

CITY AND COUNTY DIRECTORY.

**CORRECTION COURT.**  
Judge—A. E. Cole.  
Commonwealth's Attorney—T. A. Carrigan.  
Clerk—B. D. Parry.  
Sheriff—E. J. Jefferson.  
Deputies—J. C. Johnson, J. W. Alexander, J. W. Alexander, J. W. Alexander.

**CONVICT COURT.**  
Judge—Wm. P. Grooms.  
County Attorney—J. L. Whitaker.  
Clerk—W. W. Bate.  
Second Monday of each month.

**QUARTERLY COURT.**  
Tuesday after second Monday in March, June, September and December in each year.

**MAYSVILLE COURTS.**  
Mayville, No. 1—Wm. P. Grooms and J. L. Whitaker, first and third Tuesdays in March, June, September and December.

Mayville, No. 2—J. M. Bell and J. H. Grooms, second and fourth Saturdays, same months.

Mayville, No. 3—J. M. Bell and J. H. Grooms, second and fourth Saturdays, same months.

Mayville, No. 4—J. M. Bell and J. H. Grooms, second and fourth Saturdays, same months.

Mayville, No. 5—J. M. Bell and J. H. Grooms, second and fourth Saturdays, same months.

Mayville, No. 6—J. M. Bell and J. H. Grooms, second and fourth Saturdays, same months.

Mayville, No. 7—J. M. Bell and J. H. Grooms, second and fourth Saturdays, same months.

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CRIME AND CALAMITY.

BRIEF CHAPTER OF EVIL DOINGS.

**A Bloody Fight With an Escaped Convict—Three Little Girls Reported Missing—Other Crimes, Calamities and Misfortunes.**

**CAPTURING A CONVICT.**  
MAYSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 26.—William Hatfield, an escaped convict from Michigan, was arrested by Sheriff Stackwell. Hatfield stabbed the Sheriff, also Allan Stackwell and wife. Hatfield was finally captured, after being shot through the thigh. The Sheriff and son are not dangerously hurt.

**DIED IN HER CHURCH SEW.**  
TROY, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Martha Staves died Sunday morning in her church pew at Moriah, while the congregation was singing.

**THREE LITTLE GIRLS MISSING.**  
MISSOURI VALLEY, Iowa, Dec. 26.—The three little daughters of Mr. John Kilgore, living in the north part of this county, have mysteriously disappeared. Men have been scouring the woods in every direction for them, and fears are entertained that they have been kidnapped or drowned. The last seen of them they were strolling along the banks of the river Sioux.

**AN OKLAHOMA CRIME.**  
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 26.—At Oklahoma, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, Sam Jones shot James Horn and Mule Hoyt and then made his escape. Jones is fatally wounded. Hoyt will recover.

**TERRIBLE RAILWAY ACCIDENT.**  
PARIS, Dec. 26.—It is stated that a passenger train met with an accident yesterday on the railroad between Avignon and Paris, and that three carriages were wrecked, many passengers being killed or seriously injured.

**TWO OIL MEN DROWNED.**  
MARIETTA, O., December 26.—Ed. Mallen and Frank Long, two oil men from Bradford, Pa., were drowned near Lower Salem, while attempting to reach this city in a skiff by way of Duck Creek. Neither body has yet been recovered, although parties are searching the creek for them.

**WRECKED BY WINTER.**  
ELIZABETH, N. J., December 26.—A Long Branch freight ran off the track at Junction this morning. Fred Finno, the engineer, was killed. The train was thrown over a high bank and totally wrecked. Cause, snow and track spreading.

