and was obliged to pay rent somewhere, unless he could find a boarding house where his company would be received as a pecuniary compensation for his board. Judge Clement reserved his decision.

SPRECKELS AND THE TRUST.

Another Repetition of the Rumor That Claus Has Capitulated.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—The *Advertiser* to-morrow will print eight columns to the effect that sugar importers and weighers take no stock in H. O. Havemeyer's repeated denials that Claus Spreckels has joined the trust. The article says:

"It is generally supposed that the American Sugar Refining Company, which is the trust, and Claus Spreckels' Philadelphia and Western Sugar Refining Company are rivals and have been cutting each other's throats to secure the public patronage, but the sugar magnates do not engage in such commonplace business tactics as cutting rates."

AN ELECTROCUTION THIS WEEK.

Murderer McElvaine Probably to Receive the Death Current Monday.

SING SING, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Nicola Trezza, who was expected to be executed Monday, but whose sentence was commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Flower Thursday, was released from the deathhouse to-day. He had been confined there with McElvaine, preparatory to his execution.

Preparations are going on steadily for the electrocution of McElvaine, the murderer of Grocer Tuca, of Brooklyn. It is presumed that the execution will take place Monday.

RUMOR ABOUT FRANCIS MURPHY.

T. A. Murphy Heard in New York That He Had Died in Pittsburg.

The following telegram was received shortly after midnight directed to the Chief of Police, Pittsburg, Pa.:

229 WEST NINETEENTH STREET, NEW YORK, Feb. 6, 1892.

Heard Francis Murphy died suddenly in Pittsburg yesterday. Please furnish, if possible, address and particulars.

T. A. MURPHY.

A reply was sent stating that the rumor could hardly be true because Mr. Murphy is presumed to be out West.

SETTLERS FREEZING TO DEATH.

A Hard Winter for the New Squatters on the Recent Indian Lands.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 6.—The recent cold weather has caused great suffering among the new settlers in the Indian country. Three deaths have already occurred, and several settlers are now in a precarious condition.

Mrs. Tolford and Mrs. Warner, living in a tent in the Pottawtomie country, were found dead from insufficient clothing and food. E. J. Daniels, from Western Kansas, died from the same causes near Chandler, in the Iowa country.

The Buffalo Not Quite Extinct.

DENISON, TEX., Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—Newton Horan, who has been spending the past two years in No-Man's-Land, is in the city. He states that a small herd of buffalo, probably five or six, have been seen in that country in what is known as Shallow creek basin. This winter a buffalo cow was killed by a cowboy, and he says he saw a herd of eight. He brought with him a buffalo bull's head.

A New Star Visible Without a Glass.

LICK OBSERVATORY, MT. HAMILTON, CAL., Feb. 6.—Lick Observatory has just been notified by telegraph of the discovery of a new star near Chi Aurigae. The new star is of the fifth magnitude and, therefore, easily visible to the naked eye. It has a spectrum with bright lines. Owing to stormy weather the star has not been seen at Mount Hamilton.

FITZSIMMONS' CHILD

To Be Given Good Moral Training During Her Minority Years.

HER FATHER'S LAST WISH

Expressed in a Letter Sent to His New Orleans Attorney.

HIS BODY TO BE TAKEN TO CANADA.

The New Orleans Officers Claim the $1,000 for the Arrest.

HIS STEP-BROTHER FOUND IN ST. PAUL

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—Chief of Police Gaster received information from Brockville, Canada, to-day, stating that C. H. Fitzsimmons, brother of the murderer, would leave this afternoon for this city to identify and take possession of the body of F. C. Fitzsimmons.

The Pittsburg party which has been here on account of Fitzsimmons left for home this morning. The detectives are very anxious to know where Fitzsimmons got the knife with which he killed himself, as they anticipated suicide and warned the parish prison authorities on the subject and to be careful. As the possession of a knife by Fitzsimmons shows carelessness on the part of the prison authorities, it will probably be thoroughly investigated.

Fitzsimmons talked a great deal while here, and very plausibly, and seems to have impressed nearly all with whom he talked that, while he was a black sheep, his wife was innocent of the crime for which she is serving a term in the Western Penitentiary, and he seemed to have an idea that if he killed himself and got himself out of the way it might create a favorable impression in her favor.

Fitz's Anxiety for His Wife.

