

The Intelligencer.

Office Nos. 25 and 27 Fourteenth Street.

It is funny to think how Wall Street catches the boys who slide on her cellar door. Better keep off.

Is our old friend, the tenure of office act, going to die? It might even be possible to survive its fall.

Ask the horses of Ireland in league with the Tories, that they hang about the champions of the people?

The Chicago authorities surely will not give back the red flag of the Anarchists. They will want to fly them from the ceiling.

In the appointment of General A. L. Pearson as Oil Inspector of Allegheny county, Pa., a worthy man has been honored.

Of course there isn't going to be a European war—all the Great Powers say so—but they are all getting ready to unchain the dogs, notwithstanding.

GEORGE GRISHAM means to make a clean job of Washish while it is about it. And when ex-Judge Cooley takes hold the wickers will know there is a firm hand at the helm.

Now and then some West Virginia Democrat is about to enter on the promised land, and all at once it is discovered that his Democracy is not above profit. Note the wrangle over the Wood county state-man who was to have had a job in the Government Printing Office.

The liquor tax in Ohio under the 'Dow law' is by no means excessive, and it will be of great service to the State. Those misguided dreamers who prefer the reign of free whisky because they think it immoral to take money from the liquor traffic, are not practical enough for a practical age. The lack of license has been no hindrance to the sale of liquor in Ohio.

MR. BECKER, is a "slick 'un." He hurrahs for Dr. McElynn for exercising his individual sovereignty, he hurrahs for the Archbishop for questioning that exercise, and he holds that no Protestant can find fault with the Archbishop for disciplining a clergyman who exercised his right as an American citizen. "Logic," remarked the hero of the "One Horse Shay," logic is logic; that's all I say."

A Murdered Woman's Will. CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 17.—The will of Mrs. Jane Wheeler, the old woman who was recently murdered, and whose aged husband was arrested for the crime, was offered for probate this morning. The estate is valued at from \$150,000 to \$200,000, and the greater part of it is left to a nephew, Thomas E. Shaw, of Birmingham, England. The Western Reserve School of Design for Women of this city gets property valued at \$20,000. The remainder of the estate is divided among numerous relatives. The tenants who have lived in Mrs. Wheeler's house for more than five years get \$50 each.

Accident to Dillon and O'Brien. DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—Mr. Dillon and Mr. O'Brien arrived here to-day. Both are much distressed and hurt physically. In addition to the troubles which the gentlemen had yesterday at Longhrea, where they were arrested for acting as "Tenant's Trustees," they met with an accident on the road home. The horse drawing the car on which they were riding from the greater part of its left leg to a neighbor, Thomas E. Shaw, of Birmingham, England. The Western Reserve School of Design for Women of this city gets property valued at \$20,000. The remainder of the estate is divided among numerous relatives. The tenants who have lived in Mrs. Wheeler's house for more than five years get \$50 each.

Germany's Great Trick. GALENA, ILL., Dec. 17.—Charles Staudack, a German, came to this country a few years ago and settled in Plattville, Wis. where he embarked in business. He returned to Germany recently to visit relatives, and word has since been received by acquaintances in this city and Plattville, from Staudack's friend's friend, to the effect that he was arrested by the German authorities on his arrival in that country, and is now being compelled to do service in King William's army.

Pittsburg Railway Accident. BOSTON, Dec. 17.—The State has finally assumed the liability for the accident upon the Troy & Greenfield road at Bardswell's Ferry, last spring, as it was obliged to do under its contract with the Pittsburg Railroad Company. Out of the tolls due the State by the railroad, it drew the sum of \$65,870 to reimburse the company for payments made on account of personal injuries received by passengers upon that occasion. This largely reduces the year's income.

Women Sufocated. CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—Frances Hargman, aged 21 years, and her friend, Leona Johnson, an orphan, retired last night leaving a fire burning in the grate. This morning about seven o'clock a neighbor called to see if the fire was out, and found the women dead and their friend dying. The Hargmans are a distinguished family of colored people living at 35 Carlisle avenue.

A Righteous Sentence. STONEY, N. S. W., Dec. 17.—Of the three youths sentenced here on November 30, for criminally assaulting a sixteen-year-old servant girl, the Executive has decided to commute the sentences of three to imprisonment for life. The six others will be hanged.

Horstler's Acid Phosphate For Examination. Dr. A. N. Knott, Van Wert, O., says: "I found it decidedly beneficial in nervous exhaustion."

80,000 House and Lot for One Dollar. The Windsor house and lot at Windsor Station, on the P., W. & O. R. R., will be sold for \$1 a chance. Some lucky winner will secure a fine home for the sum of \$1. Drawing to take place Nov. 9th. All tickets are taken by that time. Tickets for sale at the McClure house and other places in the city and vicinity.

Misses' 15-button high fine kid shoes for \$1.35 at STONER'S CASH SHOE STORE.

Bargains in black satin Rhadamens will be offered this morning and until Christmas by George B. Taylor. The ladies will find it to their advantage to inquire for the goods we call attention to.

Men's rubbers 50c, Women's rubbers 30c at STONER'S CASH SHOE STORE.

