BUSINESS NOTICES.

Overcoats,
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Skating Jackets,
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New Style Frock Coats,
New Style Frock Coats,
New Style Frock Coats,
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New Style Sack Coats,
New Style Sack Coats,
New Style Sack Coats,
New Style Sack Coats,

Men's Business Suits,
Men's Business Suits,
Men's Business Suits,
Men's Business Suits,

Boys' Suits,
Boys' Suits,
Boys' Suits,
Boys' Suits,

Largest Stock in Philadelphia,
Largest Stock in Philadelphia,
Largest Stock in Philadelphia,
Largest Stock in Philadelphia,

At Lowest Prices in Philadelphia,
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SPECIAL NOTICE.—Having been fortunate in securing large lots of desirable goods, foreign and domestic, late in the season, at the lowest prices known for years—less than cost of importation and manufacture—we are enabled to offer superior garments, surpassed by none, equalled by few, in style, fit, make, and material, at prices less than same goods cost in most other establishments, and lower than they have been sold for six years.

Half way between Fifth and Sixth streets. } BENNETT & Co., TOWER HALL, No. 518 MARKET ST., PHILADELPHIA. AND No. 600 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

PRETTY EXHIBITION.—Among the numerous attractions on our business thoroughfares on Christmas eve, one of the most beautiful and interesting was presented in the large show windows of the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine Warerooms, No 730 Chesnut street. In one window a bright little miss of eleven years, and in the other a boy of eight, were for nearly two hours each operating a Grover & Baker machine, with all the skill and ease of adepts in the art. The fact that children of such tender years are capable of working these admirable machines by the hour, without fatigue, is the highest commentary upon the ease and facility with which they are operated.

NOTICE TO GENTLEMEN who spent Christmas-Day away from home. Those gentlemen who were so unfortunate as to spoil their best holiday clothes by any unforeseen accidents peculiar to the Christmas Holidays, are informed that they can yet get new suits of first-class clothing at the reduced prices at Charles Stokes & Co.'s Clothing House, under the Continental.

NEARLY READY.—Every arrangement is being made for the grand distribution of presents among the shareholders in the Riverside Institute, to take place on the 8th of January. The office is at No. 921 Chesnut street, and all who wish to subscribe can avail themselves of this opportunity. The shares are going off so rapidly that the subscription books may be closed at any moment.

BARBER'S IMPROVED PERISCOPIC SPECTACLES superior to all others; Gold, Silver, Steel and Nickel Mountings. A very desirable present.

Opera Glasses very low. 248 North Eighth street, (second story.)

AUCTION SALE.—
Saturday, December 28, 1867,
at 11 o'clock,
Closing out sale of
KELTY, CARRINGTON & Co.'s Stock, at store
No. 723 Chesnut street,
Consisting of
Brocatelles, terrys, reps, satin-de-laines, damasks, elegant embroidered Swiss laces and English Nottingham curtains, curtain materials, piano and table covers, window shades, furniture coverings, and upholsterers' trimmings of all kinds. Also, three sets black walnut first-class furniture and large mirror, with connecting cornices.

ITS GOOD EFFECTS ARE PERMANENT.—In this it differs from all hair dyes. By its use luxuriant growth is guaranteed, natural color and gloss are restored. One trial will cause you to say this of Mrs. S. A. Allen's Improved (new style) Hair Restorer or Dressing (in one bottle). Every Druggist sells it. Price, One Dollar.

GROVER & BAKER'S Highest Premium Sewing Machines, No. 730 Chesnut street.

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For Presents for Ladies.
For Presents for Gents.
For Presents for Children.
McINTIRE & BROTHER, No. 1035 CHESNUT street.

$2 to $60. Wanamaker & Brown
$2 to $60. Men's and Boys' Clothing.
$2 to $60. Garments ranging
$2 to $60. at every price, cut in
$2 to $60. every style; ready-made
$2 to $60. or made to order. S. E.
$2 to $60. corner Sixth and Market
$2 to $60. street.

