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POOR Nanticoke! and Christmas Day so near!

THERE is no Christmas for a Chinaman in this country. Can't his pagan soul realize it? He must "go."

SENATOR BECK's assault on the Administration is intense. Isn't Kentucky getting all the offices she can fill?

MR. GLADSTONE is not prepared to give Ireland a Parliament for a Christmas gift. He didn't know that one would be wanted so soon, or he would have had it ready.

THE Chief of Police of Wheeling has some notions of his own concerning criminals and rewards. What a ludicrous person our Chief of Police is, anyhow!

"MRS. SHERMAN, who now ranks officially next to Miss Cleveland," is the way a Washington correspondent puts it. This kind of thing must grieve both the excellent women named.

IT seems in order to suspect that the fortunate folks who have the natural gas monopoly in Pittsburgh, are afraid of a possible competition in the form of artificial gas for heating purposes.

GENERAL TOOMBS would have been entertained to be told that he didn't know what he was about when he made his will. The heirs showed excellent judgment in waiting till the old fire-eater was dead before contesting his will.

SOME of the Democratic newspapers are crowing over Mr. Randall's defeat as though he were a Republican nominee for the Presidency. What has Mr. Randall done to the Democratic party, but try to make it behave itself?

THE indications are that Mrs. Grant will receive half a million dollars from the General's book. Experienced people thought $50,000 would be as much return as could be expected. Experienced people sometimes get on the wrong train.

PITTSBURGH is shipping about 1,500 carloads of freight a day. If all the cars were coupled together there would be a train ten miles long, drawn by fifty locomotives and manned by three hundred men. This a "passing show" to think about.

THE Peabody Institute always brings to us educators worth hearing. Those who come this year will keep up the high grade. While the exercises are for the special benefit of teachers, the general public will find in them entertainment and profit.

GRAND MASTER POWDERLY, K. of L., said Speaker Carlisle promised to put on the Labor Committee seven of the thirteen members named by Powderly. Speaker Carlisle says he made no such promise. It would be a queer promise for the Speaker of the House to make.

SIBERIA is just where it used to be, and Russia hasn't forgotten the road to it. Sentence of death is more merciful than sentence to Siberia. One who had spent five years in that land of the hopeless said, that compared with that torture an eternity in hell would be a prolonged festive occasion.

Star Route Case Dismissed.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 22.—Yesterday the noted case of the United States vs. John T. Chidister and Logan H. Roots came up in the Federal Court in this city. It is one of the well known Star route cases, which has been postponed from time to time. The Government brought suit to recover $174,000 which, it is claimed, was illegally paid contractors. The route was what was known as the Southern Transcontinental Route, and was the longest in the country. When the case came up the government was not ready. The new District Attorney, J. W. House, had not had time to prepare his case and it was dismissed. He will ask, however, to have the case instituted again.

Of Good Connections, of Course!

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 22.—A special to the *Picayune* from Columbia, Miss., says: At a ball given at the residence of John Warren, on Friday night, a fatal affray occurred between John and Bob Bayles on one side and Thad and Dan Scarborough on the other. Dan Scarborough was shot in the shoulder and his brother was instantly killed, a bullet passing through his heart. Eight shots were fired, but it is not known whether either of the Bayless brothers were wounded, as they disappeared immediately after the shooting. All the participants in the affray were young men of good connections.

Boycotted By Bourbons.

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 22.—By a decree of Judge Holliday of the Chancery Court of Richmond in the case of Pelouez vs. the Richmond *Whig* Publishing Company, the publication of the *Whig* is suspended after this date until further order of the court. C. C. Clarke, the receiver, is authorized to sell the paper and its establishment in the whole or in parcels, subject to the confirmation of the court. The *Whig* has been in continuous publication since January 1824, nearly sixty-two years.

Cattle Diseases in Pennsylvania.

LANCASTER, PA., Dec. 22.—Dr. Bridges, State Veterinarian, inspected a diseased herd of cattle at West Willow, this county, to-day. Six of the herd are infected with pleuro-pneumonia and will in all probability have to be killed. The doctor also inspected a herd at Marietta, where the cattle were found to be suffering from tuberculosis.

Robbed by Masked Men.

CLINTON, WIS., Dec. 22.—William Graham, a bachelor, living five miles south of here was confronted by a pistol, held by a masked man last night, and compelled to surrender $4,000, which he had in his house. Henry Lawson, a neighbor, has been arrested, accused of the robbery.

Singer Sewing Machine Troubles.

ELIZABETH, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The Singer sewing machine factory whistle was blown at 7:30 o'clock this morning and the locked-out employes returned to work. The tax dispute has not yet been arranged.

Arbitration Succeeds.

