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MR. MOODY'S Wheeling friends will be glad to hear that he is drawing immense crowds in Boston.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND ought to give thanks for a brand new wife he didn't have last Thanksgiving Day.

IN YE olden time the newspapers used to crack alleged jokes on turkey, about Thanksgiving time. How long ago that seems!

QUEEN VICTORIA points with royal pride to thirty-five grandchildren and six great grands, with no thanks to the house of Argyle.

IN SENATOR CAMDEN could see his way clear through the Democratic caucus he would feel more like basting his turkey with thanks to-day.

SENATOR EDMUNDS is understood to be loading up for a broadside at the Administration. Now see the barricades go up around the White House.

DO WE see the head of O'Donovan Rossa rising again in the pool of Irish politics? At all events Mr. Egan is disposed to give Rossa's head just one twirl of his shillelah, and it's a good job Mr. Egan is doing.

THE late Vice-President Hoxie, of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, began his railroad career as a brakeman on the Union Pacific Railroad and next became conductor on a gravel train. His first step was on the bottom rung of the ladder.

THE point of the President's letter to Attorney General Garland is that District Attorney Stone is not on the administration's side of the political fence. This is frank, but it is not the undiluted article of Civil Service reform. Does the President hope to catch the people with humbug so easily seen through?

THE President pulters with District Attorney Stone. He did not suspend Stone on old charges, but for a new offense. He condoned a like offense in a Democrat, but Stone is a Republican. He did not regard Benton's letter as "mischievous," and Stone's is modeled after Benton's. The President is in a box.

NEW YORK'S street paving is declared to be "a disgrace to a civilized country." Ex-President Arthur's physician says "an invalid cannot reach the Park without being jolted to death. Mr. Arthur said only the other day that if he was able to get out again he would start an agitation for better roads." What New York needs is the Wheeling brick pavement.

A STATEMENT comes via Paris that friends of Sir Charles Dilke have unearthed a conspiracy that will raise the hair of fashionable London and vindicate to the world's satisfaction the good name of the brilliant statesman whom scandal has forced out of public life. That would be a great and good thing for Sir Charles. Let us hope it may come about that way.

It is a sad thing to have to believe that an able man, of great capacity for good, is as bad as he is brilliant. A man who fills high public place owes it to the people to set them a good example in his private walk. He cannot disconnect his private from his public character.

"STRIKES," remarks the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, "don't buy juicy beef steaks, nor heap the grates with coal, nor bring good cheer to the home" nor, it might be added, prosperity to the industry or the community in which they occur.

Where labor has a real grievance it will not go forever unredressed—the march of progress has carried us beyond that point—but the redress will come of the use of rational, peaceable means. When reason and forbearance and natural good will reign, conciliation and arbitration will do what the strike and the boycott have failed to do. If there were no other objection to the strike a conclusive one would still lie in this, that once a strike is on, the worsted side has difficulty to find its way out of the strike, so loath are men to admit that they have blundered or been misled.

The right course, to be sure, is to accept the fortune of losing strife and have an end to it, but this is easier to say than to do. Human nature rebels against the confession of error, and false prophets redouble their energies when they see that their misguided followers are about to have a lucid interval. But sooner or later the end comes, reason regains its place, and the false prophets are drummed out of camp. How much better not to go into strikes.

The Anarchists' Case.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Gen. Black, counsel for the condemned anarchists, to-day secretly secured a carriage and driving into the country, boarded the train that left Bloomington at 2:16 a. m. for Ottawa. There he visited the Clerk of the Illinois Supreme Court, and made arrangements with that official to be on hand all day Thanksgiving, so that should a supersedas be granted by to-morrow the clerk would be in readiness to take the furthur steps necessary to stay the execution.

A Smith's Ferry Sensation.

SMITH'S FERRY, PA., Nov. 24.—About 2 o'clock this morning the inhabitants of Hookstown, a small village 4 miles distant, were thrown into great excitement over the finding of Miss Margaret Matthison, aged about eighty years, lying dead in her house. Last evening she was seen by her neighbors standing in her doorway, apparently in good health. There is strong suspicion of foul play. The Coroner has been notified to investigate the matter.

New York to Have Gore.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—The Chicago base ball club next season will not have the services of George F. Gore, the well known fielder. He was released this evening by President Spalding at his own request and will will go to New York to play with that club. The reasons for the change have not been made public. Mr. Spalding expresses himself confident that Kelly will play with the Chicagos.

Old Man Wheeler Released.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 24.—Wheeler, the old miser who was bound over to the Common Pleas court yesterday without bail for murdering his wife, was released to-day on $20,000 bail by Judge McKinney.

A LABORED EFFORT

ON THE PART OF THE PRESIDENT

To Show Cause Why Sauce for Benton Should not be Sauce for Stone—Civil Service Takes a Back Seat and Hides Its Blushing Face—A Partisan Plea.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The President makes public the following correspondence:

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 18, 1886.

