



ON DECEMBER 9TH, 1608, John Milton, poet, was born in London.

He was the son of a scrivener, educated at Cambridge, and was Latin Secretary under Crom-well. Overwork caused blindness and while thus afflicted he wrote his immortal Paradise Lost, which was sold to a publisher for five pounds. That was a low figure for a poem.



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TINKERING WITH SILVER.

But Apparently Not Likely to Come to Any Agreement Among Themselves.

President Andrews Savs the American Delegates Seek to Benefit the World.

heir Aim Is Not Wholly Solfish-This Country May Stop Buying Silver Before Long.

BRUSTELS, Den. 12.—When the international monetary conference adjourns at the end of next week it will probably leave the respective governments represented to decide whether or not it shall reasseable in January. The American and other bi-metallic delegates will try to obtain from the conference a recommendation to all governments to allow from one year to eighteen months to elapse before taking active measures toward changing the present currency policy. The advocates of the recommendation have in view the possible improvement of the general monetary position. They also hope much from the growth of bi-metallism as a political force in British politics. The proceedings yesterday at the British agricultural conference in London struck some of the delegates like a BRUSTELS, Doc. 12.-When the interns ish politics. The proceedings yesterday at the British agricultural conterence in London struck some of the delegates like a revelation. Immediately after opening today Allard, one of the Belgian delegates, submitted a plan for an international agreement for the purchase, under common account, of stooks of silver, against which treasury notes shall be issued by the contracting states, none of which will be obliged to coin the silver thus purchased or modify the existing currency legislation. The plan also proposes that these notes shall have international circulation.

Raffalovich, a Rassian delegate, spoke briefly regarding the Moritz Levi plan. He declared that he did not believe that under present conditions any international agreement to regulate the relation between gold and silver is possible. The general discussion was then resumed.

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Prof. Andrews said: "We have not, and are not at present, likely to have a dollar in silver beyond our needs in the United States. We have no idea of soliciting any favor from the people of Europe. What we desire is as much to Europe's interest as to ours. We wish to multiply our trade with the world. This can never be successfully accomplished as long as the two great groups of nations continue to drift apart. We will not forever continue alone the task of sustaining the price of silver. If Europe is not enough interested in the matter to co-operate with us we will soon decrease our annual punchases of silver and begin to provide by recruiting our currency by issues of paper. The next congress is nearly certain to open procedure in that direction. We will not give up our gold."

Referring to the tariff, Prof. Andrews said its obvious there is no sure way to lower the American tariff than for Europe and the United States to agree upon a policy favorable to silver as money. That alone, he declared, would ablate the incessant conflict for gold and leave us, free to effect a generous reduction in customs tariff.

The best authorities state that when the conference adjourns next week it will be until suring. A careful canvess of the delegates shows that a majornty of them favor this course. Debate on the various bi-metallic pro, oans will conclude Tuesday.

TROUBLE BREWING.

In a District in Beazil-A Rebellion Seems Probable.

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JOTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

"After Dark" will be the attraction at great house to night.

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Gold Standard for India.

London, Dec. 8.—At a meeting of the institute of bankers here Lesley Probyn propounded a scheme for the introduction of a gold standard into India without reducing silver currency, or adding largely to the gold reserve already held. As the scheme involves empowering the government to reduce redundant silver counting by purchase, if necessary, it was adversely criticised. There is a feeling here against any amove being made until it is known what Amelica is going to do. An immensa number of orders to sell rupee paper have been received, mainly from the continent. Advices from Melbourne show that a share declaring in favor of bi-metallism.

The Departments Independent.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The declaration of the new ministry was read in the corps legislatif. The declaration recalled events that caused the recent political crisis and affermed the intention of the chipter. In the declaration of the county clerk yesterday as follows: To W. W. Winslow lots I and 2, block 7, Idea at which the upper part of Mrs. Rogges's house on Breckenridge street, near the properties of the control of the cont

latif. The deciaration recalled events that caused the recent political crisis and affirmed the intention of the cabinet to aid the chamber of deputies be every means in their power to throw light upon the Panama canal affair. Nevertheless, it continued, the cabinet must affirm the principle of the separation of the executive, legislative and judicist powers. The government had decided not to exceed the limits prescribed by law.

Another Cabinet Turned Down.

Madrid, Dec. 8.—Premier Canovas to-day on the government's action in the municipal scandals, but was defeated 129 to 121. He then tendered to the queen the resignation of the cabinut.

Politicians Open Their Eyes.

LONDON, Dec. 8,—The unanimity and eu-thusiasm of the agricultural congress in

favor of protection and bi-metallism at the meeting yesterday, astonished both liberals and conservatives. The conference reassembled to-day. Bir litchard Faget, conservative member of parliament, said that the farmers alone must have not slone protection, but that imperial and local taxes must be reduced. Many farmers paid and income tax on an income never earned.

