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BY THE WAY.

—The total amount of taxes collected thus far on this year's levy, is about \$18,000.

—To-morrow's PRESS will be published early in the day, containing the full election returns.

—An annual sale of fancy articles will be held in the parlors of the Seventh Day Baptist church, to-morrow evening. The object is a benevolent one.

—Among the list of petit jurors for the January term of court, drawn at Elizabeth this morning, were Messrs. Richard Merritt, Jas. E. Huntington, Chas. B. Van Winkle and Wilbert N. Rowe of this city.

—"It is more blessed to give than to receive," saith the prophet. Generally speaking there's a blessedness in both. Collier gives his customers the benefit of close bargains and receives their approving patronage in consequence.

—A carrier pigeon belonging to Mr. Richard Stevens of Grant avenue, was found frozen to death, last Wednesday morning, under the window-sill of a house on Fifth street. It had been caught on its way home in the severe cold storm of the night before.

—Young men whose educational advantages have been limited and who desire to avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by the Y. M. C. A., to study English branches, are cordially invited, if members of the Association, to attend the class and if not members, to join as speedily as possible.

—Purchasers of tickets to Mr. Leo Daff's lecture in Music Hall on Thursday evening, can exchange the same for reserved seats at the usual places by the payment of 25 cents additional. The sale of tickets up to the present time has been very large, and the success of the undertaking is already assured.

—The "Kemble" has its hands full when it undertakes the rendition of so strong a play as "Ours." Yet that well-known association of amateurs wrestled with it again, last evening at Music Hall, and again failed. The Knights of Pythias for whom the entertainment was given, however, achieved a financial success.

—A small audience assembled in Voorhees' Hall, Bound Brook, last evening, to witness an exhibition of sparring, interspersed with singing and dancing. The exponents of the "manly art," (especially the feather and light-weights), displayed much science, and were quick and graceful in their movements. The singing and dancing was also good. In consequence of the small attendance, particularly those of the feminine gender, no ball was held, as was anticipated.

M. E. Church.

The Rev. Dr. Van Meter preached from 1st Timothy, Sunday, "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." The preacher spoke of the beauty of Raphael's painting, "Madonna and her child," and of the efforts of various artists and engravers to copy or reproduce this wonderful work of art, and while they have all failed to bring out all the excellencies of the picture, they have brought out the essential idea. And so with this text of Scripture, men may take different views concerning what it teaches or implies, but all are agreed as to its essential qualities. He then argued that as we have accepted the great truth of Christ coming into the world to save sinners, so we, i. e. the church, should spread the truth to all the nations of the earth, to do which she must be sustained in her missionary work. An earnest plea was then made for liberal contributions on the part of the congregation to the worthy object. At the conclusion of the sermon, the regular annual missionary collection was taken, which netted a handsome sum. Next Sunday Dr. Van Meter will exchange pulpits with the Rev. Mr. Phillips of Brooklyn.

Narrow Escape from Drowning.

Freddie Perrine, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Perrine of Stiger Alley, had a narrow escape from drowning about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. The little fellow was playing with a companion named Peter Bunworth on the bridge which spans the raceway at that point, when he claims to have been pushed from the bridge into the water. The water in the race was nearly even with the race bank, and the boy floated down stream fully twenty-five yards, before he was discovered. Mrs. David Squires and Margaret Bunworth rushed to his rescue and with considerable difficulty succeeded in dragging him from the water. The child was unconscious when carried into the house, and the process of resuscitation was at once begun. Neighbors lent their assistance, administering stimulants and rubbing the boy with warm cloths. Finally he regained consciousness and when a PRESS reporter called at the house this morning, the little fellow was playing about as usual. During the excitement Mrs. Perrine fainted away and Dr. Hedges was called in to attend her. The bridge over the raceway in Stiger Alley is a dangerous structure, and should be repaired at once. The expenditure of a few dollars would erect railings on each side of the bridge, and prove a safeguard to pedestrians who are obliged to cross over the bridge.

The Charter Election.

Today the annual charter election is taking place in this city. Up to the noon adjournment the vote in the several wards was very light, but the vote this afternoon it is expected will swell the total number several hundred. The vote on the extra school appropriation is also small, but the general opinion seems to prevail that the request of the Board of Education will be granted. As usual, at each of the polling places, considerable electioneering is done, and in the First ward there is great activity by both Republicans and Democrats alike for the election of their candidate for Councilman. But few persons are willing to predict the result, and all unite in declaring that whoever is elected at least in the First ward will receive but a small majority. The total vote up to one p. m., in each ward was as follows:

Regular ticket. School purposes.	
First ward.....	163
Second ward.....	163
Third ward.....	97
Fourth ward.....	154
Total.....	577

Better Serve His Sentence.

With the question whether Lewis Van Nest will get another trial, arises one as to whether that would help him most. Corporation Counsel Marsh, who has acted with the Prosecutor for the State throughout the late trial, says: "Mark my words, there will be no writ of error granted." Meanwhile, pending a decision in the higher court, the accused must pass a year in custody, and should his appeal be unsuccessful his term of imprisonment would only commence at the end of that time. Then should a new trial be granted, he is liable to be convicted under another section of the statutes, and after thus putting the County to so much additional expense, would undoubtedly receive sentence for a much longer term.

Warren Union Mission.

There were four hundred and two persons present at the Sunday school in the afternoon. In the absence of the Supt. Mr. M. M. Dunham had charge of the school. The evening service was largely attended. The service of song was full of spirit. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. A. C. LaBoiteaux who dwelt on the subject from Romans 1-16. The leaders remarks were full of interest throughout. After the usual time had been given to the congregation for voluntary remarks and prayer a number embraced the opportunity. The invitation was then given to those who desired to take the first step towards becoming Christians to manifest it. Two persons responded, prayer was offered for same and the meeting closed.

The First Philharmonic.

The solo-vocalist engaged for the first of the Philharmonic Concerts—this evening—is Miss Jennie Dutton, the leading church singer of Chicago. She is a pupil of Mme. Rudersdorf, and also studied under Signor Vannucini, of Florence, and Randegger, of London. She is said to possess a rich, well-trained mezzo-soprano voice of extended compass. Miss Dutton was introduced to New York audiences last season by Mr. Thomas at his popular concerts; has sung with the Brooklyn Philharmonic Society and was the soloist at the recent concert of the Philharmonic Club at Chickering Hall.

Fell From a Scaffold.

A workman named John McDonald, fell from a scaffold at the Pond Tool Works, this afternoon, and was badly bruised about the head and body, but no bones were broken. He was taken at once to Muhlenberg Hospital.

An Old-Time Reform Club Meeting.

