the Talbott estate to the William R. Trigg Shipbuilding Company, and was used as a machine shop and foundry, the upper floors being occupied by the draughting department. Later, the building was occupied by the Sydnor Pump and Well Company, which now has the adjoining property. The property of the Talbott estate was broken up into small blocks and sold at auction some time ago, Mr. Abraham Blacker buying the corner building, which he has occupied as a coal and wood distributing point, renting the upstairs. The adjoining building was torn down and rebuilt, and has since been occupied by the Sydnor Pump Company, the Plate Ice Company and Bluford & Co., machinists.

Fire in Afternoon.

W. Hatchet, of No. 617 Walker Street, suffered a $200 loss by fire yesterday afternoon. The roofs of two frame houses caught, and were burning rapidly when engine companies Nos. 5 and 9 and truck company No. 3 arrived. The blaze was soon extinguished.

CHAPEL IN FLAMES

3,000 Prisoners Shout and Pray While Building Burns.

PITTSBURG, PA., December 29.—The chapel of the Allegheny county workhouse, located at Claremont, on the Allegheny River, twelve miles northeast of the city, was destroyed by a fire to-day, which was attended by sensational scenes. There are more than 3,000 prisoners in the institution, and most of these had attended worship just a few minutes before Christmas decorations ignited from an open fireplace, and instantly the whole interior was a mass of flames. The prisoners, who were on their way to the messroom, were hurried to their cells and locked up. Then began such a chorus of prayers and imprecations as is seldom heard. Some of the prisoners were terror-stricken, more were resentful, and the dominating sentiment of the walls was that the flames might lick up the entire institution.

The fire-fighting force of the institution confined the flames to the chapel, which was completely destroyed, but several times the administration building and the east and west cell wings were in imminent danger. The excitement continued long after the fire was controlled, and in a number of cases force had to be resorted to to restrain the obstreperous inmates.

'COON LICKS DOG AND MAN

Mixes It Up Lively Enough on Streets of New Castle, Del.

NEW CASTLE, DEL., December 29.—Samuel McKnitt came to town last night with a raccoon, which had been reared by James Wright, who caught it while it was young. The 'coon was led by a chain, and everything went well until it spied a bulldog owned by Jerry Kefferson. Then things happened.

First the bulldog snarled. The 'coon made a lunge for the canine, and McKnitt was compelled to release it. In an instant the liveliest kind of a scrap was on. It lasted full five minutes. The fur flew and the dog howled lustily.

Seeing that his bulldog was getting the worst of the encounter, Jerry Kefferson attempted to throttle the 'coon. A minute later he wished he hadn't. By the time Jerry was able to get free he found himself badly scratched and bitten.

After a struggle the owners of the respective combatants managed to free them. Jerry led the bulldog to the nearest drug store, where its wounds, as well as his own, were cauterized. McKnitt proceeded joyfully on his way with his prize-fighting pet.

PANAMA LOCKS

Some Facts and Figures Showing Gigantic Scope of the Plan.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—The engineers of the Panama Canal are dealing in vast figures, and the canal record just received conveys in a graphic manner an idea of the magnitude of the work to be done upon the locks of the canal. It is stated, for instance, that the amount of concrete to be used in building these locks would suffice to construct eight-room city houses of the generous size of thirty by thirty feet, with two stories and basement, and with concrete floors and concrete roof, to the number of 22,842. Allowing each of these houses a seventy-five-foot lot, they would make a continuous street from New York to Philadelphia, with enough houses left over to make a row on one side of the street from Philadelphia to Washington. The houses would furnish suburban homes for 120,000 people, or, according to city standards, would house a population equal to that of the city of Minneapolis.

KANSAS FOR CHRIST

This Is the Slogan Which Is to Be Used in Evangelistic Campaigns.

KANSAS CITY, MO., December 29.—"Kansas for Christ," is to be the slogan in an evangelistic campaign that is to be pushed simultaneously in every county of the Sunflower State next year. Hundreds of preachers of various denominations, together with numerous evangelists, are to hold revivals. An entire year will be spent in the movement, and an effort is to be made to demonstrate to the whole country what may be accomplished in concerted religious work carried forward on strictly business lines. The revival is to be under the direction and leadership of Rev. William Edward Biederwolf, who planned it. The undertaking will be subject to the general supervision of a board of two preachers and two laymen from each denomination. This body, which has already been organized, with fifteen denominations represented, has selected Edward E. Taylor, of Philadelphia, as secretary.