**THE DISASTROUS FLOODS.**  
The Situation in Cincinnati—Front Street Threatened With Inundation.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 26.—At a late hour the stage of water in the Ohio River was forty-two feet and rising at the rate of four inches an hour. The Licking is still rising, but with much less force than twelve hours ago. The Kanawha is also still on the rise. The signal officer at this point states that the prospects are good for a continued thaw in the Ohio Valley, and that the river at this point will attain a depth of from forty-five to fifty feet, which would flood the ground floors on Front street and in "Rat" and "Sausage" Rows, where hundreds of poor families are housed. No damage is anticipated to goods stored in cellars above Front street. Mill Creek, in the western portion of the city, has overflowed its banks as far as Lockland, doing great damage.

Alexander Pogue and Dennis Humphrey, two of the four men who were carried down the river on the Licking, having by some chance managed to get ashore near Willow Run, but the rest were taken down the stream, apparently on an errand of death. There is but little delay to railway travel, and trains on all roads are running as usual. Officials of roads running along the river say it will take a fifty-foot rise to stop travel, which they hardly look for, as many small streams are fast running out.

Reports from Ravenwood, W. Va., say the Steamer Wall City and six barges were swept out of Sand Creek into the channels, and that the steamer Andes ran into the Wall City and sunk her out of sight near Kounts Landing. No lives were lost. At Frankfort, Ky., the Kentucky River tore loose the Mail Line wharfboat, which has not yet been caught. The wharfboat, Opheila and Fannie Fresser, also reported sunk. Along the Big Sandy River the timber men have lost heavily. Crane & Call alone losing eight rafts in one flood. Considerable damage has also been done along the Scioto, Little Miami, New River and other tributaries of the Ohio.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 26.—It has been for some hours apparent that the flood in both the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers has reached its height. The fears of a twenty or twenty-five foot stage proved groundless, as the water did not go over the nineteen foot mark. But few cellars were flooded, and the damage done to the railroads and other property was trifling. Nearly 6,000,000 bushels of coal will go out on the rise, but so far only two or three barges have been lost. The tremendous flood of last year taught residents and owners of property along the river banks to look out for future damage. They have effectually guarded against it.

**THE OCEAN DISASTER.**  
Several of the Rescued Sailors and Passengers Landed in Spain.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The brig which was reported as having stood by the burning steamer San Augustin, on the night of Sunday, December 16, and which was seen to rescue some people from the burning vessel, proves to have been the brig Penelope, of Shields, southward bound. The owners of the vessel have received a letter from her captain, containing such information as came within his personal knowledge, and such reliable statements as could be obtained from rescued men. The letter is dated Coruna, the most northerly seaport of Spain, where the rescued men were landed and cared for. The port was the nearest one accessible from the Bay of Biscay. The vessel arrived there December 19, three days after the burning of the Spanish steamer. The Captain says that he lay off and on all night near the steamer, and as near as he could safely do, with a heavy sea running and a stiff gale blowing. He rescued thirty-one persons, and believes that it would have been possible to have rescued more had it not been for the intense excitement which led to the bad management on the steamer. He reported that there were seventy-seven persons on board. Of these forty-nine are now accounted for on land, and it is believed that at least one additional boat's crew, which has not yet been landed, was saved.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS.

Prospects of a General Revision of the Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The few members of Congress who congregated in the lobby of the hotels Christmas bused themselves in commenting upon the make-up of the House Committee and the probabilities of a general revision of the tariff during the present session. While the views expressed on the subject were exceedingly varied, it was generally conceded by leading Democrats that the Ways and Means Committee, as soon as Congress reassembled, will begin the work of tariff revision. Just how far the Committee will decide to go cannot be stated. It is thought by many that Representative Hewitt, of New York, will insist upon confining the work of revision to the inaccuracies which he contends crept into the tariff law passed by the last Congress. On the other hand it is predicted that Frank Hurd, of Ohio, will bring sufficient persuasive power to bear upon members of the Committee to insure a general revision. Chairman Morrison is disinclined to predict what will be done.