BRECKTON, MASS., Dec. 22.—The forty-two shoe factories which have been silent for so long a time opened their doors to-day for work, under the terms of the award made by the Board of Arbitration between the manufacturers and employes.

CABINET MEETING.

DEPARTMENT WORKING HOURS

Considered by the August Conclave—The Bell Telephone Decision Postponed—The House Committees to be Formed During the Holiday Recess—Callings.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The Cabinet meeting to-day was attended by all the members except Secretary Whitney, who is in New York. The session lasted about three hours and was devoted to a general discussion of the business pending in each of the Departments.

The question of shortening the hours of work in the Departments during the holiday recess, according to the long established custom, was also considered. It was decided that in addition to closing the Departments on Christmas and New Year's day they would be closed at noon on each of the days immediately preceding these holidays, and that they would be open for business as usual in the interim. This course was adopted in view of the representation that the business in several of the departments notably the Treasury, is somewhat in arrears and might accumulate business if the hours of work were shortened.

It is said at the White House that with two or three exceptions all of the recess appointments have been sent to the Senate for confirmation.

CAPITAL GOSSIP.

Crisp Callings from the Departments—Personal Notes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Secretary Lamar will spend the holidays at his home in Mississippi, and will leave here this evening or to-morrow.

Assistant Secretary Jenkins will leave Washington to-morrow for his home near Pittsburgh, returning about the 4th of January.

Commissioner of Patents, Mr. Montgomery, is now at his home in Michigan, and is not expected to return before the 6th of January. With the exception of Mr. Muldrow, the First Assistant, who will remain here, all of the officials who sat in the telephone case will be absent until the first week of January, and it is expected that soon after their return the decision in the case will be announced.

The Speaker of the House is now at work arranging the committees, and it is said he will give the list out for publication as soon as it is completed, not waiting for Congress to meet. There is considerable uneasiness among the members to know where they will be assigned. Their anxiety has kept many in Washington for the holiday recess. Had the committees been announced before adjournment, it is probable that most of the members would have gone home to their families for their Christmas dinners, but under the existing circumstances only seventy-five have taken advantage of this opportunity. The remainder or most of them will stay in the city.

Senators Mitchell and Dolph and Representative Herman, of Oregon, visited the Washington Monument storehouse this afternoon, where the Oregon memorial stone now lies, and formally presented it to the Monument Commission as the gift of the State of Oregon. The stone has elaborate work. It is twelve feet long, two feet and six inches thick. It consists of three kinds of Oregon stone. The stone itself is of brown granite sandstone, and bears on its face a landscape, with Oregon's coat of arms surrounded by fruits and flowers, the whole enclosed with a raised moulding set in the sandstone, and surrounding the State seal are thirty-two stars of a greenish syenite. The snow-capped mountains are represented by white marble from Southern Oregon, also set in the brown sandstone.

Enmity Against America.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The annual report of Jacob Muller, United States Consul General at Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, has been received at the State Department. He calls attention to the reactionary tendencies prevailing in that country in the industrial and commercial relations with the United States, which tendencies he says explain the ill will of the official and ruling sphere against the United States. They dread, he says, American hogs, wheat and American imports generally, but still more the importation of American ideas. Not only is the tendency to retrogression noticeable, he says, in the political, economic and religious spheres of life, but the barriers existing between mankind are also fostered and multiplied to such an extent that the spirit of caste is again becoming prominent and the feudal system resurrected.

The Father of Locomotives.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The ancestor of all the locomotives now in use on American railroads, was placed on exhibition at the National Museum to-day. It was made in England, in 1835, by George Stephenson, and sent to this country. It is the original copy sent to American machinists, and from which the present magnificent American locomotive has been evolved. It was presented to the Museum by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The Baltimore & Ohio road had an engine in use before the arrival of the "John Bull," but its species was not perpetuated.

Duty on Grain Bags.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The Treasury Department has affirmed the decision of the Collector of Customs at Baltimore in assessing a duty on 24,000 grain bags which the importers claimed to be exempt from duty as bags of American manufacture, exported and returned. The action of the Collector was based on the fact that the bags were not marked and consequently the appraiser was not able to identify them in the manner prescribed by law.

The Baltimore & Ohio's Liberality.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 22.—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company has tendered a train of parlor coaches to the Senators, Representatives and newspaper correspondents desiring to visit the New Orleans exposition during the holiday recess. The train will leave here at 7:07 o'clock on Christmas night.

Mad Dogs.

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., Dec. 22.—On Sunday last a Scotch dog belonging to Wm. Frank, began snapping at him, and finally bit his little daughter in the leg. The dog was killed yesterday. A bloodhound, also the property of Mr. Frank, showed symptoms of the rabbies and was promptly killed before he had bitten any one. It is thought that these dogs were bitten by an animal known to be mad, which ran through the town a few days ago.

Patients for Pasteur.