BIG DIVIDENDS

Fall River Mills Declare Profits of Over 18 Per Cent.

FALL RIVER, MASS., December 29.—Cash dividends of $2,701,875 have been paid out to stockholders by Fall River cotton mills corporations for the year 1907, according to figures just compiled. On the total capital of approximately $25,475,000 this dividend is about 10.97 per cent.

In addition to the cash dividends there have been stock dividends of $1,900,000. There have been some increases in capital stock in the past year, but adding the stock dividends to the cash dividends the average on present capital figures about 18.30 per cent. Figured on the total capital of a year ago, before the capital stocks were increased, the dividends together make a 19.45 per cent. dividend. These dividends are the largest total returns ever given to the stockholders in Fall River mills in a year. The prosperity has not been confined to the stockholders, for the operatives have been and are still receiving the highest wages ever paid here.

THREE KILLED IN BATTLE WITH KNIVES

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SALISBURY, N. C., December 29.—Two brothers named Clark and a companion named Rader are dead at their home in the mountain section of Caldwell county as a result of a free-for-all fight Saturday in which the three met death at the hands of each other. Knives were the weapons used and the scene of the battle is said to be ghastly. A third participant named Rader, escaped after being severely wounded.

GOVERNMENT TO PRINT A JOURNAL

Captain Hobson Will Present a Bill for the Purpose to Congress.

WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FREE

For the Purpose of Letting the People Know What the Government Is Doing.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—An official journal to be published weekly by the government and oftener if necessary, and which shall contain brief notices of the work of the various executive departments and independent bureaus of the government, of the Supreme Court of the United States and of the proceedings of Congress, so far as they may be of general public interest, is provided for in a bill, which Captain Richmond P. Hobson, of the Sixth Alabama District, proposes to introduce after the holidays. The sum of $75,000 is appropriated for equipment and $275,000 for the expense of issuing the publication. Captain Hobson has gone to some pains to properly convey his idea of what the journal should be and has had printed a number of specimen copies containing just such matter as would be expected to fill its columns.

In speaking of his bill to-day, Captain Hobson said:

"The official journal is intended to make a connecting link between the government and the people and will be in effect a periodical representative to the people of the work done by all branches of the government. The project grew out of my having ascertained that a vast amount of valuable material did not reach the people for whom it was intended. I believe this journal will be a means of familiarizing the people with the really stupendous work that their government is doing, and will remove distrust and suspicion and create a renewed interest and confidence among the masses in governmental affairs.

"It cannot help but aid the press of the country, not only in furnishing a ready index, but in creating a taste and demand for reading matter and for additional information upon important issues that can only be touched upon in the journal."

It is provided in the bill that the journal shall be nonpartisan and shall contain no editorial comment. In case it should be deemed advisable, provision also is made for the simultaneous publication of the journal at one point in the Middle West and at one point on the Pacific coast. The journal is to be distributed free.

THAW TRIAL SET FOR NEXT MONDAY

(Continued from First Page.)

cases affecting the brain, several of the Thaw experts will be in a much more secure position than they were at the first trial, when the prosecuting officer's wonderful knowledge of medicine fairly amazed, and, in one case, completely dumfounded a witness.

Will Lock Up Jury.

Thaw is looking forward with anxiety to the beginning of his new trial. He feels that all chance of further delay is passed, and will enter the courtroom with the same confidence of acquittal which has marked his attitude from the first. It has been definitely decided that the jury will be locked up throughout the trial.

DIARY RUINED HER

Evelyn Thaw's Notebook Causes Mrs. De Mille to Close School.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The name of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw figuratively is written across the voluntary petition in bankruptcy filed in the United States Circuit Court yesterday by Mrs. Mathilda Beatrice De Mille. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, of the saint-like face, the chief figure in the Thaw tragedy, is the blight that has, after a two-year struggle, forced the widow of Henry C. De Mille, the brilliant collaborator of Belasco two decades ago and the mother of two successful playwrights of to-day, to plead before a court of law to be released from the obligation of her debts, that she may make a fresh effort.

For it was the story of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, as it was heard from her own lips on the witness stand during the trial of Harry K. Thaw, last February, that brought notoriety to the fashionable school at Pompton Lake, N. J., in which Mrs. De Mille, the woman of brains and breeding, sought to rehabilitate the fortune crippled by the unexpected death of her husband.

Girl's Story Ruined School.

