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DR. BLAIR, of Fairmont, Principal of the Normal School, died last night at 10 o'clock of laryngitis. Up to Thursday he had been able to attend to his duties.

THE business outlook in New Jersey, according to reports in the New York *Herald*, is brighter than it has been in many years. Good accounts come from the manufacturing cities and towns, and in an agricultural point of view the situation is full of encouragement.

THE bar of Braxton county passed very complimentary resolutions in honor of ex-Judge and ex-Auditor J. M. McWhorter's recent service on the bench at Sutton, as a substitute for Judge Holt. Judge McWhorter is eminently a judicial sort of man, and as an officer leaves behind him a good name wherever he goes.

WE notice in the Tyler County *Star* a letter from Hon. J. S. Boreman of Utah Territory, who had just returned to Utah from a trip to Oregon and Washington Territory, in which he expresses the opinion that the great city of the Northwest will be upon the Puget Sound when the North Pacific railroad is completed.

REV. MOSES E. LARD, (a gentleman well known in Brooke county), was recently preaching at Stanford, Ky., and while speaking became somewhat annoyed at his audience, who, it seems, had a habit of turning to see every new-comer: "Gentlemen and ladies, said he, if you will give me your close attention I will keep a lookout on that door, and if anything worse than a man enters I will warn you in time to make your escape."

OUR beloved Representatives at Washington are nourished and cared for at the following places: Senator DAVIS at the Arlington, the bon-ton hotel of the city; Senator FRANK HEREFORD at a more democratic hostelry—the National; Col. BEN WILSON and Col. BEN MARTIN at the same place, and JOHN E. KENNA at 1326 New York avenue. Our Ohio neighbor, Capt. DANFORD, is accommodated at the the Metropolitan.

THE people of Charleston had quite a time breaking ground for their new railroad, the Potomac & Ohio on the 11th inst. The P. & O. is a narrow guage road that is projected eastward to connect at Staunton with roads that already lead to tide water at Richmond and Washington. The counties of Kanawha, Clay and Braxton have each voted a certain amount in aid of the road. It is pretty certain that it will be built as far as Braxton C. H., and at that point it may yet be tapped by an extension of the narrow gauge road building between Weston and Clarksburg. In case it is it will probably put a quietus for a long time on the much talked of narrow gauge between Charleston and Parkersburg. At the opening on the 11th the venerable Col. Ben Smith took a prominent part with spade and wheelbarrow, as also did Conrad Smith and Joel and Silas Ruffner.

THE New York *Sun*, because of its ingrained hate for everything belonging to the administration of President Hayes, affects to lay some stress on the mare's nest hunt of our senior Senator through the records of the Treasury Department. Changes and erasures have been discovered, says the *Sun*. Exactly so. And who discovered them! Why the experts—not Senator Henry—who, as we have said, was off drinking wine at the French Cafes in Paris when the investigation was going on last summer. The experts discovered all the changes and erasures, and, more than this, they discovered, as they announced at the close of the investigation, that the accounts "balanced to a cent." While they have a double and twisted way of keeping accounts in the Treasury Department—a way that came down to modern days as a legacy—yet when once it is untangled "the accounts balance to a cent." That after all is the important fact, and it is just the fact that Senator Henry hoped not to encounter. He set out to make a great man out of himself by exhibiting tremendous financial ken to the world, but it happened to Senator Henry to learn, as it has happened to many others who have been in a hurry to shoot before they got a good ready, that

"The gun that's aimed at duck or plover
May recoil and kick its owner over."

This couplet describes exactly the accident that has happened to Senator Henry. His gun has recoiled and kicked him over, and he has failed to bring down any game whatever.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, December 21.—The trade of the city with retailers has been large, and the stores have been thronged daily with shoppers in search of articles suitable for holiday presents from the lowest to the highest priced. Rail rates to the seaboard have been advanced to the basis of 35c per 100 lbs for grain to New York and 40c to Boston. During the past few weeks, until the 19th inst., there has been considerable "cutting" in rates, and contracts have been made at 25c per 100 lbs for provisions from Chicago to Liverpool. The rate of the latter is now 68½c. The number of hogs packed in Chicago from November 1st to date is 1,400,227, against 938,733 in 1877 and 953,952 in 1876. The grain and provision markets have been moderately active, but somewhat unsettled during the week. Receipts and shipments of articles named were: Receipts flour, 72,438 brls; grain, 1,397,256 bush; live hog, 245,083 heads; dressed hogs, 2,426 head. Shipments—Flour, 67,331 brls; grain 916,805 bush; pork, 3,055 brls; cut meats, 22,418,748 lbs; lard, 69,006,381 lbs.

