

CROKER TALKS.

Tammany's Chief Says the Troy Man is NOT AGAINST CLEVELAND. He Thinks the Nomination Will Come to Murphy Unanimously.

Congressman Harter Off to See Grover. Will Confer on the Subject of Silver Legislation—Nebraska's Deadlock Broken—Republicans Elect the President of the Senate—Other Political News.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Richard Croker, the Tammany leader, was asked: "Do you think that if Mr. Murphy is elected senator that Mr. Cleveland in return for it will take up a position hostile to Tammany hall."

"No," said Mr. Croker. "Our friendship for Mr. Murphy will not make Mr. Cleveland hostile to the regular Democracy of the state. Mr. Cleveland is, I think, a man of too broad ideas, a man of too high ideas of political justice to allow himself to take such a step. That is my first reason for thinking so. My second reason is as cogent. Tammany Hall went to Chicago opposed to Mr. Cleveland. We fought every inch of the ground until he was nominated. Then we came out in his support and stood by him to a man until he was elected. Now Mr. Cleveland is opposed to us in the person of our candidate for senator, Mr. Murphy."

"The wishes of the regular Democracy will be respected by the assembly and Mr. Murphy will be elected. Mr. Cleveland is not the sort of a man to turn on because our candidate is elected. Common gratitude would be enough, for we did not turn on him when he was victorious."

"There is much," continued Mr. Croker, in answer to a question, "that is misunderstood along the coast for senator. We are not hostile to Mr. Cleveland just because Mr. Murphy, our candidate, is not Mr. Cleveland's choice, nor will Mr. Murphy oppose Mr. Cleveland if he is elected. Mr. Cleveland goes without saying. Mr. Cleveland does not know Mr. Murphy's strong points. If he knew him as well as I do, in justice to Mr. Cleveland I must say, I think he would consider Mr. Murphy an able man and one who represents the great state of New York in Washington."

"Mr. Murphy is not an orator, but he has wonderful executive ability. This, together with his other admirable qualifications, will make him a senator to be proud of. Mr. Cleveland will never have cause to regret the fact that the organized Democracy of New York put Mr. Murphy up. His election his certain. I think with every Democratic vote in the assembly."

AN OHIO MAN'S IDEA.

Congressman Harter Gives His Views on the Silver Question.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Congressman M. D. Harter, of Ohio, the well-known anti-silver representative, for New York last night to confer with President-elect Cleveland over his resolution to suspend the purchase of silver by the United States until an international agreement shall have been reached by at least Germany, France, Great Britain and the United States fixing the valuation of silver for coinage purposes. Mr. Harter has been calculating the cost of the silver purchased by the government under the Cleveland bill, and he is prepared to present to Mr. Cleveland some figures which he thinks are significant and startling. He says but few people know what enormous losses have been sustained by the government in the purchase of silver, and he is prepared to state for December as a basis. Mr. Harter said: "At the present market value of silver, which is fictitious, or on stills, due to our monthly purchases of the worthless trash for which there is no legitimate market anywhere at current prices, the loss will not be less upon the coined dollars and silver bullion in the treasury, as valued in the statement referred to, than \$199,000,000."

"Beyond a reasonable doubt 50 cents an ounce would be a large price for silver bullion on a business basis today, and this would mean \$188,000,000 more. "But we must hold this silver," Mr. Harter continued, "in trust against the notes issued for its purchase, and we may do this down to a point where 90 cents per ounce will be a high figure for it, there being scores of mines that can produce it for less. When this time comes our losses, even if we stop buying tomorrow, will amount up to not less than \$100,000,000. Altogether this silver speculation and misuse of the public credit since 1878 has been the most monumental financial blunder in human history."

THE OHIO LEGISLATURE.

Two Bills Passed in the House—Other Measures Prepared for the Bill.

COLUMBUS, Jan. 7.—The house passed Representative E. L. Fisher's bill to amend section 6,844 of the revised statutes so that a conveyance made by a debtor for the purpose of defrauding his creditors shall be void as to all creditors, and shall operate as a general assignment of all his property for the benefit of all his creditors.