Yesterday's action was the climax of a string of circumstances that have followed in logical sequence—the story by Evelyn of the life of a chorus girl, among the tender daughters of fashionable families, at the Pompton Lake school; the shock to the fashionable clientele of the school when they learned that their daughters had the artist model as a companion for many months; the vacant schoolrooms and dormitories, where before they had been filled.

Three months after the ending of the first Thaw trial, Mrs. De Mille closed her school. She saw that the struggle against the notoriety gained through the Thaw trial would be in vain.

Forced Into Bankruptcy.

Mrs. De Mille attempted again to win back fortune by coming to this city and starting a play brokerage business, with offices in the Astor Theatre building. It is in these offices that she has been toiling for many months, striving in vain against competition as the expected climax came yesterday in the two lines upon the court calendar—the petition of a bankrupt.

Mrs. De Mille called her school the Pamlico. She spent $60,000 refitting the pretty villa by the lake, and well known among the fashionable set herself, she had little difficulty in filling her class-rooms with young girls of the best families.

Stanford White selected this school as the one in which Evelyn Nesbit should be educated.

It was at this school that Evelyn Nesbit, then a trifle over sixteen years of age, fell ill with appendicitis, and the notoriety surrounding the operation would have been sufficient in itself to close the doors of the school, aside from what followed.

Kept Cynical Diary.

Evelyn kept a diary while she was at this fashionable school. It was there she wrote of the "little white bed, the virtuous white bed", where, cynically, she sketched her life as a nun. "These girls have been kept from the world all their lives, and they know very little of the mean side of it." "I wonder how far it is from Rector's?"

In the diary read at the trial, in the direct examination of Evelyn, one line brought a smile in the sombre atmosphere.

"Mrs. De Mille was very nice." District Attorney Jerome read from the diary. "She said, 'Come right in,' so I jumped out with the agility of a soubrette and proceeded to go in. When we drove up to the mansion, Mrs. De Mille's son came up, smoking a pipe, and I must confess he is simply a pie-faced mutt. That describes him."

OFFICER ARRESTED

Charged With Killing Brother Officer—Denies That He Did the Shooting.

BERLIN, December 29.—Captain von Goeben, stationed at Allenstein, has been arrested in connection with the death of Major von Schoenbeck, a brother officer, who was shot dead on Friday last.

From the appearance of the body and the fact that a fully loaded revolver lay beside it, it is presumed that Major von Schoenbeck, returning home late at night, heard some one descending the stairs leading from his wife's rooms. Drawing the revolver, he went to meet the intruder, who, however, killed him before he could fire.

Captain von Goeben admits that he was in the major's house the night before the body was found, but declares that he was innocent of the killing.

MODERN BATTLESHIP IN ACTION

AFTER-TURRET OF THE ENGLISH BATTLESHIP HIBERNIA DURING THE FIRING AT H. M. S. HERO.
The photograph was taken on board the Hibernia during the shooting. It realizes in the most wonderful manner the tremendous pall of smoke that spread itself around the ship after the firing of the great 12-inch gun, which reduced the hulk of the Hero to scrap-iron in about five minutes. It is reminiscent of Campbell's "Battle of the Baltic," as "Each gun from its adamantine lips spread a deathshade round the ships like the hurricane eclipse of the sun."

GEORGIA TAKING PRECAUTIONS

Everybody Is Stocking Up for the Prohibition Draught---Procession of Jugs and Bottles From 800 Condemned Saloons to the Homes of Prohibitionists and Others.

ATLANTA, GA., December 29.—Nearly every saloon in the State is displaying the following legend:

Hush, little bar-room,
Don't you cry,
You'll be a drug store
By and by.

Meanwhile Georgians are buying whiskey as if possessed with the idea that when prohibition goes into effect on January 1st liquor will disappear from the earth. An endless procession of bottles and jugs has been moving from the 800 saloons and wholesale liquor houses of Georgia for the last three weeks.

The liquor is not being bought for immediate consumption, but is stored away in anticipation of the great drought that will strike Georgia after the first day of January, 1908.

A curious feature of this whiskey buying is that it is not confined to whiskey users. As a matter of fact, saloonists state that persons who do not use whiskey are showing more anxiety about laying in a supply than those persons who use it regularly. In many cases prohibitionists have stocked their closets with a supply of intoxicants not for use as a beverage, but so that it may be handy in case of necessity.

It is said that on last Thursday the cash sales of one Atlanta firm which operates a distillery and sells any quantity from a quart up, aggregated over $20,000. And nearly all of the whiskey went into the closets of Georgia homes.

It should be borne in mind that the State prohibition law really affected only a few counties in Georgia. Under the local option law the prohibitionists had succeeded in voting whiskey out of 125 counties before they moved for a State prohibition statute.