$12 to $50. Overcoats — Chinchilla,
$12 to $50. Whitney, Esquimaux,
$12 to $50. Beaver, Fur Beavers,
$12 to $50. Pilots, etc. Largest va-
$12 to $50. riety in the city. Oak
$12 to $50. Hall, Sixth and Market
$12 to $50. streets.

$13 to $45. Business Suits — Both
$13 to $45. foreign and domestic
$13 to $45. goods; excellent styles.
$13 to $42. S. E. corner Sixth and
$13 to $45. Market sts. Oak Hall,
$13 to $45. Wanamaker & Brown.

$20 to $60. Dress Suits of all the
$20 to $60. desirable styles, suitable
$20 to $60. for any occasion. Wana-
$20 to $60. maker & Brown, Sixth
$20 to $60. and Market streets.

$6 to $20. Boys' Suits, for school,
$6 to $20. home and dress; newest
$6 to $20. styles and best class
$6 to $20. goods. Wanamaker &
$6 to $20. Brown, Large Clothing
$6 to $20. House, Sixth and Mar-
$6 to $20. ket Streets.

$7 to $25. Boys' and Youths' Over-
$7 to $25. coats in variety of styles
$7 to $25. Wanamaker & Brown,
$7 to $25. Sixth and Market sts.

$2 to $4. Shirts, Underclothing,
$2 to $4. and Gents' Furnishing
$2 to $4. Goods of every kind at
$2 to $4. small advance above
$3 to $4. cost. Wanamaker &
$2 to $4. Brown, Oak Hall Great
$2 to $4. Clothing House, Sixth
$2 to $4. and Market streets.

MARRIED.

DUNN—HANDWORD.—On the 25th instant, by the Rev. T. A. Fernley, at the Nazareth Parsonage, No. 252 N. Thirteenth street, Mr. JOHN DUNN to Miss SALLIE HANDWORK, both of Chester county.

MOSES—COFFMAN.—In New York, on Tuesday evening, December 24, 1867, by Rev. Thomas Armitage, D. D., JOHN G. MOSES to EMILY A. COFFMAN, both of Phœnixville, Pa. No cards.

TROUT—KERN.—On the 5th instant, by Rev. W. C. Robinson, No. 847 N. Eleventh street, Mr. G. K. TROUT to Miss M. E. KERN, of this city.

DIED.

ADAMS.—At Jacksonville, Florida, on the 16th instant, CHARLES T., son of Thomas F. and Margaret E. Adams, aged 21 years.

Funeral services at the Church of St. James the Less, on Friday, the 27th instant, at 12 o'clock M.

NEWMAN.—On the 25th instant, ANNA COX, wife of John B. Newman, aged 32 years.

The male friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 1716 Spruce street, on Saturday morning next at 10 o'clock.

WAGNER.—On the 24th instant, JAMES S. DUVAL WAGNER, in the 40th year of his age.

Funeral from his father's residence, No. 1819 Spruce street, on Friday, the 27th instant, at 9 o'clock A. M. Interment at Christ Church Burial Ground.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

[FOR ADDITIONAL LOCAL ITEMS SEE INSIDE PAGES.]

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY.