Mr. Boxwell's bill changing the terms of the trustees and treasurers in the original survey of townships from one to three years was adopted by the house.

Representative Keen, of Carroll, introduced a bill providing that the question of local option shall be submitted every year in each county of the state.

Mr. Reeves introduced a bill to prevent corporations, firms or persons from discharging employes pending garnishment proceedings.

Resolutions providing for the appointment of a joint legislative committee to investigate the matter of road improvements were offered by Mr. Faston and Mr. Brittain and went over under the rules.

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Nebraska's Deadlock Broken.

LINCOLN, Jan. 7.—The deadlock was broken by a combination of the Republicans and Democrats. After Corvill, republican, was elected president pro tem, and before the election of a secretary was attempted, the senate adjourned. The anti-monopoly Republican senators voted with the combine on the compromise, that they would be given control of the railroad and leading companies. They stipulated, however, that in case the combine failed to carry out its promises that they would join the independents when it came to the election of a United States senator, so the situation remains almost as complicated as before. The inauguration of the new state officers has been necessarily postponed till Tuesday or later by the adjournment of the legislature.

Senator's Statement Can't Quite Agree.

HELENA, Jan. 7.—Both houses of the legislature have adjourned until Monday.

A CANAL STORY.

The Startling Confession Made by Charles De Lesseps. MORE MEN ARE IMPLICATED. A Statement in Behalf of the Panama Canal Company.

He is to Give the Names of the Bribe Givers and Takers, and in Return Will Either Receive His Freedom or Be Given a Light Sentence—Will Create a Sensation in Both France and America.

PARIS, Jan. 7.—It appears that Charles de Lesseps and Marinus Fontaine, general secretary of the Panama Canal company, have, under certain secret influence exercised in prison, made confessions the first result of the confessions was the arrest of M. Blondin and other arrests are probable. The rumor runs that more members of parliament have been implicated, that they will be prosecuted and reject their colleagues in the senate and chamber who have been already arrested.

The charges against M. Balthus, who was minister of public works in the Freycinet cabinet, have aroused great interest, largely on account of the peculiar social career of M. Balthus, and his connection with the divorced wife of M. Armingaud. As minister of public works, M. Balthus had an important influence upon the course of the government in regard to the Panama canal company, and the charges in substance are that he sold that influence. The figure says that M. Franqueville, the judge of instruction, has decided that the evidence against M. Balthus, presented during the examination in regard to the check for \$300,000 francs alleged to have been paid to him, warrants putting him on trial.

It is reported that the proof against M. Balthus, as well as against other important persons whom the government is prosecuting or preparing to prosecute, is due to an understanding arrived at between the authorities and M. Charles de Lesseps, whereby the latter, in consideration of giving all the information in his power in relation to the beneficiaries of Panama corruption, is to be treated with great leniency, if not admitted to absolute immunity. The report is that M. Charles de Lesseps has made an unreserved statement of all the facts which he knows, and will do so in his own trial, and at any separate trial of others connected with the scandal.

READS LIKE A MIRACLE.

He Was Blind and Paralyzed and Suddenly Regains His Health and Sight.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Charles L. Ream, who came to Chicago from Pittsburg about a year ago, has had an experience which borders on the miraculous. He became paralyzed in June, just as he was preparing to return to his old home. His limbs were twisted out of shape, his neck was turned avry, he became totally helpless from disease, and was for a period stone blind. But this was not all. At one time animation seemed entirely suspended, he was pronounced dead and burial arrangements were made for his burial.

Today Ream is able to walk the streets of Chicago, apparently as well as ever. The only noticeable changes are that his eyes are a little weak, and he is obliged to wear glasses when he reads. His recovery is due to the efforts of a friend, Professor Carl Yorra, an artist living in the same house. Professor Yorra volunteered his services out of compassion, after doctors had given up the patient. He subjected Ream to a course of treatment, and he designated the common sense treatment, namely, hot air baths and alkali powders; the former produce perspiration, while the latter neutralize the acidity of the blood.