When the Legislature passed the general law, saloons were in operation in Georgia only at Atlanta, Augusta, Macon, Columbus, Savannah, Albany, Americus and Brunswick. In a few other counties, possibly twelve, there were no saloons, but dispensaries were operated by the county and municipal authorities, and the profits used for local government purposes.

Although saloons existed in so few counties they paid a great sum in taxes, as since the prohibition forces became so strong there has been a steady increase in the license.

For instance, in Atlanta there are 132 saloons and each paid a license of $2,000 to the city and $300 to the State. The Atlanta license, however, was the highest in Georgia.

According to figures given at the State Capitol there are 800 saloons in Georgia, and they pay the State $210,000. The municipal license paid by these saloons amounts to about $750,000, so that the State and municipalities lose about $1,000,000 in revenue by the prohibition law. In addition to these 800 saloons there are five large breweries located at Atlanta, Macon, Augusta, Savannah and Columbus. There are also six large grain distilleries in the State. And the breweries and distilleries go out with the saloons.

It is estimated that the 800 saloons and the breweries and distilleries represent an investment of about $4,000,000. This estimate, of course, excludes liquors and beer on hand and applies only to bar fixtures and to plants and appliances used by breweries and distilleries to manufacture.

It is also estimated that there are 7,000 persons in Georgia who are directly or indirectly connected with the whiskey business and who must leave the State if they wish to continue in the liquor traffic, or if they remain must engage in other lines of trade.

The wholesalers will move to other States and continue the liquor business. The majority of them have arranged to open at Chattanooga, Tenn., and Jacksonville, Fla., and they hope to do a rushing express business in Georgia. The indications are that they will not be disappointed. Some of the retailers will go to other States and open saloons, but the majority will remain in Georgia and engage in other lines of business, generally cigars, tobacco and soft drinks.

The prohibition law falls hardest on the brewers, who have invested largely in valuable real estate and machinery. It is said that the brewers are experimenting with a "jagless" beer, and will put it on the market soon after January 1st.

There has been no decrease of rent, although hundreds of houses have been made vacant by the prohibition law. In Atlanta all central saloon properties have been taken for other lines of business at increased rentals, and reports indicate that the same is true in the other cities of the State affected by the law. Of course there has been a decrease in the rental of the properties occupied by the "dives" saloons, but many business men seem to think this is a good thing, as it will force owners to improve the property and thus make the streets on which the "dives" are located, respectable.

The general opinion seems to be that the law will be strictly enforced except in a few localities. Some trouble is expected in enforcing the law in Savannah and Augusta. The prohibition sentiment is not so strong in those cities, and it is predicted that there will be many "blind tigers." The negroes are viewing the approach of prohibition with doleful faces.

It is safe to say that the white persons who have their closets stocked with liquors and who let the news get abroad among the negroes, will have no trouble with the servant problem after January 1, 1908.

Heavy Construction in the South

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., December 29.—Several hundred miles of railroad have been constructed in the South during 1907, and it is estimated that more than $75,000,000 have been spent by the railroads of the South in improving the systems during the past twelve months.

The largest contract given during the year was in Southwestern Virginia, where the South and Western Railroad is being constructed. This work has been from different points in the iron and coal sections of Virginia and West Virginia, via Bristol, to points in North Carolina, where connections will be made with the Seaboard and kindred lines. It is said to be a part of the great Tidewater system. When completed the line will be over 150 miles in length, and will cost nearly $100,000,000. It is through a very rough section, and the thirty-five or forty miles completed during 1907 aggregated a total cost of nearly $15,000,000. The cut of one tunnel was in excess of $2,000,000.

The Queen and Crescent has done double tracking to the extent of over $15,000,000. Work continues on the Southern's Lookout Mountain tunnel, but other improvements are suspended.

Thirty miles of the Savannah, Augusta and Northern have been graded. The contract for construction of the Savannah to Chattanooga is for $12,000,000.

The Tidewater developments in Virginia, the Flagler and other systems in Florida, and numerous enterprises in Louisiana and Mississippi have been very active in the year just completed. There are numerous coal lines and minor branch systems of different railways which have been started and completed during 1907.

MISSISSIPPI GETS THE CALL

Prohibitionists Start a Campaign to Outlaw the Saloons.