In spite of the damp and threatening weather Sunday night, the auditorium of Reform Hall was well filled with a very attentive audience, and among them was quite a number of young men, who were evidently new-comers, as their faces were unfamiliar to the officers of the Club. On the platform was Pres. French, Rev. Dr. Ketcham, Rev. W. E. Honeyman, Dr. Utter, Ethan Lanphear, Judge Harper, Capt. Wm. B. Ostrom and George Anglemann. The choir, under Freeholder Vanderbeek, was uncommonly large, and furnished unusually good music. As Rev. Mr. Honeyman was suffering from hoarseness, Dr. Ketcham was requested to conduct the devotional exercises, after which he gave a most excellent and interesting address. "Total abstinence and legal prohibition," said the Doctor, "must be our motto. The waste caused by the drink habit is enormous, and the misery and woe unspeakable. What are we as individuals to do? First of all we should keep away from temptation." While in Europe he saw some captive chamois, and greatly desired to see them wild, but he never did. Why? Simply because they carefully avoided man's traps and went up to almost inaccessible peaks. So we should avoid the traps set to destroy us and go up into the pure atmosphere of sobriety, where the good are, and where we could hope to have God's blessing. In the next place we should attend to our character, for we must look at the inside as well as watch the outside evils. No man can indulge his appetite with safety. It has wrecked hundreds of thousands. Then, too, no man is safe in selfishness. We must help others and thus we would strengthen ourselves. The Church of England has two sections of temperance people, the one being moderate drinkers, and the other total abstainers. Whenever they send out anyone to influence a drunkard, it is always a total abstainer, for he alone can accomplish something. A boy despised a minister who smoked on the sly, and men always despise those who drink themselves, and then ask others to abstain. A drunkard said to a tavern keeper: "For Heaven's sake don't sell to the young and destroy them, but sell to me, for I am lost, and you can't harm me now." We should save the young, and the young should try and save themselves. Will you not to-night sign the pledge and begin the good work? He saw a company in a yacht at Beach Haven going out to rescue drunken Joe Shores, when there was only a suspicion of danger. Shall not men and women work to save those about us who are known to be in danger? After a hymn had been sung Dr. Ketcham made an appeal for signers, and was ably seconded by Pres. French. Soon ten were secured, when another appeal was made and ten more came forward amidst much applause and enthusiasm, and finally eight others signed, making twenty-eight in all. Rev. Mr. Honeyman and Capt. Ostrom shook each of the signers by the hand, and gave them some encouraging word, welcoming them to the Club. Everybody seemed rejoiced at the success of the meeting, and they were particularly rejoiced at the fact that so many young men had signed the pledge and dared to do right. President French announced that Col. Geo. W. Bain would lecture for the Club Jan. 1st, and also that there would be a free entertainment in the Hall next Thursday evening, consisting of readings and music. At 9:10 o'clock the audience was dismissed with the benediction, pronounced by Dr. Ketcham, but they dispersed slowly, as all seemed anxious to talk over the grand meeting just ended, and express their joy at the result.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. A. P. Wright, C. E., who established the plant of the Plainfield Electric Light company, has accepted the position of Superintendent and General Manager of the Springfield, Mass., Electric Light Co., at a salary of \$5,000 a year. While he was engaged in that city as a representative of the Westinghouse people in superintending the introduction of that Company's new system of incandescent lighting, he became as popular with all whom he met as he did here and everywhere. In consequence, the proper inducement was made to tempt him from his late employers.

Toast and Tea.

A joyous reunion of the P. H. S. Class of '77 is to be held at the residence of Mrs. Beers, on Seventh street during Thursday evening next. The affair will be conducted according to the most approved form of students' reunions, with all the true inwardness of a long list of toasts—drunk, probably, in beakers of tea.

—The Executive Committee of the State Board of Agriculture has decided to hold the annual meeting on the 24th, 25th and 26th of January. Among the interesting subjects to our farmers that will be discussed are the milk question, the present road laws, the protection of our sheep and poultry from dogs, the prevention of forest fires and the cultivation and protection of our forests.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

President Marsh called the City Council to order at 8:15 last evening, all the members being present but Mr. Waring. He came in later. His Honor, the Mayor, and Corporation Counsel Marsh were also present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Under the heading of "Presentation of Petitions and Communications," Mr. W. R. Cook, on behalf of the Board of Governors of Muhlenberg Hospital, petitioned the Council for a lamp at Plainfield avenue and Third street. The matter was referred to the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee. Sundry applications for hack, cartmen and peddlers' licenses, were presented, referred, and subsequently granted.

A communication was received from Charles Hand asking permission to cut down and grade in front of his property located on what is known as "Midway," between Netherwood and Leland avenues. Referred to Street Committee.

The following petitions referring to street lighting were presented and referred to the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee: From property owners at Netherwood asking for an extension of the electric light service; the lights now in use in that territory are the old naphtha burners. From W. C. Kelly, J. T. Fritts and others asking for electric lights to displace the present system of lighting on Grant avenue between Front street and Eighth street; from L. J. Denton, John Wana-maker and others, asking for more lights on Prospect avenue; from Seymour Hait, Hon. Chauncey Shaffer and others asking for a substitution of electricity for gasoline on West Seventh street, between Plainfield avenue and Lee place; from L. J. Denton, C. D. Van Vleet and others, asking for extra lights on Hillside avenue between Broadway and Prospect avenue; from R. M. Stelle, Geo. H. Burgess and others, residents on Central avenue, petitioning Council for incandescent lighting on that thoroughfare between Eighth street and Mr. Geo. H. Burgess' residence.

With the announcement by the chair of the presentation of claims, Mr. Dumont made a motion which prevailed, that the Clerk hold over until the next meeting all bills excepting those for police services, salaries, labor and poor claims. The following were presented and referred: Police—C. W. Dodd, \$87.50; G. W. Grant, \$60; T. McCue, \$60; P. Lynch, \$62; W. R. Mattox, \$19.15; J. Noel, \$12.75; P. J. Flannigan, \$6.50; Chas. Giese, \$3.75. Streets—Geo. M. Angelman, per itemized bill, \$649.50; Jones & Co., \$10. Salaries—John Ulrich, \$75; J. H. Platt, \$25; John Johnson, \$42.66. Sundry poor claims amounting to \$304.75. The President called from the table and included in the list the claim of C. A. Lehman, agt., for the Hall & Wood Ballot Box Co., \$100.

The Mayor communicated with the Council, nominating, in conformity with the ordinance recently adopted, the following persons to constitute a Board of Health: Messrs. S. A. Ginna, L. W. Serrell and Dr. Penfield, to serve until Feb. 1st, 1888, and Messrs. Geo. W. Rockfellow and O. B. Leonard to serve till a year from that date. The nominations were confirmed, all voting aye, excepting Mr. Voorhees.

The City Judge presented his final report, which was upon motion of Mr. Dumont, received and filed. It was as follows:

CITY JUDGE'S REPORT.

To the Honorable, the Common Council of the City of Plainfield.

GENTLEMEN:—There is no provision in the city charter or general ordinance of the City of Plainfield requiring the City Judge to render to the Common Council a statement of the transactions and doings of the City Court, but mindful that he is a servant of the people and holding by their suffrage, a position of trust, I take this opportunity, through your honorable body, of presenting to them a brief account of my official acts, and render a statement of my stewardship as City Judge of Plainfield, since June 2d, 1885, when first I assumed that office: 445 persons were brought before the Court, out of which number 388 were male and 57 females. There were committed to the County Jail, 82 male persons and 22 females. In the rest of the cases fines were imposed, and in some cases sentence was suspended, or parties discharged. During my term of office, I have collected fines and costs to the amount of one thousand, nine hundred and thirty-one dollars and forty cents (\$1,931.40). Out of this amount there has been paid out to informants on violation of city ordinances, \$198. For general expenses, commitment fees, juror's fees, subpoenas, fees for City and County Courts: From June 2 to Sept. 1, 1885, according to report submitted, \$22.20; from Sept. 1st, 1885 to Dec. 1st, 1886, \$38.85; from Dec. 1st 1885 to Dec. 1st, 1886, \$67.20; from Dec. 1st, 1886 to Dec. 1st, 1887, \$79.20. Leaving a balance of \$1,529.95.