Hon. A. H. Garland, Attorney General.

SIR:—I have read the correspondence between the President and Hon. M. E. Benton, U. S. Attorney, connected with his restoration to office, in which it appears that he was suspended from office for his apparent neglect of official duties in making campaign speeches. Presumably my suspension was ordered for the same reason. I desire therefore to state the facts in my case.

I made but two speeches prior to the receipt of the order of suspension, one at Butler, in an adjoining county, on the evening of October 10, and one at Kittanning, a town near Pittsburgh, on the evening of October 2.

I did not leave Pittsburgh for Butler until nearly 4 o'clock, October 1, and returned on the morning of October 2 about 9 o'clock. I left Pittsburgh for Kittanning Saturday, October 2, about 5 o'clock p. m., and returned the same night.

Upon both of the above dates, the United States Courts here were not in session, except a short time in the morning of each day for ordinary motions. I was in attendance upon the courts during their sittings, and did not leave the city upon either occasion until long after the courts had adjourned. On October 18 the United States District Court began its session at Pittsburgh for the trial of jury causes, a petit and grand jury being in attendance. From October 2 until October 18 I was engaged in the preparation of United States causes for trial, and from October 18 until October 27, the date of the receipt of the order of suspension, I was engaged in the trial of these causes. Neither during this period from October 2 to October 27, nor at any other time, did I in any particular, neglect the duties of my office. These statements may be verified by inquiry of any officer of our courts. I feel it my duty, after reading the correspondence between the President and Mr. Benton, to state these facts in justice to myself, and respectfully request that this communication be referred to the President.

I may also add that I did not think that making an occasional campaign speech to my neighbors, while not neglecting the duties of my office, would be a violation of the President's order of July 10, 1886.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant, WM. A. STONE.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 23, 1886.

Hon. A. H. Garland, Attorney General.

DEAR SIR:—I have read the letter of the 18th inst., written to you by Wm. A. Stone, lately suspended from office as District Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and the subject matter to which it refers has received my careful consideration. I shall not impute to the writer any mischievous motive in his plainly erroneous assumption that his case and that of M. E. Benton, recently suspended and reinstated, rest upon the same state of facts, but prefer to regard his letter as containing the best statement possible upon the question of his reinstatement. You remember, of course, that soon after the present administration was installed, and I think nearly a year and a half ago, I considered with you certain charges which had been preferred against Mr. Stone as a Federal official. You remember, too, that the action we then contemplated was withheld by reason of the excuses and explanations of his friends. These excuses and explanations induced me to believe that Mr. Stone's retention would insure a faithful performance of official duty; and whatever offensive partisanship he had that deemed justifiable in other circumstances, he would, during his continuance in office, at his request, under an administration opposed to him in political creed and policy, content himself with a quiet and unobtrusive enjoyment of his political privileges.

I certainly supposed that his sense of propriety would cause him to refrain from pursuing such a partisan course as would wantonly offend and irritate the friends of the administration, who insisted that he should not be retained in office either because of his personal merit or in adherence to the methods which for a long time had prevailed in the distribution of federal offices. In the light of a better system, and without considering his political affiliations, Mr. Stone, when permitted to remain in office, became a part of the business organization of the present administration, bound by every obligation of honor to assist within his sphere in its successful operation. This obligation involved, not only the proper performance of official duty, but a certain good faith and fidelity which, while not exacting the least sacrifice of political principle, forbade active participation in purely partizan demonstrations of a pronounced type, undertaken for the purpose of advancing party interests, and conducted upon the avowed theory that the administration of the Government was not entitled to the confidence and respect of the people.

There is no dispute whatever concerning the fact that Mr. Stone did join others who were campaigning the State of Pennsylvania in opposition to the administration. It appears, too, that he was active and prominent with noisy enthusiasm, in attendance upon at least two large public meetings; that the speeches at such meetings were largely devoted to abuse and misrepresentation of the Administration; that he approved all this and actually addressed the meetings himself in somewhat the same strain; that he attended such meetings away from his home for the purpose of making such addresses, and that he was advertised as one of the speakers at each of said meetings.

I shall accept as true the statement of Mr. Stone that the time spent by him in thus demonstrating his willingness to hold a profitable office at the hands of an Administration which he endeavored to discredit with the people, and which had kindly overlooked his previous offences, did not result in the neglect of ordinary official duty. But his conduct has brought to light such an unfriendliness toward the administration which he pretends to serve and of which he is nominally a part, and such a consequent lack of loyal interest in its success, that the safest and surest guarantee of his faithful service, is in my opinion entirely wanting.