MATAWAN, N. J., Dec. 22.—The mad dog scare in this place is not diminished. Edward Bucklin, who was bitten on Saturday, went to Newark to-day, accompanied by his father, and if Dr. O'Gorman advises the measure, will go to Paris immediately. Charles Britton, another victim, has also consulted Dr. O'Gorman. The dog who bit them has not yet been found, though people here have been searching for him all day. Many dogs bitten by this animal have been killed, and the others are closely watched.

MISS ROSS' ELOPEMENT.

A Harrisburg Belle Married in New York and Gone to Florida.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 22.—An announcement of a marriage was made to-day that has given society circles a theme for gossip. Valentine Hummel is a prominent young member of one of the oldest and wealthiest Harrisburg families, lately of the iron firm of Hummel, Fendrick & Co., and a member of Common Council. Miss Mary E. Ross is the only daughter of Andrew Ross, a wealthy resident of New Cumberland, a little village along the river side, opposite Harrisburg. She is a bright, vivacious blonde, handsome and intelligent and a great favorite in society circles in this city, where she frequently visited relatives and where she met Mr. Hummel about two years ago. For over a year the young man made frequent trips in his dog cart to the residence of Mr. Ross and was regarded as the one particular suitor whom Miss Ross favored. In consequence of a hint from her parents he then ceased his visits, but Miss Ross used to drive in her pony phaeton to Harrisburg, and by some chance the two always met on the way.

Last Thursday Miss Ross left home ostensibly to visit her Harrisburg relatives, but at the railway station she was met by Mr. Hummel and his confidante, Mr. Elder. The party took the day express for New York, and arriving there late in the evening were received by Mr. Hummel's relatives, who escorted them to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, where Rev. Dr. Loodell performed the marriage ceremony. A wedding supper was given at midnight at the residence of Mr. Hummel's cousin, a wealthy New Yorker, and the couple are believed to have started the next day on a trip to Florida. The bride is idolized by her parents, and it is not supposed that they will show any resentment on her return from the South.

CAUGHT IN A CAVE.

Three Men Buried Under a Sand Bank—Two May Recover.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 22.—A serious and probably fatal accident occurred in the Eighteenth ward at 6 o'clock this morning. Pierre Laure, a teamster, has been engaged for some weeks past in hauling gravel, which he procured at a huge gravel bed in the southern part of the city. He had engaged to help him a Bohemian named Barlkowski, and a Pole whose name could not be learned. At the hour stated this morning the trio entered the gravel bed and began digging in a deep cavern that had been hollowed out in the side of the hill.

They had not worked long when James Moses, a bystander, called to them to get out, that the bank was falling in. His warning was too late. Before the men could emerge from the drift a huge mass of gravel had caved in on them and buried them. Moses gave the alarm and speedy hands set to work to rescue the buried men. About 7 o'clock Laure was uncovered and found lying upon his face, unconscious, with one leg crushed under him. The Bohemian was found soon after, also lying upon his face and unconscious. The Pole was the last to be taken out, but, strange to say, he suffered the least injury of the three, and was conscious when found. The Bohemian is thought to be fatally injured, and Laure's chances for recovery are very slight.

MORMON CONSPIRACIES

To Defeat the Justice of the United States Polygamy Laws.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 22.—The trial of B. Y. Hampton, charged with conspiracy, commenced before Judge Zane to-day. Hampton is a city officer and prominent Saint, charged with entering into a conspiracy with prostitutes to establish houses of prostitution for the purpose of entrapping Federal officers and gentiles. The only witness examined to-day was Mrs. Fields, one of the prostitutes. She testified that she had entered into a contract with Hampton; that he furnished a house for her and that the police promised her she should not be arrested for running a house of prostitution in the city. The police paid her rent and reserved one room in the house for the spotters. Hampton paid her $400 altogether. He took her past Governor Murray's house in a buggy, pointed out his residence and told her to call on the Governor and try to get him to call on her. Hampton promised her $300 if she got the Governor. Hampton and his associates told her they wanted to get the names of these Gentiles so they could trade them off to the juries in polygamy trials they wanted to entrap the Governor in.

Horrible Crime yet Unsolved.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 22.—The mystery in the murder of the Enoch family last Wednesday morning seems as far from a solution as ever. Horrible as were the first details of the crime the latest investigation shows still greater atrocity. Besides being shot, the father, mother and one child had their heads cut open with an axe or other sharp instrument. After being further mutilated the mangled remains of the family were piled upon the floor, the house rifled and then set on fire to conceal the evidence of the crime. The latest move in the investigation was the sending of officers to Saranac, where a man is held answering the description of "Aleck" Rome, the hired man, who was one of those suspected of the murder.

Disastrous Slide.