A great number of our people, when others spoke to them of the terrible din and horn-blowing which would commence before dusk on Christmas eve, dubiously shook their heads, and gave utterance to the one monosyllable—Law! As if therein lay the power to subdue the rampant and malicious spirits of the old and young, who had purchased their long tin horns weeks ago, in anticipation of this one event, Christmas Eve. True it is, an ordinance was promulgated by our municipal legislators, and sealed by his Honor the Mayor, but since there were but six hundred policeman to maintain it, and about four or five thousand youngsters to break it, the result is at once evident. And so, before six o'clock on that all important evening, like toesins awakening their several camps, the horns sounded, and the crowds commenced to parade, headed by shrill fifes, and deafening kettles, and rattling drums, and loud shouts, until the streets and highways teemed with discord which no 4th of July could rival. There were more clubs in masquerade upon the streets than have been seen for several years, dressed in every conceivable variety of costume, whose chief *forte* seemed to be to cause side-splitting laughter and untold merriment. Chesnut, Eighth, and Second streets were especially (dis)honored by these itinerant bands. Horns were blown in all their old-time frequency, and some innocent and unknowing old gent was more than once completely knocked off his feet and laid low by some dreadful and almost supernatural shriek in his ear. The crowd was so great and moved so rapidly on Chesnut street, that eighteen thousand passed a given point in one hour.

On Tuesday afternoon the office of the Home Missionary Society, in North street, near Fifth, was literally beseiged by the poor seeking food and fuel, while others of our benevolent institutions were kept no less busy in dealing out rations, clothing, &c., to the destitute—who in their poverty and almost starvation could know no Christmas joy.

Yesterday, as usual, all the public offices were closed, and the streets were thronged from early morning all through the day, and promenaders would have maintained their march the greater part of the evening, had not a disagreeable rain driven them within doors.

The Catholic churches commenced their celebration of the festival at the early hour of five A. M., at which time immense congregations assembled in all the churches. Solemn High Mass was celebrated, the *Te Deum* chaunted, and the Christmas anthem and hymn were given with much effect. Indeed, the music in the Catholic churches of this city was a marked and prominent feature of the celebration of the day, for which the different choirs made creditable preparations.

The Grand Mass of Hummel, No. 2, was splendidly sung at St. Augustine's Church, under the direction of H. G. Thunder, superior vocal talent participating in the rendition of the splendid work—an essential precaution, by-the-by, to its success. Right Rev. Bishop Wood celebrated Pontifical High Mass at the Cathedral, where Hummel's Mass was also performed, accompanied by the Germania Orchestra. The spacious edifice was filled by a large congregation, and the main altar was splendidly illuminated, and florally and otherwise decorated. The Assistant Priest, the Deacon and sub-Deacon of the Mass, the Deacons, and the other ecclesiastical delegations were clad in rich and magnificent vestments, and, when the tapers were all lighted, the scene presented was magnificently grand.

At the other churches splendid music was given by the prominent choirs, amongst them being the following, who sang respectively the Grand Masses named:—

St. Patrick's, Von Weber, No. 2, under the direction of Marcus P. Aledo; St. Michael's, Mozart, No. 2, under the direction of T. E. Harkins; St. Peter's, Scheidermayer, No. 1, under the direction of A. Hertel; St. Mary's, a Mass composed by the director, Angelo F. Dos Santos; St. Philip's, Mozart, No. 12, under the direction of Henry T. Rochell; St. Joseph's, the same composition under the direction of W. A. Newland; St. Vincent de Paul (Germantown), Haydn, No. 3, under the direction of James O'Neill.

At the Northern Home for Friendless Children and the Associated Home for Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans, Twenty-third and Brown streets, interesting Christmas festivities took place on Christmas afternoon, commencing at 2½ o'clock. Singing and recitations by the children; addresses by several speakers; and an extra dinner was served up for the children. The public attended in large numbers.

The exercises at the Bedford Mission were none of the least important in the city. At 12 o'clock the little ones, with eyes sparkling in anticipation of what was coming, were assembled in the chapel, and after devotional exercises, under the direction of Rev. J. D. Long, they hurried upstairs, where huge piles of roasted turkeys, and plates enough for each, filled full of goodies which they had hardly known before, and Christmas trees, hanging full of presents, were ready to receive them. This was one of the most interesting of the Christmas celebrations in the city, and no doubt the kind ladies and gentlemen who were the movers in it were wished many and many a hearty "Merry Christmas" by the little ones whose hearts they had cheered.

