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Third Edition THE LATEST FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL Aid for Mrs. Kerr. National Associated Press to the Star. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.--The House passed a resolution giving to the widow of the late Speaker Kerr an amount equal to his pay up to the end of the present Congress.

IN CONGRESS. The Senate had a very brief session, and then adjourned until Tuesday. The House is considering private bills. House Joint Committee. Speaker Randall appointed the following as the Committee to act with the Senate Committee, to consider the question of counting the Electoral votes: Messrs. Peine, Hinton, Hewitt, Springer, McCrary, Hoar, and Willard, of Michigan.

ANOTHER MASSACRE. Major Randall and Entire Party Murdered by the Redskins. National Associated Press to the Star. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.--A Herald special, dated Bozeman, Montana, December 21, says: "A painful report is in circulation here, stating that Major Randall, of General Crook's Staff, and his entire party have been massacred by the Indians in the Big Horn Mountains."

LOSSES BY FIRE. Another Conflagration at Little Rock. National Associated Press to the Star. LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Dec. 22.--About 6 o'clock last night another fire broke out on the corner of Louisiana and Fifth streets. The fire was the work of incendiaries, and was started in the rear room of A. Berg's paper warehouse. East of that building, M. Hoff's bakery, Robinson's grocery store, Riley Bros., and several other buildings were

was attacked by a large force of hostiles. Major Randall, Mr. Fox, the interpreter, a Sioux half-breed, and nearly all the Indians in Major Randall's party, are said to have been killed. General Brislin, the commanding officer at Fort Ellis, says he does not yet believe the report, but fears it may be true. He has sent couriers to the Crow Agency to find out about it.

General Sheridan Denies. CHICAGO, Dec. 22.--General Sheridan says the dispatch from Bozeman, Montana, in to-day's New York Herald, giving a rumor of the massacre of Randall's party, is not true. He has a telegram from Fort Reno that Randall has arrived there all right. He took a different return route to Reno from the one he was expected to take, thus the rumor was started by the people at Fort Fetterman, who failed to see him on his return as they anticipated.

NEWS FROM THE METROPOLIS. Gen. Sickles to Supercede Bliss. National Associated Press to the Star. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.--The Tribune this morning says it has learned from trustworthy sources that President Grant has determined to send the name of Gen. Daniel E. Sickles to the Senate for confirmation as United States Attorney for the State of New York, in place of George Bliss. The latter's friends still hope Bliss will be re-appointed.

Hewitt's Charges Against Postmasters. The Herald editorially referring to Mr. Hewitt's charges against the Post-office, considers his position a most unenviable one, and says his statement at the present time is calculated to do much mischief. Before he made such a serious accusation he should not only have been morally certain of its truth, but should have been prepared to prove it by unassailable evidence, and to insist on the detection and punishment of the offender.

THE DISPUTED STATES. South Carolina. CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 22.--At an immense meeting of conservative tax-payers last night, resolutions were unanimously adopted recognizing Hampton and Simpson as lawfully elected, and pledging them moral, financial and material aid.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.--A Herald special from Columbia, S. C., says it is reported that after the adjournment of the Senate and the Mackey House today Gov. Chamberlain will issue his proclamation calling upon Hampton and Simpson and their alleged pretended Government to disperse in three days. That time will expire Tuesday, when the troops are to be withdrawn from the State-house.

In the meantime Hampton's Government will not have dispersed, and Chamberlain's proclamation will be followed by another to the same effect from the President. The latter will, it is supposed, be issued at the same time that the troops are withdrawn from the State-house.

It is understood that the Democratic House will take a recess to-day or tomorrow until again called together by Hampton or the Speaker. A resolution was adopted by the Democratic House yesterday denouncing Chamberlain and his Legislature, and requesting tax-payers not to pay taxes imposed by Chamberlain's Legislature, or yield obedience to Chamberlain's proclamation or address.

Louisiana. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.--The House Sub-Committee, Messrs. McMahon, Ross and Cray, left this afternoon for Ouachita Parish. The Sub-Committee, consisting of Messrs. Blackburn, Phelps and Harbur, left for various adjacent points to-day, and will meet to-morrow at New Orleans, and will meet to-morrow and commence the investigation of matters pertaining to the session allotted to them. The General Committee, Messrs. Morrison, Jenks and Townsend, will remain here and continue the investigation of matters of a general nature, relative to the late election, in sections not included in the district allotted to Sub-Committees. Mr. Morrison stated last night that the Committee would be here two weeks longer.

From present indications neither of the Investigating Committees will complete their work here before the 1st of February. The testimony taken before the House Committee was very lengthy and tedious. While the Democrats are elated over the testimony of President Wells of the Returning Board, the Republicans claim that it will not injure their cause.

