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WASHINGTON NEWS.

Mr. Morgan's Election Bill Resolution in the Senate.

THE NEW FINANCE MEASURE.

Senator Sherman Reports the Bill to Provide Against Contraction. The Late Justice Miller's Successor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The resolution offered yesterday in the Senate by Mr. Morgan, directing the Committee on Privileges and Elections to amend the Elections bill so to show what are the changes and modifications to be made, was taken up.

Mr. Edmunds reserved a point of order against the resolution to the effect that the parliamentary mode of amending a bill is by offering an amendment in open Senate by moving to recommit.

Mr. Morgan admitted that his resolution was an unusual one, but he justified it on the ground that if he were to move to recommit the bill that motion would be attributed to a desire to delay action. He called attention to the fact that there was now a quorum of Senators present, and that there had not been more than fifteen Senators present at the opening since the Senate had begun to meet at 10 o'clock.

The Senator in charge of the bill (Mr. Hoar) had found himself entirely unable to have night session yesterday, because there was no quorum. He inferred, therefore, that that very distinguished Senator (admitted to be great in every part of his Senatorial duties) could not be great as a leader, or else that his bill had not such a merit as to captivate the affections of Republican Senators.

He (Mr. Morgan) would have made a motion to recommit the bill but for the fact that he knew that the motion would be instantly taken hold of and given out as a move for delay, whereas his resolution was offered in absolutely good faith.

Mr. Sherman, from the Committee on Finance, reported the bill to provide against the contraction of the currency and for other purposes (the caucus bill), and it was read twice and placed on the calender.

Mr. Call spoke four hours in opposition to the election bill, and was followed in opposition to the bill by Mr. McPherson. Mr. Aldrich then gave notice of his intention to move an amendment to the rules providing (during the present session) for the close of debate on any bill under consideration. After some warm discussion, the resolution was laid on the table and ordered printed, and Mr. McPherson resumed his argument against the elections bill, and afterwards the Senate adjourned. It was agreed that when the Senate adjourned to-morrow it be to meet on Saturday.

THE YEAR'S RECORD.

The legislative history of this year practically closed to-day. The House has adjourned over until Friday with an understanding that no business shall be done before the new year, and the Senate will doubtless adopt a similar programme. This closing day was marked by two important events in the Senate, the presentation of the financial bill by the Committee on Finance, and the closure resolution by Aldrich. Senator Sherman had set himself to work to reconcile the conflicting views, and to-day's financial bill is in a large measure attributable to his ingenuity.

The programme of the Republicans is believed to be in this line: At a convenient time the closure rule is to be called up (when a Republican majority is at hand). When the Democratic Senators attempt to attack it with the intention of talking it to death, or until the 4th of March—the presiding officer will rule that debate is not in order. What will follow no one can say, but if the rule carries, the elections bill will come very near the statute books.

In the House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Without transacting business of much importance the House adjourned until Friday.

THE NEW FINANCE BILL.

Senator Sherman Reports the Measure to Provide Against Contraction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Senate Committee on Finance met this morning and directed Senator Sherman to report to the Senate immediately (which was done) the bill "to provide against the contraction of the currency and for other purpose," commonly known as the Republican caucus bill. The measure was, however, amended in two important particulars at this morning's meeting. The first was the exclusion of section 4 of the bill. This section provides that when the National Bank circulation falls below $180,000,000 the deficiency shall be supplied by the issue of Treasury notes, based on silver bullion purchases, if the silver can be purchased, or, if not, by the direct issue of notes.

The second amendment was the insertion in place of the section stricken out of the following section:

"That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to issue, in sums not exceeding the aggregate $200,000,000 coupon and registered bonds of the United States, in such form as he may prescribe and denominations of $50,000, or some multiple of that sum, redeemable in lawful money at the pleasure of the United States, on and after July, 1900, and bearing interest semi-annually at the rate of 2 per cent per annum. And he is authorized to dispose of any of the bonds issued under this act, at not less than their par value, for any lawful money of the United States, or for gold or silver certificates, and to apply the proceeds thereof to the redemption, or to the purchase of any of the bonds of the United States. And the bonds authorized, and the proceeds thereof shall be used for no other purpose whatever. And the sum necessary to pay the expense of issuing and disposing of the said bonds hereby appropriated out of any sums of money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

Sent in the Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The President sent to Congress the report of the commission appointed by him under the act of Congress of last June to select a site on the Pacific coast or Puget Sound for a dry dock, having due regard to commercial and naval interests. The Board consists of two naval officers, one army officer and two civilians.

Confirmations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Confirmations: A. T. Brimmsdo, United States Attorney, Northern district of Ohio.