Thursday night the professor was reading to his patient when Ream suddenly exclaimed: "I can use my right arm." He straightened it, and a moment later cried out: "My sight has come back." It was indeed true, and the unfortunate young man found all his lost powers restored.

HORRIBLY BUTCHERED.

A Man Loses an Ear, Part of His Nose, One Eye and His Check is Cut Open.

CONNEYSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 7.—A serious cutting affair occurred here Thursday at the shop of Samuel Heffley. Heffley and a man named Rosa Balsley became engaged in a quarrel, and Heffley picked up a shoe knife and carved with his ears and part of his nose were cut off, and the sight of one eye destroyed. He was taken to the hospital, where he lies in a critical condition. His men were intoxicated when the quarrel began. Heffley fled and has not yet been arrested.

HAD TWO WEALTHY HUSBANDS.

ZANESVILLE, O., Jan. 7.—Grace Wilson, who has settled with the heirs of the late D. Edgar Crouse for \$1,000,000, was born near St. Clairsville, Belmont county, O., 35 years ago. Her first husband, Wilson, and one child dying, she went upon the dramatic stage, where she became a favorite with Crouse, and they were married. His parents refused to let his wife marry a child, or whom she is endeavoring to get a big slice of money with the Nosterlitz heirs.

A Faithful Woman.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 7.—Robert M. Courtright was liberated from the Philadelphia penitentiary Thursday. He arrived at Hyde Park, Pa., at 6:30 p. m. He was met there by his sweetheart, Miss Dougherty, driven to the house of a clergyman and married. Three years ago Courtright was convicted of embezzlement. He was arrested as he was donning his wedding clothes. Miss Dougherty would not believe him guilty. A confession by the real culprit set Courtright at liberty.

Weather Forecast.

For Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia: Fair; warmer; winds shifting to easterly.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

A new opal field has been discovered in Washington.

The Argentine cruiser De Mayo is aground in the Rio de la Plata.

The City National and the First National banks of Covington, Ky., have voted to unite.

Canadian sugar refiners announce an advance of one-half cent per pound on all refined and white sugars.

Two arrests in Kansas City are expected to clear up the mystery of huge cattle thefts in the Creek nation.

A New York financier, James Naser, is promoting a project for establishing breweries in all big Mexican cities.

The Clacian cathedral will be mortgaged for \$20,000 to pay a dividend to the creditors of Archbishop Purcell.

Captain Hines, a Plateron of Homestead fame, is reported to be in South America looking for ex-President George W. Marsh, of the Keystone bank, of Philadelphia.

L. B. Harris, of Lyndon county, Va., has just received fourteen Shropshire sheep, bred and raised at the World's fair. They are the finest Shropshires ever shipped to the eastern states.

A Christian reunion and pilgrimage to Jerusalem is being arranged in England by Rev. Henry S. Lunn, Wesleyan, and the bishop of Worcester. Archbishop Fasnar and many bishops will take part.

WHAT THE KNIGHTS WANT.

Measures Indorsed by the U. S. Legislative Convention. HARRISBURG, Jan. 7.—The legislative convention of the Knights of Labor has completed its work and adjourned. John C. Costello, of Pittsburg, was chairman of the convention, which indorsed the following measures:

The abolition of Pinkertonism; to amend the ballot reform law of 1891; bituminous mine commission bill, which failed in the legislature of 1891; to amend the semi-monthly pay law; acts to provide for the erection of and maintenance by the state of two mining and mechanical schools, one for the anthracite and one for the bituminous region; to provide free text books for the children of the state; to amend the factory act and, in any respect, to inspect, to provide for mine checkweighing and abolish the dockage system in coal regions; to enforce the railroad articles of the constitution so as to prevent illegal combinations, etc., and to establish a bureau under control of the bureau of statistics.