Speaker Carlisle, having finished the laborious task of preparing the committee list, appears to be greatly relieved, and does not wear the look of anxiety and overwork which has been very perceptible in his face during the past two weeks. He talked with a number of members of the House in the corridor of his hotel, and vigorously defended his committee list when his free trade was called to unfavorable comments upon it. Mess. Morrison (Ill.) and Willis (Ky.), who were Mr. Carlisle's lieutenants in his campaign for the Speakership, have also been on the alert to defend the composition of the committee.

**WHO GOT THE TURKEY?**  
Two Killed and Two Wounded Deciding the Matter.

PARIS, Ky., Dec. 26.—A Christmas turkey-shooting in Clayville, the negro suburb, led to a general fight in which "Andy" Mucker, John Henry Downing, and Cash Clay, all negroes, participated. Downing was shot in the stomach and is dead. Mucker was shot in the forehead and neck and will die. His brains oozed from the wound and dripped to the ground. Cash Clay shot Downing. Plots were the weapons. Clay is in jail. Later, Clay Jackson, colored, resisted arrest and fired on Deputy Marshal Henry, who returned the fire. Four shots were interchanged, and two bystanders, "Tom" Cane and "Bob" Thomas, were struck by stray bullets, both in the leg below the knee. Jackson escaped.

**SHOCKING TRAGEDY.**  
A Husband While Asleep Shoots His Wife and Then Himself.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Ben Blaz, of the whaling bark Wanderer, several weeks ago eloped to this city with Miss Florence Williams, a pretty girl from Pueblo. The couple occupied apartments at 41 Jessie street, and appeared very much devoted to each other. Blaz for years has been subject to attacks of nightmare and somnambulism. Sunday night he arose in bed and deliberately shot his young wife in the head while asleep. She sprang to the floor in terrible agony, only to see Blaz shoot himself through the brain, dying instantly. Investigation showed that there was a clear case of somnambulism. The woman will die.

**FENIAN RAID RUMOR.**  
Report of a Plot to Carry the Murder Policy Into Canada.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 26.—The rumors that the Fenian and other organizations of this city have been engaged in preparing for a dynamite attack on Canadian public buildings and on the prominent men of the Colonial Government, have been again carefully investigated but without result. The police officials and other city authorities sneer at any such idea, and the leading Irish patriots laugh at the story or deny it point blank. Whatever may be doing here in the direction of attacking England, or aiding Ireland, has, it is believed, no connection with any present plot for assaulting Canada.

**FATAL FIGHT AMONG GERMAN FARMERS.**  
EAST SAGINAW, Mich., Dec. 26.—A Wenzel Lange, a farmer living four miles north of Saginaw City, was driving home, accompanied by his son John, twenty-four years old, he overtook a neighbor, named Blimpke, when a dispute followed regarding the right of way, Lange desiring to pass. Young Lange got out of the wagon and clinched Blimpke, who drew a knife and stabbed him three times, in the stomach, groin, and side, inflicting fatal injuries. The father went to the aid of the young man, and was also cut seriously about the head, but will probably recover. Blimpke is still at large.

**A DEPRAVED TOWN.**  
Disgraceful Developments in the Dukens Nut Tragedy.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26.—Captain Breckenridge, an important witness for young Nutt, who killed Dukes at Uniontown, Pa., has received letters threatening his life if he should introduce evidence that would involve persons who have heretofore been free from any connection in the case. These letters, it is said, reveal frightful depravity at Uniontown.

**Not "Bill" Younger.**  
St. Louis, Dec. 26.—A dispatch from Jefferson City, referring to the arrest of Warrior, Ala., on Saturday, says: "The prisoner is not Bill Younger, but Clifton Ware, who deliberately killed Robert Cummings at Madison, Monroe County, Mo., on the 20th of last May. Governor Crittenden has a dispatch from Sheriff Potts announcing the arrest of Ware."