His course, in itself such as should not have been entered upon while maintaining official relations to the administration, also renews and revives with unmistakable interpretation of their character and intent the charges of offensive partisanship heretofore made and up to this time, held in abeyance.

Mr. Stone and others of like disposition are not to suppose that party lines are so far obliterated that the administration of the Government is to be left, in places high and low, to those who aggressively and constantly endeavor unfairly to destroy the confidence of the people in the party responsible for such Administration.

While vicious partisan methods should not be allowed for partisan purposes to degrade or injure the public service, it is my belief that nothing tends so much to discredit our efforts, in the interest of such service, to treat fairly and generously the official incumbency of political opponents, as conduct such as his here disclosed. The people of this country certainly do not require the best results of administrative endeavor to be reached with such agencies as these.

Upon a full consideration of all I have before me, I am constrained to decline the application of Mr. Stone for his reinstatement. I enclose his letter with this and desire you to acquaint him with my decision. Yours truly,

GROVER

EGAN ON DAVITT.

One Famous Nationalist Leader Warmly Defends the Other.

LINCOLN, NEB., Nov. 24.—Mr. Egan, ex-President of the Irish National league, was seen to-day regarding the rumored conspiracy to assassinate Michael Davitt. He said he believed there were good grounds for the rumor, and if evidence is wanted on the subject it would be found by reading between the lines of a dispatch from New York which appeared in the morning papers yesterday morning, villifying Mr. Davitt's character.

"That dispatch," Mr. Egan said, "was made up of a tissue of untruths. For example, it states that Mr. Davitt was badly received throughout the West, including Nebraska. Every one here knows," said Egan," that no public man ever received a more cordial welcome or left behind him a better impression in Nebraska than Michael Davitt."

Mr. Egan says that while O'Donovan Rossa may not be personally mixed in the plot, the conspirators are not very far removed from him. The difference between Finnerty and Davitt, Mr. Egan regards as simply an honest divergence of opinion between good men as to policy and ruling, but the attack of O'Donovan Rossa he characterizes as mean and contemptible. He says that Rossa's only exploits for a considerable time have been to force off empty threats and fire off blank cartridges at England and to pelt wind at sensible level-headed Irish Nationalists.

CONNIVING POSTAL CLERKS

Afraid They are all to be Bounced—One of Them Removed Already.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—A large number of railway postal clerks under the jurisdiction of the postal authorities of this city are in a state of alarm over their possible decapitation for a singular offense which has just been brought to light. It appears that a practice has existed under which certain clerks have refrained from checking against connecting lines in order to force reciprocal action on the part of clerks of such lines, thereby enabling their own records to be protected. This practice is not only a violation of Section 720 of the instructions, but is held to be destructive of the discipline and efficiency of the service, and the Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service declares his intention of breaking it up. One clerk already has been removed and the heads of others are in danger.

UNABLE TO AGREE.

The McQuade Jury Discharged and Date Fixed for a New Trial.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—A few minutes after 11 o'clock Recorder Smyth made his appearance in court and at 11:40 the jury came into the room. Foreman Lynn stated that they had not agreed upon a verdict, adding: "We have remained the same since 12 o'clock on Monday night." The jury was discharged.

District Attorney Martine then moved for a new trial on Monday next.

Mr. Newcome thought he needed more time to prepare for a new trial.

The Recorder thought that the lawyers had had ample preparation, and he therefore granted the motion for a new trial to begin on Monday next at 11 a. m. It is stated that the jury stood 9 to 3 in favor of acquittal.

At the next trial Lawyer Newcombe will present the sworn testimony of John Keenan, DeLacy and others now in Canada, contradicting the evidence of Duffy and Fulgraff. The testimony of the men in Canada will be taken by a commission.

An application for McQuade's release on bail was denied and he was committed to the Tombs pending his retrial.

It is rumored that the jury was tampered with, but the authorities do not credit the rumor.

Largest Crop Ever Raised in Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Nov. 24.—Reports received from fifty-one of the seventy odd counties of the State regarding the condition of the cotton crop show that the expectation of a large yield at the beginning of the season has been fully realized. About two-thirds of the crop is now gathered, only a portion of which has been marketed, many planters preferring to hold for better prices. It is estimated the yield is the largest crop ever raised in the State. Picking is still in active progress.

The Barnesville Wreck.

NEWARK, O., Nov. 24.—The wreck reported as occurring at Barnesville, on the Baltimore & Ohio road, caused by a freight breaking in two and running together, was more serious than first reported. The cars demolished were filled with canned goods and other merchandise, all of which was mostly ruined. It was discovered that one of the breakmen, named Lawrence Keef, of this city, was missing. He was found this morning buried under the debris, dead. His body was brought here this afternoon.