JACKSON, MISS., December 29.—Dr. W. T. Lowery, president of Mississippi College and chairman of the State Prohibition committee, yesterday issued this appeal, which opens a campaign for constitutional prohibition in Mississippi:

"The time is probably now upon us when the majority of grown white people in every county, counting both women and men, desire the abolition of the dram shop. The women cannot vote. But surely our legislators ought to regard their wishes in a question like this. Sister States are outlawing the saloon and our great State ought not to lag behind.

"Your committee desires to ask the Legislature to adopt a statute which will make the laws now in force in local option counties apply to all Mississippi. We hope that the same Legislature will afterward submit a constitutional amendment to the people and give them a chance to make any law authorizing dram shops unconstitutional.

"To further the above purposes the committee is calling for a mass meeting of Mississippi prohibitionists to be held in the city of Jackson on January 9, 1908."

FREE PASSES CEASE

Georgia to Be a State Where Every One Pays to Ride.

ATLANTA, GA., December 29.—The issuance of free passes by all common carriers in the State will cease on January 1st, in compliance with a general order recently issued by the State Railroad Commission. The order prohibits the issuance of free transportation by all railroads, steamboats, street railways and common carriers in the State. Even city firemen, policemen and other city employes who have heretofore ridden free will be compelled to pay their fare. All allied interests are cut off, and the only exceptions are those provided for in the Hepburn law, as it applies to interstate commerce.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia and North Carolina—Rain Monday and possibly Tuesday; fresh east winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

Richmond's weather was rainy and cool. Thermometer at midnight, 46.

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.
(At 8 P. M. Eastern Time.)

Place.	Ther.	H'r.	Weather.
Asheville	46	56	Rain
Augusta	62	64	Rain
Atlanta	60	60	Rain
Buffalo	36	36	Rain
Chicago	34	36	Rain
Cincinnati	44	48	Cloudy
Davenport	32	34	Rain
Detroit	34	34	Rain
Hatteras	56	56	Cloudy
Jacksonville	68	78	P. cloudy
Kansas City	40	52	Rain
Memphis	64	68	Rain
New Orleans	70	76	Cloudy
Oklahoma City	48	60	Clear
Pittsburg	50	50	Cloudy
Raleigh	46	56	Rain
Savannah	60	70	Rain
Norfolk	46	46	Rain
Tampa	70	80	Clear
Wilmington	52	62	Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December 30, 1907.

		HIGH TIDE.	
Sun rises	7:26	Morning	12:30
Sun sets	4:58	Evening	1:01
Moon rises	2:37		

NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Fire Committee to Hear Nelson's Application for Permit to Erect Carriage-House.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch,
No. 1102 Hull Street.

The Fire Committee has been called to meet to-morrow night to consider the application of W. H. Nelson for a permit to erect a carriage house at Tenth and Bainbridge Streets. Considerable opposition from some of the citizens and property owners of the vicinity is expected to develop. The application will be opposed on the ground that owing to its close proximity to the new High School building, the site of the proposed post-office, the Elks' Home and the Baptist Church the place is not a proper one for the location of such a structure.

These citizens declare that the building will be unsightly and that a structure of this character should not be placed on a residential street.

Mr. Nelson is naturally much disturbed about the matter. He says the building will cost over $2,000, will not be unsightly and will not be used as a stable. For his part he does not desire to erect the building should it be a menace to the community.

Personals and Briefs.

Mrs. Frank Fitzgerald, of Fifth and Hull Streets, is quite sick.

The Sunday-school of the Sacred Heart Church will have its annual Christmas entertainment at the Sunday-school to-morrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bradley on Saturday afternoon entertained at a matinee dance, given in Leader Hall in honor of their daughter, Miss Reba, who is a student at the Mary Baldwin Seminary this year.

On Friday night the Sunday-school of Cowardin Avenue Christian Church will give a Christmas entertainment at the church.

Misses Tina and Eleanor Childress, accompanied by their brother, George, are spending the holidays with relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. A. W. Cooper, of Waverly, Va., and Mr. J. V. Sutton, of Columbia, S. C., are guests at the Lafayette House.

The funeral of Mrs. Lucy Queensberry will take place from her late residence in Swansboro this morning at 10 o'clock. The interment will be made in Maury Cemetery.

MISSION IS PEACE

Rabbi Answers President Eliot of Harvard; Says Jews Are Men of Peace.

BOSTON, MASS., December 29.—Answering the recent remarks of President Charles W. Eliot, of Harvard University, to a society of Jewish young men at the college, whom he advised to join the militia, in order to regain the ancient martial spirit of Israel, Rabbi Charles Fleischer delivered a sermon at to-day's services at the new Temple Israel. The rabbi said in part:

"I was shocked to read President Eliot's advice to the Jews. He said that the Jews were inferior to others in physical development and in stature, and he suggested that the young men join the militia and cultivate the martial spirit of their ancestors.