SILVERTON, COL., Dec. 22.—A snow slide came down the mountain into Minnesota Gulch this afternoon, sweeping everything before it. The slide struck the mouth of the Prodigal Son mine, filling an eighty-five foot shaft and burying Burk Hovey and J. M. Scales, working at the bottom of the mine at the time of the accident. The snow packed so tight that it was impossible to move the bucket which went to the bottom, when it was struck by the snow. A rescuing party is working, but all hopes of reaching the imprisoned men alive is abandoned.

A Town in Danger.

NASHVILLE, TENN., Dec. 22.—A special to the *American* from Shelbyville, Tenn., says: A fire broke out at 1 o'clock A. M. in Reeves' saloon in the centre of the Cannon block, on the South Side, of Depot street. For twenty minutes the firemen could not get water and the fire gained such headway that it seemed beyond control. The firemen are fighting it bravely. It seems now that the best business part of the town will be destroyed, as there is a fresh breeze blowing from the southeast.

Forty Horses Burned.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—A Vincennes, Ind., special to the *Journal*, received at a late hour, details a destructive fire in that city. It broke out in McGimsey's livery stable, a large building on third street, passed to Gardner & Son's, extensive furniture wareroom, and then down Second street. The people are greatly excited, as they fear the destruction of the greater portion of the city. McGimsey lost forty head of horses.

Injured at a Fire.

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 22.—At 2 o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the Chenango House at Greene, Chenango county, and destroyed nine buildings. Three men were injured, one seriously, by an explosion. The losses and insurance are as yet unknown.

ALL HOPE HAS FLED.

NANTICOKE MINERS ENTOMBED

And Beyond the Reach of Human Endeavor. The Names of the Victims Imprisoned. The Grief and Anguish of the Mourners—The Sad Scenes in the Town.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Dec. 22.—There was no rest for Nanticoke last night. It is impossible to describe in words the consternation, the dismay, the agony which spread throughout the village when it was learned after midnight that all efforts to get the entombed out alive were abandoned. The town never saw such a sight as that witnessed from 2 to 4 o'clock this morning. No one thought of rest. The whole population was on the streets regretting in the wildest manner the decision to abandon the efforts at rescue. Exclamations of despair, cries of agony and mutterings of discontent were heard on every corner, and in almost every household relations of the unfortunate victims were in the wildest agony of despair. Several were seized with convulsions. Fannie Sarver, sister of the two Sarver brothers, was prostrated with violent fits, and at five o'clock this morning it was feared she would die. Mrs. Kivler the old mother of the three Kivler brothers was at death's door from weakness and the shock, and many other relations and friends of the victims were completely prostrated. The officials in charge of the rescuing expedition were forced to abandon all work from the air shaft by several irresistable conclusions.

THE LAST STRAW.

Investigations at an early hour this morning show that the sand rock and culm had fallen to such an extent that the mine in which the imprisoned men were was now filled to the roof and that the men are dead and beyond all human help. A second cave-in took place during the night, which was of very large proportions, and the real extent of the damage can hardly be estimated, but it is great. This fall brought with it volumes of black damp and sulphurous gases which filled the mine and put a peremptory stop to all work.

At 6 o'clock this morning it was learned that the bodies of the victims cannot be recovered for at least a month, and since this news has been spread throughout the mining region the most intense excitement prevails. Every effort will now be made to work in towards the men from the slope. The clearing of the top of the gangways will be pushed as rapidly as possible. It is thought that the work will be long and tedious, as there is about 3,000 feet of gang way also filled up and said to be packed to the roof.

THE ENTOMBED MINERS.

The following is a complete and correct list of the victims as obtained for the first time:

THOS. CLIFFORD, door boy, 14 years old.
WM. DEHANEY, driver boy, 14 years old.
WM. EHLIE, runner, 19 years old.
EDWARD HARGRAVES, miner, 21 years old.
JOHN HAWK, laborer, 30 years old.
WADISLAW JELGOHINSKI, laborer, 23 years old.
OLIVER KIVLER, miner, 27 years old, married and has three children.
WM KIVLER, labor, 17 years old.
FRANK KIVLER, miner, 33 years old, married.
MAUX LONGOLKI, driver, aged 17 years.
ALENAM LEWIS, miner, 42 years old, married.
ANDREW LOWE, miner, 25 years old, married.
VINCENT LUKE, laborer, 28 years old, married.
EDWARD MATTHEWS, laborer, 20 years old.
AUGUST MATULK, miner, 45 years old, married, with six children.
PETER MATTLEWIZKE, laborer, age unknown.
JOSEPH MCCARTY, miner, aged 23 years, married.
JOHN NOWACH, laborer, 32 years old.
ABRAE RUBENSKI, laborer, 29 years old.
ISAAC SARVER, miner, 23 years old, married, leaves two children.
JOHN SARVER, laborer, 18 years old.
JOHN SHUTT, miner, 28 years old, married.
THOMAS WILLIAMS, laborer, 21 years old.