The following amounts have been paid into the city treasury by me:

1885.		
July 2nd.	.....	\$130.00
Dec. 12th.	.....	150.00
1887.		
Jan. 3d.	.....	\$327.85
June 15th.	.....	211.19
Dec. 5th.	.....	357.00

Total.....\$1,475.99
Pursuant to the resolution passed by your Honorable body in June last, authorizing the City Judge to retain \$50 to meet necessary expenses in the interim, I will state that I hold that amount on hand now. During the two and one-half years prior to my term, my predecessor paid into the city treasury the amount of \$481.50,

and his predecessor paid in for three year's collections, \$157.25, making a total of \$538.50 for 5 1/2 years' fine.

From these figures it can be seen that about \$1,000 more was paid into the city treasury in the past 2 1/2 years, than was paid in in 5 1/2 years previous. I quote these comparisons not so much as a matter of personal pride in having collected so large an increase over my predecessors, but leave the matter of speculation for my successor. Whether or not the ends of justice cannot be better satisfied in imposing fines sufficiently heavy enough to prevent a repetition, if possible, of the offence for which the guilty party may have been punished—a nominal fine does not punish, it invites a repetition. A sum to make the offender believe that it costs something to violate an ordinance, should always be exacted as a rule, is seldom called upon to pass judgment twice upon the same offender. Again, I believe a wiser course is generally adopted by the imposition of a fine, than sentencing to a direct commitment. The doors of our jails are too frequently opened for persons who merely commit trifling offences, and often a person who is committed to the County Jail for a trifling offence, becomes so hardened as to make him a subject for future watchfulness. The acting principle which should guide a Judge, ought to be to impose fines judiciously, and only when such a means fails to accomplish the object, should harsher methods be adopted.

And now, gentlemen, in concluding this, my final report to your Honorable body, permit me to allude to a matter which undoubtedly will and ought to be done. There are many rumors afloat concerning my intended resignation from the Judgeship. Some have intimated, that in case I should present my resignation to your Honorable body this evening, that it would be in the interests of a certain candidate, other incline to the opinion that it would be discourteous to this Honorable body, if I should resign, and my resignation to take effect on January 10th next, because this Council ought to elect my successor. And still others claim, that if I do not resign until the incoming Councilmen shall take their seats, that I am actuated to do so to satisfy other aspirations. I am determined that no act of mine shall be misconstrued, and after due deliberation, although not a matter of preference, I have concluded to continue in office until sworn in as a Representative in the next Legislative Assembly, when under the constitution my present office will be declared vacant, thereby allowing this matter to run in such a channel of natural events, and not be charged with any motive or preference for a certain candidate, but permitting your succeeding Council to take such action in the premises, as to them shall seem meet and wise. I am

Your Obedient Servant,
JOHN ULRICH, City Judge.

Mr. Cox said he thought the foregoing was intended as Judge Ulrich's resignation, and while it was being read he prepared the following resolution which he would be pleased to offer, provided he was present when the resignation was accepted:

Resolved, That, in accepting the resignation of Judge Ulrich, the Common Council desire to give expression to their appreciation of the intelligence, courage and ability with which, during his incumbency of the office, the duties of City Judge have been performed.

The reports of the Overseer of the Poor, Collector and City Treasurer were presented. The former was held by the clerk until the next meeting and the two latter reports went to the Finance Committee. The Collector's statement showed the following

RECAPITULATION:

Total State and County Collections.....	\$5406.18
Cost and Int. State and County.....	1.78
Judgments.....	54.46
Library.....	291.97
City.....	\$622.97
Poor.....	439.47
Cost and Interest less School Int.....	246.68
Total amount taxes collected and paid City Treasurer.....	\$1000.11
City School tax deposited to credit Board of Education.....	2351.78
Interest on school tax deposited to credit Board of Education.....	38.78
Total amt't dept. to credit B'd Ed'n.....	\$4150.66
Total receipts for Nov. 1887.....	\$11,510.67
JOHN JOHNSON, Collector.	

Chief Dodd sent a communication to the Council, tendering his resignation. It was accepted and the Chair appointed Messrs. Dumont and Cox as a Committee to draft suitable resolutions appropriate to the retirement of Chief Dodd.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Under this heading the above claims were returned as correct (with the exception of the bill of the City Judge, which was returned for correction) and they were transferred to the auditing committee. Mr. Taylor, from the Finance Committee, reported back with the Committee's approval, the Collector's and Treasurer's statements for last month. They were filed.

Mr. Bowers from the Fire, Water and Lamps Committee, reported on the above petitions for extra street lighting. He said that in order to comply with the requests of the petitioners it would require 74 extra incandescent lamps, at a cost of \$1,263; of this number 24 gasoline lamps could be displaced by incandescent lamps, making a total additional cost to the city of \$738. The Committee recommended the extension of the circuit to Netherwood and the location of eleven or twelve lamps on South avenue, twelve on Bolydere avenue and eight on Broadway. The report was received and the recommendation adopted. The Committee also recommended the location of lamps on the following thoroughfares in compliance with the above petitions: On Central avenue, between Eighth street and Geo. H. Burgess' property, ten lamps; on W. Seventh street, between Plainfield avenue

and Lee place, not more than fourteen lamps; on Hillside avenue, five; on Prospect avenue, six; on Grant avenue, seven. The report was received and the Committee's recommendation in each case was adopted, all voting aye.

Mr. Cox reported back the communication from the Mayor, referring to the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalk, recommending that the same lay on the table. It was so ordered.

Mr. Dumont from the Street Committee, presented a certificate and map of the macadamizing on Eighth street. It was received and filed. He also reported back Charles Hand's petition and made a motion with a recommendation to grant the same, provided the work did not interfere with a free flow of the surface water. The recommendation was adopted.

The same Councilman presented "An Ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled an ordinance relating to the Street Commissioner of the City of Plainfield, approved Feb. 28th, 1882." It was read twice, adopted on its second reading and ordered engrossed and duly advertised, preparatory to its final passage, the reading.

Mr. Taylor offered a resolution, fixing the rate of commission for the Collector at two per cent. It was adopted. He also offered a resolution in effect that the Collector be authorized to send printed postal cards to all property owners who have not yet paid their taxes, thereby informing them that they are liable to become delinquents after Dec. 30th, and that additional costs will be added after that date. The resolution prevailed.

Corporation Counsel Marsh was requested, by resolution, to report at the next meeting at what time the City Assessor should report to the Council, as to conform with the time of reporting to the County Board of Assessors.

Mr. Wilbur called up the ordinance relating to the expiration of liquor licenses. It was ordered engrossed and duly advertised.

Mr. Cox submitted a resolution approving of the contract with the Electric Light company. It was adopted.

Mr. Dumont made a motion which prevailed that the clerk be requested to prepare a list of all unfinished business, and present the same at an adjourned meeting on Monday evening next, to which time the Council adjourned after hearing the report of the Auditing Committee, and authorizing the payment of the above claims.

Down Goes Coal.

EDITOR DAILY PRESS:—You have said "Stop the coal extortion," but the extortion is being stopped by nature, causes which always win in the end. The wholesale coal market in New York is "slumped" and sunken badly—the decline being in the last two or three days about one dollar per ton, and is likely to be on the run until last Summer's prices are reached. The cry of "strike in the high region" has spent its force, for the reason that the other regions have increased their output to over one hundred thousand tons per day. The fact is, the more coal being mined now than at a period in the history of the coal trade. The late high prices and the present prices in Plainfield were regulated by a big and little monopolists in combination. As a matter of fair dealing, it is hoped that the dealers in Plainfield will discount the present fall in coal and be as ready to reduce their prices in consequence of general decline, as they were to advance their prices upon the slightest pretext. (The price in Plainfield today is \$6.50 ton.)

Pro Bono Publico.

Free Masonry to be Exposed.