Post Chaplains: Rev. S. E. Vattman, of Ohio; C. E. Bateman, Oregon.

Postmasters: Ohio, Charles H. Kimball, Medinar C. W. Darling, Wellston.

The World's Fair and Sunday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The Sunday closing crusade against the World's Fair has opened up in earnest, and on the desk of each Senator and Representative this morning was a letter asking him to declare himself and announce whether he was for or against the exposition being open on Sunday. The letters bear the signature of the religious editor of a semi-politico religious New York weekly. Christmas preparations had more of interest to most members than the letter, and it was generally put aside for further perusal and consideration when affairs get back in a business routine again.

MR. JUSTICE BROWN.

The President Appoints the Successor of the Late Justice Miller.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The President to-day sent to the Senate the following nomination: Henry B. Brown, of Michigan, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, vice Samuel F. Miller, deceased.

The appointment of Judge Brown meets with general favor at the capitol, and he is said to be a good man for the place. He is of Connecticut birth, and after graduation from college went to Detroit, where he practiced law. He was frequently counsel in cases before the Supreme Court, and was particularly strong as an admiralty lawyer. He is a little above medium height, strongly built, smooth shaven, with a full, square face, and resembles Representative McKinley in his general appearance. He is said to be a man of considerable means. Judge Brown is a man well qualified for the office.

When Mr. Aldrich Returns.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Chairman Aldrich, of the Committee on Rules, was this morning authorized to report to the Senate a substitute for the resolution introduced August 17 last by Senator Hoar, proposing an amendment to the Senate rules so as to permit a majority to close debate on any pending measure at will. To apply the above rule to the pending elections bill, Mr. Aldrich presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a vote shall be taken on the bill of the House of Representatives 11,045 (the elections bill) at successive stages and all pending amendments at — o'clock on the — day of —— without further debate, and no other business shall be considered for such time until the bill and amendments are finally disposed of.

Mr. Aldrich left the city this evening, and it is improbable that any action will be taken upon the rule before his return the first of next week.

West Virginia Pensions.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—West Virginia pensions were granted to-day as follows: Original—A. D. Kelly, Sweet Springs; Philip E. Knott, Macomber; Samuel R. Grandon, Proctor; S. E. Hutchinson, Josiah; Marcellus Stahlnecker, Tanners; William H. Strause, Henry; Benjamin Barnhart, Littleton. Increase—Jasper C. Pickering, Ellenboro; John T. Hudnall, Cannelson; Thomas G. Holland, Little Falls.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Postmasters appointed to-day: W. S. Woodson, vice Mrs. A. S. Clark, removed, Academy, Pocahontas county; A. E. Legg, vice A. L. Vaughan, resigned, Winston, Nicholas county.

Patent Granted.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A patent was granted to-day to Asa G. Neville, of Lazearville, W. Va., for revolving gold for glassware.

INGALLS CONFIDENT

Of Re-election to the Senate—Expects to Get Alliance and Democratic Votes.

ATKINSON, KAS., Dec. 23.—Senator Ingalls returned home to-day for the holidays and will probably not return to Washington until after the Legislature of Kansas has decided whether he is to succeed himself in the United States Senate.

Senator Ingalls declines to talk freely about his chances for re-election. He says he will be re-elected, but will not enter into details. His friends are confident. They claim for him seventy-one votes, and say that the other twelve will come when they are needed. They are confident of nine or ten Alliance men who were not instructed against him and believe they can count on six Democrats.

The *Patriot* to-day publishes the answers of the doubtful Democrats to an inquiry as to their choice for Senator, and as to whether they would vote for Mr. Ingalls under any circumstances. The choice of all these Democrats is the "Democratic nominee," and they all answered that under no circumstances would they vote for Mr. Ingalls. The Farmers' Alliance managers are confident that Mr. Ingalls will be retired. They decline to state whose chances are the best among seven farmers' candidates.

TOO SMART FOR HIM.

Henry Watterson Had a Greater Head Than the Senators.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 23.—Duval, the Baltimore sharper who has just buncoed several United States Senators through the medium of a bogus baby, did not limit himself to the Congressional field, but has certainly been operating on an extensive scale. About six weeks ago Mr. Henry Watterson received a letter from him overflowing with fulsome compliment, stating that he had named his first born Henry Watterson Duval, enclosing a richly engraved baptismal certificate and five tickets to a church entertainment, marked one dollar each, but Mr. Watterson did not bite. Being interviewed to-day, he said: "The first thing to impress me was that Baltimore was not just the locality where I might expect a namesake. Then the baptismal certificate was too elaborate and circumstantial. It looked like a gratuitous offer of excessive proof. Finally the indirect demand through the tickets for money seemed conclusive, and I threw the big envelope and its contents into the waste basket, satisfied that it was a very original trick of a very clever confidence man."