Minister Manning's "Indiscretion."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 24.—At the State Department nothing is known beyond what has appeared in the newspapers with regard to the reports from the City of Mexico, charging Minister Manning with grave indiscretion. Not much importance is attached to the report. It is believed to be highly exaggerated. The Department authorizes a denial of the statement that Mr. Manning has sent a cable dispatch in reference to the alleged scandal.

In Memory of Manager Hoxie.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 24.—General Superintendent Kerrigan, of the Missouri Pacific railway, has issued a notice to the employes, in which he says: As a testimonial of respect on the part of this company to the memory of Mr. Hoxie and his great services, and as a mark of esteem on the part of his associates and employes, the offices and shops of the company will be closed on the day of his funeral.

The Ohio Trades and Labor Assembly.

DAYTON, O., Nov. 24.—At to-day's meeting of the Ohio Trades and Labor Assembly resolutions were adopted appointing delegates to the labor convention at Cincinnati, February 22, 1887, and heartily favoring the formation of a new National Labor political party.

Can Pay No More Than the Interest.

RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 24.—Governor Lee writes to Senator-elect Daniels, that the State can pay no more than the interest on the debt as ascertained by the Riddleberger proposition of settlement, without raising the rate of taxation.

Condition of the Pope's Health.

ROME, Nov. 24.—Despite the worry occasioned by the Vatican's diplomatic squabbles the Pope, though in critical health, has renewed his daily promenades in the gardens, which had been recently discontinued.

JACKSON-SHATTUCK.

BIG WEDDING AT PARKERSBURG.

Mr. A. Gardner Jackson and Miss Shattuck United in Matrimony at the Episcopal Cathedral—A Large Reception—Many Wheeling Guests.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Nov. 24.—The sun kissed the tears of an angry night and opened the eyes of a perfect day, and happy was the bride, for the sun never shone brighter than in this, the expiring days of autumn. It is true that the sun never gladdened a brighter morn or the stars sparkled brighter in a November sky, and for these propitious omens Mr. A. G. Jackson and his bride may thank the weather bureau that a special dispensation made a night of gloom a day of joy and sunshine.

To-night Mr. Andrew Gardner Jackson and Miss Mary Shattuck were married in the Episcopal Cathedral in the presence of a large and fashionable audience. The church was handsomely decorated with flowers and presented an attractive appearance.

At the appointed hour the bridal party entered to the tuneful strains of a wedding march.

The beautiful Episcopal service was performed under a floral bell. The bride wore a dress of white ottoman silk, trimmed with rare lace; diamond ornaments, a present from the groom.

The bridesmaids, Misses Florence Shattuck, a sister of the bride, Lizzie Costin, of Virginia; Miss Carmichael, of Maryland, and Nonie Gambrill, of Parkersburg, wore costumes of white albatross and Surah silk.

Mr. Wylie Dacampa was the best man, followed by Barton Despard, of Clarksburg; J. N. Camden, Jr., Major W. W. Jackson, of Parkersburg, and William J. Bland, of Weston. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert A. Gibson, rector of the cathedral.

The ushers were M. O. Van Winkle, Ben R. Blackford, Levin Smith, of Parkersburg; W. J. Dent, of Charleston.

After the wedding ceremony a reception was held at the residence of C. H. Shattuck. The palatial residence of the banker was crowded and among the guests were many Wheeling people. The presents were numerous and elegant. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson left this evening for an extended trip West.

MILWAUKEE'S RIOTERS.

Judge Sloane Announces That the State Has Proven Its Case.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 24.—The trial of the eleven defendants charged with rioting at Milwaukee garden on the 5th of May last, in defiance of Mayor Wallber's proclamation prohibiting unlawful assemblages, is now fairly under way. Yesterday afternoon and this morning a large number of witnesses, principally police officers, were introduced by the prosecution. They all gave testimony of a damaging character against the defendants. More witnesses were about to be produced by the District Attorney, when Judge Sloane interposed and said that it would be only wasting time to swear any more men. He said the prosecution had already proven their case, and it remained now for the defense to present their side.

Counsel for the defense objected to Judge Sloane's summary manner of doing things, when the latter told them the State had made a good case, and he would charge the jury accordingly on the evidence thus far given. He said they had a right to appeal if they were dissatisfied with his ruling. Counsel for the defense then stated that they would endeavor to prove that the defendants were peaceable citizens and had merely assembled at Milwaukee Garden on the turbulent May day out of curiosity. Witnesses for the defense are being examined this afternoon.

Bulgarian Affairs

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 24.—Gen. Kaulbars will instruct M. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador here, in all the details of the Bulgarian situation and will guide him in regard to the election of a new prince of Bulgaria. M. Nelidoff has not yet received authority from his Government to raise the question of an eventual Russian occupation of Bulgaria. The Turkish Government continues to send war material to Adrianople and to strengthen the fortifications of the Dardanelles.