A prominent lady of Newark will appear at the entertainment to be given at the Berean Bible Class, at Cutler's West Front street, on Wednesday evening Dec. 7th. This lady, it is alleged, knows all about Freemasonry and their mysterious doings in their lodges. She is the order has not been exposed since the time of the Mohicans, but she will do at this entertainment, providing those who are present don't tell it aside, so the Freemasons will hear of this lady will also describe the condition of her husband on his return home on night after his initiation in a Mass Lodge. Tickets 25 cents. The proceeds to be devoted to paying for a new organ just purchased by the Class.

A Boy Injured.

A school boy named Darby who near the Dog Corners was running a West Fifth street about one o'clock P. M. yesterday when he stumbled on a paving stone, and was thrown headfirst to the sidewalk striking his head on hard stones. A gentleman who was at the time went to his assistance, found him unconscious. Blood flowed from an ugly wound on the forehead the left temple. He was taken to Chas. H. Randolph's residence on Madison street where the wounds were dressed.

—In another column, a correspondent who knows what he is talking about why coal should drop in price.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS

BOTH HOUSES ORGANIZED WITH- OUT A CONTEST.

Mr. Cleveland and Friends in the Gallery
of the Senate—Flowers in Profusion for
Both Senators and Congressmen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Yesterday the
Fiftieth Congress completed its organiza-
tion without the least discord.

Not for many years has the senate cham-
ber presented so lively and animated a
scene as it did when Chaplain Butler
stepped forward at noon to deliver the
opening prayer of the session. By 11 o'clock
every seat in the public galleries was taken.
Senators' families and friends holding



SPKAKER CARLISLE.

tickets to the reserved galleries also began
coming early, and long before noon the
only vacant seats to be seen were
the president's pew and a few benches
in the diplomatic gallery. A few
minutes before 12 there was a stir
in one of the reserved galleries and
Mrs. Cleveland made her way into the
president's pew. With her was Mrs. Fol-
son, Miss Kingsford, Mrs. Gilder and her
two young sons, and Miss Severance.
On the floor of the chamber the scene was
not less interesting. Senators, new and
old, began coming early and everywhere
were animated groups shaking hands
and exchanging greetings. Party lines
were invisible for the time being, and
republicans and democrats hobb-
led together in the utmost harmony.
Flowers were everywhere. On the presid-
ing officer's desk was a beautiful floral
horsetoe and star and a large double stand
of cut flowers. Senator Daniel's, of Vir-
ginia, desk was completely covered with
baskets, shields, and other devices, his chair
fitted with an immense floral ladder, and
both chair and desk surrounded by large
baskets of long-stemmed roses. On the
desk which Mr. Faulkner will use by and
by were a floral chair and numerous bou-
quets, while handsome flowers rested on
the desks of Senators Voorhees, Harris,
Payne, Kenna, Blodgett, Stewart, Palmer,
Flatt, Sherman, Mitchell, Cullum, Padlock,
Turpie, German, Morgan, Ransom, Black-
burn and others. Mr. Riddleberger sat be-
hind a big harp of Erin.

Very seldom has there been so large an
attendance of senators. Mr. Jones, of Ne-
vada, being the only absentee.

The formal proceedings of the senate
were without any sensational feature
whatever. The presiding officer's gavel
gently tapped upon the desk at 12 o'clock,
and the loud hum of conversation which
had been filling the chamber for an hour,
ceased.

After prayer by the chaplain, Rev. J. G.
Butler, the president of the senate, Mr. In-
galls, then took the chair and called the
senate to order. He then placed before the
senate the certificates of election, the cer-
tificates of appointment, and other papers
received since the adjournment.

At the swearing in of senators-elect,
Senator Hoar made objection to the ad-
ministration of the oath to Mr. Faulkner,
of West Virginia, until certain questions to
which his credentials gave rise could be
passed upon by the committee on privileges
and elections. As a member of that com-
mittee he assured the senate that the mat-
ter should receive the immediate attention
of the committee, so that if the gentleman
were found to be entitled to his seat he
could enter upon his duties without un-
necessary delay.

Senator Kenna said that the course pro-
posed by the senator from Massachusetts
seemed eminently appropriate, and he
trusted it would be followed without the
formality of a vote. This course was fol-
lowed and the call of senators-elect pro-
ceeded.

The oath was administered to Mr. Tur-
pie, of Indiana, and he was admitted to his
seat. All the papers in the case were re-
ferred to the committee on privileges and
elections.

Messrs. Morrill and Morgan were named
as a committee to fill the president
the senate had organized, and then, on Mr.
Hoar's motion, the first sitting of the new
senate was adjourned.

IN THE HOUSE.
The scenes in the house were a repetition
of those in the senate. There are four
times as many representatives as senators,
and the confusion, hand-shaking, noises and
flowers were in a fourfold ratio.

The roll call, which followed the calling
to order of the house, was interrupted just
as it began by a crank, who, sitting in the
northeast corner of the gallery, started up
the doghouse as the gavel came down, and
had to be hauled out bodily by the heels
before he would stop. When Mr. Clarke
called for nominations for speaker, Mr.
Sunset Cox nominated John G. Carlisle and
Mr. Cannon of Illinois nominated Thomas
B. Reed. Only 333 votes were cast, of
which Carlisle got 165 and Reed 148.

The clerk then appointed Messrs. Reed
and Cox a committee to escort Mr. Carlisle
to the floor of the house. The galleries
and the members roared as Reed, lumber-
ing along like an elephant, and Cox, trot-
ting at his side like a pony, passed out of
the door. The return of the newly
elected speaker raised a storm of applause.
Judge Kelley, of Pennsylvania, the oldest
member of the house, stepped forward and
administered the oath to Mr. Carlisle, and
the latter, taking the gavel, became for the
third time speaker of the house.

The process of electing officers of the
house was much as usual. Mr. Cox offering
the resolution embodying the names
adopted by the democratic caucus, and
Mr. Cannon offering an amendment to sub-
stitute the names selected by the republi-
can caucus. Brumm, who was elected as a
republican, created some surprise by offer-
ing a resolution to substitute a list of
officers headed by Robert Schilling of Mil-
waukee for clerk. The amendments were
voted down without division and the demo-
cratic caucus elected. They came forward
and the oath of office was administered.
Demolition, the defeated democrat, was the
first to take his successor, Mr. Hurt, by the
hand and congratulate him. The president's
message will be read to-day.

HENRY GEORGE MUST GO.

The United Labor Party Will Discuss Radical Changes.

New York, Dec. 6.—The leaders of the
united party will shortly hold a national
conference, at which it will be decided
whether or not the party will put a candi-
date for the presidency in the field, and to
discuss a change in the present platform of
the party.

The small vote cast in the late campaign
for Henry George has to a certain extent
alarmed the leaders, and they have come to
the conclusion that in order to hold the or-
ganization together some radical changes
in their platform is necessary.

Henry George's land plank will in all
probability be dropped, as it is the opinion
of the majority of the members of the party
that this plank was one of the prime
causes of the loss of votes in the late elec-
tion, and that Henry George himself should
take a back seat and not be so anxious to
push himself forward.

Instead of the land plank it is said that a
plan advocating the Australian method of
voting will be substituted and the light
made thereon. This, so say those promi-
nent in the party, will have the effect of
catching the votes.

It is understood that both Dr. McGlynn
and Henry George are in favor of this
plan, but are opposed to the withdrawal
of the land plank.

For some time past the United Labor
party people have been considering the ad-
visability of making an effort to bring the
adoption of the Australian system of voting
before the public, and for this purpose a
bill advocating the system has been
drawn up and will be presented at the
coming session of the legislature for its
consideration.