A legislative committee to look after and encourage the passage of labor legislation was appointed as follows: John C. Costello, Pittsburg; J. Moran, Scranton; Adam E. Lehman. Resolutions were adopted thanking Governor Pattison for his approval and suggestions in favor of ballot and labor reform legislation in his recent message; also the officers and members of both houses for their courtesies and favorable action on measures in the session of 1892. Resolutions of condolence on the death of Captain Butler, and thanking P. F. Caffery, secretary, and approving his action in the legislative committee were also adopted.

A DISASTROUS FAILURE.

An Ohio Fishing Firm Goes Under—Liabilities Estimated at \$250,000.

SANDUSKY, Jan. 7.—The most disastrous failure that has occurred in this section of the state in many years has been announced. Wickham & Co., of Huron, this county, one of the most extensive fishing concerns, have gone to the wall with liabilities approximating \$250,000. The announcement of their trouble has literally paralyzed this community for the time being, and all the packing houses of the concern were located at Huron, ten miles from here, it was here that its banking business was transacted, and it was virtually regarded as a Sandusky house.

Altogether, the firm transpires that the firm has been embarrassed for some time past, the knowledge was carefully concealed, and the first intimation of the condition of the affairs was when John C. Wickham, Jr., the head of the firm, offered for sale the premises in the form of mortgages aggregating \$75,000, while a telegram from Cleveland announces the filing of mortgages to that county aggregating \$100,000. The mortgages given in consideration of unpaid promissory notes dated from 1890 forward.

Among the preferred creditors are a large number of Sandusky persons and estates, ranging from \$5,000 downward. The creditors, for the most part, are of Wickham & Co. paper, but are amply secured on every piece by indorsement. For a number of years the fishing business has been on the decline and the season just closed was especially unpropitious. The firm had also indorsed heavily for a Toledo concern that is badly involved.

Another Firm Goes to the Wall. TOLEDO, Jan. 7.—D. Y. Howell & Son, big fish dealers of this city, have failed with liabilities placed at \$90,000 and assets at \$35,000. They were the oldest fish dealers in the city, having established business in 1865. Among Mr. Howell's industries were H. C. Post & Co., Sandusky, and Wickham & Co., Huron, who have failed for \$250,000. The failures have connection with each other and the firms in indorsing each other's paper had arranged matters in such a way that the failure of one would entail disaster to the other.

White Lead Men in Session. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 7.—The western division of the White Lead Manufacturers' association is in annual session here. Local representatives present from St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Pittsburg and Indianapolis, among them John A. Stevens, chairman, E. C. Goshorn, C. H. Schaefer, F. M. Long, A. Goshorn, T. B. Flower, H. F. Mitchell and S. D. Jennings. Rates were considered, but no conclusion was reached. A standard for the different grades of white lead was also discussed, as well as methods of stopping the flooding of the market with white lead apparently of a high grade, but really heavily adulterated.

Beers Makes a Compromise. NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The New York Life Insurance company and William H. Beers, ex-president of the company, have settled their differences. By the terms of the compromise, Mr. Beers has agreed to abandon his litigation to force the company to pay him \$250,000, the yearly pension voted to him by the board of trustees when he resigned the presidency of the company, on Feb. 9, 1892, and to make no further claim under that agreement. In return the company agrees to pay him \$250,000 more, but this arrangement may be terminated at the will of the company or of Mr. Beers.

Bandmaster Capps Dead. NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Charles A. Cappa, the celebrated bandmaster and leader of the famous Seventh regiment band, dropped dead yesterday at his home, 143 East 10th street, New York. Death was the result of a severe cold contracted during a fatiguing trip to the Pacific coast. Charles A. Cappa was 59 years of age and was a musician of some note.