The Chicago *Times* says the exports of provisions from the American Atlantic ports for the period from November 1 to December 7, inclusive, during 1877 and 1878, were as follows:

Articles.	1878.	1877.	Increase.
Pork, lbs	9,014,606	5,812,800	3,201,806
Bacon and hams, lbs	81,209,141	47,971,434	33,237,707
Lard, lbs	38,546,432	29,135,027	9,411,405
Total	128,900,179	82,919,187	46,980,992

The Pillory and Lash.

NEW CASTLE, DEL., December 21.—Geo. Draper, colored, convicted of murder in the second degree, was placed in the pillory in a blinding snow storm to-day, and afterwards received sixty lashes. He now goes to prison for life.

BY TELEGRAPH.

TO THE DAILY INTELLIGENCER.

GENERAL NEWS.

Distressing Accident at Pittsburgh.

Trade Movement and Pork Packing in Chicago.

Evidences of Coming Prosperity in the South.

Two M. C's. Uncomfortably Near Death's Door—How They Came There—One of Them Gone.

WASHINGTON.

DEATH OF CONGRESSMAN DOUGLASS.

WASHINGTON, December 22.—Congressman Beverly B. Douglass, of Virginia, died at the National Hotel, in this city, this morning, after a brief illness of inflamation of the bowels. The remains were taken to Richmond to-night by a Committee consisting of Senator Jones, of Florida, and Representatives Hunton and Goode, of Virginia; Luttrell, of California; Carlisle, of Kentucky; Dunnell, of Minnesota; Hartzell, of Illinois, and Clark, of Iowa.

FUNERAL OF REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAMS.

The funeral of Representative Williams took place this morning. The services were conducted by Rev. Bryan Sunderland, Chaplain of the Senate. The remains were escorted to the depot by two companies of the Second Artillery and by the Washington Artillery headed by the Marine Band and by the Lafayette Lodge A. F. A. M., and a large number of Senators, Representatives and many citizens.

$10,000 OF TREASURY FUNDS MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEAR.

Detectives are actively engaged in endeavor to discover the whereabouts of between $10,00 and $11,000 drawn from the Treasury yesterday, by Wm. J. Brown, financial clerk of the city postoffice, for the purpose of paying off employes, and according to the report of that officer, lost by him before he left the Treasury building.

TWO SICK M. C'S.

WASHINGTON, December 21.—Beverly Douglas, M. C. of Virginia, is at the point of death, and will hardly live until morning. He suffers from inflammation of the bowels. Governor Walker, M. C. of Virginia, is also quite ill, but not hopelessly. According to a Washington dispatch to the Cleveland *Leader*, these two M. C's got into a drunken row in a Washington house of ill-fame the other night, from which Beverly emerged considerably the worse for wear.

GREENBACKS AND GOLD, AND GOLD AND GREENBACKS.

The Secretary of the Treasury has issued a circular to Customs officers authorizing them to receive, after the 1st of January, U. S. notes as well as gold coin and standard silver dollars in payment of duties on imports.

SOME OF GRANT'S FRIENDS.

Secretary Thompson has cabled General Grant permission for some personal friends to accompany him on board the United States steamer Richmond while en route to India.

NO REDUCTION IN THE TOBACCO TAX.

The Senate Finance Committee are opposed to the proposed reduction of the tobacco tax to sixteen cents a pound. No formal vote has yet been taken in the committee, but it is definitely known that the majority of the members are against the reduction.

SIGNIFICANT FROM A DEMOCRATIC ORGAN.

The Washington *Sentinel* (Democratic organ) says, to-day, that "there is a spirit of dishonesty pervading some Democratic politicians which must be killed if the party shall be victorious. That being the case, we say that in such men as Senators Beck and Voorhees and Representative Ewing, and some few more, the Democratic party has its bitterest enemies. Blaine, Conkling and all the Republicans cannot harm it half as much as those renegade Democrats do every day."

HARTRANFT PRESSED AS TAYLOR'S SUCCESSOR.

A determined effort is being made by the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress, headed by Senator Don Cameron, to induce the President to appoint Gov. Hartranft to succeed Bayard Taylor as Minister to Germany. The Republican members of the delegation are unanimous in favor of Hartranft. It is the current talk among politicians that Secretary Evarts favors the appointment of Wayne McVeigh as Taylor's successor. Although McVeigh is Cameron's brother-in-law, the latter is opposed to his appointment as against Hartranft.

THE BLAINE COMMITTEE.

The President will respond to the request of the Blaine Investigating Committee for information regarding the election outrages in the South by sending copies of the official reports of Federal officers in South Carolina and Louisiana, showing intimidation of colored voters in its worst form. Senator Kellogg, Chairman of the Committee, says he does not think it will be necessary to examine a large number of witnesses. A number of Federal officials and prominent local Republican politicians in the two States named will be summoned at the instance of the Republican members of the Committee, and to counteract their testimony and to show that no frauds have been perpetrated, it is expected the Democratic members will call leading Democats in both States.