The Tobacco Tax.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The representa-
tives of those who favor the repeal of the
tax on tobacco claim to have made a pretty
thorough canvass of the views of members
of the new house upon that subject. One
gentleman who represents a combination
which has been very anxious to obtain ac-
curate information on the subject says that
he has sent letters to 170 representa-
tives and has received replies favorable to
the repeal of the tax from 120. In this num-
ber are included nearly all the members
from North Carolina, Virginia, Mississippi,
Wisconsin, Ohio, and Connecticut.

Mr. Conkling's Good Fortune.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 6.—Mr. Frederick
A. Conkling, of New York, one of Miss C.
L. Wolfe's heirs, who is the puer of Mr.
Lorillard Spencer, at this place, has fallen
heir to Miss Wolfe's estate at the foot of
Touro Park, having drawn it by lot. The
heirs mutually decided to draw certain
pieces of property by lot. The Ochre point
village to Mr. Louis L. Lorillard. The Touro
park estate is worth \$50,000, while the
Ochre point property is said to be worth
about \$75,000.

Perhaps New York Will Get It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The republican
national committee will meet here on the
8th inst., to fix a time and date for holding
the Republican National convention. Dele-
gations from St. Louis, Chicago, Minne-
apolis, Cincinnati, New York, Philadelphia,
and Omaha will be here and some of the
advance guard have already arrived. "Any-
thing to beat Chicago" will be the watch-
word of the Omaha, St. Louis and Cincin-
nati committee.

The Glassworkers.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 6.—President Smith, of
the National Flint Glassworkers' associa-
tion, says the rules and scale presented by
the manufacturers are unsatisfactory and
will not be accepted. If the manufactur-
ers adhere to their declaration and refuse
to discuss these things, and greatly modify
the scale, he claims there will be a lock-out
before the end of the month that will close
almost every flint glass factory in the
country.

Gen. Kilpatrick's Widow and Daughters.

DECKERTOWN, N. J., Dec. 6.—The widow
of Gen. Judson Kilpatrick has decided not
to return to Chili, but with her two young
daughters, Misses Julia and Laura, will
live in this country. They have spent the
time since their arrival from Chili in this
town, visiting among the general's old
neighbors and looking after the affairs of
the Kilpatrick homestead and farm, which
is their property by inheritance.

Several Persons Injured.

TRENTON, Ont., Dec. 6.—During the
progress of a sale of furniture at an auc-
tion room yesterday the floor suddenly
gave way, precipitating about seventy per-
sons, together with a quantity of furni-
ture, into the cellar of the building. The
fall was nine feet. A panic ensued and
twenty persons were more or less injured,
although none were seriously hurt.

Sudden Illness of Gov. Bodwell.

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 6.—Gov. Bodwell
and wife arrived at Brunswick at noon
yesterday on their way to Rockland. The
governor was taken suddenly ill in the sta-
tion here, and returned home on the next
train. His illness is congestion of the
lungs. Hopes of his speedy recovery are
entertained.

Young Earl Craven in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Earl Craven has
been in town a week or two past. He is
a pleasant gawky English boy of 20, and
is accompanied by his tutor. He has dined
at the British legation and has attended, as
did Mr. Chamberlain, the meeting of the
dancing class at Secretary Whitney's.

Carried Away by Ice.

CANADIAN, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The ice in
the Mohawk river broke up yesterday
morning and carried away a section of the
temporary bridge which crosses the Mo-
hawk river at Fort Plain. Last spring the
old bridge was carried away and a new one
is being built.

No Change of Venue for Mr. Platt.

ALBANY, Dec. 6.—The general term has
affirmed Judge Ingalls' decision refusing
the motion of quarantine commissioner
Platt's counsel for a change of venue in his
case. The case will be tried before the
circuit court next week.

In the Path of Vessels.

ENCARTON, Mass., Dec. 6.—The wrecked
cutter Gallatin reports that the revenue
cutter Abbie Warren, abandoned
and anchored east of Cross Rip Lightship
four and a half miles, is dangerous to ves-
sels.

Perished in the Flames.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 5.—The Bacon
housestead in Sunderland, and its barns
were burned yesterday with \$4,000 loss,
and E. G. Bacon, aged 35, perished in the
flames.

Fish Commission to Meet To-morrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The next meeting
of the international fisheries negotiators
will take place to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR
WEEK ENDING DEC. 1, 1887.

Adams, Mrs. Charles	Maire, Laura Cook
Brown, Elizabeth	O'Brien, Miss Mary
Caldwell, Charles	Plonker, Mr. Thos.
Cunningham, W. B.	Phillips, Wm.
Everett, Mrs. Wm.	Smith, Miss Maude
Hopson, Thos. (2)	Schavler Wm. M.
Hale, Mrs. Susan	Stron, Will E.
Hanford, Miss Elizabeth	Taylor, Mrs. Pauline
Kennedy, Wm.	Taylor, Mrs. W. W.
Leake, Samuel	Walls, Sam'l W.
Marrow, Miss Caroline	Williams, Miss Catella
Maybee, Mr.	Wilson, Mrs. Caro (2)
McKinsey, Mrs. Philo	Wilson, Mrs. M. H.

Persons calling for above please say advertised.
W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m.
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W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

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Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each
word, each insertion.

A LIFELONG REWARD WILL BE PAID FOR
the return of a Lady's small Gold Watch
with double chain attached, lost on December
5th, 59 Central Avenue, City.

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DI-
vision Streets, furnished or unfurnished;
for boarding or private use; in good order; all
improvements. Rent very low to responsible
parties. Apply to Mrs. E. D. Eaton, Division
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FIRST-CLASS NURSE WANTS AN ENGAGE-
ment in any sickness. Is a good massager
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FOR SALE—VALUABLE PLOT OF LAND, 100
feet on Front Street, near Richmond, run-
ning through to Second street, 500 feet with two
dwellings on the same. Apply to P. G. Box 892.
11-18-2w-1m

TRY THE "O. A. F." CIGAR: MADE FROM
the finest Havana filler, without a particle
of artificial flavoring. The best 5-cent cigar
in the world. 11-16-11

ANY ONE DESIROUS OF MAKING ARRANGE-
ments for the Winter, can meet with large,
handsomely furnished front rooms, at Mrs.
LANSING's, cor. Park ave. and 6th St. 10-24-11

FURNISHED ROOMS, FOR GENTLEMEN
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FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SE-
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"Blessed" power. In good order. Sold
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FOR SALE—THE LOT SOUTH-EAST CORNER
of Jackson avenue and Somerset street, about
100 feet square. For price and terms apply
to O'REILLY BROS., Arch's and Storage Warehouse,
from 109 to 125 E. 44th street N. Y. city.—my294

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PHILHARMONIC CLUB.

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Tickets at REYNOLDS' PHARMACY. 12-5-24

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Pure Drugs on Exhibition.

Fine assortment Holiday Goods, Handker-
chief Extracts, Cologne, Toilet Waters, &c.
Our ALMOND CREAM—(Original)—to heal and
beautify the skin.
COMPOUND WILD CHERRY SYRUP—Cures
Coughs and Colds.
Try our Cloth Cleanser for Greasy Spots, &c.

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City Pharmacy open Sundays from 9 a. m. to 1
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TO SUIT ALL CLASSES OF TRADE, AND WE
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22 WEST FRONT STREET. 10m

W. MESSERSCHMIDT,

Hats, Caps and Gent's Furnishing
Goods,
231 West Front Street, PLAINFIELD, N. J.
CLOTHING CLEANED AND REPAIRED. 10-4-11

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PECK'S CORNER.