"In so far as President Eliot pleaded for physical development and out-of-door life, I cordially sympathize with his idea. But when President Eliot harks back to 'the glorious times when the Jews had a martial spirit,' the loss of which he deplores, and to regain which he urges them to join the militia, then, as a Jew, as an American as a man, I protest against his utterance.

"The Harvard sage errs in asserting that there is no reason why the Jews should not make good fighters. There happens to be the best of reasons. The Jew has got out of the habit of fighting. He has lost the primitive man's desire to kill, because he has so long been civilized. You can't brutalize him again.

"I am happy to feel that, in the main, President Eliot's appeal to the Jews must be in vain, because by long tradition, your average Jew believes that 'Israel's mission is peace.'"

MORGAN BUYS TREASURES

Lends Biron Monuments to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

NEW YORK, December 29.—One of the most famous art treasures of France, the Biron Monuments, have been bought by J. Pierpont Morgan, and now repose in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. News of the purchase became known to-day. It is known that the cost of the monuments, which consist of two groups, "The Entombment" and "Our Lady of Pity," was large. Mr. Morgan has not given them to the museum, but has lent them for an indefinite time.

The monuments were erected by Pons de Gontaut, knight and follower of Charles VIII., in the chapel of the Chateau de Biron at the end of the fifteenth century.

The names of the sculptors are unknown. Eight figures of natural size compose "The Entombment," which is the larger and more important of the two works.

Collision at Sea.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The Norwegian steamer Claf Kyrre, Captain Pedersen, which arrived to-day from Havana, reported that this morning she passed a three-masted schooner in ballast with jibboon gone and foresail hanging over the side. All other sails were standing. The vessel's hull was painted white and the stern black. She evidently had been in a collision. Forty minutes later the Claf Kyrre passed a submerged schooner with two masts sticking out of the water.

BRUTAL MURDER OF AGNES O'KEEFE

Stunned by Blows and Then Drowned in Shallow Water.

NEWARK, N. J., December 29.—Stunned by blows on the head and then thrust head foremost into a pool of water was the manner of death of the woman whose nude body was found on the Hackensack meadows, in the town of Harrison last Thursday.

This grewsome story was told to-night at the autopsy, which left no doubt as to the details of the murderous work. The body is believed to be that of Agnes O'Keefe, a domestic, who had been employed by several families in Orange.

The physicians discovered that the woman had been struck twice on the back of the head with such force as to render her unconscious, and that while in this state, and still breathing, she was pitched head foremost into the pool where she was discovered.

The water at the spot was shallow, and the head struck the bottom with sufficient violence to recoil in the water, so that her dying gasps drew into the lungs bits of ashes and cinders. There were two abrasions at the base of the brain, behind the right ear. After inflicting these, the physicians determined, the murderer slit the woman's clothing from the neck down. This feat was skilfully done, for though the cutting was made with hardly more than a single movement of a keen-edged weapon, that stroke made its way through every thickness of clothing, and at no time did the point of the knife enter the body.

That the weapon was not used to aid the murder is believd to be due to the hope of the assassin that the case might be mistaken for one of suicide. The shoes and stockings were pulled off with brutal haste and then seized by the feet, the woman was stood fairly on her head in the water and so held until she was dead. The organs indicated that the woman had used alcoholic stimulants, but that she had not done so to excess.

The detectives are hard at work tracing the life of Agnes O'Keefe, and by this means hope to arrest the murderer.

ART TREASURE FOR AMERICA

Mrs. Huntington One of the Chief Purchasers of the Kann Collection.

LONDON, December 29.—The pick of the Kann Art Collection, purchased by Duveen brothers last August for a sum reputed to be in the neighborhood of $4,000,000, has gone to America, one of the chief purchasers being Mrs. Collis P. Huntington. The pictures taken by Americans includes several rembrandts, among them being the famous "An Old Woman Cutting Her Nails," painted in 1658, and his noted work, "Crossing the Atlantic."

There are several pictures by Franz Hals and Roger Van Der Welden, and Vermeers, "Young Girl Asleep," and the only Velasques in the Kann collection, "Bust of a Young Girl."

The names of the Americans who outbid the Europeans for these works of art have not been published, with the exception of that of Mrs. Huntington.