Wade Hampton Out of Danger.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 21.—The attending physicians authorize the statement that Governor Hampton has improved considerably since yesterday. The condition of his wound is considered better than at any time since amputation. His appetite continues good, and there are no unfavorable symptoms developed for the past few days. The danger of secondary hemorrhage is now passed, and the daily reports of his physicians are much more hopeful. He sleeps well without anodynes, and eats heartily every day. The greatest fear since amputation has been caused by the tendency to sloughing and necrosis. The sloughing has ceased, and the flesh is granulating; but necrosis really set in, and about three-fourths of an inch of the bone at its extremity has been affected.

A Young Lady Peculiarly Affected.

PITTSBURGH, December 21.—Beaver is excited over a case of some general interest. A young lady of the borough named Mary Williams, on last Tuesday night was attacked with what she supposed to be the ear-ache. Remedies were applied, but without avail, when it was discovered she was in a kind of somnabulistic state both sleeping and awake. Her eyes are closed and she imagines herself away in some dismal place, though still recognizing her friends at times. At other times she is wild with terror, and her screams and piteous appeals for help are terrible. Her first sleep lasted twenty-four hours; different ones trying to wake her, but all failed. Dr. Strouse was sent for and on coming awoke her, but she sank to sleep almost instantly. She has not been awake passing five hours since last Tuesday. The moment her eyes close she imagines herself dressed in white with different trimmings, but always dressed for the street, with hat and gloves to match her dress. While her eyes are closed her sufferings are intense. This lady is in her twenty-second year.

ST. LOUIS.

The Polar Wave—River Full of Ice, and Navigation Suspended.

ST. LOUIS, December 22.—A polar wave struck this city about ten o'clock last night which lowered the temperature from 24 to 3 degrees above zero by 7 o'clock this morning, when the mercury stood at the latter point. The storm came from the northwest, and the wind obtained a velocity of sixty miles an hour during the night.

Snow fell before midnight, and, with what was already on the ground, it now lies about four inches deep. During to-day the weather has moderated a good deal, and while it is still cold—being several degrees below freezing point—the temperature is much warmer than it was this morning, and the wind has subsided.

The river at this point is full of heavy ice, and the ferry boats were obliged to suspend trips this afternoon. It is feared that the channel will become obstructed opposite or a few miles below the city before morning, and that the ice will gorge and completely suspend navigation.

A Supposed Murderer in Jail at Steubenville.

STEUBENVILLE, O., December 21.—Stephen D. Richards was arrested at Mount Pleasant, this county, today on the charge of murdering Mrs. Harrison and her three children, fifteen miles south of Kearney, Nebraska, on the 8th inst. The bodies were secreted in a haystack, where they were found on the 11th inst. J. Fogel, a guard at the Ohio Penitentiary, who is at home on a visit, having read an account of the murder in the *Enquirer*, arrested a man named S. D. Richards, whom he suspected, knowing that he had just come from the section where the horrible deed was committed. He proceeded with the Township Constable and arrested Richards, bound him hand and foot and conveyed him to the County Jail, in this city, to await the arrival of officers from Nebraska.

The accused lived in Warrenton, this county, a number of years, and bore a good character. He is a fine-looking man, twenty-four years of age, six feet four inches high, weighs 185 pounds. He went West three years ago, where, it is said, he became reckless and led a fast life. When arrested he was crossing a field in company with two young ladies. He says that he would not have been taken so easily if the girls had not been with him, as he had sworn to die in his tracks before he would be arrested.

When the prisoner was shown the newspaper giving an account of the finding of the bodies, he said: "I can prove that I was not there at that time. I left Kearney on the 9th." On being told that the horrible crime was committed on the 8th, he replied, "That's so, I thought it was on Monday." He admits that he was indirectly connected with the affair; says he did not commit the deed, but knows who did. He believes that he will be lynched immediately on his return to Kearney. He says he belongs to a secret society whose members are sworn to avenge the death of any of its members, and that the officers who arrested him will be killed.

Sad Accident at Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, December 21.—This afternoon an accident occurred at the Monongahela Iron Works of Lewis, Oliver & Phillips, Tenth street, South Side, which will be attended with disastrous results. It appears one of the drivers employed by the firm ran his wagon against a pile of of iron, which fell against the mill, knocking down the roof and killing the owner of the wagon, and injuring three of the workmen to such an extent that their lives are despaired of. The accident occurred about two o'clock. Some thirty or forty cars of iron were piled up alongside of the mill, facing on a small alley. Three laboring men and the driver were engaged in loading iron on a wagon, when the wall on that side gave way and buried the men beneath the debris, the iron falling upon the mass of bricks, &c.

The full force of laborers proceeded at once to extricate the victims. James Thompson, the driver, had his back broken, and died in a short time. Mr. Pfeiffer, residing on Pius street, a laborer, had his arm crushed and head lacerated. The names of the other parties were Wm. Anson and Jeremiah Smith.

Good News from the South.