Plush Caps, Toboggan Caps

In GREAT VARIETY,
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Fine Cigars. Clear Havana Cigars
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The Lecture will be illustrated by a series of
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the New York market, fresh roasted peanuts
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I will buy the BEST of everything, and sell at
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Black Stockings, and you will
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The color cannot be removed
by acids—in fact washing im-
proves the color.

The dye being vegetable
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Every pair warranted as above,
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THE CHICAGO BOODLERS

WILL ADOPT THE COURSE TAKEN BY SHARP.

They Say Their Case and the New York
Boodle Kings Present the Same Fea-
tures—To Be Used as a Precedent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—The counsel for Mc-
Donald, the convicted ex-chief engineer of
the county hospital has received copies of
the decision and the attorney's briefs in the
Sharp matter, and with Judge Beckwith,
who represented others of the boodlers,
studied the papers attentively all day
yesterday. Motions for new trials of Mc-
Donald and others will soon be made, and
their counsel say that the cases of Sharp
and of the Chicago boodlers are so nearly
identical that the court of appeals decision
will surely secure their clients a new trial.

An attorney who was connected with
the prosecution of the "boodlers" in this
city, especially with the McDonald-McGar-
gie case, said he thought a decision in the
Sharp case had a very important bearing
on the McDonald case. Said he: "In the
trial of Sharp the state offered the testi-
mony of one Pottic, clerk of some legisla-
ture committee, to the effect that some six
months before the time of the alleged bribe
Sharp had tried to bribe him to do some
act in his official capacity in furtherance
of the interests of the Broadway
road. The trial court admitted this testi-
mony and the court of appeals, in granting
a new trial to Sharp, held that this was in-
complete testimony, and improperly al-
lowed that the court below erred in per-
mitting it."

The parallel between this trial and the
McDonald-McGargie trial is about as fol-
lows: McDonald and McGargie were in-
dicted with Nic Schneider for conspiring to
defraud Cook county in the erection of the
steam apparatus at the Normal school, and
under this indictment they were tried. It
was not an omnibus or general conspiracy
indictment, but related only to the Normal
school plant. On the trial the state offered,
and the court allowed, the testimony of Ab-
bott, the coal contractor, to show that he
and McGargie had had crooked
dealings relating to the obtaining of
the coal contract, and the
testimony of the Clows to show crooked-
ness on the part of McDonald, in the pur-
chase of engineer's supplies. All this had
nothing whatever to do with any crooked-
ness there may have been in the Normal
school work, for which only the defend-
ants were on trial. Other testimony equally
irrelevant was introduced and permitted
by the court to go to the jury, and it un-
doubtedly helped to make the jury believe
that a conspiracy to defraud the county ex-
isted, and that McDonald and McGargie
were in it.

WOMEN IN INTRIGUE

SCANDAL CONCERNING FORGED LETTERS.

Three Countesses and a Prince Not Above Forgery.—Death of Lord Lyons in London.—General Foreign News.

BERLIN, Dec. 6.—Russian State Councilor Solodanoff, who is attached to the Russian foreign office, has been here for several days on a special mission connected with the forged documents that were sent to the czar, Count Solodanoff, after an audience with Count Herbert Bismarck, in the presence of Count Scouvaloff, the Russian ambassador, verified the papers and returned to St. Petersburg yesterday.

Countess Wolkenstein-Trostburg, the wife of the Austrian ambassador at St. Petersburg, who is involved in the case, is the widow of Count Schleinitz, formerly Hans minister of the Prussian court. When in Berlin she was an active intriguer against Prince Bismarck, and after her marriage with Count Wolkenstein-Trostburg she maintained relations with Prince Bismarck's court opponents, Countess Perponcher, Prince Radziwill and Countess Prillwitz, the wife of the Emperor's grand chamberlain. She showed her correspondence to Baron Jomini, the czar's advisor, and to other anti-Teutons, as well as to the czar, through whom the czar was influenced.

It is reported that Prince Bismarck will ask Emperor William to dismiss Count Perponcher and Count Prillwitz. Both have visited Friedrichsruhe and asserted their innocence in relation to their wives' letters.

The Austrian government, it is expected, will recall Count Wolkenstein-Trostburg. Prince Cantacuzene, first councillor of the Russian Embassy at Vienna, has gone to St. Petersburg to make a personal report to the czar, regarding the intrigues, and also concerning the policy of Austria toward Bulgaria.

Prince Dolgoroukoff, governor of Moscow arrived there on Saturday from St. Petersburg. A semi-official communication to-night announces that Prince Dolgoroukoff has sent a special official to the office of every paper, absolutely to forbid discussion of the relations between Russia and Germany, even to the extent of mentioning the name of Prince Bismarck.

DEATH OF LORD LYONS.

He Dies in London Yesterday After a Short Illness.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Lord Lyons, until within a few weeks British ambassador at Paris, and who was brought over here from that city about ten days ago suffering from a stroke of paralysis, died yesterday morning at the residence of his nephew, the Duke of Norfolk, K. G., in St. James square.

(Right Hon. Richard Bickerton Penell Lyons was the only surviving son of the first Lord Lyons, created a baron for his services in the navy, having commanded the British fleet in the Black sea in 1855-6. The well-known ambassador to Paris was born at Lynton in 1817, succeeded to his father's title and seat in 1858, and was created Viscount Lyons of Christ church, in the county of Southampton, in November, 1881. He leaves no heir, and the title dies with him. Lord Lyons was made ambassador of Paris in July, 1867, and held that post for over twenty years, until his recent retirement and the appointment of Lord Lytton to his post. His life had been spent entirely in similar offices, and he resided in the United States as the representative of Great Britain during the entire period of our civil war. He was appointed envoy extraordinary in December, 1855, and returned to England on account of ill-health in February, 1855.

Must Quit Russian Territory.

VIENNA, Dec. 6.—All Austrian and Hungarian subjects employed in the Russian provinces bordering on Galicia and Bukovina have been ordered to quit Russian territory before January 13.

New President of Switzerland.

BERNE, Dec. 6.—The council of state has elected M. Gavard, of Geneva, president, and M. Schoch, of Schaffhausen, vice-president of Switzerland. Both are radicals.

Ambassador Hung-Suen at Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 6.—The new Chinese ambassador, Hung-Suen, has arrived here. He was accompanied by an imposing suite.

The French Princess and the Pope.

ROME, Dec. 6.—The Duc d'Alencon has presented the Orleans gift to the pope.

HAD A DISTRUST OF BANKS.

Peter Bennett, a wealthy Farmer, Assaulted and Robbed of \$75,000.

BAXTER, Dec. 6.—Peter Bennett, a wealthy and miserly farmer, who lives with his grand-daughter and her husband in Newport, Me., was robbed Sunday night. He is 80 years old and is reported to be worth \$75,000. Having a distrust of savings banks, he always kept a large amount of money in the house. Last night his grand-son-in-law was roused by the report of a pistol, and, hastily dressing, got out of a window and hastened to the residence of Bennett's son, half a mile away. Arousing young Bennett, they returned to the house and found the elder Bennett lying on the floor in a pool of blood. He was restored to consciousness and said that robbers had beaten him and then made their escape with \$75,000 in bills and gold.

Mr. Bennett this evening offered a reward of \$5,000 for the recovery of the stolen funds, and \$1,000 for the capture of the burglars.

Victory for Prohibition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Justice Harlan delivered the opinion of the court yesterday in the two so-called prohibition cases of Peter Mugler, plaintiff in error, against the state of Kansas, and in the case of the state of Kansas against Herman Ziebold and others, affirming the judgment of the lower court in the two "Mugler" cases, and reversing the judgment in the Ziebold case. The effect of this opinion is to declare valid the prohibition laws of the state of Kansas and is, of course, a victory for the prohibitionists.