Yield of Wheat, Corn and Oats. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The final estimates of the agricultural department, of the yield in bushels of wheat, corn and oats for 1892, in the various states, show the following totals: Wheat, 515,949,000 bushels; corn, 691,535,000 bushels; oats, 29,983,000 bushels. The total yield of wheat, 19,381,000 bushels; corn, 29,983,000 bushels; oats, 29,983,000 bushels. West Virginia: Wheat, 4,302,000 bushels; corn, 14,322,000 bushels; oats, 2,971,000 bushels.

Tennessee Miners Suffer. HARRISBURG, Jan. 7.—The unusual cold weather and unprecedented snow in the mountains has caused great suffering among the miners who are out of work, either directly or indirectly, through convicts in the coal mines. Shelter is sufficient, but, owing to the blockades, provisions are scarce and high.

That Bakersville Battle. KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 7.—A reliable reporter, sent to investigate the reported horrible affair at Bakersville, N. C., has not been able to reach that place yet. He wires, however, that the story is probably absolutely false. There is no snow in Upper East Tennessee and Western North Carolina, with terrible weather and bad roads. The story of the reported battle and lynching is not believed in this city, which is the trade center of all the section.

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SENATORS.

Devote a Day Discussing Immigration Suspension. TALK OF CLOSING THE GATES. Mr. Chandler Advocates Stopping All Steerage Traffic for One Year.

Cholera an Immense Danger—He says it Would Be Cowardly to Lay the Responsibility on the President—Filippany Depreciated—Pension Bills in the House—Other Washington News.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Yesterday's session of the senate was given up exclusively to the discussion of the bill on the subject of quarantine regulations and its co-relative measure—the bill to suspend immigration for one year. Mr. Chandler, Republican, of New Hampshire, spoke for about three hours, devoting most of his argument to the last mentioned bill, although the other was really the one that was up for discussion. To this latter, however, an amendment was pending to authorize the president to issue a proclamation suspending immigration from countries where cholera was prevailing.

Mr. Chandler treated this proposition as an act of cowardice on the part of congress in imposing responsibility upon the president instead of taking that responsibility itself. He was assured by Mr. Frye, Republican, of Maine, that the incoming president was not a man to shrink from responsibility, alluding to Mr. Cleveland's position on the subject of the New York sanitary bill. This provoked a laugh, and Mr. Chandler deprecated the Maine senator's bringing his witicism into a serious subject. He went on, in the course of his remarks, to speak of the recent entertainment given by the North German Lloyd steamship company to the Grid Iron club and made some sarcastic allusions to the liberality of that company to government officials traveling in Europe. He advocated stopping all steerage traffic for one year.

Arguments against the quarantine bill were made by senators McPherson, Democrat, of New Jersey, and Platt, Republican, of Connecticut, Mills, Democrat, of Texas, Dalrymple, Republican, of Oregon. Many amendments were offered, some of which were agreed to, the others going over until today when the bill comes up as the special order.

In the House. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The session of the house yesterday was an uneventful one. The attendance was small and nothing but private business was considered with the exception of a bill providing for the reorganization of certain officers and men of the volunteer forces. About twenty-five private pension bills were passed and the house adjourned.

The Inaugural Committee. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—General Schofield, chairman of the inaugural reception committee, has appointed Joseph D. Cameron and Representative Relyea as the Pennsylvania members of that committee.

Production of Southern Iron. CHATTANOOGA, Jan. 7.—The Tradesman, in its annual for 1893, referring to the production of iron in the south says that there are now 123 furnaces, of which 93 are in blast and 67 out of blast. The product for 1892 in the eight iron producing states of the south, The Tradesman estimates at 1,065,485 tons. Alabama was the largest producer among the southern states, having an estimated total of 1,034,407 tons.

A Defaulting Bank Teller Arrested. LOUISVILLE, Jan. 7.—William Pope, the defaulting teller of the City National bank, has been captured in Starke, Fla., a town seventy-five miles from Jacksonville. Pope also claims to have been some time been prominent on the racing path. A fourth brother, Arthur L. Banker, the youngest of the family, came to the front during the past season as a very promising rider. He captured fifteen first prizes and

Bicyclist A. L. Banker. The name of Banker is very well known one in the bicycling world, for three brothers of that name, W. D. Banker, George A. Banker and A. C. Banker, have for some time been prominent on the racing path. A fourth brother, Arthur L. Banker, the youngest of the family, came to the front during the past season as a very promising rider. He captured fifteen first prizes and

got second place twice during the year, and he looked upon as one of the coming men in wheeling circles.