It is reported that the Turkish council has adopted the programme of General Kaulbars and will insist that the Bulgarian Regency resign, that the Sobrangi be dissolved, that a new Sobrangi be elected, and that the Prince of Mingrelia be nominated for the throne, the alternative being the occupation of Bulgaria. This programme still waits the Sultan's approval.

Terrible Effects of Lightning.

EDINA, MO., Nov. 24.—Taylor McLinscy and his three sons were husking corn from the stalks yesterday in a field on their farm, some ten miles from this place, when they were prostrated by a stroke of lightning. One of the sons, Luther W., aged 16 years, was instantly killed, another, William E., so seriously injured that his life is despaired of, and the third, Benjamin S., is missing. What has become of him is not known, but it is supposed that he was either blinded or crazed by the shock and wandered away. The father was only slightly injured.

Ex-President Arthur's Will.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The will of the late ex-President Arthur, which was made in March last, will probably be filed for probate to-morrow. It is believed to direct the disposal of about $250,000 of real and personal property. It is said that the bequests, except in one or two instances in which charitable institutions are benefitted, are of a private nature.

A Mexican Conspiracy.

SANTA CRUZ, Nov. 24.—The Department of Santa Anna, in San Salvador, has been placed under martial law, the Government having discovered the existence of conspiracy. Various arrests have been made, and the arms destined for revolutionists have been seized. The Government has taken energetic means to maintain peace.

Trading in Puts and Calls Not Allowed.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—The Directors of the Board of Trade have decided that the trading in "Puts" and "Calls" will not be allowed in the Board of Trade building, and members engaging in such transactions are rendered liable to suspension or expulsion for an infraction of the rule forbidding these transactions in the future.

Mr. George Morrison Dead.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Nov. 24.—George Morrison, aged seventy-three years, died in this city yesterday. Deceased was a former resident of Cincinnati, but removed to this city many years ago. He was engaged in the salt business here during the boom in that business years ago.

Moonlighters Fire on the Police.

DUBLIN, Nov. 24.—Moonlighters fired on the police patrol at Castle Island, County Kerry, last night, but without doing any damage. Nine arrests have been made in connection with the shooting.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Baker & Clark, New York, wholesale grocers, assigned. Preferred liabilities, $185,000.

William Haden, Chicago, furniture and desk manufacturer, assigned; assets and liabilities unknown.

Dana Conway, son of Rev. Moncure D. Conway, died at the family residence at Brooklyn yesterday, aged 21.

J. P. Phillips & Co., Milwaukee, dealers in agricultural implements, assigned. Liabilities $70,000; assets nominal.

At Mount Armel, Pa., Supt. Richard Holland, of the Enterprise Coal Company, was run over by a freight train and instantly killed.

A special from Randolph, Ala., says John Davis, the negro who outraged a white woman near that place a few days ago, was lynched last night.

The Fenian brotherhood has been holding secret meetings for several days in New York. All information is refused as to the object of the session.

The schooner Annie B. Hoffses, with a crew of six men, left Mobile, Ala., 47 days ago, with lumber. She has not been spoken since, and is thought to have foundered.

A dispatch from Barrington, N. S., says that the British steamer Sulina, Captain Potter, from Antwerp, November 4, for Boston, is ashore at Cape Sable, and will be a total wreck.

The Inman line steamer City of Chester which arrived at Liverpool November 22, from New York, took fire while lying at West Alexandria docks. Both the vessel and cargo are badly damaged.

There is a good deal of talk in financial circles over the announcement by the Reading railroad receivers that they will default on the interest on the consolidated mortgage bonds due December 1st.

Gov. Currier, of New Hampshire, has appointed Ex-Governor Chauncey, of Manchester, United States Senator, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Austin F. Pike, of Franklin.

A special from Little Rock, Ark., says: The Hot Springs, Bear Mountain & Crystal Railroad Company filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State yesterday. Capital stock $500,000.

Francis Palms, one of the oldest and wealthiest citizens of Detroit, died yesterday morning. He leaves an estate worth from fifteen to eighteen million dollars. It was his daughter Senator Jones wanted to marry.

A Frankfort, Mich., special says that two bodies have washed ashore from the wreck of the Mene Kaiwee, so that the Port Huron dispatch about the probability of the vessel still being safe is without foundation.

The trial of the Converse brother, publishers of the *Christian Advocate*, at Louisville, for violating the ninth commandment, has been concluded by the Presbytery; the charges were not sustained, by a vote of 11 to 10.

A special from Iron Mountain, Mo., says: A difficulty occurred at a dance last night in this place, between Peter Hohn and Samuel O'Neil, in which O'Neil received four flesh wounds and Hohn was shot through the heart and instantly killed.

The brakeman on the Southern Pacific railway claim that when the great strike in the Southwest was settled certain agreements were made by the company, which are not being fulfilled, and they threaten to strike. Arbitration will be resorted to.