After That Wild Animal.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The wild animal that raided Farmer Mahurter's pig pen near the village of Peekskill, some nights ago, is still in this vicinity, and his latest exploit was to devour a young steer, near Johnsville. Women and children, and even men, are afraid to be out after dark. The animal is to be hunted, and a party of men at East Fishkill is getting ready to go at once upon the trail.

John Most Not Sentenced.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—John Most was not sentenced yesterday as it was expected he would be, for Judge Cowing gave his case until Thursday to make an argument for a new trial.

A DISGRACEFUL WRANGLE.

In Which a Minister and Two Young Men Are Engaged.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 6.—A sensational episode occurred at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday night that developed yesterday into a bitter open controversy between the pastor, Dr. G. W. Dumbell, and two young men, J. M. Chancey and J. N. Caldwell. At the Sunday night service Dr. Dumbell stopped in the midst of his sermon and told them their "behavior was not what it should be." The young men left the church very much offended, and lingered around to make the minister retract his words. They failed to meet him, but called at the rectory at midnight and gave him a written challenge in which they denounced him thus:

"Your conduct might be excusable in a drunken rowdy, but in a gentleman and a minister of the gospel never. The only explanation we can come to of your own indignation and wrath is that you are no gentleman, no minister, no christian, but a slanderer and rowdy at heart and a blatant hypocrite."

The minister slammed the door in their faces, and the conference was thus ended. Last night Dr. Dumbell wrote an open letter to the press, in which he said:

"I expressed myself under the circumstances with moderation. Of your outrageous personal attack upon myself I only remark that I suppose you thought it safe and easy to heap abuse upon a clergyman where you would have been very cautious had the case been that of a layman."

The young men are of good standing, and their violent attack on Dr. Dumbell has excited the greatest feeling in the city and among his parishioners in particular, who are members of the largest and wealthiest congregation in the city.

Trial of Haddock's Assassin.

STORY CITY, Iowa, Dec. 6.—The evidence in the Haddock murder case finally closed this morning. The evidence to-day was confined to a few witnesses in support of the character of one of the witnesses for the defense. E. H. Hubbard began his speech to the jury in behalf of the state and had not concluded it at the evening adjournment.

A Bookkeeper Absconds.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 6.—Charles Walker, of this city, has absconded with about \$6,000 of his employers' money. He was bookkeeper for the Cincinnati Spring company. The books of the firm are missing and the exact amount of the defalcation is not known. A warrant was issued for Walker on the charge of embezzlement.

Ran Into a Freight Train.

DIXON, Ill., Dec. 6.—The La Salle passenger train going north yesterday on the Illinois Central railroad ran into a freight train at Amboy, Calvin Wood, the engineer on the freight train, was killed, and the brakeman so seriously injured that he will die. The caboose and eight cars of the freight train were telescoped.

A Locomotive Explodes, Killing Three Men.

HALIFAX, Dec. 6.—A locomotive on the Intercolonial railroad exploded yesterday at Stellarton station, killing three men instantly and injuring several others. The engine was demolished and the station building was badly wrecked. Those killed are Wm. Eastwood, Daniel Robinson and Alex. Fraser.

Dr. Parker's Last Lecture.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker's last lecture in America will be given on Friday afternoon in Chickering Hall. The subject will be "The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, the Man, the Statesman; His Allies and Opponents." Dr. Parker will sail for England on Saturday on the Etruria.

A Bucket Shop Goes to the Wall.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 6.—Hodgson & Miller, about the largest bucket shop in the city, suspended yesterday owing to the corn deal. They were unmercifully hammered by speculators in that cereal, having paid out about \$30,000 in the last two weeks. Liabilities unknown; estimated at \$65,000.

The Largest Catch of Codfish.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 6.—The schooner H. B. Griffin, from Grand Bank, has arrived with 240,000 pounds of codfish. This was her third trip this season. The aggregate catch was 800,000 pounds, the largest amount ever landed by any vessel of the New England fishing fleet.

Large Fire in a China Town.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The steamer San Pablo arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama yesterday morning. A fire occurred at Swatow, China, a month ago, in which about 800 houses were destroyed, and the total loss amounted to \$700,000.

The Madstone Did No Good.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Dec. 6.—Some nine weeks ago Mrs. Lougram was bitten by a mad dog, while defending her children from its attacks. A madstone was used, but last night she died from hydrophobia.

Senator Morton's Life.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 6.—The Hon. W. D. Foulke, author of "Slav or Saxon," will write a biography of Senator Morton, and has commenced the collection of materials for the work.

Sporting Notes.

Tom Connors, the celebrated wrestler who is shortly to meet Evan Lewis, "the stranger," is expected to train for the event at his old quarters in New York.

Mr. Edward Burress has just completed the model for an 80-foot schooner yacht for Mrs. Benton of New York which is much admired by all nautical men who have seen it.

There is no possibility of another fight between Jim Corbett and Jack McAuliffe, as neither will agree to the other's terms, and the probability is that the money now up in stakeholder Ormond's hands will be drawn by mutual consent in a few days.

Pat Killen and Mike Conley, the Irish Giant, have at last come to terms and they will fight to a finish with skin gloves for \$1,000 a side and the prize, winner to take all on the 1st of March, 1897. But twenty-five persons all told are to witness the battle, which is to take place within 100 miles of Minneapolis.

Sam Ellis, of Philadelphia, and James Wallace, of Baltimore, both colored men, fought thirty-seven rounds, with bare knuckles, for a purse of \$300, near the former city Sunday. Neither man was overly science, but they fought desperately, with varying success, until the last round, in which Sam reached his man's wind with terrific force, when Wallace threw up the sponge.

"Baldy" Sowers, whose name was known to every sporting man in the country from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the lakes to the Gulf, died in Elkhart, Ind., Sunday in the 84th year of his age. He was prominent in all sporting affairs in Philadelphia for many years and was known in New York. Though a tough of toughs, born in Spring Gardens, and a butcher besides, he got a good deal of notoriety about forty-five years ago by carrying an open Bible on a sash, and in a native American procession in Philadelphia. Many used his name who never knew that he was other than a myth.

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The child that in the cradle lies,
Sweet smile and sunshine, and its breath
Sweeter than all things this side death
Brings anguish with its dearest cries—
So soon it droops, so soon it dies.

Yet what, without that blossom wild,
Its rapturous air, its lovely leaf,
Were summer? And, despite the grief,
Without those lips that kissed, that smiled,
What, what were life without the child?

Harriet Prescott Spofford, in Harper's Bazar.

IN A TUB.

Bobby Gray's Adventure With a Panther.

"Red Fork" is situated on the bank of the Arkansas river about two miles from Little Rock. Some years ago there dwelt a family consisting of Malcom Gray, his wife and one son, twelve years of age, named Bobby. They had one slave named Sam. For short the boy was called Bobby. One day in August, Bobby, who had been to visit his uncle Job Sackett, started on his homeward way. He had to pass through a stretch of forest unbroken for eight miles. He left his uncle's house about four o'clock. It was a beautiful afternoon, the rays of the sun had heated the forest, making it uncomfortably hot. The boy proceeded on, whistling a merry tune, and stopping to try the virtue of a new jack-knife, given him by his Aunt Polly. The panther, flitting through the openings in the forest, or rested, a dozen or more at a time, on some dry limb, projecting from the trunk of some aged pecan tree, chattering and twittering at Bobby as he halted to look up at them far above his head. They did not seem to fear him in the least, but turned their little heads sideways and looked downwards with inquisitive eyes at the boy, as if wondering why he did not proceed on his journey and leave them to settle down on their perch, apparently their resting place for the night.