A Prosperous Road.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway has declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent and an extra dividend of 1½ per cent. A year ago they declared a regular dividend of 2 per cent and an extra dividend of 1 per cent. To-day's dividends make the company pay 5 per cent this year against 5 per cent last year. A resolution was passed that hereafter the regular dividends should be at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

Reducing Salaries.

MASON CITY, IOWA, Dec. 23.—The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Company has commenced a system of retrenchment by reducing the wages paid to clerks, telegraphers, station agents and some section men. The reductions range from $2 to $25 per month.

City Officials Arrested.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Dec. 23.—Six aldermen and ex-aldermen, six ex-constables and a half dozen other well known citizens of Desmoines, Ia, have been indicted and were arrested to-day for conspiracy and an attempt to evade the prohibition law. They were released on $1,00 bail each.

TARIFF REFORM CLUB.

The Banquet in New York Celebrating the Victory.

OUR W. L. WILSON SPEAKS,

And Makes a Few Feeble Remarks. A Large Number of Distinguished Guests Present---Mrs. Cleveland Receives an Ovation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Tariff Reform Club held a grand banquet to-night in the new concert hall of the Madison Square Garden to celebrate the recent Democratic victories. The attendance, not only of banquetters, but also of onlookers, was very large, covers for 500 being laid, while the galleries were filled with a brilliant array of people of whom ladies made a prominent part.

It was half past seven o'clock when the banquet was begun. The boxes at this time were empty, and it was not until the dinner was nearly over that ladies began to come in. At the Speaker's table, on either side of Chairman Everett P. Wheeler, sat ex-President Cleveland and John G. Carlisle, of Kentucky. Among the other gentlemen at this table were Governor Horace Boie, of Iowa; Governor-elect Russell, of Massachusetts; Congressman Wilson, of West Virginia; Hon Carl Schurz, W. U. Hensel of Pensylvania, Horace White, Thomas L. Johnson, of Ohio.

At other tables were Henry Villard, Daniel Lamont, Senator Brice, of Ohio, George Hoadley and W. L. Trenholm.

At about 8:30 o'clock Mrs. Grover Cleveland, accompanied by Mrs John G. Carlisle and other ladies, entered one of the boxes in the first gallery. Mrs. Cleveland's appearance was the signal for every man at the tables to rise to his feet, and amid a waving of handkerchiefs Mrs. Cleveland was given three cheers, which compliment she acknowledged by rising and bowing.

When the feasting was finished President Wheeler, in a brief speech, introduced ex-President Cleveland as the first speaker of the evening.

After the applause which greeted Mr. Cleveland's remarks had subsided, Hon. John G. Carlisle, of Kentucky, spoke on "Popular Government."

Hon. William L. Wilson, of West Virginia, spoke as follows: "If the blundering of a Congress is to be measured by the force and sweep of the condemnation provoked by Mr. Reed's Congress, it has not only surpassed Mr. Kiefer's Congress, but has achieved for itself a pre-eminence in blundering unapproached by any of its fifty predecessors, and if recent political experience proves anything, it teaches that the Democratic party never blunders more fatally than when it abandons or palters with its true principle, and that it never appeals so strongly to the heart of the masses, or to the enthusiasm of the young, as when it goes before them in the strength of these principles alone. On the other hand the Republican party, as dominated to-day never blunders so effectively as when it has free rope and opportunity for the application of its principles; never meets with such crushing repudiation from the people as when it discloses to them its true politics and methods.

"The campaign was not fought on any obscure or minor issue, but upon the question on which, as Mr. Burke said, 'all the great contests of freedom have been waged—the question of taxing.' History is in the main a record of the successful attempts of a small class among every people to get control of the government, that they may use the taxing power for their own aggrandizement. It is one of the safeguards of our freedom that an evil principle introduced into our political system works out its own extreme and dangerous manifestation and brings its own train of abuses, all tending to arouse attention and to kindle indignation. The Protective principle not only gave an extreme and dangerous manifestation of itself in the McKinley bill, but it was the evil spirit that tempted, or compelled the Fifty-first Congress to a career which insures for it a sinister name in our legislative history.

"The Fifty-second Congress will enter upon its labors with one lesson that none of its members can mistake, and that lesson that its shortest road to irretrievable bankruptcy will be to follow the footsteps of its predecessor, and its surest road to popular approval will be to present as clear a contrast as possible to the temper, the methods and the legislation of that predecessor. In this one lesson it will find no small part of that justice, temperance and foresight which we invoke for it to-night."