The most notable victories scored by young Banker were in the hill climbing contest of the Pittsburg Athletic club and in the one and a half mile handicap races of the same Smoky City organization. At present George A. Banker is looked upon as the brightest bicycling light of the Banker aggregation.

SPORTING NOTES. After several postponements it is now believed that Bob Fitzsimmons and Jim Hall will fight for the world's middleweight championship at the Crescent City Athletic club, New Orleans, March 3.

At Milwaukee recently H. A. Githens, the Chicago wheelman, defeated W. C. Sauger, the Milwaukee wonder, in a ten mile open race, but was twice defeated by Sauger the following day.

The William Greer Harrison challenge cup for cricketers was won by the Alameda Cricket club of Alameda, Cal.

It is said that nearly \$1,000,000 are invested in yearling race horses in America, and that at least \$5,000,000 are represented in thoroughbreds.

Plenty, a 250 to 1 shot, recently won a race at the St. Louis track, and Arthur White, who had bet \$2, won \$60.

The four trotting wonders of the season of 1892 are Nancy Hanks, 2:54; Martha Wilks, 2:58; Stamboul, 2:57; and Franklin, 2:57. The pacing wonders are Maccot, 2:54; Flying Jib, 2:55; Direct, 2:53; and Hal Pointer, 2:54.

Actresses' Dresses. Lillian Russell's mother designs most of her dresses; Mrs. Florence always designs her; Annie Fiske not only designs but makes most of her; Rose Cochran designs nearly all of her costumes and in her play of "Diplomacy" wears some dresses that are as suitable for the drawing room as the stage. Of course her handsome figure adds much to the charm, but the costumes are elegant in themselves.

Durbin, Wright & Co. and L. Soliman druggists, desire to inform the public that they are agents for the most successful preparation that has yet been produced, for coughs, colds and croup. It will loosen and relieve a severe cold in less time than any other treatment. The article referred to is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a medicine that has won fame and popularity on a merit, and one that can always be depended upon. It is the only known remedy that will prevent croup. It must be tried to be appreciated. It is put up in 50 cent and \$1 bottles.

If the present legislators propose to celebrate their obituary with rippier legislation, why not give us another gerry-mander.

Lane's Medicine Moves the Bowels Each Day. In order to be healthy it is necessary.

HARVARD'S FOOTBALL CAPTAIN.

B. G. Waters, of Boston, Will Look After the Crimson Team of 1893. Harvard's good work during the football season of 1892, with the "Dauid" flying wedge and other new football tactics, has awakened more interest than usual in the plans of the crimson eleven for 1893. Consequently public interest just now centers around B. G. Waters, who has just been chosen captain of the team for next season. Up to now, Lake and Bryant are the only excellent players who were Waters' rivals for the honor, but his great popularity and his qualifications for the position resulted in an easy victory for him. Waters is a Bostonian and received a good impetus toward expertness in football in his two years' experience as captain and full back of the Boston Latin school eleven.

Upon entering Harvard in 1891 Waters played on the freshman eleven that defeated Yale and trained with the varsity crew, but rowed in the freshmen's boat. He quickly developed into a young giant 6 feet tall and weighing 150 pounds. In his sophomore year he was a valued member of both the varsity eleven and boat crew. As a junior in 1892 he played guard on the varsity eleven and particularly distinguished himself. Ex-Captain Trafford behind the line and Hallowell in the line are the only men Harvard loses, and substitutes Lake, Lee, Brewer and Gray all return to the university. Captain Stevenson, of the Hopkinton eleven, will enter Harvard and will probably play on next season's eleven.

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