There is considerable apprehension of trouble on the 8th of January, when the Governor is to be inaugurated. Both Packard and Nicholls will be inaugurated, as the Republicans will not oppose the inauguration of Nicholls, but should be attempted to exercise the functions of office he will in all probability be resisted, and a call will be made for troops, eleven hundred of whom are now stationed here.

burned. The desperate exertions of the Fire Department and citizens saved Hager's mill, on the opposite side of the street, and the two-story brick opposite Berg's, on Center street, owned by Richard Bragg, which was several times on fire. All buildings burned were wooden structures. Loss about \$12,000, and very little insurance. At one time it was thought the Central House would burn. Water was obtained from the Town Branch after the first citizens had given out, and lines of men passed water in buckets to the flames. The Pat. Cleburne, steamer, was singed while being driven past the burning building, and Mr. Watt, tender, considerably injured. A second attempt was made last night to fire the cotton warehouse in the rear of Fletcher & Huber's Block, but the flames were extinguished by a watchman. Last night an attempt was made to fire the residence of Charles Brunos, on Rock and Fifth streets, by a bag of combustibles under the building, but was discovered.

fires at Other Places. GALENA, Dec. 22.--George Richardson's large boot and shoe manufactory burned here yesterday. Loss \$24,000; half insured. CAIRO, Dec. 22.--The residence of Thomas W. Holliday, totally destroyed by fire last night, could have been saved with damage of less than \$1,000; but for the lack of water. Loss \$6,000; partly insured. LOGANSPORT, IND., Dec. 22.--A fire near Hebron, Indiana, last night, destroyed a storehouse on the farm of J. W. Shaffer, together with eight hundred bushels of grain and a reaping machine. It is supposed the fire originated from a defective flue. Total loss, \$1,500; no insurance.

FOREIGN. National Associated Press to the Star. THE FINANCIAL CRISIS. ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.--The banking firm of Bainsakoff has failed. Its uncovered deficit amounts to \$1,000,000. The crisis continues. NEW CONSTITUTION. CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 22.--The new Turkish Constitution will be promulgated to-day.

APPOINTMENT. ROME, Dec. 22.--The Pope has appointed Cardinal Lavalatte Vicar General. GREAT FIRE IN PARIS. PARIS, Dec. 21.--A great fire broke out in a large factory in Rue Martel. Water was scarce and the flames consequently gained great headway, which the firemen were unable to control, and the military were called out to assist them. It is rumored that there has been a considerable loss of life, and great excitement prevails.

THEY TOO WILL PROFIT BY THE BROOKLYN DISASTER. LONDON, Dec. 22.--The Lord Chancellor, in consequence of the Brooklyn disaster, has issued a memorandum with a view to taking means for the safety of the public in cases of fire. THE PEACE OF EUROPE. BERLIN, Dec. 22.--The session of the Reichstag ended to-day. Emperor William, in his closing speech referring to the Turkish difficulties, said that thanks to his efforts and those of the other Powers, he hoped the peace of Europe would be maintained.

There is a woman Iowa who has worn one dress for twenty-two years, but her husband had given her the purchase money she would have managed without difficulty to wear twenty-two dresses in one year.

LATEST LOCAL. The Board of Police Commissioners held a special meeting this afternoon. HENRY C. STEWARD made an assignment in favor of creditors to Joshua Morrison. Bond \$4,000. THOS. SMITH, who was sent to the Work-house on conviction of being a thief, has been discharged from that institution.

MARY HOLER, a homeless tramp, aged 49 years, was locked up in the Central Station-house this morning on the charge of stealing a broom from the store of J. H. Bunning & Co., No. 159 Baymiller street.

CALVEY HARRIS, one of the well-known officers of the STAR, has made an important improvement in children's spinning-tops, and proposes to amass wealth next Saturday night by retailing them at 10 cents apiece on the Esplanade.

JOHN BODEN, whom Officer Jeff Williams locked up yesterday on the charge of being a common thief, was identified this morning by Mrs. Dr. Hollendorf, of 157 York street, as being the chap who entered her house a few weeks since and stole a fifty-dollar gold watch. The charge is changed to that of grand larceny.

N. J. HARRIS, a merchant doing business at No. 47 West Sixth street, appeared in the Police Court this morning to answer a charge of receiving six linen shirts, valued at \$10, the property of A. J. Clark, the Fourth-street shirt manufacturer, knowing them to have been stolen. Mr. Harris gave bond for his appearance on December 27 to answer the charge.

A few days ago William Corbett, a journalist of Covington, sued the Astrologer Raphael, before Judge Ely, for \$500, claimed for services rendered. The case was called yesterday and continued. Constable Bloom afterwards arrested Corbett on an affidavit sworn out by Raphael, who charges him with attempting to extort \$450, and also with attempting to injure the defendant's character. Raphael produced a letter showing the alleged abuses by Corbett.