J. Franklin Accord, of St. Louis, cut his throat last night at the Monroe House. He resigned his position in a dry goods house to run for Sheriff, but was defeated and returned to find work again. He was unsuccessful and growing despondent ended his life. He was a prominent Mason, Knight Templar and Odd Fellow.

A dispatch from Marquette, Mich., says the body of John S. Burroughs, a prominent citizen of that place, who had been missing since Monday evening, was found last night off an iron ore dock in twenty feet of water. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of accidental drowning, although the theory of suicide is strongly supported by the facts.

A verdict for the government for $23,214 01 was yesterday rendered in the United States District Court against Horatio G. Sickel, the late Pension Agent of Philadelphia, and the sureties on his bond, to make good the losses sustained by the issue of false pension papers by Thomas Lawrence and Walter S. Fries, clerks, during Mr. Sickel's administration.

The Buffalo *Commercial* prints a sensational story of a conspiracy to steal grain out of elevators there. The parties, whom the paper says were indicted, arrested and bailed out, are Henry P. Enislie, connected in an executive capacity with the Richmond elevator, and John A. Campbell, John Kennedy and Andrew A. Egosher, members of the Merchants' Exchange in good standing.

There was much excitement in Holyoke, Mass., over the death of Peter Carey, aged nine years, presumably from the effects of a whipping administered by his father. The boy got hold of some whisky and went home drunk. His father punished him so severely with a lath that some of the neighbors interfered. The boy was put to bed and died Monday. The medical examiner is holding a post mortem examination.

BRIEFS FROM ABROAD.

Merlatti, of Paris, has now fasted for 30 days. His general condition is good, but he is much emaciated.

Sir Rowland Blennerhasset will probably be appointed Under Secretary for Ireland in place of Sir Robert Hamilton.

The Russian cruiser Zabryaka has arrived at Odessa with Captian Nabokoff and other leaders of the recent revolt at Bulgas.

The fact that Baron De Stael, the Russian ambassador, is about to leave London for a prolonged holiday is regarded as a pacific sign.

A strict sanitary cordon has been formed at Oderbery, Ratibor and Oppelen, to guard against the introduction of cholera from Silesia.

Emperor William has reduced from 12 to 6 years the sentence of Capt. Sarauw, who was convicted of selling to the French Government information regarding German fortifications.

The *Paris* states that M. de Freycinet before discussing the English proposals with reference to Egypt will demand that a date be fixed for the withdrawal of the British troops from Egypt.

Mr. Labouchere in a speech at Manchester, complained that the Liberals had not adopted a sufficiently radical programme. He said that Mr. Gladstone's proposals regarding Ireland had not been put fairly before the country.

The *Cologne Gazette* contains a pathetic appeal to Germans to bear in mind the urgent need to reserve the strength of the army in face of the dangers that menace Germany in the east and west. The article has been badly received in Berlin as unwarranted by the present condition of affairs and causing unnecessary fright.

The American Opera.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 24.—The American Opera to-night scored its first popular success, the weather for the first time permitting a full attendance. "The Flying Dutchman" was produced with pronounced success with Mlle. Juch, Messrs. Whitney, Ludwig and Bassett in the leading roles.

THE AMALGAMATION

TALKS OF JOINING THE K. OF L.

Character of the Proposition Lately Made to the Iron and Steel Workers by Master Workman Powderly, Which the Association is Now Considering.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 24.—The Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers are now considering the proposition to join the Knights of Labor, made by General Master Workman Powderly at the annual convention last summer.

The various lodges have been ordered to vote upon the question, so that the feeling of each member of the Association may be learned. If the proposition is accepted the Association would be made a district assembly and still maintain its separate organization, retaining the present officers.

It is well known that the Amalgamated Association have a number of grievances which they have asked the Knights of Labor to settle. These grievances are mainly in reference to the support given to their iron workers, some of whom are alleged to work in non-union mills. If the Amalgamated entered the Knights of Labor it is rumored that this class of men will be dropped from both organizations, and that all non-union iron works that are operated by Knights of Labor men will be asked to adopt the Amalgamated Association scale of wages. The Amalgamated Association has a membership of nearly 16 000 men, and is considered one of the most powerful organizations in the country.

A NEW MOVE OF THE K. OF L.

A Disposition to Abolish Large District Assemblies.

SEDALIA, MO., Nov. 24.—The Knights of Labor of this city have withdrawn from District Assembly No. 101, and the assemblies will be attached to the State Assembly. It is predicted that all other local assemblies on the line of the Gould system in Missouri will follow suit, and that those in Kansas will also withdraw and hereafter work under the jurisdiction of the State Assembly. Should this follow, the charter of the famous District Assembly No. 101 will be surrendered. District Assemblies covering a large territory are becoming very unpopular in the Southwest, and there is a widespread feeling among the Knights that the affairs of the order can be conducted to far better advantage by abolishing District Assemblies and organizing under the State charter.