LOUISVILLE, December 20.—Hon. E. D. Standiford, President; H. Victor Newcom, Vice President; F. DeFuniak, Chief Engineer and Superintendent of Machinery, and I. A. Sherman, the President's Secretary, all officials of the Louisville and Great Southern road, returned to-day from an inspection of the various roads of that Company and a general Southern tour. They visited various cities in the South, and report their condition better than ever before, all classes of citizens being very hopeful that prosperous times had already commenced. The terrible state of affairs caused by the yellow fever had altogether disappeared, and the crops were being handled and marketed with the utmost rapidity, taxing the transportation facilities of the railroads to the utmost.

Heavy Storm on the Coast.

BOSTON, December 22.—The storm last night was very severe all along the coast, and numerous disasters to the shipping are reported.

MONTREAL, December 22.—The heaviest snow storm for years occurred last evening. Nearly three feet of snow covers the ground, and all trains due this morning are several hours late.

HALIFAX, December 22.—A heavy southeast gale this morning caused much damage to shipping in the harbor.

QUEBEC, December 22.—About three feet of snow fell last evening. Some of the streets are almost impassable.

Hendricks and Hampton.

BROOKVILLE, IND., December 21.—The *Valley Star*, published here, hoists the names of Hendricks and Hampton for President and Vice President in 1880, and adds: "Let there be no uncertain meaning about our financial views. The greenback system of currency is the best money within our reach, and ought to be adopted. This can be done if the Democracy will only make an open field fight for it. With Hendricks and Hampton at the head of the ticket victory and consequent good government is as certain as destiny itself."

Guilty Indians Wanted.

ST. LOUIS, December 21.—A Topeka, Ks., special says: In response to a demand by the Governor of Kansas, the authorities at Washington have ordered the captured Cheyenne Indians taken to Fort Leavenworth, with a view of identifying those guilty of outrages in that State, that such may be turned over to the civil authorities of Kansas for trial, and the remainder returned to their agency in the Indian territory.

FOREIGN NEWS.

A Wedding in High Life at Which Several Persons Were Conspicuously Absent.

Dispatches from the Seat of War.

THE LAST MOMENTS OF BAYARD TAYLOR.

GERMANY.

BAYARD TAYLOR'S END.

BERLIN, December 21.—The sudden death of Mr. Bayard Taylor is still the subject uppermost in conversation at the Capital. It now transpires that Mr. Taylor has suffered for a long time from kidney complaint, but attached no importance to the malady, which his physicians, unfortunately, mistook for symptoms of dropsy. These symptoms increasing, he was twice tapped. He confidently believed in his recovery to the last, and was in no wise alarmed at his condition. On Thursday morning, after being dressed, he conferred officially with his Secretaries. Feeling weak toward noon, he retired to bed. His mind began wandering, and he calmly expired at four in the afternoon.

Telegraphic messages continue to arrive from all quarters. Secretary Evarts' sympathetic message, probably delayed in its transmission, came early this morning. The Emperor William intends visiting the widow before the funeral. The body has been embalmed, and will be temporarily interred at two o'clock to-morrow afternoon. A very large funeral procession is expected. The whole Diplomatic Corps of the German Capital will attend, Mr. Taylor having been exceedingly popular with every body with whom his position associated him.

Despite his intimacy with distinguished people in Government and literary circles, Mr. Taylor never shrunk from upholding the rights of American residents in Germany. It is a strange coincidence that the first printed copies of Mr. Taylor's last poem, "Prince Deukalion," reached him on the morning of his death.

THE FUNERAL SERVICES.

BERLIN, December 22.—The funeral services of the late Bayard Taylor took place at 2 o'clock to-day at the residence of the deceased. An Aid-de-Camp, Count Lehldorff, represented the Emperor; Maj. Van Pannwitz represented the Crown Prince, and Counts Von Bulow and Philipoforn represented the foreign office. All the Ambassadors, including the Chinese and Japanese, were present. The Austrian Ambassadorship being vacant, Austria was represented by Prince Lichtenberg. Amongst others present were: Statesman Del Brueck, Professors Greist and Van Bunzen, the authors, Auerbach, Spielhagen, Lindan and Rodenberg, and numbers of higher officials, artists and scientists.

Herr Auerbach speaking in the name of the German writers, lamented the decease of one who was equally applauded in the old and new world, who was born in the country of Franklin and had died in that of Goethe. But not on foreign soil, for Germany was his second fatherland, and moreover by making Goethe's masterpiece accessible to the American nation he had formed a fresh link between Germany and America. The funeral procession was followed by two six-horse carriages belonging to the Emperor and the Empress, the carriage of the Crown Prince and a number of private carriages and many mourners. A dense crowd of people lined the street through which the procession passed.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT BY AMERICAN RESIDENTS.