A complete list of feet of all numbers of the finest grades can be seen at George B. Taylor's.

SOMETHING OF A HITCH IN A WEST VA. APPOINTMENT.

A Wood County Democrat Whose Path is Being Made a Thorough one—Personal Matters—General Washington News Notes.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—A few days since your correspondent telegraphed the INTELLIGENCER that Ed. Knight, of Volcano, Wood county, had been appointed to a position as an assistant farmer for the Government on some public lands in Dakota. It now appears that there is some "hitch" in the appointment, leading Democrats have requested that it be withdrawn, alleging that Knight was a bolter during the late campaign and that he worked actively against a portion of the boodle ticket in Wood county. Mr. Estace Gibson has received a number of letters from constituents of his, accusing him of being instrumental in securing Knight's appointment. He indignantly denies the allegation, and says he had no knowledge of the appointment until he read it in the INTELLIGENCER. He says the position was given Knight on the recommendation of Congressman McKim, and that he was appointed as a matter of course.

Your correspondent is not informed as to the names of the gentlemen who demanded the revocation of Mr. Knight's commission. It is certain that it did so on the grounds that he was not a Democrat. The Democratic legislative list last November.

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TARIFF REDUCTION.

A Conference of Southern Representatives. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A meeting of Southern Representatives, who favor a reduction in the Internal Revenue taxes, was held in the room of the House Committee on the Judiciary to-day. The States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia were represented by Messrs. Cabell, Daniel, Wise, Barbour, Craxton, O'Ferrall, Cowles, Henderson, Johnson, Skinner and Bennett. Mr. Cabell was chosen chairman.

The proceedings of the conference were regarded as a confidential nature. It is somewhat difficult to ascertain the exact results, but it is learned that the call for the meeting was for the purpose of considering measures to be suggested upon one of the tariff bills looking to the abolition of the Internal Revenue tax upon tobacco and spirits distilled from fruit. From the tone of the discussion it appeared that nearly all of the persons in attendance regarded as impracticable the proposition to reduce materially the tax on whisky. They were practically unanimous, however, in favor of the proposition to abolish the tobacco tax and to abolish the fruit brandy tax, or reduce to a nominal figure, with a view to continuing government supervision over its manufacture.

A committee consisting of Messrs. Wise, Bennett, Johnson, Barbour, Chandler and Tilman was appointed to prepare amendments embodying the propositions which it is the intention to offer as amendments to the Morrison tariff bill if consideration of that measure is secured in the House. Another committee was appointed composing nearly all of the remaining members of the conference, to sound other Representatives with a view to ascertaining whether it was possible to secure independent measures embodying the propositions in the event of the failure of Mr. Morrison's attempt to secure consideration for his bill. These committees will report at a subsequent meeting of the conference. The amendments are regarded as tentative in their nature, and the proposition above referred to, and the plan of procedure outlined may be materially modified hereafter.

General Kelley's Pension. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The Senate to-day passed a bill increasing the pension of General Benjamin F. Kelley, of West Virginia, to \$1,910 a month.

Tenure of Office Act. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—In the Senate the unfinished business being the bill to repeal the tenure of office act, that measure was taken up, and without further discussion the bill was passed—yeas, 30; nays, 22.

Republican Senatorial Causes. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A caucus of Republican Senators took place this afternoon. It was called ostensibly to fill vacancies in the committee lists. Senator Dolph was selected to be chairman of the Committee on Claims and Senator Spooner for chairman of the Committee on Coast Defense. A half dozen other vacancies in the committee membership were also filled.

Inter-State Commerce Bill. The inter-State commerce bill was briefly discussed and discussed and the tariff was talked about more at length, but action was taken in reference to either.

Advisory Committee on the Order of Business. An advisory committee on the order of business was appointed and the caucus then adjourned.

INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS. Important Developments That Have Taken Place Recently in the South.

Baltimore, Dec. 17.—The Baltimore Manufacturers' Record of December 18, under the head of "Gigantic Industrial Developments in the South During the Last Two Weeks," will say that never before, probably in the history of this country, has there been such an era of industrial development as we now see in the South. A summary of the reports received by the Record from all parts of the South is as follows: In Alabama there has been reported the Ensley Lead Company, capital stock \$100,000, to build a manufacturing town near Birmingham, establish water and electric light works, and manufacture iron and steel. Other companies with capital ranging from \$150,000 to \$800,000, have been organized at Birmingham for similar work. A \$300,000 company organized at Worcester has arranged to build three large furnaces. In Alabama there has been reported the purchase and re-erect of an old cotton mill at the same place. At Birmingham there has been organized a \$100,000 ax and tool company, and a new rolling mill is to be built. At Sheffield, a \$100,000 pipe and mill mill, an additional furnace and electric light and gas works. A Memphis company has been organized to build furnaces and mine coal near Jasper. An old furnace at Round Mountain is being put in shape to go in blast again. An ice factory at Montgomery, carriage factory at Meridian, \$50,000 electric light company, and a \$60,000 water-works company at Florence. Arkansas reports two smelters, two \$3,000,000 mining companies and one of \$5,000,000. Florida a \$25,000 furniture factory, electric light works, and a number of mills. Georgia—A \$50,000 fertilizer company to build factories at nine or ten points, a \$50,000 glass factory, \$50,000 iron and machine company, a new factory, and other enterprises. In Kentucky—We have had a \$50,000 coal and iron company, a \$100,000 lumber and mineral land development company, a \$50,000 carpet company. Virginia a \$100,000 coal company, \$100,000 tobacco factory, \$15,000 electric light company, and a number of large saw mills. Tennessee has captured a \$200,000 manufacturing company, a \$150,000 light and heat company, a \$100,000 marble quarrying company, a \$100,000 electric light company. Texas has a new flour mill company, a \$50,000 cracker company, a \$100,000 dressed beef company, Virginia four mill, cracker factory, etc.