The officials of the Chicago and Wilkesbarre Coal Company are now going to sink a shaft directly over the slope where the imprisoned miners are supposed to be. It is thought that by doing this they can reach the victims in about four days.

THEIR FATE SEALED.

The fate of the men in the slope is sealed, and the only thing that remains is to recover the bodies of the victims and restore them to their families and friends. Little has been done to-day except to clear away the debris, preparatory to beginning anew, and render the machinery and appliances more substantial. The operation at the slope will be kept up and all the debris removed as fast as possible. The most practical miners are of the opinion that when the dead men are found it will be in their chamber. If they have been caught in the fall of sand and culm then the victims will be found one by one as the excavation continues, and it may be two months before the last body is recovered. The loss to the company is estimated at $150,000, and will be greater than the cost of sinking a shaft. The loss of time and the clearing away of a mile of debris, sand and rock which is wedged in a solid mass in the gangways,

A TOUCHING SPEECH.

Michael Sarver, father of the two Sarver brothers, was among the last who came out of the shaft this morning. He wept like a child. He is very old and a lifelong toiler in the mines. He expressed himself to-day as entirely satisfactory with the work being done to extricate the men. He did not place any blame for the disaster upon any one, holding that it was entirely accidental. "I have two as fine sons as ever a father had, lying down there," Mr. Sarver said, "and as good a daughter as a man could wish lying dead at home, but it is the will of God, and I say 'His will be done.' It is a terrible affair, and others are suffering as much as I am. I will go down again as soon as they will let me, and I will work day and night to rescue them dead or alive."

The project of sinking a shaft over the workings of the fatal slope has been abandoned. It is said it would be necessary to go down 250 feet to reach the nearest gangway, and to do this would take three months. The company will continue to work on and clear the obstructed tunnel.

A Miners' Outbreak.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Dec. 22.—There was an outbreak at the old Eagle mines in the Third pool near Elkhorn yesterday morning. At an early hour about twenty men made an attack on two Germans, when about three quarters of a mile from the pit. One of the men was knocked down and beaten with a club. His injuries are of a serious nature. The other one fared better and got off with scratches and a black eye. The alarm was quickly raised. Superintendent J. E. Jones, Engineer Kerr with one other man succeeded in routing them. The strikers displayed very little courage. They ran for the hills as soon as Mr. Jones and his assistants arrived and showed their revolvers. No other outrages are reported, though an uneasy feeling prevails throughout the entire valley. At all the mines where diggers are working at the reduction the men go armed and are ready to repel any attack.

Miners Going In.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 22.—There was a decided break in the Monongahela river miners' strike reported to-day. In the Fourth pool nearly every mine is in operation at the reduced rate, and in the Second and Third pools the miners of Wood & Co., Cynn & Co., Penney & Co., Horner & Roberts, Donill & Lovedale Coal Company have received large accessions to their working forces. No trouble has occurred at any of the pits to-day.

Work of Miscreants.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 22.—A McKeesport special says: The Penney mine in the Second pool was entered last night by unknown parties, presumably strikers, and the tools of the working miners destroyed. The props holding up slate roofs were also knocked down and traps set to catch the men and crush them to death. Fortunately no one was injured, as the work of the miscreants was discovered before the miners went in the pit to-day.

Umpire of Ohio Miners' Strike.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 22.—Hon. Allen G. Thurman was selected to-night as umpire before the mining arbitration board. The judge was suggested by the miners and readily accepted by the operators. The committee appointed to wait on him report that he will accept.

HYPOCRITICAL CLERGYMAN.

The Cloak of the Devil Torn from an Alleged Convert.

HURON, DAK., Dec. 22.—Mr. A. Reed is a Huron attorney and a leader in the choir in the Baptist church. Since the coming of the present pastor, Rev. J. W. Davis, who came from Buda, Illis., he has given music lessons to Davis's daughter, who is also a member of the choir. Last night Davis published a card in the Huron *Times*, saying:

"I feel it my duty to make known the facts that my daughter may be defended in society, and that the wretched man who attempted her ruin may appear in his true light. Ever since my arrival in Huron Mr. Reed has affected a growing Christian experience, for the development of which he has sought my counsel and help. In this way he has kept me affectionately and trustingly near him as a spiritual adviser, while his generous friendship in providing comfort in our home has been a pledge of his sincerity. Just as fast as he could do so with cunning and advantage, he has sought to secure the confidence and affection of my daughter, and blinded both her and her parents to his true purpose by a constantly increasing religious ardor. This game culminated and revealed its real object on last Thursday night in a determined effort to gain her consent to elope with him. He was at once dismissed from the house forever."