Mr. Johnson, of Ohio, in the course of his speech, said: "Why is Grover Cleveland's name on every lip? So sure as he lives he is the next President of the American Republic. Grover Cleveland's strength before the people to-day is of a man who has dared rather to be right than to be successful."

Mr. Carlisle, in his speech, said: "Popular government in its purest and simplest form is to be found only in the several states. It is no evidence of hostility to the general government to say that it is not popular as the State governments. It is a question whether we will surrender popular government and turn Federal government into a monarchical institution. American freemen shall continue to exercise their rights and the forms of local governments must be maintained."

Governor-elect Russell, of Massachusetts, replied to the toast, "The Place of New England in the Pending Contest."

W. H. Hensel, of Pennsylvania, discussed tariff reform at length. Referring to Mr. Cleveland's tariff message of 1887, he said: "Viewed with regard to the consequences it involved and courage which inspired it, or the beneficence of its results, the tariff reform message of 1887 ranks with the other three great executive acts in American history—Jefferson's purchase of Louisiana, Jackson's nullification proclamation, and Lincoln's emancipation decree.

Roger Q Mills, of Texas, was to have spoken to toast "Reciprocity" but he telegraphed from Washington that he was suffering from an affection of the throat and regretted having to decline attending the banquet.

When Mr. Cleveland finished speaking a massive silver cup was presented to him by President Wheeler. The cup had on one side a representation of Jefferson's mill, and on the other of his residence, said to be one of a set of thirteen made for presentation to Jefferson on behalf of his admirers of the thirteen original States. It was unearthed in Virginia a few years since, and came into the hands of Mr. Jesse Metcalf, of Providence, R. I., who handed it to the committee to present to Mr. Cleveland.

A Blizzard in Michigan.

SAULT STE MARIE, MICH., Dec. 23.—A terrible northwest blizzard has been raging in this section since 9 o'clock last night, the wind reaching sixty miles per hour with snow. The roof of the McEvoy hotel was blown off, and there were several other minor mishaps. The storm still continues. All the Western Union wires have been down twenty hours.

A BRILLIANT WEDDING.

A Notable Social Event in Martinsburg, this State.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 23.—By far the most important social event of the season in this city was the marriage to-day, at half past 2 o'clock, of Miss Mollie Strong, daughter of Mr. James W. Strong, of Inwood, this county, to Mr. Robert Lee Moter, editor of the Fincastle *Herald*, which was solemnized in the Presbyterian church by Rev. E. L. Wilson, assisted by Rev. F. M. Wood. The church was beautifully trimmed, and was filled to overflowing by the bride's numerous friends. The maid of honor was Miss Belle Stewart; the bridesmaids Misses Blanche Constable and Eva Emmart, of Maryland, and Misses Toydie Faulkner and Jane Boyd, of this city. The groomsmen were Messrs. Robert James and E. B. Hayth, of Fincastle, Va., and Dr. T. J. Bland and Stewart W. Walker, of this city. The ushers were Messrs. Abner Hopkins, of Charlestown, and Dr. Fierey, Stewart Boyd and Howard Emmert, of this city. The bridal party entered the church to the music of Mendelssohn's wedding march, rendered by Miss Anna Wisner, who also rendered Lohengren's march during the ceremony. The happy couple immediately after the ceremony left on the C. V. railroad, and will travel on a tour through the South, making their future home at Fincastle, Va. The bridal party was entertained to-night by Mrs. John E. Boyd, in this city.

First Bear for Some Time.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 23.—A party of men from Jones Spring, this county, while out hunting on Third Hill mountain, yesterday, shot and killed a large bear. It is the first that has been seen in the county for some time.

Got Five Years.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 23.—Ellis G. Bard, who pleaded guilty to embezzling nearly $40,000 from the Union National Bank of Lincoln, Pa., and Franklin W. Hull, who was convicted of aiding and abetting him in the embezzlement, were yesterday sentenced by Judge Butler in the United States District Court to five years' imprisonment each in the Eastern Penitentiary.

Bard was cashier of the bank, and Hull was one of its depositors. Bard allowed Hull to overdraw his account to the amount of almost $40,000. When the defalcation could no longer be concealed Bard made a confession to the bank's directors. He was arrested and pleaded guilty. It was mainly upon his evidence that Hull was convicted.

Children Burned to Death.

IRONWOOD, MICH., Dec. 23.—The residence of Victor Rogers, at Jesseville, burned last evening, and his two children, aged three and ten years, perished. Half an hour previous to the discovery of the fire Mrs. Rogers left the house to visit her sister, who lives two blocks distant, taking her year-old babe with her. The other two were locked in the house. The firemen did not know the children were in the house until the mother arrived. The charred remains of the children were found near a bed.