CREW SAVED

Schooner Nimbus Battered to Pieces in a Gale.

BOSTON, MASS., December 29.—Captain John B. Stahl and seven members of the crew of the four-masted schooner Nimbus, which was wrecked in a storm off Cape Hatteras, were brought to port to-day aboard the steamer Admiral Sampson. The men came from Port Antonio, where they were left by the steamer Beatrice, which rescued them.

Captain Stahl said he left Philadelphia December 8th with a cargo of iron pipe, and ran into the storm. The cargo became loosened and the heavy pipes pounding back and fourth soon opened seams through which the seas poured. At midnight the vessel was all but completely submerged, when, in response to signals, the Beatrice came to the rescue, taking off the crew at great risk and with extreme difficulty.

KILLED HIS SWEETHEART

Enraged at Seeing Her With Another Man, He Shot Her and Himself.

WAKEFIELD, MASS., December 29.—Enraged at the sight of the girl he loved walking with another, Fred M. Sullivan, aged twenty-five, to-night seized Miss Mary E. McFadden, aged eighteen, shot her twice through the left shoulder and twice through the stomach. The young man then put a bullet through the back of his head, and raised the scalp at the top of his head with another. The girl will die, but Sullivan's wounds are not considered dangerous. The shooting tonight was Sullivan's second attack on Miss McFadden. On August 10th last, he met the girl on the street and shot her in the leg. He was allowed to go on payment of a fine.

London Horse Show.

Preliminary prize lists for the second annual exhibition of the International Horse Show Association in London next season have been prepared. The show is scheduled to open at Olympia on Thursday, June 18th, and to end on Saturday, June 27th. One hundred and forty-six classes are to be judged, as against 124 last year. Heavy harness classes have been increased in number from fifty-five to seventy-two, saddle classes from nine to thirteen, and appointment classes from sixteen to twenty-three. Two gold challenge cups, costing $500 each, have been offered for park and road four-in-hand teams, the trophies to be won twice before becoming the property of the successful exhibitor. Entries to the show will close on May 20th.

Negro Women Arrested.

Rachel Carter and Alberta Moseley, both colored, were arrested yesterday on the charge of being disorderly and fighting in the street. Alberta was also charged with assaulting Rachel and with breaking one of the windows in Rachel's house. It was this heinous offense that started the hair-pulling, and then a policeman came along and arrested both.

Another Oil Vein.

JENNINGS, LA., December 29.—From a new well which came in yesterday on a tract fully a quarter mile southwest of the proven field, gushing about 3,000 barrels per day, oil to-day began forcing high in the air, estimated by oil experts to be doing at least 5,000 barrels daily. A great deal of excitement prevails at the fields, owing to the fact that another vein has been struck.

FUNERAL NOTICE

SCRUGGS.—The funeral of little BESSIE ESTELLE SCRUGGS will take place from the home of her parents, John T. and Georgia A. Scruggs, 2419 East Grace Street THIS (Monday) MORNING at 10:30 o'clock. Interment at Oakwood. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

FUNERAL OF NIECE OF PRESIDENT TYLER

Mrs. Semple, Once Mistress of White House, to Be Buried at Williamsburg.

INMATE OF LOUISE HOME

Niece Attacked by Robber While Going from Aunt's Death Chamber.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 29.—The remains of Mrs. Letitia Tyler Semple, who died at the Louise Home last night, will be taken to Williamsburg for interment. The funeral services will be conducted by Bishop Satterlee at the Louise Home at 9 o'clock in the morning, after which the remains will be sent to Williamsburg on the Seaboard Air Line train, leaving this city at 10:50 o'clock.

Mrs. Semple was a niece of President John Tyler, and was mistress of the White House during her uncle's presidential term. She was eighty-seven years of age. President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt have frequently shown courtesies to this former White House mistress. On several occasions special invitations have been sent her to affairs at the White House. These invitations, however, have always been declined, as Mrs. Semple has been blind and very debilitated for some years.

Miss Tyler Attacked and Robbed.

Miss Lencia Tyler, who is a niece of Mrs. Semple, was knocked down and robbed in front of her boarding house last night on returning from the death chamber of her aunt.

Miss Tyler, who was formerly of Richmond, and is now a clerk in the War Department, was relieved of her purse containing $6, some Richmond car tickets and a penknife. Occupants of her boarding house saw the footpad strike her; saw her fall, and saw him seize her purse and make his escape. She was still unconscious when they reached her side, but suffered no serious injury. She thinks she was struck with a sandbag, as there was no abrasion of the skin. She is sixty years of age. The police have no clue as to the identity of the robber.