The following resolutions were adopted after the divine service to-day at the American chapel: We, the Americans residing in Berlin, deeply deplore the death of Mr. Bayard Taylor our Minister at this Court, the distinguished traveller, orator and author, whose deeds and words have made him dear to our whole people and famous wherever English language and literature are known; in whose character and repute his countrymen have felt just pride, and at whose elevation to the high estate he lately filled all rejoiced; most of all, we who promised ourselves from his presence among us, both officially and privately, greatly increased enjoyment and profit in this foreign land. We feel with all at home and abroad, who are now lamenting his untimely loss, especially with his family, to whom we tender expressions of our respectful, heartfelt sympathy.

The body was deposited in Jerusalem Church, where it will remain some months before being taken to America. Before the adoption of the resolutions Consul General Kreisman, Secretaries Coleman and Evarts, of the American legation, made speeches, eulogizing the deceased, describing his official career and last moments. The meeting decided to send copies of the resolutions to the State Department at Washington, to the American legation and Consul General at Berlin, and to the widow of the deceased.

AFGHANISTAN.

LONDON, December 21.—The dispatch of the Viceroy of India announcing the occupation of Jellalabad by General Browne, states that no resistance was offered, and that the people of the town appeared not to be "ill disposed." The fort was denuded of its most valuable armament, and the retiring forces of the Ameer seem to have carried away with them a considerable stock of arms and ammunition.

Much importance is attached to the disposition of the Shah of Persia in refusing to enter into an alliance with the Ameer of Afghanistan. It has been held that it was an essential part of the plans of Russia to effect an alliance between herself, Persia and Afghanistan. Through this alliance, of which the ultimate object was to make of both Persia and Afghanistan a mere Russian camp, England's India possessions would be fatally threatened from the west and north.

The refusal of Persia to join in this alliance, of which a part of the price was paid to her through the influence of Russia by provisions of the Treaty of Berlin, excited suspicion that Russian diplomacy had been checkmated by England, and that the Shah had been convinced that his interests would be best advanced by remaining at peace with England, and not making her his enemy.

DENMARK.

COPENHAGEN, December 21.—The marriage of the Princess Thyra and the Duke of Cumberland, son and heir of the late King of Hanover, was solemnized this evening in the church belonging to the Castle of Christiansburg. Right Rev. Dr. Martensen, Bishop of Zealand, performed the ceremony, assisted by several of the clergy.

By reason of the fact that the Duke of Cumberland is still in mourning for his father, who died six months ago, and that the Princess is also in mourning for the late Princess Alice, there will be no court *fêtes*, and the marriage was not attended by much display. The prince of wales, who was to assist at the wedding as head of the Guelph family, sent his excuses, based upon the recent death of his sister. The sister of the bride did not grace the ceremony for some reason. Queen Victoria, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the Czarowitch and his wife (a sister of the bride), as well as many other distinguished personages, sent presents and congratulations to the bride. The Duke and his wife will remain at Copenhagan until after Christmas, and then go upon a bridal tour of some months, visiting London, Paris and Rome.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 21.—Explanation of the riotous conduct of the University students is to be found in the facts stated in these dispatches some days ago. A revolutionary propaganda has spread itself so far that there is scarcely a family of education or position which has not among its members an advocate of the subversive doctrines of the Nihilists. If the opinions of those who should best know the actual conduct of affairs may be taken, Russia at this moment stands on a volcano which may at any moment explode.

LONDON, December 22.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says: The agitation in Russia is extending. The repression of the students has excited great dissatisfaction.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, December 21.—Employers in the manufactured iron trade in the north of England demand before arbitrators a five per cent reduction in consequence of the depression in business. The men say the price of labor is already lower than it has been during the past twenty years.

Newspapers continue to publish accounts of distress throughout the country. Advices from Widnes, Goole, Dundee, Wolverhampton, Liverpool, Manchester and Talford confirm previous accounts of distress prevailing at those places.

TURKEY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 21.—Salvet Pasha has been appointed Embassador to France. The Grand Vizier is authorized to conclude the arrangements respecting Novi Bazar and Bosnia on the terms proposed by Austria.

The New St. Louis Bridge Company.

ST. LOUIS, December 21.—The St. Louis Bridge Company have perfected their organization by electing Solon Humphreys, of New York, President; E. W. Woodward, of St. Louis, Vice President; Ed. Walsh, Jr., of St. Louis, Secretary; Anthony J. Thomas, of New York, Treasurer. The bridge will pass into the hands of this company as soon as the legal forms are conformed to. The contract stipulates that the company will give to the holders of the first mortgage new bonds at par; to holders of the second mortgage will be issued first preferred stock; to holders of the third mortgage second preferred stock. The arrangement also contemplates the setting apart of the earnings of the bridge until 1881, to be divided between the first mortgage bondholders and the holders of indebtedness incurred while the property was in the hands of the receiver.

Supposed Murder of Two Negroes.