In Camden, services of an interesting character were held in the Broadway Methodist Episcopal Church, by the Sunday School, consisting of singing by the children, addresses by the Pastor, R. A. Chalker, and Mr. Stites, after which Santa Claus appeared in their midst, stripped the Christmas tree, and distributed the good things it contained among the children. A set of silver napkin rings was at the same time presented to the Pastor, as an appreciation of his services in this church and Sunday School. This is one of the most flourishing Sunday Schools in our sister city, and did well their part last evening.

FIRES.—About 9 o'clock last night a fire occurred in the dwelling No. 1708 Coxe street. The house is the one formerly occupied by the late Samuel P. Fearon, ex-Chief of the Fire Department, and is owned by Mr. Maule, lumber merchant. It is occupied by Mrs. Miller, an old lady, and a Mr. Simon, wife, and child. Last evening, one of the ladies in the house went into a bed-room, which overlooks the rear of the dwelling, and setting down the candle she had been carrying, did some work, and then came out, locking the door, and, it is said, left the candle burning. Soon after the flames were seen issuing from the place, having burnt right down through the floor. The alarm was sounded, but before the steamers could get at work, the flames had made considerable headway, driving some of the inmates out *en deshabille*, while an old lady had to be taken from a third story window. The loss is about $1200.

About 4 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred in the telegraph-room attached to the New York depot, at Thirty-first and Market streets, and burnt up the operator's coat, hat, etc., and did other damage to the amount of $200.

Yesterday afternoon, at 2½ o clock, a still in the coal oil works of William L. Elkins & Co., Fiftieth street and Pennsylvania Railroad, exploded, setting the surrounding property on fire. The destruction to property was not great, although the dense cloud of smoke which arose seemed to indicate a serious conflagration.

A "JOAK" ON THE POLICE.—On Christmas evening about 9 o'clock an officer, while walking his beat on Twelfth street, between South and Shippen, discovered a man leaning against the doorway of a house in that vicinity—and more than that, this man stood out openly, audaciously taking a *coup d'oeil* of the surrounding premises. The idea "burglar" at once presented itself to the mind of the official, who, with great intent on bagging his game, called his brother officers to the number of six, and when they had surrounded the premises, cutting off every place and point of egress, and stood with brandished clubs and revolvers drawn, ready to annihilate that burglarious individual did he attempt resistance, demanded his immediate surrender; yet he gazed down upon them with still greater audacity. "Wait till I draw a bead on 'im," cried one of the officials, and he did so, fired his revolver, and down came the man, bounding from the eaves on to the sidewalk. Quick they tried to relieve him from his pain, and one pulled open his vest, shoved his hand beneath it, and lo—found him to be a man of straw, and nothing more!

PETTY LARCENIES.—Thomas Davis, for stealing various little parcels of cologne, brushes, cents, etc., from Hoyt's variety store, on Eighth street, below Arch, was arrested and committed by Alderman Beitler to answer.

Henry Donohue and Bernard Parr, youngsters, between the ages of fourteen and seventeen, were arrested on Washington avenue for twisting the necks of a number of plump geese on Buck road, the day previous. Alderman Mink committed them.

James Carpenter, with a degree of coolness and audacity that was a matter of comment for some time, went into Koofke's lager beer saloon, at Twelfth and Poplar streets, on Tuesday last, and picked up a quarter barrel of beer, and before the eyes of the assembled Teutons, gallantly walked off, but not far, for he was arrested, and committed by Alderman Massy.

BOLD ROBBERY.—About 8 o'clock on Christmas eve, a man purchased some trivial article at Schwarz's fancy toy store, No. 1026 Chesnut street, and handed the salesman a bill to take the amount out. While he was engaged doing this his attention was withdrawn from the money drawer, and the purchaser of the article leaned over and took its contents, $400, and then decamped.