ROUGH WEATHER

Ocean Liners Creep Into Port Bearing Scars of Storm.

NEW YORK, December 29.—A fleet of seven transatlantic steamers—the Campania, Cedric, St. Louis, Pannonia, Pretoria, Caronia and Minneapolis—came creeping into port to-day, bearing scars of battling seas which held the liners back and delayed them a day in their trip across the Atlantic.

On Christmas Day the storm was so heavy that only a dozen of the cabin passengers of the St. Louis went to the dining-room for dinner. None of the steamers were seriously damaged, though at one time the officers of the Pretoria used oil to calm the turbulent seas.

The Campania brought $3,000,000 in specie, and the Cedric, $1,200,000.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Garland H. Clarke.

Mrs. Garland H. Clarke died at 2 o'clock yesterday at her home on Chestnut Hill, after an illness of seven days. Mrs. Clarke was formerly Miss Henrietta Christian, the daughter of Professor Heath Jones Christian and Martha Turner Christian. She is survived by her husband and by six children—Christian Clarke, of Richmond; Douglas Clarke, of Hamilton, Ohio; Heath M. Clarke, of the American Locomotive Company, and Misses Arrie, Rebecca and Mildred Clarke.

Mrs. Clarke was devoted to church work and was prominent in the affairs of Epiphany Church, Barton Heights. She was president of the Woman's Auxiliary, president of the Church Workers and a member of the Daughters of the King, and in every department was faithful, adding a strong intelligence to an unusual spirit of devotion.

The funeral will take place from Epiphany Church at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. The interment will be private.

Mrs. Sarah Frances Hardy.

Mrs. Sarah Frances Hardy, widow of James C. Hardy, who was for many years prominently connected with the Gallego Mills, died suddenly at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. R. L. Barnes, in Sherwood Park, Saturday night at 11 o'clock, in the seventy-second year of her age.

Although she had not been strong for several months, Mrs. Hardy seemed in her usual health Saturday, and that night she occupied her place at the supper table, and read the evening papers before retiring. Shortly after going to her room she had a hemorrhage, as the result of the rupture of a blood-vessel leading to the heart, and in a few moments passed peacefully away.

Mrs. Hardy was the daughter of the late Captain Lawson H. Dance, who was a charter member of the Old Sidney Methodist Church, which is now the Park Place Methodist Church. Of the latter, she, with her husband, was a devoted member for many years. She leaves four children—Mrs. Charles M. Goodwin, Mrs. Robert L. Barnes, Miss Catharine Hardy and Mr. Lawson E. Hardy—all of Richmond.

The funeral will take place at the Park Place Methodist Church this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. M. S. Colonna, will be assisted in the service by the Rev. Dr. W. C. James, pastor of the Grove Avenue Baptist Church. The interment will be made in Hollywood.

The following will act as pallbearers:

Active—Messrs. Samuel H. Cottrell, Joseph Blanton, W. W. Walke, Elwood Tiller, R. W. Gary and James A. Morris.

Honorary—Dr. J. A. Hillsman, Messrs. Gilbert Hunt, Douglas Taylor, Charles K. Willis, William B. West and Major A. L. Courtney.

DEATHS

BROWNING.—Died, at "Wayside," Henrico county, Va., at 7:15 P. M., Sunday, December 29, 1907, ROBERT W. BROWNING, in the fifty-ninth year of his age.

Funeral notice later.

Lynchburg, Washington and Baltimore papers please copy.

CLARKE.—Died, at her residence, No. 300 Fourth Avenue, Chestnut Hill, Sunday, December 29th, at 2 P. M., HENRIETTA CHRISTIAN, beloved wife of Garland H. Clarke.

Funeral from Epiphany Church, Barton Heights, at 11 A. M. TUESDAY, December 31st. Private interment.

Baltimore papers please copy.

GEORGE.—Died, December 28th, JOHN PITFIELD GEORGE.

Funeral services from St. James Episcopal Church TUESDAY December 31st, at 12 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

HARDY.—Died, suddenly, on the night of December 28th, Mrs. SARAH F. HARDY, widow of James C. Hardy.

Funeral THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON at Park Place Methodist Church at 3 o'clock. Interment in Hollywood.

THOMPSON.—Died, at his late residence, No. 606 North Third Street, ALFRED THOMPSON, at eight minutes after 12 o'clock Sunday morning, after a long illness.

His funeral will take place from the First Baptist Church TUESDAY at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited to attend.