Glassblowers Appeal to Powderly.

MILLVILLE, N. J., Nov. 24.—The glassblowers at Millville, Clayton, Salem and Glassboro, N. J., Brooklyn, N. Y. and Woodbury and Stroudsburg, Pa., have united in an appeal to General Master Workman Powderly from the decision of District Assembly No. 140 in relation to the apprenticeship and wage questions. The General Master Workman will consider the appeal this week. A movement was started in this place yesterday to reorganize the Eastern Division League, and withdraw from the Knights of Labor in case Mr. Powderly refuses to consider the appeal or reaffirms the decision of District Assembly No. 149.

SHOWING OFF THE CITY.

The Philadelphia Party Handsomely Entertained Yesterday.

Yesterday the Philadelphia officials and Councilmen who come here to inspect the brick pavements and whose arrival in the city Tuesday afternoon was noted at length in yesterday's issue, were shown about the city and nicely entertained by representatives of the city and the Chamber of Commerce. At 9 o'clock Mayor Grubb, Col. A. J. Sweeney, president of the Second Branch of Council, and a member of the special industry committee of the Chamber of Commerce, President T. H. Logan, of the Chamber of Commerce, Messrs. J. H. Hobbs, Joseph Ball and A. C. Exerter, the Board of Public Works, Mr. John Porter of New Cumberland, the manufacturer of the brick blocks, and Clerk Galligan, met at the Public Building and entering the five open carriages that had been provided, drove to the P. W. & Ky. depot, where the visiting delegation was quartered in its special Pullman car, apportioned the visitors to the carriages and at once started off on a tour of inspection.

The North Main street improvement was first visited and the work of laying the pavement was seen and explained. The Island was then visited and then the East Wheeling improvement, now in course of construction. The party then drove over the creek, getting to the Stamm House about 12 o'clock in the afternoon. While enroute, Reymann's brewery, Schumbach's brewery and the Hobbs, Brockunier & Co.'s glass works were visited and gone through. The Philadelphians having heard of the new garbage crematory, were anxious to see that, but as it is not in complete working order, the next best thing was done; they were taken to the Belmont mill, where the original experiments were made. Here Manager Nick Reister took the party in charge and showed them all through that large establishment; at the furnaces they got an idea of the heat that can be generated in the crematory, and in all of these establishments they saw the natural gas in operation. Manager Reister presented each one of the party with a nickle-plated steel nail paper knife as a souvenir, that were great curiosities to the Philadelphia gentlemen.

Arriving at the Stamm the party sat down to a splendid dinner that had been specially prepared. Mayor Grubb was made chairman, and after the first pangs of hunger had been appeased, the long ride in the sharp morning air having developed good appetites, and the wine had made its appearance, he made a short but neat speech of welcome. In concluding he introduced President Logan, who spoke at considerable length on Wheeling, her enterprise, her industries and facilities and her experiments in the way of paving, crematory, etc. It was a good talk for the city, such as Dr. Logan is so well suited to make.

General Gideon Clark, chairman of the Philadelphia committee, responded to the welcome extended, in a very happy style. Chief Commissioner of Highways McDonald also spoke. He said the entire Philadelphia party with the exception of Dr. Joseph Paxson, had come here prejudiced against the brick pavement, but that they had been completely won over. They would return and have a number of suburban streets paved with brick, if not some of the more important thoroughfares. They were satisfied that the brick pavement was a splendid thing in every respect. Dr. Paxson made a few pleasant remarks.

The party then adjourned to the car "President," where more champagne was opened and good-byes said. At 4:15 the car moved off attached to the regular eastern train. The Philadelphians were more than pleased with their visit, and go home with splendid impressions of Wheeling and her people.

A delegation of Cleveland Councilmen is expected here to-morrow to inspect the streets. The city is being well advertised by reason of her brick-paved streets—that is one thing, sure.

F. B. Moore & Co., brokers, Boston, represented in New York by D. A. Ball, failed yesterday.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

MATINEES at both theatres to-day.

OPERA HOUSE this evening—Lizzie Evans.

THE GRAND this evening—Tessie Deagle in "Flip."

THE PanHandle road will sell excursion tickets to Pittsburgh to-day, for $2.70 for the round trip.

RECORDER HOOK yesterday, issued one marriage license and admitted to record in his office two deeds of trust.

KRAMER played at Arion hall last night for a ball given by the Knights of the Golden Eagle. There was a big crowd in attendance.

THE C., L. & W. Railroad company is pushing the work on its trestle above the O. & P. depot, at Bridgeport, just as if the depot did not obstruct their right of way in the least.