**Generous Christmas Present.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—P. Lorillard gave an average week's wages as a Christmas present to each of the 3,000 employees in his Jersey City factory. About 2,000 blue fringed envelopes, containing from \$3 to \$10 each, were distributed among the female employees and 1,000 others, containing from \$5 to \$15 each, were given to the men and boys. The total amount of the distribution was \$17,000.

**An Engine on a Christmas Spree.**  
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—A wild engine ran into a freight train at the west end of the railroad bridge here. The engine was wrecked and two freight cars were burned. Three train hands were seriously injured, and one of them, named Patterson, will probably die. The men were wedged in the wreck in such a manner that it was with difficulty they were cut out and saved from being burned alive.

MR. HURD ON THE TARIFF.

THE OHIO FREE TRADE APOSTLE.

What He Thinks Is Essential to the Commercial Welfare of the Nation—His Interesting Scheme for Raising the Wind.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Frank Hurd, the Ohio apostle of free trade, being interviewed on the tariff question, said: "What we want is absolute freedom of trade. It is repugnant to my sense of right that any citizen should be debarr'd from spending his money where he can buy the cheapest. I do not believe in having a single duty upon any foreign goods."

"How, then, would you raise the revenue necessary to carry on the Government?"

"In the first place, I am in favor of having the internal revenue system as it is now. Then I would favor amending the Constitution so that the States could pay the tax to the Government. I would have the Government tax assessed pro rata upon States according to their property and not their population. The States could raise this tax in the way they pleased. In case of States desiring to pay their tax the Central Government could call on all its power to enforce the law and by levying and forced sales make the collection. However, that is an extreme possibility and not to be apprehended. The States would, of course, pay the amount called for under the law. Free trade," Mr. Hurd continued, "simply represents an advanced civilization. It is the only remedy for the depressed condition of our manufacturing trade. If the shackles were taken off of our export trade the result would be enormous increase in the business of the country. We would instantly become a formidable competitor of Great Britain in all markets, and with our superior ingenuity and facilities would be able to outstep her in the markets of the world. A number of woolen manufacturers in Boston are of the opinion that if they could have free trade they would ask no other protection upon their manufactured cloths."

**MINING TROUBLES.**  
Lively Prospect of an Extensive Trouble in the Coal Regions.

MOHAWK, Pa., Dec. 26.—There are lively prospects of an extensive trouble in the bituminous coal districts of Westmoreland, Blair, Huntington, Bedford, Centre and Clearfield Counties. The producers are extremely reticent as to their plans, but it is pretty generally known that a reduction in wages in all the departments of labor will be exacted after December 31.

The miners are said to be well organized, and it is estimated that from 15,000 to 20,000 men have expressed a willingness to co-operate and assist a general strike laid down for the 1st of January.

The rupture between the Rochester and Pittsburgh Company and their malcontent miners is not entirely adjusted, notwithstanding reports to the contrary, and an undecided feeling of insecurity prevails in the striking districts.

**EMMA BOND.**  
The Sensational Trial at Hillsboro, Ill., Resumed.

HILLSBORO, Ill., Dec. 26.—The Bond trial was resumed at 11 o'clock A. M. Miss Bond went on the stand again and refuted some of the most important testimony introduced by the defense. There are evidences that the defense are weakening, and they held an important consultation since the adjournment of court. It is understood that they will undertake to prove that Miss Bond's mind has become so affected that her testimony is not to be relied upon. For this purpose an expert physician has been secured, and will be put on the stand. John C. Montgomery seems to feel very sanguine of being acquitted. Some of the defendant's friends declare, however, that there will be some highly sensational developments in the trial before the close of the week.

**General Grant's Cousin a Burglar.**  
DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 26.—Ulysses S. Grant, son of Rev. William Jesse Grant, a Republican politician here, formerly of Illinois, and who is a cousin of General Grant, was yesterday arrested on a charge of burglary, and is now in the county jail. He is alleged to have broken into a house stolen from R. W. Lane, and sold it. Another charge of disposing of stolen property is to be brought against him. The prisoner has been leading a very fast life for several months past, and this is the second time recently he has been arrested for alleged burglary. The first offense was not prosecuted on account of his family connections. His bail bond is \$500, which he has thus far been unable to furnish.