Mr. Richardson, who was consulted by Fitzsimmons about getting his property, then in the hands of the Recorder, was very much impressed with Fitzsimmons' frequent assertions that his wife was innocent of having any hand in the shooting of Gilkinson. He says that Fitzsimmons acknowledged his own crime and his killing of Gilkinson, but insisted that his wife was innocent.

He acted, says Mr. Richardson, as though he was sorry for all that he had done, and was willing to do all in his power to right the wrong he had committed. He seemed somewhat bitter against the detectives. When he escaped from the Allegheny jail he said he never had the slightest idea that they would convict his wife, or he would have stayed and borne the brunt of the affair, and he expressed the opinion that when he had got away his wife was convicted so that someone would be punished for the killing of Gilkinson, and because they were angry over his escape.

The Murderer's Last Wishes.

Mr. Richardson had been consulted merely on the point of obtaining possession of Fitzsimmons' paper and money, which the latter seemed anxious he should get at once, and he was therefore very much surprised at receiving, the next day after the suicide, a large document, tied up in legal style, and which purported to be a will. He had himself thought it a will at first, but an examination showed this wasn't the case, for the document was unsigned, and was rather in the form of instructions to his executors, and indicated that he had left a will somewhere else. The paper was as follows:

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Feb. 3.

To My Respected Executors, Dear Uncle William Fitzsimmons, Dear Brother Charles H. Fitzsimmons, Dear Mr. William Jones:

It is my last solemn wish that the provisions of my will be performed as described. Establish an account in the Bank of Montreal from the proceeds of my store, in the combined names of my executors. Supply my beloved wife, Lucy Rebecca Fitzsimmons, with any requests she may make for aid annually until the time her liberty occurs. Provide for the support and education of my darling daughter, Lucy Frederick Fitzsimmons, until her mother secures her freedom and can take charge of her property and daughter. In case of the decease of my wife, give my daughter the advantages of a good musical and classical education until she becomes of age, and especially provide for her being under good moral training during the years of her minority. Discourage any extravagances of dress, provide sensible, healthy and plain clothing.

The Marriage at Camden.

The record of my marriage to Mrs. Lucy Rebecca Heckler is recorded at Trenton, N. J. The marriage ceremony was performed at the residence of Rev. Mr. Tidball, Episcopal clergyman, New Jersey, September, 1885. My daughter, Lucy Frederick Fitzsimmons, was born at 38 and 40 Willow place, Brooklyn, N. Y., November 26, 1886. Our family physician was Dr. Rose, of Lord street, West Brooklyn. She was baptized at St. Ann's Episcopal Church by Rev. D. Corras, and the record of her birth is at the Bureau of Births, Brooklyn, N. Y. My brother Charles has the accurate name and address of my contract of marriage, and the record of our daughter's birth. My wife has accurate copies in her possession, and you can secure duplicates by adducing vital statutes recorded at Trenton, N. J., to the contract of marriage between Lucy R. Heckler and F. C. Fitzsimmons, the ceremony being performed at Camden, N. J., September, 1885.

This document was unsigned. Mr. Richardson at once forwarded it to the brother of the suicide, Charles H. Fitzsimmons, at Brockville, Canada, with an account of the conversations he had with the deceased, and the belief that the latter was repentant for what he had done, and he expects a reply.

Fitzsimmons' effects are in the hands of the Coroner, who will await a communication from his Canadian relatives. The Pittsburg detectives believe that the coat and vest Fitzsimmons wore here are the same he had on at the time he escaped from the Allegheny jail.

FIGHT FOR THE REWARD.

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICERS HAVE ENTERED A CLAIM.

A Formal Demand Made for at Least a Portion of the $1,000 Offered—The Views of the County Commissioners—The Opinion of O'Mara.

The indications are that there will be a lively contest before the $1,000 reward offered by the County Commissioners for the apprehension of Fitzsimmons has been turned over. There is no doubt that Detectives P. J. Murphy and Finney will claim the reward or at least a part of it, and last night the New Orleans police served notice that they want the money. The following telegram was received:

NEW ORLEANS, LA., February 6.

Roger O'Mara, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Pittsburg, Pa.:

My officers claim the $1,000 reward offered for the arrest and detention of F. C. Fitzsimmons, as per circular.