PETER MAHER WHIPPED.

May Be Trausferred.

May Be Transferred.

Page, Dec. 7.—The Panama canal committee to-day reaffirmed a resolution declaring the necessity of an autopsy on the body of Baron de Reinach. It is expected the government will to-morrow announce the intention to have an autopsy performed. M. de Boisser in intends to ask the government to apply the laws dealing with corruption to the Panama prosecution. If the government should consent the trial will be transferred to the criminal courts.

Buda Peste, Dec. 8.—The city is almost lifeless as the result of the snowstorm.

St. 205.69.

The slight fire in the upper part of Mrs. Regors' house on Breekenridge street, near Davis, last night, was put out by the Seventh ward hose company before any dawage of consequence was done. It was caused by the climmey burning out.

The Baukers Real Estate company filed its articles of incorporation with the secretary of state yesterday. Joseph A. Hyde, of Deer Lodge, and E. D. Freyschlag and James Patton. of Philipsbug a ret the incorporators. The company will do a general real setate bashness. The authorized capital stock is \$100,000, non-assessable.

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There will be a special meeting of the large People's Local union held in the Central Presbyterian church, Helena avenue, Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 739 r. m. Meeting opened by Miss Heien Aldrich, Subject, "The Object of the Christian Endeavor." Fifteen minutes' consecration meeting led by Miss Mary Reed. Subject, "Purity of Heart," after which a social will be held and refreshments served.

Easy Mark for Big Jos Goddard.

Two Rounds and One Minute of Fighting That Was Terribly Fast.

Slugging Was the Order, Science and Skill Being Disregarded—Dawson Whips O'Connell.

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San Francisco, Dec. S.—George Dawson, the clever young Australian, and "Doc" O'Connell, of Boston, fought before a large andience at the California Athletic club to-night. Interest in the Goddard-Maher light was lessened by the battle here. Both wen reported in good condition. Dawson was the favorite before entering the ring, at odds of twenty to eight, and a combina-tion of Dawson and Goddard sold against O'Connell and Maher five to four. O'Con-nell entered the ring smid applanse at 936, closely followed by Dawson, who received an ovation. Time was called at 936, O'Connell led first, but Dawson got in the first punch on the Bostonian's wind. Daw-son closed the round with right over the kitneys. audience at the California Athletic club to-

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In hit second O'Connell got in a good
left on the wind; Dawson gave a light
right and left near the ropes, but O'Connoll drove him back with an overhand left,
and soon followed with two sounding left
smashes on Dawson's check. Dawson
landed on the head as the round closed. In
the third O'Connell dashed in a number of
lefts; Dawson landed a staggering left on
time clin, but O'Connell forced him to run
from a left jab, followed by a right-hander,
Ouring the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds
Dawson found trouble in reaching the Bos-

tonian, who landed handily at will. In the seventh O'Conneil struck Dawson a blow that siekend him, and the referee warned the Bostonian if it occurred again he would give the fight to Dawson. O'Conneil apparently had a strong lead, while Dawson's blows lacked steam. O'Conneil Ind the fight his way until the twelfth round, when his blows were lacking in force and poorly timed, while the Australian recovered his equanimity and tought his usual careful battle. He bore but few traces of the battle, while the Bostonian's nose and face were raw and swollen. During the thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, susteenth rounds Dawson kept the Bostonian dodging about the ring to evade a right, O'Conneil was working hard, but failed to accomplish much. Dawson let up several times when he apparently could have finished the fight. It was seen the Bostonian was outmatched, and Dawson had the fight his own way to the end.
O'Conneil dropped to the floor continually, and fought and clinched in desperation. In the twentieth and last round Dawson worked his opponent into the ropes, and as O'Conneil bent his issed, dropped him liat on his back with an upper cut, knocking him out.

Capital Notes.

Excitement was intense, the crowd being fairly crazed. The round lasted just fifty seconds.

WON BY DAWSON.

The Kangaroo Too Much for the Boy From Roston.

San Francisco, Dec. S.—George Dawson.

Capital Notes.

Proceedings in both houses of congress founces was resulting to both the appointments confirmed flux days was that of Wm. Stone to be commissioner of the general land office.

G. M. Lamborton, of Lincoln, Nob., has been selected for appointment as assistant was received by the convention by

ton.

The sanate ratified the convention between Chili and the United States for settlement of the claims of the former against the latter.

The supervising architect in his annual report recommends legislation to remove obstacles in the matter of the erection of a public building at San Francisco.

THE DAVIS WILL CASE.

All Efforts at Compromise Are Said to Have Fallen Through Entirely.

Steps Taken to Have the Matter Up for Trial Once More.