Terrible Accident at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—A serious and fatal accident occurred at the Stock Yards this morning, in which two men were instantly killed and several fatally injured. The wall of an old packing house, the property of Armour & Co., was being torn down, when suddenly the wall collapsed and fell, burying a number of men in the ruins. Mike Barry and an unknown man were taken out dead.

Murdered by Mexicans.

SAN ANTONIA, TEXAS, Dec. 23.—F. M. Wilkins, a prominent ranch owner of Wilkins Bros.' & Co., together with a cowboy named C. S. Walter, were found yesterday shot to death at their camp, fifty miles from Langley. Wilkins' body had been riddled with bullets and thrown into an old store house, while Walter had evidently been shot while taking breakfast. Two Mexicans are suspected of the murders.

A Shocking Tragedy.

DANVILLE, VA., Dec. 23.—A shocking tragedy occurred here to-day. Edward Enoch, a railroad man, and James Grayett, a carpenter, were in a saloon and both under the influence of liquor. They began to quarrel about some trivial matter and Grafett insulted Enoch, when the latter knocked him down and literally stamped him to death with his heavy boots. Enoch was arrested.

Killed His Mistress.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—This afternoon Thomas Sweeney, an ex-convict who is nearly dead with consumption, shot and fatally wounded his mistress, an Ohio girl, named Mary Dongldson, alias Maud Dalton. Sweeney charged the girl with being about to abandon him and in a fit of resentment, suddenly pulled his revolver and sent a bullet through her body.

Quarrelled About Parnell.

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 23.—Pat Fahey and Cornelius Sullivan, railroad section men, quarrelled over the Parnell situation yesterday. Fahey struck Sullivan with an axe handle, when the latter cut Fahey's throat and stabbed him to the heart with a knife. Fahey died instantly and Sullivan fled.

Murdered and Robbed.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—John Brennen, station agent at Bay's Station, on the Toledo, Findlay & Springfield railroad, was murdered and robbed last night and his body thrown into the depot, which was then set on fire. How much money was secured by the miscreants, or who they were is not known.

Masked Burglars.

HANNIBAL, MO., Dec. 23.—Masked robbers entered the house of Leland McElroy, living near here, and holding him at bay with a revolver, went through the house, securing $4,600 in money. They have not been apprehended.

Robbed While Drunk.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Charles, Stated, who claims to be a cigar manufacturer of West Superior, Wis., reported to the police this morning that while drunk last night his pocket was cut open and $2,800 was stolen. Several arrests have already been made.

Schooner Reported Lost.

BALTIMORE, O., Dec. 23.—The schooner Mary Ellen, from Salisbury, Md., for Baltimore, is reported lost, together with her crew of five men, Captain Henry Wheatley and son, William Abbott and son and Saul Gale.

Earthquake Shock.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 23.—There was a decided earthquake shock here this morning about 5 o'clock. In the city many persons were aroused from their sleep and much startled.

NO OTHER preparation combines the positive economy, the peculiar merit and the medicinal power of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

KILKENNY ELECTION.

Parnell's Defeat a Crushing Blow to His Cause.

WILL CONTINUE THE FIGHT

In Every District in Ireland---The Factions Temporarily at Peace. Their Movements---A French Duel--Other Foreign News.

KILKENNY, Dec. 23.—In spite of the excitement caused during the past week by the political struggle which has been taking place in this parliamentary district, and though the actual result of the battle fought between the Parnellites and anti-Parnellites was practically in doubt up to the hour of noon, there was little or no excitement in the streets this morning. Peace and quiet, outwardly, at least, seemed to reign on all sides, the streets being the quietest portions of the town. Opposite and about the Court House a small crowd gathered. Messrs. Parnell, Harrington, Redmond, Scully, Hennessy and Healy were inside the Court House at an early hour awaiting with varying emotions, the actual announcement of the result. Though the Parnellites claimed, up to the last moment, that victory was hovering over their banners, the defeat of their candidate was virtually admitted long before the close of the polls yesterday.

In view of the almost vital importance on both sides of the exciting political contest just decided, it is claimed that both parties deserve great credit for the fact that no collision took place between their followers, and that the last day of the campaign at least was conspicuous for the almost entire absence of the personal abuse which has recently been exchanged by broadsides between the followers and the opponents of Mr. Parnell. During the morning, as has been the case since the polls closed, the door of the "counting room" in the Court House was strictly guarded by police, but there was no attempt to create any disturbance. Shortly before noon Mr. Davitt came out from the Court House and told the Associated Press correspondent that he (the correspondent) could accept it as a fact that Mr. Hennessy's majority would be about 1,200, and that the Parnellites have suffered a hopeless, crushing defeat.