ACCIDENT.—About half-past two o'clock yesterday afternoon, Susannah McClain, aged 30, residing at the southeast corner of Fourth and Jefferson streets, fell into a culvert which is being dug on a lot between Eighth and Franklin streets, above Columbia avenue, and broke one of her legs. She was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital.

AN UNLUCKY CHRISTMAS REJOICING.—Thomas Buffington, on Christmas eve, was elated beyond degree at Twelfth and Chesnut streets, when a difficulty arose between him and another person, who was immediately beaten and knocked down by the former. Buffington was arrested and held to bail by Alderman Beitler.

PRESENTATION.—One of the most pleasant occurrences of the season took place on Christmas Eve, at the Leisenring printing house. Unknown to the superintendent, Mr. Stephen Greene, the employes had purchased a beautiful silver tea service, and had it suitably engraved for presentation to him. Mr. William H. Scott, on behalf of the employes, presented the service in a neat and appropriate speech, which was pleasantly responded to by Mr. Greene. The inscription was on the server, and read as follows:—"Presented to Stephen Greene, by the employes of the Leisenring Printing House. Christmas, 1867."

ALLEGED THEFT OF FIFTY DOLLARS.—Jacob Helverson went into Thomas Phillips' place, Front street, above Walnut, and is alleged to have stolen $50 from that gentleman's pocket. Two women swore that they saw him do it, and when arrested $31 of the illegal appropriation were found upon him. Alderman Tittermary committed him.

A FALSE ALARM.—About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, some malicious individual in Carncross & Dixey's Opera House halloed fire. The audience became alarmed, and many of them rushed into the street. A boy jumped from the second-story window, but sustained no injury.

THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY of the Philalethean Literary Association of Philadelphia will be held at Musical Fund Hall, on Friday evening, December 27, 1867, exercises to commence at a quarter before 8. The programme offered is a varied and entertaining one.

SUDDEN DEATHS.—William Fullmer, residing back of No. 1129 Hancock street, fell dead yesterday at his residence.

An unknown man died suddenly at No. 707 North Front street this morning. The Coroner was notified to hold inquests in both cases.

ROBBED OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS.—A German, while enjoying Christmas eve festivities in a dwelling at Fourth and Shippen streets, was robbed of $200. Three young men were arrested on suspicion, but were discharged.

POCKET PICKING.—Edward Duffee was arrested at Seventh and Shippen streets for taking a man's watch out of his pocket. Alderman Tittermary committed him.

FOR VIOLATING THE ANTI-SUNDAY LIQUOR LAW.—Charles Hastings, who keeps a saloon in Nicetown, was arrested and held by Alderman Good in $1000 bail.

GIFTS OF HARDWARE.—TABLE CUTlery, with ivory, rubber, and other handles, and plated blades; Children's Knives and Forks; Pocket Knives, Wostenholm's Scissors, in sets, and Razors; Boxes and Chests of Tools, from $1 to $30; Boys' Work Benches; Patent Tool Handles (20 miniatures tools in them); Boys', Ladies', and Gents' Ice and Parlor Skates; Clothes Wringers (they'll save their cost in clothing and time); Carpet Sweepers; Self-tacking Carpet Stretchers; Plated Spoons, Forks, and Nut Picks; Miniature Garden Tools; Spice and Cake Boxes; Tea Bells and Spring Call Bells; Nut Crackers; Tea Trays and Waiters; Patent Ash Sifters (pay for themselves in the coal saved); Carved Walnut Brackets; Gentlemen's Blacking Stools, extra strong; Boys' Sleds; Raisin Seeding Machines; Apple Parers and Cherry Stoning Machines, and a general variety of Useful Housekeeping Hardware. Cutlery Tools, at TRUMAN & SHAW'S, No. 835 (Eight thirty five) Market street, below Ninth.