The affair has caused much comment here. Reed has a wife and a twelve-year-old son. The young lady is highly respected. Reed joined the church three weeks ago, and was baptized by Davis.

A SAD FATE.

A Woman Deserted by Her Husband Commits Suicide on Shipboard.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 22.—The Captain of the schooner E. G. Erwin, New York to Norfolk, arrived last night and reported to the authorities that a female passenger, named Eva L Gilson, had died on board on Saturday last. A coroner's inquest was held to-day and gave a verdict of death from natural causes, superinduced by the use of morphine.

The Captain says his vessel was lying at Greenpoint, N. Y., and the deceased came on board from a canal boat alongside and asked for passage to this city on her way to Kirkdale, Mo. It appears from an examination of her effects that she belonged to Kirkdale, Mo, where she has a sister now living, and that she was 31 years of age and a daughter of Major Gilson, of the Confederate army. She had been married to a man by the name of Young, who treated her badly and left her, after which he committed murder and afterwards died. She had lived alone at Troy, New York, and afterwards had been employed on the canal boat from which she was taken. The remains were interred to-day by the city authorities.

Fight to a Finish.

PETERSBURG, VA. Dec. 22.—A duel was fought near Jackson, N. C., between Edwin Goode and Wm. Wheeler, two prominent farmers of that county. Some days ago Goode's cattle got into Wheeler's field and ate between 100 and 200 pounds of fodder. Wheeler asked Goode to pay for his loss. Goode refused and this led to the difficulty. The rencontre took place on a country road, where, it is alleged, Wheeler challenged Goode to fight. The weapons used were a pistol and a pocket-knife. Goode received two bullets from Wheeler's pistol, and Wheeler seven or eight stabs or cuts from Goode's knife. Both men will die from their wounds.

Badly Demoralized.

HUNTER'S POINT, L. I, Dec. 22.—A prize fight took place this morning between Tom Green, of Williamsburg, and Jimmie Barr, of Greenpoint, for $100 a side without gloves. Green is 24 and Barr 22 years old, and each weighs 138 pounds. A large number of sporting men were present from New York, Brooklyn and Jersey City. The ring was pitched at 2:30 o'clock A. M., and Pat Barry, of Greenpoint, was chosen referee. Green forced the fighting from the start, and when the fight was interrupted in the fourth round by the cry of police, raised, it is said, by Barr's friends, Barr was badly demoralized.

Killed in a Drunken Brawl.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 22.—A Monongahela City special says: In a drunken brawl last night Henry Hardy, a glassworker, was stabbed in the neck. His dying statement implicated Shelby Crawl, a companion with whom he had been drinking. Crawl has disappeared.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The total exports of produce from New York port during the past week were valued at $6,444,818.

The assignment of Dow, Short & Co., private bankers, of Syracuse, N. Y., was filed yesterday morning. Charles P. Baldwin is the assignee.

Ferral & Smith, manufacturers of agricultural implements, of Piqua, O., have assigned to M. H. Jones. Liabilities $30,000; assets about the same.

Messrs. H. D. Frisbie and J. K. Lake, well known cattle breeders, of Cynthiana, Ky., had an altercation on the road yesterday, ending in pistol firing by both. Mr. Frisbie was seriously, if not fatally, wounded.

Murphy & Darrs' saw mill and about 8,000 barrels of salt located in the sheds adjoining, at Bay City, Mich., were totally consumed by fire at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. The estimated loss is $60,000; insurance $35,000.

At 2 o'clock yesterday morning a fire broke out in the Chenango House, at Greene, Chenango county, New York, and destroyed nine buildings. Three men were injured, one seriously, by an explosion. The losses and insurance are as yet unknown.

WIZZARD WORSTED

BY THE WORLD'S CHAMPION

In the Second Game of the Balke Line Championship—Vignaux Leads from the Start, and Wins the Game in Spite of Schaefer's Claim of Foul.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Schaefer and Vignaux were the contestants in the second game of the billiard tournament to-night. Between three and four hundred spectators were present. Schaefer was the favorite in the betting at $100 to $60. Both men started off in good form, though a careless play by Schaefer cut short a promising run of 49 in the fourth inning. In his fifth, Vignaux, commencing with a "set up," played with great steadiness and accuracy for a run of 98, and the call was: Vignaux, 139; Schaefer, 100. Schaefer then went to the front with 53, nearly all made by legitimate balke-line nursing. The next call in the eighth inning was: Vignaux, 233; Schaefer, 186.

Vignaux opened the ninth with a stunning twice-across shot, which gave him a perfect position, but he stopped at 32, on an easy draw to the cushion. At the end of the sixteenth inning the call was: Vignaux 302; Shafler 272.