**A Murderer's Christmas Gift.**  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 26.—Pete Webb, colored, entered George Moore's saloon on North Chicago street, and asked Charles Jones, the bar-keeper, for a Christmas gift. "I'll give you a Christmas gift," replied Jones, as he discharged a pistol at the negro. The ball entered the eye and penetrated the brain, causing a fatal wound. Jones claims that he did not know it was loaded, but he and his brother had a terrific fight with the police at the Buckingham Theater. It is reported he was drinking at the time of the shooting. It is also said he had a previous difficulty with Webb.

**Rate of Wages in the Fourth Pool.**  
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26.—Joseph D. Weeks, umpire of the Coal Miners' Arbitration Board, appointed to decide the rate of wages to be paid in the fourth pool, has announced his decision—it was that the miners be paid three cents per bushel. This is all the miners demand and one-half cent per bushel more than the operators wanted to pay. In announcing his award he stated that the operators claimed that there should be a difference of a half cent between the price paid in the first and fourth pools. They had failed to show any good reason why the same figures should not rule in both pools.

**Work on the Schuylkill Railway.**  
HAMBURG, Dec. 26.—The engineer corps of the Pennsylvania Schuylkill Valley Railroad are at present completing the topographical survey of Northern Berks County. Notwithstanding the deep snowfall the engineers are daily engaged at surveying, and the work is carried forward as rapidly as possible. It is stated that the route has been definitely located as far as Leesport, nine miles north of Reading, and that contracts for gradation and masonry will be given out by spring. Several large bridges will be built across the Schuylkill River near this place.

PHILANTHROPIC BUTLER.

He Explains Why He Declines to Veto a Bill.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The Globe prints an interview with Governor Butler on his reasons for failing to veto the bill authorizing the Bell Telephone Company to hold a majority of the stock in other Massachusetts companies. He denies that the telephone folks of Lowell had any influence over him, and says he studied the matter carefully and found the reasons for veto would make such disclosures of the condition of the company and its stock, that, in the then turning point, would be likely to make very great depression; in fact, as he believes, would substantially destroy it. The Governor then says: "I examined the stock list and found the whole stock very much feathered and largely held by women and trust estates. I knew that that meant, as a rule, that if it was good stock the trust estates would not have anything to do with it, and if it turned out to be poor stock, the trust estates and women would be very likely to own the whole of it. And here let me say that no woman should ever subscribe to a speculative stock. Not willing to be the instrument of raising, as I believed I should be by my veto, so many innocent women and children by depreciating the stock, and balancing the public good on the one side of the vote, and the widespread ruin it would cause, on the other side, and not allowing my feelings to influence me as much as perhaps I should have done, as the world goes, I came to the conclusion not to veto the bill."

**PRESIDENTIAL SPECULATIONS.**  
The Views of Governor Hamilton, of Ill., on the Matter.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 26.—Governor Hamilton, in speaking about the success Chicago had achieved in securing the National Republican Convention, said the selection would, in his opinion, bring Logan as a strong and prominent candidate for the Presidency. There certainly was yet no organized effort yet made in his direction, he said, but it was clearly to be seen that a Logan "boom" had begun to spring up, not only in Illinois but in other sections of the West, and beyond all doubt, was the strongest and most popular man in the State, and Illinois men seemed inclined to take advantage of what seemed to be the brilliant prospects of the Senator and unite upon him as the most available candidate. The younger element of the Republican party were for Logan, although Mr. Blaine and President Arthur had many friends.

When asked who he considered were the strongest Democratic candidates, he expressed the opinion that McDonald and Morrison were the strongest in the West, but felt sure that neither of them would receive the nomination. With the prospect he was inclined to believe that Arthur was a much stronger man than a year ago.