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CHRISTMAS WEEK—TO GROCERS AND DEALERS.—Just received from Rochester, New York, a superior lot of Sweet Cider; also some fine Virginia Crab. P. J. JORDAN, No. 229 PEAR Street, below Third and Walnut sts. 11 7 3p

TO GROCERS, HOTEL-KEEPERS, FAMILIES, AND OTHERS.—The undersigned has just received a fresh supply of Catawba, California, and Champagne Wines, "Tonic" Ale (for invalids) constantly on hand. P. J. JORDAN, No. 229 PEAR Street, below Third and Walnut sts. 11 7 3p

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THIRD EDITION

FROM WASHINGTON THIS P. M.

General Grant's New Family Portrait—The Repeal of the Cotton Tax Has Escaped a Defeat—Commissioner Rollins on a Holiday Tour.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO EVENING TELEGRAPH.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.

General Grant has just had completed for his private residence a splendid oil painting, nine feet high by seven feet wide, containing portraits of the General, Mrs. Grant, and their four children. The scene is cast in a wood. General Grant is represented standing erect, dressed in his full uniform. Mrs. Grant is sitting on a rustic bench, with little U. S. Grant, Jr., at her side, and in the rear is Fred, the West Point cadets with his gray jacket, assisting his sister Nellie, who is seated on her little pony.

Master Jesse, the youngest boy, is in front, engaged in a game of croquet, and is dressed in Scottish costume. The prominent feature in the picture is Mrs. Grant, who is dressed in pink silk. The children are all grouped around her, while the General stands on her left side, looking on complacently at the children at play. It is a magnificent painting, executed by Coggswell, of this city, and cost upwards of six thousand dollars. The likenesses are perfect.

Commissioner Rollins has gone to New Hampshire for three or four days.

It has transpired that if a vote had been taken in the Senate on Friday last upon the bill repealing the cotton tax, it would have been defeated by a majority of two or more votes, and the friends of the measure thought it best not to press it to a vote.

WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

The St. Thomas Purchase—Internal Revenue Matters, Etc.

From the N. Y. Herald of this morning.

ST. THOMAS—ANTICIPATED OBSTACLES IN THE WAY OF PERFECTING THE PURCHASE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The anticipated difficulty in securing the appropriation of funds by the House of Representatives necessary to consummate the purchase of St. Thomas appears to be not the only obstacle in the way of the United States perfecting the acquisition of that island. From a gentleman recently arrived from St. Thomas I learn that, as the time approaches for the people to determine by their suffrages whether the island shall remain under the jurisdiction of Denmark or be transferred to the United States, the inclination to allow themselves to remain as they are grows stronger.

This feeling is not the result of any hostile sentiments towards our institutions, but a desire to avoid the high rates of our port duties. As is known, the only support of the present sparse population of St. Thomas is its trade with the adjacent islands along the Spanish Main. The geographical position of the island renders it convenient of access to vessels passing to and fro in the great highway of commerce between North and South America. The present customs—about one and a half per cent. ad valorem—being of so small an amount, obviates entirely the necessity of warehouses, and precludes any inducement to fraud. Under the present system the merchants are content and able to do a profitable business, and they fear their trade would be entirely ruined by an increase of duties.

It is thought by those well advised that it will be necessary to satisfy the traders of the island, who are the most influential portion of the population, by some special legislation to suit the duties of the island to the circumstances of the trade. By not making these provisions, they think the population, from a thriving commercial people, will be reduced to a few officers necessary to administer the Government, and the requisite laborers to coal ships upon their arrival, while the business will be confined to the few merchants required to supply the shipping and a transient population.

INTERNAL REVENUE MATTERS.

There is some excitement here among the Internal Revenue officials, caused by the announcement that Mr. Wisewell had an assurance that he would receive the appointment to the office of Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It is rumored that Mr. Wisewell has a remarkably large and influential endorsement. Many well known and wealthy New Englanders and Western men are pressing his claims, and there seems to be very little question about his confirmation if the President should send his name to the Senate, which is not yet quite so certain.