DR. P. M. BIGNEXY, of Franklin street, near Broadway, was arraigned before Judge Lindemann, this morning, on complaint of the Health Officer who charged him with failing to report a case of small-pox within the requisite time. Dr. Bignexy disclaimed any intention to violate the law in such cases, but that the one in question was a most difficult one to diagnose, and that he wished to be certain that it really was small-pox before he made his report. Judge Lindemann dismissed the case with costs, but finally threw off the case, and the Doctor was discharged fully.

It seems to us that there has been a gross imposition perpetrated upon a worthy man by the defendant of Police of this city. Last night John Finger, Jr., a carpenter, who has a stable at No. 19 Lawrence street, was locked up at the Ham-

mond-street Station-house on suspicion of harboring a burglar named James Wilson, who is now confined at the County Jail. It seems that Wilson while engaged in burglarizing the residence of Dr. Foster recently, fell from a ladder, and being disabled took temporary refuge in Mr. Finger's stable. That Mr. Finger had nothing whatever to do with Wilson's concealment in his hay-loft is now evident, from the fact that after a careful examination of the case Mr. Finger was dismissed from custody, and no formal charge was preferred against him. This much is due in consideration of the high character not only of the man himself but his entire family.

Chas. Moyer's Sentence. Judge Swig, in the United States Court, passed sentence this morning on Chas. Moyer, convicted of illegal voting. Major Blackburn made a motion for a new trial, which was overruled. His speech was quite a lengthy one, and took up all of the morning. The Judge then sentenced the prisoner to the Penitentiary for one year and one month, and also imposed a fine on him of \$100 and the costs of prosecution. The sentence was suspended for the time being in order to hear an argument from Major Blackburn for a mitigation of the sentence.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. The following marriage licenses were issued since our last report: Clem. Herzog and Hannah Connor. Robert Harlan and Mary Clark. A. Evans and Nancy Morris. Jas. Schmidt and Eva Nagley. W. T. Lucas and Sarah Hunt. W. B. Jameson and Bettie Thompson. C. A. Peers and Maggie Evans. H. Conder and Emma Murray. Philip Guenther and Caroline Zolder. Henry Stala and Josephine Hann. Henry Froidorf and Maggie Newhaus. Jas. C. Stephenson and M. W. Winal. R. R. Davis and Johanna King. Jas. Eckford and Mary Jackson. Henry Gray and Nannie Ayers. John Jacks and Mary Bonner.

Burglary This Morning. One of the most daring burglaries of the season occurred between 6 and 7 o'clock this morning at the fur store of George E. Gray, on the northwest corner of Centre, avenue and Chestnut streets. As 7 o'clock, one of the burglars brushed by him and made a hasty exit from the store. The jeweler next door heard a noise about 6 o'clock, but thinking the proprietors of the store were entering, thought nothing of it.

It seems that entrance was effected by means of the transom over the Chestnut-street door, through which the man inside passed over \$200 worth of furs to his confederate on the outside. Both men escaped, and up to 8 o'clock this afternoon had not been apprehended.

The Knife. About 11 o'clock this morning Chas. A. Barlow, of Philadelphia, who has been but a few weeks employed in a subordinate capacity at the Galt House, got into an altercation with a colored waiter, while both of them were in the cellar kitchen, and the result was Barlow was stabbed with a knife twice in the back.

The wounded man made no disturbance about the matter, but walked quietly out on the street, and, according to Officer McGarr, requested to be taken to the City Hospital. The officer took him there, and then went in quest of the colored man. The wounds of Barlow are not serious.

It must have been a very quiet affair indeed, as the proprietors of the house, several hours later, know nothing of it; and the colored assistant, whose name is not known by the wounded man, had no trouble in getting away, as the only officer of the Police force who knew anything about it preferred to escort the wounded man to the Hospital to going in quest of the man who used the knife, and just why he did so it is difficult for the average mind to comprehend.

An examination of Barlow by the physician at the Hospital disclosed the fact that the knife were penetrative, and that the cuts are most serious.

ST. JOHNSTON'S DAY. Shall We Celebrate It? Cincinnatians can not forget the midnight revelry of the 31st of December, 1875, the night of the famous jamboree which was marshaled by our worthy Mayor and created such a furor. That it was a success, and a grand success at that, no one will dispute. Cincinnati greeted the dawn of the Centennial year on that occasion in such a manner that her voice resounded throughout the land, and the name of Mayor Johnston became as familiar abroad almost as at home.

LOCAL PERSONALS. Charles E. Rall has been elected as a patrolman by the Police Board. Messrs. T. Eastman and C. Hunnaker, of Cincinnati, are at the Grand National Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida. Col. Bob Harlan and Mrs. Mary Clark, a wealthy widow, were married at No. 39 Harrison street, last evening, by Rev. Daniel Jones.