NEW ORLEANS, December 21.—The *Picayune* says: A telegram has been received here announcing the disappearance and supposed murder of Lott Clark and Bill White, two colored men, near Caledonia, about 50 miles from Shreveport, while on their way to this city, where they were summoned to appear before the United States grand jury as witnesses in the election troubles. When the steamer Danube arrived at Caledonia a constable named Jeff Coel presented a warrant for the arrest of Clark and White, took them off and started in the direction of Shreveport. Upon arriving at Brand's plantation a mob took the prisoners from the constable and nothing more has been heard of them. They are supposed to have been killed.

Overhauling Accounts in England.

NEW YORK, December 21.—Private London cables quote money on the streets brisk at 5½a5¾ per cent, or ¼a¾ above the bank rate. It was not believed the bank would move its figure this week to correspond, as the week was so near out, and action of that kind would only tend to create increased distrust. A general overhauling of accounts is in progress in England on the part of the large financial institutions. In some respects these overhaulings will have a good effect, as they will be apt to make the worst known sooner than it otherwise would be. The effect of these cables has been to stiffen the short rate of London to 4.89, Belmont making an extra jump to 4.90.

Violators of Election Laws Indicted.

RICHMOND, December 21.—The grand jury of the United States Circuit Court has indicted R. W. Arnold, Henry Birdson and J. S. Ellis for violation of the election laws, in ejecting Porter A. Robinson, U. S. Supervisor of Elections, from the voting precincts at Waverly Station, Sussex county.

Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, D. C., 1 A. M., December 23.—For the lakes, Ohio Valley and Tennessee, rising followed at western stations by stationary barometer, northwest to southwest winds, partly cloudy and cooler weather, and numerous light snows in the Lake region.

TELEGRAPHIC DROPS.

Three boys were drowned at North Cambridge, Mass., Saturday, while skating.

Baravis & Co., wholesale millinery goods dealers, of New York, have made an assignment.

Solomon Gardner, the well known steamboat and vessel owner, died at his residence in Detroit yesterday.

Four members of the London Stock Exchange have been expelled and two suspended for unfair dealings in bank shares.

At Oakland Park, San Francisco, Saturday, Rarus trotted the first heat in 2:14, and the second heat, with a running mate, in 2:14¼.

The residence of United States Senator McPherson, at Woodbridge, N. J., was burned Saturday night. The Senator and his family had a narrow escape.

Louis F. Tharaeson, a well known New York lawyer, convicted of obtaining from his client, Mrs. Soubriskie, her signature under false pretenses, has been sentenced to the State Prison for two years.

The large flouring mill of John W. Cote, three stories high, with four runs of stone, at Rochester, Minn., was burned Saturday morning. The origin of the fire is unknown. Valuation of the property $40,000; insured for $21,500.

New York Financial Review.

NEW YORK, December 21.—Events of the week in financial circles were important for the practical equalization of Gold and Greenbacks, the redemption of the last issue of Five-twenties of 1867, for the remarkably low prices for Coal at the auction sale and continued cutting of rates on Eastern-bound Freights by railroads. The monetary situation was characterized by a hardening of rates. Rates for call loans ranged from 3 to 7 per cent. Foreign Exchanges were strong and higher. The sales of Gold at the opening were at 100¼, but on Tuesday the price fell to par, and remained so for the balance of the week.

Government Bonds were firm early in the week, but subsequently became weak and declined. Railway and miscellaneous speculation was active at intervals, and the tone of the market was alternately weak and firm. Early in the week an unsettled feeling prevailed, and prices, as a rule, declined ½a1½ per cent, but towards the close the market became strong and advanced ½a3½ per cent. In the final sales, however, weakness again prevailed, and there was a general reaction of ½a1 per cent. The principal activity was in Lake Shore, Northwest, St. Paul, and coal stocks.

LOUISIANA.

A Bad State of Affairs—State and Federal Authorities Defied.

NEW ORLEANS, December 21.—Telegrams from Caddo parish to the United States District Attorney announce that the entire Red River country is in a fever of excitement, and virtually in a condition of rebellion against the laws of the United States. Quite recently a Deputy Marshal in Caddo has been subpœnaing witnesses in prosecutions for a violation of the Federal election law. He started with two colored men named Clark and Bill White, on the steamer Danube for New Orleans. A Constable named Jeff Cole boarded the Danube and took them from the custody of the Marshal. While at Jerry Bearan's plantation, *en route* back to Shreveport, the two men were attacked by a mob and brutally murdered.

Information of this was to-day telegraphed to the Attorney General at Washington, and District Attorney Leonard now awaits instructions. Your correspondent has just left Mr. Leonard, with whom he had a protracted interview. That officer says the people of the Red river country are as crazy as they were in 1861, and any attempt to control them by a Marshal's posse would be futile. He says that it will only be necessary to have it known that a witness has been subpœnaed before the Federal Court to have that witness killed, and that the fate of the witnesses named is only the commencement of a resistance which the Government will never quell by any civil process.