**Assaulted for Protecting a Boy.**  
EASTON, Pa., Dec. 26.—W. K. Hildebrand, Justice of the Peace here at his home, every injured in consequence of an assault made upon him by Howard McIntyre, Jr. Hildebrand tried to prevent McIntyre from ill-treating a boy, when McIntyre, who is a bully, set upon him and beat him in a terrible manner. Mr. Hildebrand, who is consumptive, is in a precarious condition from loss of blood and the shock to his system. His nose is broken and the sight of one eye nearly lost. McIntyre is under arrest.

**Bloody Christmas at New Orleans.**  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—The observance of Christmas was characterized by an unusual amount of noise and disorder. There was an unusual amount of intoxication, and three bloody murders resulted. A drunken Spanish sailor stabbed fatally two of his shipmates, and "Bud" Renaud, a "gilt-edged" gambler, shot William, alias "Kuf," McCaffrey, a prominent local politician and assistant superintendent of markets, through the head in a gaming saloon at 4 Royal street. McCaffrey died within a few hours. Renaud was locked up.

**The Socialist Congress.**  
BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—The biennial session of the Socialists Labor Congress is in session here. It was called to order by Hugo Vogt, the Secretary of the National Executive Committee. The Committee on Credentials was appointed. Twenty sections, or branch associations, were represented. San Francisco and Cincinnati committees were appointed, after the regular reports of the Executive Committee were presented and adopted.

**Two Fire-Bugs Caught.**  
CENTERTOWN, O., Dec. 26.—Ed. Brunk and Ed. Russell, each twenty-three, were arraigned here for setting fire to Wesley Coe's new dwelling. Brunk states that Russell fired the house with coal oil. The two then burglarized J. W. Hopkins' store, where they were caught. Both young men are citizens of Centertown, and are of respectable parents. They were bound over to court in the sum of \$1,000 each.

**An Illinois Tragedy.**  
BEARDSTOWN, Ill., Dec. 26.—Monday afternoon, while our principal streets were thronged with holiday shoppers, John Walton, in an altercation, shot and almost instantly killed Joseph Sechler. Walton gave himself up to the city authorities and was lodged in jail. Sechler expired in a few minutes. About two years ago Walton ran away with Sechler's wife, and this was the sequel of the old grudge.

**Tragic Incident at a Dance.**  
PORTSMOUTH, O., Dec. 26.—At a Christmas dance here Bill Ross fell to the floor while dancing, and bled at the lungs, making a great pool of blood on the floor. Medical aid was summoned and he was taken home, but will die. The event put an effectual check upon the merriment of the occasion.

**Fearful Assault.**  
MARSHALL, Tex., Dec. 26.—William Brown, residing several miles from Jefferson, in Marion County, married last week a young lady who was engaged to another man. The two afterwards met, when Brown, who is a giant in strength, literally carved his antagonist into mince-meat and fled, and is still at large.

**The Ohio at Portsmouth.**  
PORTSMOUTH, O., Dec. 26.—The Ohio is rising here at the rate of four inches an hour.

**A Nice Exhibition.**  
NICE, Dec. 26.—The International Exhibition was duly opened in this city with appropriate ceremonies.

CHICAGO CONFIDENT.

Her Prospects of Getting the National Democratic Convention.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—"Yes, I have just returned from the East," said Joseph C. Mackin, Democratic "boss," "and I can assure you I have accurate knowledge of the fact that the Democratic National Convention for 1884 will be held in Chicago. All the Southern and Western members of the National Committee are in favor of Chicago, and with many of the Eastern ones it is second choice."

"Will the fact of the Republican Convention coming here make any difference?"

"Not a bit."

"Who is advocating Chicago's claims?"

"The State Democratic Committee. They will conduct all arrangements and pay all expenses. No committee of hotel-keepers and store-owners will run it."