It is said that the whole movement is one in the Chase interest, and many of those who have endorsed the claims of the applicant are active and zealous partisans of the Chief Justice, and are anxious to see him fill the position now occupied by Mr. Johnson in the White House. Together with active and influential politicians, Mr. Wisewell, it is said, has also received the support of the most wealthy distillers in the country, and the President, during the past week, expressed his astonishment at the interest manifested in securing an appointment to an office of which the salary is only $5000 or $6000 a year. It is, however, in reality a political movement in the interest of Mr. Chase, and some curious developments may be looked for within the next few weeks. There are many rumors afloat respecting Mr. Wisewell's former transactions with the Revenue Department, and more especially his proposed whisky speculation. The Commissioner, it is alleged, at one time gave a permit to remove a large quantity of whisky from bond on papers which were not either transportation or redistillation bonds. This transaction came to the knowledge of Mr. Wisewell, who, it is said, immediately waited on the Commissioner and asked permission to remove a quantity of whisky from bond on papers similar to those referred to.

The Commissioner is reported to have refused the permit, whereupon rumor asserts that Mr. Wisewell said he had a right to insist on the permit being granted, as a similar permit had been granted before. This led the Commissioner to examine more closely the papers which had previously been presented. Finding them to be illegal, he immediately notified the recipient of the permit of the fact, and at the same time refused to grant Mr. Wisewell a permit on papers of a similar character. Such, it is alleged, is the history of Mr. Wisewell's abortive attempt to embark in the whisky trade.

AN INDIANA HORROR

A Thief Thrice Hung and Literally Roasted to Extract a Confession.

From the Chicago Tribune, Dec. 23.

On last Thursday the police authorities of this city received a despatch from Elkhart, Indiana, setting forth the fact that on the previous day a gun store in that village had been feloniously entered, and robbed of several valuable fowling pieces. The weapons were minutely described, and the matter was given into the hands of Detective Kelly. This vigilant officer immediately proceeded to work up the matter. During his perambulations among the pawnshops he espied one of the guns described, which had been sold but a moment before. This led to the discovery of the thief, and before night the latter was ensconced in the armory. The name of the individual is John Seymour.

On the following day a constable from Elkhart took the prisoner in charge and conveyed him to the scene of his depredations. The village to the west is one of unusual quiet, and hence reference to accommodations had been made for the reception of a prisoner. For the want of a jail, Seymour was allotted a room in a hotel, at the discretion of the proprietor. A constable was placed in the door of which the latter slept. During the night the capacity of sentinel, into a peaceful slumbered sentry fell into a state of blissful unconsciousness. While in this state the latter entered the apartment and found the prisoner in charge. It appears that one of the party, named William Collins, had some time previously lost a valuable gun, and at the time of the theft suspected that Seymour was guilty of the act. The other individual was a friend of Collins. The two then proceeded to the woods with their charge, and deliberately placing a rope about Seymour's neck, told him that he must either confess where he had deposited the gun, which they believed he had stolen, or die. He answered them with blasphemy and vulgar epithets. Thereupon the rope was drawn, and Seymour dangled between heaven and earth. When he had hung but a few moments the rope broke. But he had scarcely time to recover from the severe choking when he was again drawn up, but with no better success. The cord again gave way. Next the men dug a pit in the ground beneath the tree, and therein built a roaring fire. They then doubled the rope, placed it again about Seymour's neck, and gave him a last opportunity to make a confession. He still refused, and a moment after he hung from a stout limb by a strong cord, immediately over a blazing fire. In another moment he was literally ablaze, and then he gave token by looks and signs that he was ready to confess. He was immediately cut down, considerably the worse for the fire, and then he made a full confession, besides designating the locality where the gun had been hidden. He was then returned to the hotel, and again placed in the room he had previously occupied, and finally the vigilant constable was shaken from his slumber, and soundly abused for not attending to his business. His entire story certainly sounds very strange, yet every fact mentioned is literally true.

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