A revision of the count shows that the vote cast for Mr. Hennessy should be 2,527 instead of 2,502 as at first announced.

It is announced here that Mr. Tanner is bringing suit against Mr. Parnell for libels contained in speeches made by the latter during the course of the late political campaign.

The leading members of the Parnellite party in this section, after the announcement of the defeat of Mr. Scully had been made, were to be seen fully parading the court house passages apparently being in a very despondent state of mind. Mr. Hennessy, when he left the court house, claimed that he had at least a majority of 1,000, and when the actual figures were given to the public it was seen the anti-Parnellite candidate was about right. The Parnellites were not discouraged, as they might be expected to be, for it is admitted that it was really a victory for the priests, and had they not adopted the tactics they did the result of the election might have been different.

After the Sheriff had officially announced the result, Mr. Parnell requested the triumphant Healy to withdraw. This was done, and Mr. Parnell said he would go through Ireland fighting every election, and that he felt confident of eventual triumph.

Mr. Vincent Scully will make a petition protesting against the election of Hennessey on ground of undue influence on the part of the priests, particularly referring to the priests' action in connection with the illiterate voters of Castle Comer.

A Chance for Reuniting.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—John Dillon and T. P. O'Connor were seen this afternoon and asked for an interview on the result of the Kilkenny election in Ireland. They said that the result of the election offers, in their judgment, a chance of reuniting the party.

Parnell's Explanation.

DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—Friendly demonstrations were made at most places at which Mr. Parnell stopped on his journey from Kilkenney to this place. He made several addresses on the trip, in which he declared that the fight had not been equal, and that the electors were misled. But the fall of the first fence, he said, need not cause despair. His friends had been forcibly prevented from doing their part at Kilkinney, where 1,300 electors voted blindly against him. He would not falter in his fight against the Davitt conspiracy.

Scores Parnell Bitterly.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Mr. Davitt's newspaper, the *Labor World*, to-day renews the onslaught recently made upon Mr. Parnell through its columns. During the course of a lengthy attack upon the "Uderowned King" the *Labor World* scores its victim bitterly.

Spain's Protective Policy.

MADRID, Dec. 23.—A royal decree issued to-day alters the customs' tariff and appoints a commission to take steps to bring about a series of reforms in the commercial treaties existing between Spain and other countries.

The object of the Government in making this new departure, is for strengthening its electoral influence by promptly applying a policy of protection to the country, and possibly to its colonies.

Serious Fire in London.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The fire which was announced to be in progress early this morning on Praed street, this city, was a serious conflagration. Eight shops were gutted by the flames and other premises seriously damaged, in spite of the London fire brigade. The amount of damage done can only be vaguely estimated, but there is no doubt but that a heavy loss will fall upon the insurance companies.

The Pope's Anniversary.

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Pope to-day received the congratulations upon the fifty-third anniversary of his first celebration of the mass. In his reply he said that he deplored the war of sects against the Church and reaffirmed the rights of the Papacy. The Pope looked well, and appeared to have fully recovered from his recent cold.

The Kaiser to Visit Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The *Gaulois* announces that Emperor William has decided to visit Paris. The Emperor, according to the *Gaulois*, was to travel in strict incognito and will not take up his residence at the German Embassy. Subsequently still, according to the newspaper mentioned, the German Emperor will proceed to Cannes and San Remo.

JAMESON'S DIARY.

It is Published at Last—Attack on Stanley—The Cannibal Episode.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Jameson's diary will be published to-morrow. Mrs. Jameson and the dead man's brother in a preface to the work, bitterly attack Mr. Stanley for making Jameson the scapegoat for all the troubles which occurred, and claiming that they were due to Stanley's own bad judgment and neglect. They also suggest that Messrs. Stanley and Bonny are not telling the truth. The cannibal episode, as it appears in the diary, is substantially identical with the account of it contained in the letter to the Emin committee. Jameson adds to his statement of the facts: "I would never have been such a beast as to witness the act of cannibalism, but was unable until the last moment to bring myself to believe that it was anything save a ruse to get money out of me.

A WOMAN HANGED.

A London Crowd Sets Up a Cheer at the Sight of the Black Flag.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Nellie Piercey was hanged this morning for the murder of Mrs Hogg and her baby. Mrs. Hogg was the wife of a London porter. The crowd outside the prison walls set up a loud cheer when the black flag showing that the woman was hanging on the scaffold was hoisted on the prison flag staff.

During the night the woman was quiet and resigned and for several hours prayed in company with the prison chaplain. To the latter she confessed that the sentence was a just one, though she said the evidence upon which she was convicted was false. The crime for which Mrs Piercey died was committed on October 24th last.