D. D. GASTER, Supt. Police.

Mr. O'Mara sent a return message as an official courtesy, promising to present the claims of the New Orleans officers and advising them to prepare their affidavits of claim and forward them at once to the County Commissioners.

Entitled to Some Remuneration.

O'Mara was not surprised in the premises, and said he had expected Gaster to put in a claim for at least a part of the reward, and to his mind the New Orleans officials were entitled to some remuneration for their services. They had aided in the capture and had detained Fitzsimmons. If a criminal had been caught in this city for whom a reward was offered the Pittsburg officials would certainly have claimed a share in the reward.

Commissioner Boyle, when told about the telegram last night, expressed surprise that it had not been sent to the Commissioners, but declined to express a direct opinion as to whom he thought would be given the reward.

"It has been published," he said, "that nearly all of the $1,000 reward had been spent in hunting for Fitzsimmons. I don't take that view of the matter and I don't believe either of my colleagues do. We spent money in circulars, photographs and postage, and then when we sent Detective Lang to New Orleans the Commissioners voted not exceeding $350 for expenses. We sent Finney this last time, agreeing to cover his expenses. What they will be I don't know. But I never understood and don't believe the money will be taken out of the reward.

"When Fitzsimmons escaped we were advised not to offer a big reward, but to provide for expenses in running down clews. Subsequent developments have demonstrated that was the wisest course, for we would probably never have secured Fitzsimmons' capture if we had done otherwise. It is a question who is entitled to the reward, but it's a matter over which there is no haste and we will take our time in [illegible] All claimants will be given due [illegible] and we will act as fairly as possible.

Others Who Want a Share.

There was considerable [illegible] about the matter around police headquarters last night. Some expressed the belief that Warden McAleese and Deputy Warden Soffel, who found on Holmes Anderson the clew which led to the capture, are entitled to at least part of the reward. Others thought Anderson should get something, and many seemed to lean to the opinion that according to the wording of the circulars sent out by the Commissioners the New Orleans officers who actually arrested Fitzsimmons on the street could claim every cent of the reward and compel its payment. It is thought, however, that the Commissioners will divide the money among the New Orleans officers and the two Pittsburg detectives.

A telegram received last night from St. Paul says: Regarding the story that Tascott and Fitzsimmons, the Pittsburg crook who suicided at New Orleans were one and the same, W. A. Ellerbeck, a compositor and a step brother of Fitzsimmons, said this morning: "Fred was not 38 years old, as is stated by Mr. Pinkerton. We attended the same school together when we were boys, and he was then just about my age. He was not more than 32 at the time of his death. When he left school at Brockville, Canada, he went to St. Catherine's and clerked in a drygoods store. While there he got into bad company. He went thence to Chicago, clerking there in a drygoods store, and later we heard from him at Hot Springs. Before returning again to Canada he had quite a career in Texas. I do not think he had anything to do with the Snell murder, although I do not know where he was at that time. Fred was always a good boy when at home, and was one of the brightest scholars in our school. He became very wild, however, after going to St. Catherine's."

VESTIBULED ELECTRIC TRAINS.

Cincinnati to the Front With Another Rapid Transit Idea.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 6.—[*Special.*]—The Avondale Electric Railway is the first to adopt an idea that has been found practical on steam roads. On this new line just opened to one of Cincinnati's suburbs several vestibuled trains are running. The number will be increased to 20 just as soon as the cars can be put together. The are essentially a Cincinnati idea, but are being constructed at St. Louis. The new cars have created no small amount of discussion in the electrical world.

Protection for the rheostat—the contrivance for the regulation of the strength of electrical currents—was badly needed. These have been placed beneath the car where exposure to rain, snow and slush has proven most disastrous. In the vestibule trains this danger is obviated. The motorman occupies the cab all by himself and the rheostat is enclosed in the vestibule between that and the passenger coach.

DESPERATE COTTON PLANTERS.

Two of Them Commit Suicide and One of Them Fires His Crops.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Feb. 6.—Farmers in this section are desperate over the low prices of cotton. Farmer Shall, of Coffee county, on learning last Tuesday that cotton was still declining, set his crop on fire and then committed suicide by jumping over a bluff.

John Williams, a farmer of Limestone, took his seed cotton to Athens to sell, but because the price offered was so low he drove to the center of the bridge crossing the Elk river and dumped his load overboard. The staple is lower here to-day than it has been for 47 years.

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