CHIEF DUNNING, of the Fire Department, is having constructed at the Atlantic engine house, a shed in which to keep the new supply wagon that is just about completed for the Department.

YESTERDAY'S bracing sunny weather was a decided and agreeable—none the less decided because agreeable and none the less agreeable because decided—change from the rain of a few days before.

THE announcement that no digging in the streets would be allowed after December 1 has stimulated operations in laying service pipes for natural gas. The streets are badly torn up in all parts of town.

MRS JOHN HOLBROOK, the woman who disappeared from her home in Martin's Ferry on Monday, and was found in the fields on Tuesday morning, having been out in the cold rain all night, died at noon yesterday from the effects of the exposure.

THE north-bound train on the Ohio river road was delayed about three hours Tuesday night, an immense boulder having washed upon the track about three miles below Moundsville. It was impossible to move the obstruction, and the track was torn up and laid around it.

THE river is still rising at this point. There was a depth of thirteen feet in the channel last evening. At Pittsburgh the river is still rising with a depth of eleven feet five inches in the channel, and at points above there it is still rising. There will probably be over twenty feet of water here.

A COMMITTEE of the Philadelphia City Council is visiting Wheeling to inspect the fire-brick paved streets. The streets seem to be attracting wide-spread attention, and are likely to revolutionize the street paving business. Properly made, these bricks will be very durable.—*Bellaire Tribune.*

THE Natural Gas Company of West Virginia has applied to have its stock listed on the Pittsburgh Petroleum board. The concern is capitalized at $1,000,000 paid in, with 200 shares of the par value of $100 remaining in its treasury. The floating debt of the company is about $150,000.

THERE will be a gospel meeting this evening at 7:30 in the "little German Church," corner of Thirty-seventh and Jacob streets, conducted by Miss Lizzie Boyd. The ladies are putting this unoccupied church into good use, in holding evangelistic and temperance meetings in it weekly.

IT is already a foregone conclusion that both the theatres will be crowded both this afternoon and evening. Nearly all the seats for Lizzie Evans' engagement at the Opera House have been sold. At the Grand, Tessie Deagle is just the sort of an attraction for a holiday matinee. Both stars will assuredly do a memorable business to-day.

THE Germania Singing Society gave a grand concert and ball at its hall on Market street last night. The programme for the concert, as published in yesterday's issue, was carried out and gave great pleasure to the large number that filled the place. Every number was loudly applauded. After it was concluded the chairs were removed and for several hours a merry time was had dancing.

THE lecture at the U. P. church this evening by Prof. W. H. Venable, of Cincinnati, on "The Humor and Pathos of School Life," will be well worth hearing. Prof. Venable is the author of a number of fine poems, the most famous, perhaps, being "The Teachers' Dream," a beautiful poem known everywhere. His experience of school life has given him ample material to illustrate his theme.

UNION services will be held at Martin's Ferry to-day as follows: The regular Thanksgiving services will be held in the M. E. Church at 10:30 a. m. Rev. A. E. Brownlee will preach the sermon. A young converts' praise service will be held in the same place at 3 p. m. At 7 p. m. the regular gospel service will be held in the Presbyterian Church. A song service beginning twenty minutes earlier will precede this service. Alexander Patterson, the evangelist, will conduct the two latter meetings.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Mr. W. A. Isett, of the Pottery, has gone to Indiana on a business and pleasure trip combined.

Mr. Frank Woods, of Grafton, well-known throughout the State as a prominent Sunday school worker, is at the St. James.

Mr. Charles R. Overman, of Boston, representing the Overman Wheel Company, manufacturers of the "Victor" machine, is in the city.

Mr. Philo L. Kimberly, of the country, was in town yesterday. Mr. Kimberly has been confined to his house for nearly one month with an enormous carbuncle.

Neil C. Kerr, of Cincinnati, a popular traveling passenger agent, is at the McLure. He reports business over his road better than it has been for some time past.

Mrs. E. M. Pearson last evening entertained at her pleasant home on Sixteenth street, a number of her friends. Cards and music made the time pass quickly and agreeably.

Professor George E. Little, of Washington, D. C., the celebrated "Chalk-Talker," is expected to arrive in the city to-day to take part in the Peabody Institute. Prof. E. E. White, of Cincinnati, Superintendent of the schools of that city, is also expected here to-day.

Captain Sylvester Barker, of Morgantown, one of Monongalia county's leading lumber merchants, arrived in the city last evening from Pittsburgh and registered at the McLure. He has just finished transporting a large lot of fine lumber down the Monongahela to Pittsburgh.

Attention!

Ladies are requested to call and examine the New White Automatic Sewing Machine, single thread.

Persons having used the Wilcox & Gibbs Automatic machine, will find the White to be superior in every respect. An examination is respectfully solicited. It