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THE PULSE OF TRADE.

THE WEEK ON WALL STREET. The Flurry in the Stock Market—A Great Strain on the Money Center of the Country—Danger of a Collapse not Entirely Passed—Good Signs.

New York, Dec. 17.—R. G. Dun and Co., who issued the following weekly trade review to-morrow: The past has been a week of unusual excitement. The sharp decline in the stock market was foreshadowed by the recent unhealthy advance in securities that do not secure, and in some of these the fall was from \$20 to \$37 per share. But fifteen other stocks lost over 10 per cent, and the average price of active stocks, good and bad, fell \$3.30 per share from December 4, to the lowest point on Wednesday last, "knocking the froth off the market," as one broker called it.

In that case there was a good deal of profit. Some recovery has since occurred, but it is yet too soon to determine whether the bottom has been reached. It is surprising and creditable that thus far only one failure in the Exchange has resulted from such a fall. Money was artificially locked up, beyond a doubt, and the decline thus increased it. The rate rose from 8 to 9 percent on Saturday to 10 percent on the lowest and 18 percent as the highest on Wednesday.

This difficulty has been met by shipments from many foreign points, Canadian banks sending \$3,000,000, by the arrival of \$1,000,000 on Thursday from France, and the shipments of \$2,000,000 from London, and by the Treasury's offer to create 100 millions of external debt. The advance in rate by the bank of England meant to check the outflow of gold, but the supply now in sight here and the shrinkage in speculative demands should prevent any stringency in money for commercial and manufacturing needs, if Europe does not unload stocks.

So far the Wall Street excitement has had no effect on general business.

OTHER SPECULATIVE MARKETS. Other speculative markets were neglected and the sales were far below previous records. Oil and grain dropped Wednesday. Refined oil; coffee broke at Havre, and has not recovered; cotton yielded a shade, but hog products advanced. The Thomas Company, which largely controls iron prices, fixes \$30 as its price for No. 1 iron for 1887, and has sold 40 percent, more in 1886 than in any other year, and engaged 110,000 tons already for next year.

Dry goods are less active, but the trade is not unhealthy. Exchanges outside of New York still show that the volume of business at the North is very large, and a general depression exists in parts of the South.

While Wall Street aerobics do not yet affect general business, continued depression might in two ways—a failure to sell securities might check railroad building and iron making; a return of the large body of American stocks held abroad would cause a heavy loss of gold and severe pressure. The weather-will watch for signs in these quarters. Thus far, Europe shows no signs of buying stocks.

INTER-STATE COMMERCE. The Inter-State Commerce bill is thought dangerous by many investors. The issue of the silver certificates increases, two millions more having been put out last week, while the Treasury took in \$1,500,000 more gold. Riots in stocks by individuals all over the country are likely to increase the number of commercial failures already unusually large for the season. A manufacturing enterprise, while not a desirable investment, is a safe one.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number for the United States 209, and for Canada 25, a total of 234, against 274 last year. In Alabama there has been reported the purchase and re-erect of an old cotton mill at the same place. At Birmingham there has been organized a \$100,000 ax and tool company, and a new rolling mill is to be built. At Sheffield, a \$100,000 pipe and mill mill, an additional furnace and electric light and gas works. A Memphis company has been organized to build furnaces and mine coal near Jasper. An old furnace at Round Mountain is being put in shape to go in blast again. An ice factory at Montgomery, carriage factory at Meridian, \$50,000 electric light company, and a \$60,000 water-works company at Florence. Arkansas reports two smelters, two \$3,000,000 mining companies and one of \$5,000,000. Florida a \$25,000 furniture factory, electric light works, and a number of mills. Georgia—A \$50,000 fertilizer company to build factories at nine or ten points, a \$50,000 glass factory, \$50,000 iron and machine company, a new factory, and other enterprises. In Kentucky—We have had a \$50,000 coal and iron company, a \$100,000 lumber and mineral land development company, a \$50,000 carpet company. Virginia a \$100,000 coal company, \$100,000 tobacco factory, \$15,000 electric light company, and a number of large saw mills. Tennessee has captured a \$200,000 manufacturing company, a \$150,000 light and heat company, a \$100,000 marble quarrying company, a \$100,000 electric light company. Texas has a new flour mill company, a \$50,000 cracker company, a \$100,000 dressed beef company, Virginia four mill, cracker factory, etc.

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