At the beginning of the twenty-ninth inning Schaefer proceeded to make the biggest run of the game thus far, stopping at 105 on a difficult masse. The score now stood Vignaux, 587; Schaefer, 492. In the last inning Vignaux beat Schaefer's best run. At 89 Schaefer, however, claimed a push shot, but the referee disallowed it. Vignaux kept on in his inexorable way and run out the game with 152. The score was: Schaefer, 686; average 19 2-30; highest run 105. Vignaux, 800; average, 22 8 36; highest run 152. Time, 3 hours and 50 minutes.

THE TRADE FEATURES

Of Wall Street—The Advance in Foreign Exchange—Wheat as a Factor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The absorbing topic of interest in Wall Street to-day has been the advance in the sterling bills, reaching the point at which shipments can be made at a profit, $4 90½ for posted rates and $4 89½ for actual business. There was an engagement for $100,000 of gold this afternoon for shipment on Saturday, and it is generally believed that further shipments will be made. The immediate cause for this advance has been the advance in the Bank of England rate of discount last week, but a more direct and potential cause is to be found in the extremely light shipments of grain to Europe, especially wheat, while the visible supply of wheat in this country is far in excess of previous years.

Merchants who are familiar with the subject also say that a considerable quantity of cotton was sold last July by the planters, deliverable in 90 days, and that when the deliveries were made there was a considerable advance in the price of spot cotton which gave considerable dissatisfaction to the planters and led them to hold the stock then on hand for higher prices, resulting in a limited amount of cotton bills on the market at present. It is claimed, however, that this will have the effect of steadiness on the market throughout the winter, as shipments of cotton will be made continuously in moderate amount. The rate for sterling bills are now about the same as they were at the time that shipments here made in April and May, 1884. A break in the price of wheat, it is generally conceded, would lead to the substitution of wheat for gold in the future settlement of our trade balances with Europe.

Responsibility Fixed.

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 22.—The Georgia Pacific road yesterday refused to let the East Tennessee trains run over the seventeen-mile stretch to Austell, heretofore used by both roads. It was upon this stretch that the late accident occurred in which fifteen lives were lost. A quarrel as to responsibility grew out of that accident. According to the Georgia Pacific's construction of the rules, the East Tennessee road would have been responsible for the accident, which would invite heavy damage suits, while the East Tennessee's construction would throw the blame on the Georgia Pacific.

At an early hour Monday morning the Georgia Pacific closed its line to the East Tennessee, and at noon, stopped the mail train for one hour. The East Tennessee's officers then consented to accept the Georgia Pacific's construction, when the trains were allowed to move. Over three miles of trains had been blocked.

Western Pools.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Dec. 22.—A movement is on foot to re-establish pooling arrangements among the roads west of the western terminl of the trunk lines. Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Logansport, La-Fayette and other Indiana points are interested. Joint Agent Dougherty, of this city, is preparing statistics showing the business each road is doing, east bound, out of Indianapolis, and the percent each road would probably be entitled to. The movement has been given an impetus by the action of the trunk line representatives Friday last. The Indianapolis and other pools will probably be organized in harmony with the recommendations given.

Railways Consolidate.

MADISON, WIS., Dec. 22.—Articles were filed with the Secretary of State of Wisconsin yesterday consolidating the Milwaukee & Dubuque and the Dubuque & Northwestern Railroad Companies under the name of the Milwaukee, Peoria & St. Louis Railroad Company. The object of the union is to construct and operate a road between Milwaukee and St. Louis. The capital stock is $6,000,000, divided into 60,000 shares.

Fatal Collision.

EAST SAGINAW, MICH., Dec. 22.—At 6 o'clock last evening, at Chesaning, twenty-six miles south on the Michigan Central railroad, the through freight train ran into a local freight train standing on the track. Mrs. Green, who was on her way to St. Charles, was in the caboose, and was instantly killed. Two or three men in the caboose saved their lives by jumping. Considerable damage was done to both trains.

Struck by a Train.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 22.—William Moore and John Ridgeway were walking on the railroad track near Coaltown, Butler county, last night, on their way home, when they were struck by a coal train backing up to the mines. Ridgeway was killed instantly and Moore so badly injured that he died during the night.

None Too Many.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Covers were laid for 250 guests, and they were none too many, at the eightieth forefather day banquet of the New England society of New York to-night. A letter from President Cleveland was read, saying that the fact that the nation was in mourning for the late Vice President Hendricks made it impossible for him to join in the festivities of the occasion.

THE PEABODY INSTITUTE.

Dr. John Hancock on Literature—To-day's Exercises.

The Peabody Teachers' Institute for the benefit of the teachers in the public schools of Wheeling commences to-day in the old hall of the House of Delegates, in the Public Building. Last night Dr. John Hancock, of Ohio, delivered an interesting discourse to a very appreciative audience his theme being the importance of a knowledge of literature and a literary taste as a part of a generous education in the present day.