A DUEL IN EARNEST.

French Statesmen Who Are Determined to Draw Blood in Some Way.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The terms of the duel arranged between M. Dumay, a member of the Chamber of Deputies, and M. Brousse, Vice-Chairman of the Municipal Council of Paris, calls for pistols at twenty-five paces. If the exchange of shots does not result in the injury to either party the duel is to be continued with swords. This duel, as already announced, is the result of a quarrel yesterday in the lobby of the Hotel de Ville between the two gentlemen named, during which M. Brosse struck the deputy a blow in the face.

Steamship Collision.

LONDON Dec 23.—A dispatch from Pernambuco, says that the Hamburg ship Linussa came into collision with and sunk the British ship Talokador, bound from Calcutta for London. The captain and two members of the Talokador were drowned.

Another Strike in England.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—It is announced that 1,200 railway workmen in Hull will go out on strike to-morrow. They demand an increase of wages and a reduction of hours.

MANY PERSONS INJURED

In a Wreck on the Western New York & Pennsylvania Road—Names of the Victims.

BRADFORD, PA., Dec. 23.—A passenger train on the Western New York & Pennsylvania railway jumped the track at Watsonville, sixteen miles north of this city, and twenty-one of the thirty-eight passengers on board were more or less injured. The wreck was caused by a spreading of the rails, two passenger cars and a baggage car toppling over an eight foot trestle. Following is a list of the injured:

Mrs. James Blake, of Sheffield, Pa., cut on forehead, nose crushed, hips lacerated and otherwise injured; Conductor Ed Jones, right arm broken and shoulder hurt; Mrs. E. G. Boyer, bad scalp wound; Roadmaster Daniel Shine, of Orlean, N. Y., severe cut on the face and neck; C. A. Decuer, nose broken and internal injuries; Miss Gertrude Blake, Sheffield, Pa., injured about the face and shoulder; R. U. Criswell, of Bradford, badly bruised about the head and body; John Bell, Portage Creek, Pa., left arm sprained; Mrs. Curry, Bradford, left hand sprained; Samuel Bowman, Portage Creek, right hip and leg hurt; Maud Hervey, Bradford, head bruised; Mrs. R. H. High, scalp wounds; W. E. Sterling, Spartansburg, Pa., leg sprained; Edward Smith, Eldred, eye bruised; news agent Lacey, Bradford, severe bruises; J. S. Kennedy, of New York, bruised; J. M. Lyon, Salamanac, N. Y., cut head; D. J. Gibson, Venango, Pa., left shoulder badly sprained; A. C. Robinson, of the Boston Ideal Opera Company, injured internally; L. H. Gallinera, same company, wrist sprained; J. H. Reynolds, Boston, ankle sprained and severe bruises. A relief train was sent from here, and prompt medical aid given the sufferers.

INDIAN GRIEF.

The Relatives of the Four Hanged Men Mutilate themselves at the Graves.

HELENA, MONT., Dec. 23.—The bodies of the four Indians hanged last Friday at Missoula have been buried at St. Ignatius Mission. The bodies were lowered into graves in the presence of a thousand Indians. In the night the families and relatives of the dead men began a weird ceremony. The Indian police dispersed the crowd. The wives of La Lasee and Pascale had cut gashes in their own heads and were preparing to cut off the fingers of one hand when stopped. The children of the dead Indians also gashed their hands and heads, and blood was dripping into the graves which had been partially opened.

Indians Still Ugly.

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 23.—A *Bee* special from Pine Ridge Agency, S. D., says: An Indian scout named Standsfirst, who has just returned from the Indian camp in the Bad Lands, says the spirit of intense hostility still prevails there. All of his efforts to induce them to come in was answered with jeers and war cries. The Indians said they had been ready to meet the soldiers for a month, but the latter were cowards and afraid to come out and fight.

Whites Killing Indians.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 23.—Frank Patterson, who arrived from Midland to-night says that on the way in, at Napoleon's ranch, he met a courier from the South who reported three white men had killed Indians in Pratt County on White River.

Ohio Cocking Main.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 23.—The annual State cocking main occurred at Delaware, Ohio, last night. Cleveland birds were pitted against those from Delaware and Chillicothe. Twenty-one birds were shown on a side and seventeen battles fought. Of these Cleveland carried off eight, and the Delaware party won nine, taking the extra fight needed to give them the main itself. On each fight $50 was laid, and on the main $200 more.

HEALY GOES THROUGH.

The Democrats in Council make him the chief

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,

And Ignore an Emphatic Protest Numerously Signed by Leading Democrats---Significant Absences.

Council had the biggest lobby last night that has burdened the corridors of the public Building in many a month. Even the Second Branch gallery was well filled, a thing seldom seen.