Three of the Suspected Train Robbers Re-leased at Great Falls-Fer Murdering Their Baby.

BUTTE, Dec. 8.—[Special.]—Attorney Stapleton, representing the contestants in the famous Davis will case, appeared in court to day and gave notice of a motion to have a date fixed for a new trial in the case. Last summer when negotiations were pending for a compromise settlement of the case, a stipulation was filed in court by which both sides agreed to let the case rest, and providing that it could only be called up by one side giving the other ten dave notice. That notice was given to-day by the contestants and the matter will come up for hearing Saturday, Dec. 17. This move indicates that all attempts to compromise have been abandoned and that all efforts in that direction have proven futile. One of the interested parties states that most of the propositions for a compromise were made by the contestants and rejected by the proponants. There was a fortune of difference in the nearest propositions submitted by either side. submitted by either side.

ONLY ONE HELD.

Alleged Train Robbers Discharged—One Has Confessed.

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Great Falls, Dec. 8.—[Special.]—The examination of the four men secused of stopping the Great Northern train carrying United States mail, was finished this morning before United States Commissioner ing before United States Commissioner Pomeroy. All were discharged with the exception of Bass, who will be turned over to the authorities of Dawson county, to be tried for highway robbery. The avidence against the others was purely circumstantial from the first. Madden, confined in jail at Benton, turned state's evidence and confessed that Bass, Longbaugh and himself were the robbers, so the others had to be released. A posse spent several days self were the robbers, so the others had to be released. A posse spent several days scouring the country around Malta in search of Longbaugh, but had to give up the chase, as he was too clever for them. He is thought to be hiding in the bad lands of the Judith. Madden will probably be given his freedom if he testifies against

Jake Harris' trial has been continued un-

Butto's Irish-American Club

Burre, Dec. 8.—[Special.]—The Irish-American ctub was formally opened in this city to-day. The ciub originated in the brain of John Maguire, at a banquet last Saint Patrick's day, and to-day the club was started with spacious rooms in the new Tuttle building. Main street, and the most elegant furnishings in the atate. The rooms were thrown open to the ladies this afternoon and about 500 visited them. This expense comes from all parts of the state. evening guests from all parts of the state were present to attend the opening. There is a charter membership of forty-five and a clab membership of more than 100. Antique oak prevails in the furniture of the

rooms.

Among those present from Helena at the club opening this evening were: David Marks, J. D. Murphy, representative-elect, and Pat Galvin.

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BUTTE, Dec. S.—[Special.]—Mr. and Mrs.
Wm. Pushman, parents of the infant who
was fed on pins, was arrested to-day on a
charge of murder in the first degree, and
are in jail. The autopsy showed that the
little one's left arm had been broken, and
that the skull had been fractured by a blow
on the left side of the head. The physicians gave it as their opinion that these injuries had occurred since death. There
were signs of protracted starvation in the
abdomen. The verdict of the corone's
jury was that the child came to its death
through cruelty at the hands of Mary and
Wm. Pushman.

THAT TEXAS CYCLONE.

Fourteen Persons Killed and Many More Injured.

from Tuesday's cyclone is just being re-ceived. It is now known that fourteen percoived. It is now known that fourteen persons were seriously injured, some fatally. Many families are homeless and utterly destitute. The cyclone was accompanied by a petting rain and in places followed by a furious halistorm. At Dennison the cyclone of Tuesday caused great destruction of property. Several persons were acriously burt. In the Chichease wantion houses were demolished. Cattle were killed by the lightming, as was a cattle man named Wiamer. The syclone passed over a portion of the Chicase was a cattle in an annead wiamer of the damage done is not known.

A torindo 300 yards wide passed through Huragouls. Ark., vesterday, leveling everything in its path. Twenty-six buildings were wrecked and several persons seriously hurt.

TRUSTS THEM NOT.

Dr. Briggs Suspicions of the Action of the Prosecution,

Prosecution.

New York, Dec. 8.—In the Briggs case to-day McCook completed his argument for the prosecution. The question to be decided in this court, said he, is simply whether the doctrines of Dr. Briggs and obstacles in the matter of the erection of a public building at San Francisco.

The U. S. S. Chicago, now at the New York mavy yard, has been ordered out of commission. She will have new boilers put in at the navy yard and general repairs made.

A Convict's Revenge,

Milles, Mich., Dec. S.—Miss Mary Cawley, an aged wealthy lady, was found dead in the rhome, having been shot and her throat cut. It is believed that George Taylor, recently released from prison for robing Miss Cowley's house, committed the deed out of revenge.

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Duet With Kulves.

Navasora, Texas, Dec. 8.—A duel with knives on horseback between Bob Warfield and Liga Allen, negroes, occurred near here yesterday. Both were badly carved and will probably die.