The institute exercises proper will commence at 9 A. M. to-day. Following is the programme for to-day, 9 to 12: Song—"Sailing"—Class from Washington school; prayer by Rev. Dr. Cunningham; song—"Pretty Pond Lilies"; organization—appointment of secretaries and enrollment of teachers; Reading in Primary Grades—Dr. Newell; Primary Arithmetic—The Value of Grube's Method—Dr. Hancock; Orthography—Use to be Made of the Spelling Book, Dr. Newell.

Afternoon, 2 to 4:30: Song—"Swinging 'Neath the Old Apple Tree," class from Madison school; Language Teaching, Dr. Hancock; Song—"Katie Did;" Advanced Reading, Dr. Newell; Arithmetic, Dr. Hancock; Song—"Massa's in the Cold, cold Ground;" "The School Officer as an Educational Factor—How to Secure the Interest and Co-operation of Patrons and School Officers," Dr. Newell.

Evening: Song—"Alpine Song," class from Union school; Prayer, by Rev. Mr. Applegate; Song—"My Uncle Sam;" Lecture—"What I Know About Teachers and Teaching," Dr. Newell; Song—"Those Evening Bells."

PROF AGINTON.

The Distinguished Roller Skater, the Greatest in his Profession.

Of Prof. Aginton, who is to appear at the Chapline street rink every evening this week, commencing this evening, the Harrisburg, Pa., *Telegram* says: The subject of an illustration in to-day's *Telegram* is a modest gentleman of a reserved disposition and the friends he made during his engagement which ended last evening at the State Capital rink, are counted by hundreds, and it's no exaggeration to say Mr. Aginton richly deserves all the encomiums the public lavish upon him. No skater has ever visited this city who leaves with more admirers than the subject of this sketch. Robert J. Aginton enjoys the same quiet and unostentatious distinction on the roller skating surfaces of the United States that is by common consent accorded to the veteran Lester Wallack on the high comedy histrionic stage. Prof. Aginton gave four exhibitions at the State Capital rink in this city last week, which were marvels of grace and difficult execution, and were greatly appreciated by the large audiences present on each occasion. It has been aptly said that what Salvini is to the drama, Campanini to the opera, Terquin to the ballet, so is Aginton to the art of skating. Prof. Aginton, (the only man who holds this title, it having been conferred upon him in France) is the instructor of the following well-known skaters: Miss Carrie Gilmore, Miss Jennie Houghton, Miss Hattie Harvey, Misses Cora and Gertie Jackson and many others. The peculiar features about Professor Aginton's skating are his wonderful ease and grace, and the astonishing command he has over the skates. No movement seems too difficult for him to execute and his performances are marvels of grace and beauty, unexampled by the greatest in his profession. The Professor is ready to receive and will accept any challenges that may come from the best skaters in the world.

The Coming Poultry Show.

Next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 29, 30 and 31, the Wheeling Poultry Association will give its first annual exhibition at McLain's hall, on Twelfth street. A most attractive premium list has been prepared. Dr. W. J. Bates, Jr., of this city, is President, Mr. S. Q. Hamilton Secretary, and J. T. Stone Treasurer. The coming show bids fair to be an event of unusual interest, not only to poultry fanciers or breeders, but to the general public as well. There was no feature of the last State Fair which more justly won praise than the poultry show, yet in the large variety of exhibits there it was neglected by many. It is partly to remedy this that the association has arranged this exhibition.

The Pewhkey Ice Breaker.

The ice breaker being built by the P., C. & St. L. road at the northwest corner of the freight depot is going to be a very elaborate and strong affair. Many people think that it will more elaborate and stronger than really necessary, and that when it is completed it will be just the thing on which to continue the present spur switch on the west side of the depot to the main track at a point just opposite the entrance to the Stamm House. As being built it will occupy a considerable portion of the levee and will allow of considerable dumping.

The Academy of Music.

Another large audience greeted Mr. J. H. Keane and his company last night in their splendid rendition of one of the funniest plays on the stage—"Mrs. Partington and Ike." It was received with shouts of laughter and constant merriment. In the first act Mrs. Harry Mortimer sang "Maid of Dundee," and "A German Dialect." She received encores. The company is a good one, and deserves liberal patronage. They will produce "Mrs. Partington and Ike" at the matinee this afternoon, and the great temperance sermon, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" to-night.

THROUGH THE STATE.

Accidents and Incidents in West Virginia and Vicinity.

Diphtheria is raging in the southeastern section of Pendleton county and the adjoining section of Virginia, in such a malignant type that the local board of health has established quarantine. About sixty deaths are reported in the last few weeks.

S. H. Piersol, of the Parkersburg *State Standard*, who has for over a year past been endeavoring to establish a