In confirmation of this opinion, your correspondent learns from another and most responsible source that the Federal Grand jury has devoted the entire week to an investigation of the conduct of the election in the Red River Country. The Grand Inquest has ascertained to its entire satisfaction that in the Parishes of Caddo, DeSoto and Bossier gross violations of both the State and Federal election laws occurred at every poll. As evidence of the extent of the information, your correspondent is assured that indictments have been found against the prominent men of all these parishes, as well as in Natchitoches and Ouachita. In the latter parish your correspondent is assured that leading men have already announced their intention to resist arrest at all hazards, even if resistence should result in an armed conflict. When the indictments found during the present week are executed, it is predicted the row will commence. In this connection the District Attorney remarked that one company of soldiers would be far more effectual than a thousand Deputy Marshals.

Remarkable Work of Art.

Messrs. Cummins & Woods have on exhibition and sale at their store, on Main street, a copy of the famous Portland vase, which is well worthy of examination by lovers of art and of the antique.

This copy, an exact fac-simile of the original, is about 11 inches high and 9 in diameter, jug-shaped, with two opposite short handles. On the sides are Greek figures in bas-relief, white, on a dark blue back-ground. So admirable is this copy of an ancient wonder, that it is, in itself, a beautiful work of art, besides representing perfectly an antique vase, more famous and interesting than any other piece of glassware or pottery in the world. As a specimen of the beautiful Wedgwood-ware, of which it is made, this piece can scarcely be surpassed; indeed the reputation of Josiah Wedgewood was largely established by his copies of the Portland Vase, fifty in number, which were sold at that time for fifty guineas, (two hundred and fifty dollars) each. For the benefit of those who may not be familiar with the appearance and history of the Portland Vase, we copy the following description of it, from "Marvels of Glass Making" by A. Sanzary:

This vase was found about the sixteenth century in a marble sarcophagus in the environs of Rome. After having been for more than two centuries the principal ornament in the gallery of the Princes Barberini at Rome, it was bought at a sale by auction by the Duchess of Portland, for the sum of eighteen hundred and seventy two pounds, nearly ten thousand dollars. Although the legitimate and sole proprietess of this *chef-d'œuvre*, the duchess, who doubtless did not recognize the right of hiding from public admiration such a unique object, lent this vase to the British Museum, where it is still to be seen. Thus it was preserved, admired by all the world. One day, however, there merely remained nothing more than the resemblance of it, for a lunatic named Lloyd smashed it in pieces by the blow of a stick. This injury, committed by a madman, was repaired by an artist in such a manner and with such skillfulness, that it was impossible to distinguish the numerous places where it was joined together. This unique vase, which is supposed to have been made in the time of the Antonines (about 138 years B. C.), is composed of layers of glass, one over the other. The lower one is of a deep blue color, and the other of opaque white, so that the figures stand out in white on a deep blue back-ground. These two layers lying one over the other so much resemble an onyx that for a long time the archæologists described this vase as being an ancient cameo; whilst it is now well known that it is, as we have just said, a glass vase composed of two layers. But although the material is perfectly known, we cannot say as much regarding the subject which it represents, as authorities still differ on this point. We will quote here what Millingen says with regard to it:

"The Portland vase represents the marriage of Peleus and Thetis. The woman seated, holding a serpent in her left hand is Thetis, and the man to whom she is giving her right hand is Peleus. The serpent recalls the different transformations by means of which she reckoned upon escaping marriage. The god placed in front of Thetis is Neptune. A Cupid hovering above them in the air unites the two lovers. The portico behind Peleus probably signifies the palace of that prince, or else the sanctuary in which Thetis received divine honors. On the reverse Thetis is again seen seated, holding a torch downwards on emblem of sleep. The man seated at her feet is Peleus; the other figure with a lance in her hand is the nymph of Mount Peleon, where the scene takes place."

TWO RUNAWAYS.—A team belonging to Leopold Ackerman ran off near the 17th street bridge, in East Wheeling, on Saturday morning, breaking up the wagon badly. Ernest Stephens' horse, which was attached to a light spring wagon, became frightened at the racket made by Ackerman's team, and started on a lively race against time on his own account, bringing up against the fence around the Fourth Ward school house, and breaking both fence and wagon. The horse escaped without injury.

ACCIDENT AT TOP MILL BLAST FURNACE.—Wm. Foster, employed at the Top Mill Blast Furnace, on Saturday afternoon accidentally stepped into a cinder tap, and burned his foot badly. A sudden rise of steam bewildered him, preventing him from seeing where he was walking, and causing him to take a mis-step and "get his foot into it." Foster was conveyed in a carriage to his home on Main street, near the Arlington Stove Works, and medical assistance summoned. The accident is no doubt a very painful one, but is not of a serious nature.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

THE COURTS.—SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS—*Judges Green, Haymond, Moore and Johnson.*—This Court met on Saturday, and announced the following decisions:

Jones vs. C. & O. Railroad, from Kanawha county. Affirmed.