The members were very slow getting in. At 8 o'clock there were only five members in the Second Branch chamber. Door Keeper Denley was sent out with a list of the absentees, and by hustling, managed to get a quorum. Later a few more members came in, and the First Branch having in the meantime gotten a quorum, Clerk Thoner read the minutes of the last meeting, his regular monthly report, etc. After considerable routine business had been transacted, Mr. M. J. O'Kane moved to suspend the rules and go into an election of a chief of the Fire Department. Mr. O'Kane's motion carried, and Mr. O'Kane was sent to notify the First Branch. When the announcement was made, there was a buzzing in the lobby and the heelers moved restlessly to and fro, looking for some one upon whom they might exert an influence.

A VERY STRONG PROTEST.

The Mayor stated that his branch would come over in a few minutes. Later a motion to go into joint session was put by the Mayor and voted down.

After the first cleared its table the members filed into the second branch chamber and the session began.

A roll call showed the following members present: First Branch—Caldwell, Campbell, Ensheimer, Faris, Farrell, Handlan, Happy, Meyers, Pollock, Rawling, Robinson, Schreve, Tracy, Wilson; absent, Haller and Zarnitz. Second Branch—Arkle, Bailey, Bentz, Capps, Craig, Emmerth, Hadlich, Harrell, Kenney, Kreiter, Kurner, Marsh, Miller, O'Kane, Rohrecht, Walford, Warneke, Yahn, Young, Gruse; absent, Brandfass, Ellingham, Hamilton, Clyker and Maxwell.

When it was found that a quorum was present the Mayor announced the object of the joint session and called for nominations.

Mr. Peter Farrell, of the First branch, nominated Frank Healy without comment. Mr. C. R. Tracy then nominated Chief Dunning.

A vote was called, and the members of the First branch divided on the candidates according to politics.

After the First branch roll was called the Mayor stated that a remonstrance was on the table, and asked Clerk Thoner to read it before the vote was proceeded with.

Clerk Thoner began the reading, but before he had gotten the first paragraph read Mr. Capps rose and moved to lay on the table, explaining that Mr. Healy was bound to be elected, and that the reading of the protest would simply place a stigma upon his administration before it began.

Mr. Rawling addressed the chair and was recognized, but was called down on a point of order raised by Mr. Bailey. The Mayor was unable to decide the vote, and ordered the roll called, which resulted in an unanimous vote against laying it on the table except the votes of Mr. Capps and Mr. Yahn.

HEALY IS ELECTED.

When Dr. Campbell voted he spoke against the city Council refusing to hear a petition or remonstrance from any citizen. Mr. Wilson said he thought the members of the First Branch had been imposed upon in not hearing the protest before the vote was taken.

The protest was then read as follows:

We, the undersigned Democrats, earnestly and emphatically protest against the election of Frank Healy for Chief of the Fire Department:

D. R. BROOKS,
T. P. JACKSON,
F. RIESTER,
Secretary German Insurance Co.
J. F. PAULL,
Secretary Peabody Insurance Co.
J. C. ALDERSON,
Insurance Agent.
J. M. DODDRIDGE,
Insurance Agent.
J. L. STROKHLEIN,
Secretary Jefferson Insurance Co.
A. W. KELLEY,
W. S. FOOSE,
Insurance Agent.
G. W. ECKHART, JR.,
L. ZARNITZ,
J. H. NOLTE,
J. W. ELLENBERGER,
ALLEN BROCK,
F. E. MCCOY,
V. W. BERRY,
H. M. HARPER,
W. C. YOUNG,
C. STEINMETZ,
ALFRED PAULL,
Secretary Underwriters' Insurance Co.
JOHN FRIEDEL,
PETER ERB,
A. C. SHAFFER,
W. R. RICE,
J. E. HUGHES,
A. M. BROWN,
JOHN L. RICE,
JOHN J. BAYHA,
F. H. LANGE,
HENRY BAER,
F. P. JONES,
L. H. ALBRIGHT,
C. A. SCHAEFER,
S. E. CALDWELL,
H. H. WERMAN,
JOHN A. WHITE,
H. J. STOLZE,
E. LAUE,
H. BAYHA,
R. S. KINCHELOE,
J. BUCKLEY,
I. R. MOISE,
WILLIS IRWIN,

The vote was then taken and resulted as follows: For Healy—First Branch:

H. C. Caldwell,	W. M. Handlan,
Dr. J. A. Campbell,	Fred Happy,
Jos. Ensheimer,	Julius Pollock,
P. F. Farrell.	W. A. Wilson.

Second branch:

M. H. Bailey,	D. C. K