**A Brute Well Served Out.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—"Steve" Reilly, or Frank Wilson, better known as "Sedona Mouse," who was once one of the hardest hitters that ever put on the gloves, was punished by two gentlemen whom he endeavored to bully near the Academy of Music, and received injuries which compelled his removal to the New York Hospital. Duncan B. Harris and George A. Gadin were passing through Fourteenth street when the "Mouse," who was drunk, accosted them and invited them to fight. He was grossly abusive and struck at Mr. Harris, who returned the blow with an umbrella, using all his strength. The bully fell heavily and lay insensible in the street. It is not known if he was injured by the umbrella or by his head striking the sidewalk, but his scalp was cut and he bled profusely.

**Mysterious Highway Murder.**  
EAST SAGINAW, Mich., Dec. 26.—A report reaches here from Midland County to the effect that Henry McCormick, a farmer, sixty-two years old, living in Porter Township, that County, was found in the road shot through the head. There are no further particulars. McCormick was arrested in July, 1881, charged with killing John Pangman, in Ontario, in 1870. He was extradited, taken to Orangeville, Ont., convicted of manslaughter, and served nine months in jail, when he returned to his home in Midland County.

**Probably Another Lie.**  
CAIRO, Dec. 26.—The Governor of Dongala telegraphs detailed accounts of the fighting between the forces of Hicks Pasha and those of El Mahdi. He maintains that the Egyptians were victorious, and that the army is intact and is now encamped at Melbas. He adds that El Mahdi is at El Obeid, having been deserted by his former followers, who reproached him with not being the Mahdi, because he had failed to vanquish the Egyptians by Divine aid.

**A Question That is Agitating India.**  
CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.—The native Indian press protests against the compromise agreed to between the friends and opponents of the Albert Bill, now pending in Parliament. They counsel renewed agitation, with a view to securing the passage of the measure in its original shape. By the compromise Englishmen would enjoy the right of trial by jury, of whom the majority would be fellow countrymen, though admitting the jurisdiction of native Judges in certain cases.

**Fatal Fight Among Drunken Bowdies.**  
UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 26.—A number of Hungarians, employed at the coke works in the neighborhood, were in town all day drinking. At night they became quarrelsome and a fight occurred. During its progress a man tried to stab a companion, but the latter was too quick with his revolver, and shot and instantly killed him. The murderer, Mike Sobienka, was committed to jail. The witnesses were too drunk to tell exactly how it occurred.

**Terrible Mining Accident.**  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 26.—While a cage containing twenty convict laborers was descending a shaft in the Pratt mines the engine became unmanageable for a moment and the cage fell to the bottom, a distance of 324 feet, and rebounded sixty feet. Most of the men fell out. One of them, Joseph Phelan, colored, was killed and thirteen were injured, two of them seriously. Two of the men were whites and the others colored.

**An Event of Tremendous Importance.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The foot ball match played at Kennington Oval, London, England, a few days since, between the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, the former proved victorious by three goals and four touch-downs to a single goal. This makes Oxford the winner by five to Cambridge's two, three-being four drawn out of the eleven games that have been played.

**Deadly Fracas.**  
MADISON, Wis., Dec. 26.—In a row at Pleasant Valley, twelve miles from here, Hobbs Olson was beaten to death by Ole Melaa. Melaa was arrested for assault and released on \$500 bail before his victim unexpectedly died. It is feared Melaa will forfeit his bail and escape before a warrant for murder can be served. He is a wealthy Norwegian. Both he and Olson are prominent farmers.

**The Earthquake in Portugal.**  
LISBON, Dec. 26.—There were two earthquakes on Saturday. The first was not generally noticed, but the second lasted twelve seconds, being accompanied by heavy rumblings awaking the population, and causing a panic. Some damage was done old buildings and chimneys. At Setubal, eighteen miles southeast, the shock was so severe that many of the inhabitants rushed to the seashore.