Jackson, Wiant & Co. vs. Conrad et al., from Gilmer county. Reversed, and judgment for defendant.

Wickes vs. B. & O. Railroad Company, from Harrison county. Motion for re-argument overruled.

McCarty & Pigott vs. Chalfant, from Harrison county. Affirmed.

Hudson vs. Putney, from Kanawha county. Reversed and remanded.

Hall & Smith vs. Bank of Virginia, from Kanawha county. Affirmed.

Brown vs. Life Association, from Ohio county. Dismissed on motion of appellant.

Petitions for re-argument in the case of Toothman & Walker vs. Barrett et al., White vs. Perry and Davis vs. Jackson, were over-ruled.

Adjourned to meet at Charleston, Jan. 8, 1878.

CIRCUIT COURT—*Judge Melvin.*

Circuit Court met at 9 A. M. Saturday, and transacted the following business:

J. H. Stallman & Co. vs. J. B. Ford. Appeal allowed the defendant.

R. J. Baggs & Son vs. W. W. Cline and others. Appeal allowed the plaintiffs.

Smith & Co. vs. H. Schmulbach. Judgment for plaintiff for property attached.

Joseph Straub vs. Bright, Volz and others. Demurrer to complainant's bill overruled.

German Fire Insurance Company vs. City of Wheeling, and Black, Collector. Demurrer to complainant's bill overruled.

N. F. McNaughten vs. Sweeney, Executor. Appeal from decree of County Court refused.

In the matter of contested claim to administration on estate of M. E. Wims, deceased, the Court held that Mrs. Wims was shown to be the widow of intestate, and awarded her letters of administration, setting aside former order appointing F. B. Carpenter such administrator.

R. E. Wallace vs. W. W. Miller and others. Demurrer to plaintiff's declaration sustained.

Jane and Ann Brown vs. W. B. Curtis. Exceptions to certain depositions of plaintiff sustained and despositions suppressed.

W. B. Curtis vs. J. H. Cox. The motion to set aside the verdict by defendant on the ground of outside parties attempting to influence a juror, was sustained, and a new trial awarded upon the payment of costs of former trial.

State, for use of Egerter, vs. Rainey and Peck. Demurrer to declaration overruled and judgment.

Jos. Webb vs. Elizabeth Webb. Decree of divorce granted defendant.

Mary and Ida Donavon vs. Sarah Donavon and others. Decree awarded confirming partition and directing deeds.

Ella Jenken vs. Chas. O. Jenken. Decree of divorce for plaintiff.

A. Yocke vs. Updegraff et al. Exception of defendant allowed and cause recommitted to Commissioner.

H. C. Hunter and C. W. Hunter, survivors, etc., vs. Thad. Clark. Decree confirming sale by Commissioner, and applying proceeds.

Several motions were made, and new cases in chancery submitted, which were taken under advisement, after which Court adjourned until Saturday, the 28th inst.

COUNTY COURT—*Judge Boyd.*

Business transacted in this Court on Saturday:

Henry Tappe vs. John Jacob. Attachment dismissed, and $88 ordered to be paid over to the defendant.

Patrick Kennely vs. D. W. Hallisy and August Matthews. Tried to Court.

Trial docket for to-day: Brown & Gillespy vs. C. Mackin & Co., S. Keim vs. W. H. Hall, administrator; S. Keim & Bro. vs. W. H. Hall, administrator; W. J. Cotts vs. Joseph Green, Denny vs. Price.

MUNICIPAL COURT—*Judge Cochran.*

This Court met on Saturday at the usual hour.

In the case of Jordan & McKennan vs. Wm. S. Campbell, trustee, the plaintiffs asked to be released from further costs, their lien having been satisfied. The defendant then made a motion to dismiss the case from the docket. The case was argued by other parties having liens against the property.

The motion of the defendant in the above case was overruled by the Court.

J. K. Mitchell vs. Milton W. Junkins et al. In chancery. A rule was issued against Milton W. Junkins to file his answer before the last day of this term of Court.

H. H. Pendleton, Esq., was, on motion of W. J. W. Cowden, Esq., admitted to practice law in this Court.

Adjourned until Monday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

POLICE COURT—*Judge Cranmer.*

His Honor on Saturday morning disposed of the following cases:

George Mack, aged ten, charged with stealing a watch belonging to Robert Bryson, was fined $10. Execution was suspended on account of the tender years of defendant.

Wm. Edison, a vagrant, was fined $2. Execution was suspended on defendant agreeing to leave the city within one hour.

OPERA HOUSE.—"Uncle Tom's Cabin" will be produced at the Opera House for two nights and a matinee, commencing Tuesday evening, December 24, with Miss Amelia Watts as *Topsy*, Miss Ida La Grange as *Eliza*, Jennie Foster as *Aunt Ophelia*, Tom.