Ben. Hodnet, General Traveling Agent of the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railroad, is stopping at the Walnut-street House. Police Commissioner Chas. Jacob, Jr. occupied a seat at the right of Judge Lindemann this morning during the session of the Police Court.

Richard Shinick, Esq., a former resident of this city, where he served as Councilman from the Thirteenth Ward, but who now lives in St. Louis, is in the city. Sergeant Moran got the gold ring for selling the highest number of tickets for the ball, which was given last night by the Irish-American Centennial Guards at Greenwood Hall.

Judge A. C. Thompson, of Portsmouth, C. M. Pugh and wife, of Monticello, Ky., and Hon. John Jordan, of Toledo, were among the prominent arrivals at the St. James this morning. Jake Helfrich, Johnny Birbaum and a New Jersey canal-water ice king, on a hunting excursion in Indiana, met with unprecedented success. They found where they could purchase quality for 37 1/2 cents less on the dozen than what Russell Blair and Paul Williamson paid for theirs. Total amount purchased, \$3 baker's dozen, and one rabbit. The Jamespuffer at Birbaum's to-day is from that celebrated rabbit run by them into a haystack, which was entirely torn down before they secured the animal.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. Business Transacted by the Board This Morning. The Board met in regular session, all members present, and President Ball in the chair. On motion, the ordinance authorizing the extension of the Storrs Township & Sedamsville Street Railroad was approved and ordered to be transmitted to Council.

There are some new features characterizing this ordinance. It requires the Street Railroad Company to provide for adequate drains within the limits of the street, and to have the same directed by the Board of Public Works. Also to construct and keep in repair, at such square, along the whole route of the extension, at least two flagstone drains, the full width of the street, to be independent of the public crossings at the intersection of streets, and some thirty five or forty feet therefrom, for the accommodation of street railroad passengers. It provides that the Street Railroad Company pay the expenses of printing and advertising the ordinance.

A communication from Hon. J. E. Keck, requesting the extension of the six-inch pipe in Johnston street to his building on Spring Grove avenue, was on motion referred to the Committee on Waterworks. The following offered by Mr. Gessert was adopted: "Resolved, That the Engineer be directed to measure the work done by Patrick Leaver, on Glenway avenue, and report to this Board at an early day."

An ordinance introduced by Mr. Galda, well known to the Cincinnati & Portsmouth Narrow-gauge Railroad to not add open certain streets, was on motion laid over. A Recrunt Lover. Frank Thornhill, a freight conductor on the Little Miami Railroad, was arrested last night by Officers Kline and Lawrence, of the Fulton District, on a warrant charging him with the seduction of Miss Carrie Kuntz, a handsome young girl who lives on Elm street, between Eighth and Ninth streets. The girl's father was found in the possession of his train, where he was quietly snoozing. On appearing in the Police Court this morning the case was continued until the 5th of January, 1877.

Announcements. A grand ball will be given at the Highland House Christmas night. Rev. John E. Morris has called a meeting for Sunday evening next at the Fifth and Eighth-street Church, when all were a special appeal will be made to "fallen women?"

The annual ball of Vulcan Lodge No. 178, I. O. O. F., will be given at Greenwood Hall on the evening of December 25. The proceeds will be appropriated to the New H. I. Fund of the Fourth Ward. There will be no service of the Tabernacle congregation at Robinson's Opera-houses on next Sunday morning. The usual social service will be held to-night at the church, corner of Eighth and Plum, at 7:30 o'clock.

MUSICAL ITEM FROM TEXAS.--There is quite a number of respectable men in this town, says the San Antonio, Tex. Herald, who have no ear whatever for music, in illustration whereof we submit the following: Yesterday afternoon one of the most influential citizens of Ward No. 5, proceeded a policeman on the Plaza, and began conversing with him after this style: "Ain't you the policeman who is on duty to-night in my ward?"

The policeman replied that he was. "Well," continued the irate tax-payer, "what I want to know is why you let that drunken wretch bow and shriek and fling tin pans about half the night, so I can't get a wink of sleep?" "Right opposite where you live, Ock one?" "Yes. He begins at 8 o'clock, and goes on loud enough to wake even a policeman up."

The policeman smiled grimly, and replied: "I did hear that row, Colonel, and I got a pair of handkerchiefs and some ropes and a drape, but when I got inside of the house I found it was only a young lady singing at a piano." And then the two entered for a saloon, the policeman promising he would say a word about the matter. This is a great climate for lungs. Boston children wake up on Christmas mornings to find their stockings filled with such delicate sweetmeats as "Home's Head," "Bonyan's" "Patriotic Progress," and "Goodnight's" poems.