Bobby trusted joyously on, after satisfying his curiosity, laughing gleefully to himself, and bidding the parrots good night, which the little creatures acknowledged by ruffling their plumage and keeping up a ceaseless chattering until distance put an end to the sound and a turn in the cart path hid them from view. The dusky shades of night began to fall, and filled the forest with somber shadows. The little fellow quickened his pace that he might be able to get out of the woods before night set in in earnest. It grew dark very fast and objects could be discerned only a little way in advance. Bobby hurried on, but the accompaniment, the merry whistle, had ceased, and he walked silently ahead, frequently stopping to listen to some unusual sound reverberating through the forest, a falling limb from some aged tree, perhaps; Bobby's heart quickened its pulses at the sound, and he jumped nervously aside as some night bird flew in close proximity to his face with whirling wings. He was not a coward; he had been in the forest before, and he had been startled by similar sounds, and he did not apprehend any danger, unless by some wild beast lurking around, which was not likely, he thought, as none had been seen in the forest for a number of days, having been driven across the river by the hunters and their dogs.

The owl commenced to hoot, to-ho, to-ho! The Katy-dids uttered their mournful lay, Katy-did, Katy-did!; and Bobby toiled on, more slowly now because of the increasing darkness. Suddenly there came a sound from the forest in the direction he had just recently passed over. He stopped irresolute, as if his first thought was to flee, he listened with a fear-heating heart. In a moment it came again, seemingly nearer than before, and long drawn out; "oo-oo-oo-oo-oo-oo!" Bobby did not wait for a repetition of the blood-curdling cry, but turned and fled in the direction of the clearing, which was now near at hand; terror lent strength to his sturdy little legs, and he picked his feet up and put them down faster than he ever did playing "tag" with the boys at "Red Fork." He reached the edge of the forest in an incredibly short time, regarding the distance he had run—a little over a mile. He bounded into the clearing, and, after a short run, discovered a cabin, which had been formerly occupied by the slaves when engaged in burning the logs of the fallen trees on the cleared land.

As he ran quickly towards it, he was startled again by that fearful cry, "oo-oo-oo-oo-oo-oo," resembling the shrill voice of a frightened child.

Bobby had lived too long near the forest to be mistaken in the terrible cry, and he fled onwards, in mortal terror, to find a place of safety. Dashing breathlessly up the cabin, through the underbrush, he discovered it in a state of decay, the door off its hinges and held open by the leathern door hinges which had been their former fastenings.

Evidently there was no safety for the boy there; so thought Bobby as he looked in dismay in the darkness around him. Stumbling through the underbrush he came across a half of a hoghead turned upon its side; it had evidently been used by the former occupants of the cabin to catch rain water. The thought struck him at once that this was his only chance of safety from the pursuing brute, whose howls he now heard in close proximity, apparently at the edge of the forest. Grasping the huge tub firmly by the edge he essayed to end it over towards him, but as it had lain a long time exposed to all weathers and soaked by the rainfalls, it had become soddan, and it was only after repeated efforts, the howls of the animal approaching nearer and nearer all the while, that he could move the thing.

For terror lent him strength again, however, and he succeeded in pulling it over partially and squatting himself beneath the opening as he held it tipped partly over, he finally let go with his hands and the hoghead came down with a thud, and for the time being he was safely ensconced beneath it; none too soon, for as it came down encompassing him in Egyptian darkness, he heard a scratching outside his prison house, then a sniffling round the edge of the upturned tub, and he knew that his foe had tracked him and scented out his hiding place.

The brute ran round and round the tub in a circle, sniffing and growling. The fetid steam from the creature's breath entered beneath the tub, where it had lodged on some small shrub, and it made Bobby sick with the stifling stench. Nothing daunted, however, at this state of the siege, Bobby bethought him of his new jack-knife; drawing it forth from his pocket and opening the blade, he cut the twigs away that bent some inside his enclosure and some outside, and the tub rested more evenly and firmly on the

ground. The stir from within caused by the rustling Bobby made as he pulled and pushed at the lopping twigs aroused the brute's fiercest anger, and he redoubled his attempts to get in, digging around the edges of the tub.

Bobby trembled in affright as the animal scratched and tore at the obstruction preventing his entrance, and he shouted at intervals with all his might in hopes that some one would hear and come to his assistance, but the sound of his voice was smothered in the confines of the hoghead and only caused the brute to desist from digging awhile at the cries, but continued to dig again as soon as Bobby ceased to shout.

He soon made an opening large enough to admit one paw which, as soon as thrust in the aperture, received a stab from Bobby's sharp blade, aimed at random, guided only by the sound of the animal's movements. It was withdrawn with a howl of pain and anger, but he soon commenced hitting again, uttering angry growls, as he hit and tore at the roots and shrubs. Again and again, as the brute thrust in his paw under the rim of the tub, the brave little fellow used his knife with effect. The animal finally enlarged the hole so that it would admit his head, and the strong odor of his breath filled the inside of Bobby's retreat and almost smothered him. He made a thrust with his knife, but the brute quickly withdrew his head, so that the blow did not take effect. Becoming emboldened, the brute thrust his head still further in and turned upon his side in his endeavors to wiggle his shoulder in also. Bobby, in feeling around inside the tub, had found a stopper, or bung, that protruded through the bung-hole; to this he now clung with both hands with all his might and forced the edge of the tub down on the neck of the animal, who snarled and gnashed his jaws in a terrible manner. Seeing that the brute would surely effect an entrance if something was not done quickly, Bobby let go his hold on the protruding stopper with one hand, and with the other he tried to drive the sharp knife blade into the animal's upturned eye, but missed his mark and struck his cheek bone. With a convulsive struggle, the brute tried to back out, but the brave boy aimed a second blow at the shining mark—the brute's eye—shone like two balls of fire in the darkness—the time with better success, for the sharp blade penetrated the eye to the brain. Despite its desperate and dying struggles to escape, Bobby, who had left the knife sticking in the wound, held the tub down with all his remaining strength, and the struggles of the brute grew fainter and fainter and finally ceased altogether.

It was a long time, it seemed an age to Bobby, before he dared to ease up the strain on the upturned tub, but his desperate exertions began to tell upon him, and he finally relinquished his hold on the stopper and fell back completely exhausted and unconscious. How long he remained thus he never could tell, but upon returning to consciousness he found that the brute was dead. It was only after repeated efforts that he could raise the tub far enough to allow his exit, but at last he accomplished the difficult feat and he crawled out more dead than alive. It required a deal of rubbing of himself and stamping of his cramped limbs, before he could gain locomotion. He was not far from home, and as soon as he could get his bearings, which required another long period on account of the state he was in, he set out in that direction. Stumbling, and sometimes falling, he managed to reach home. All the lights were out in the house, his father and mother having retired for the night, thinking their boy was going to stay another night at his uncle's.

Bobby pounded on the door a long time before he could awaken any one. At last there was a stir within and a candle was lit. In another moment or two a voice inside answered the summons on the door by inquiring:

"Who da?"

"Mr. answered Bobby.

"At the sound of the voice the door was quickly unbarred, and Sam's woolly pate appeared in the aperture.

"Gorra mighty, if it ain't Bobby! whar on de snub hab you cum?"

Sam did not finish the sentence. As the faint light of the candle fell upon the nearly fainting boy, he quickly drew him inside and called up Mr. Gray and wife, who were wondering who Sam could be conversing with at such a late hour as one o'clock in the morning.

When a light met their eyes as they came out of their bed-room into the old kitchen, Bobby, with hands and face scratched and bleeding from their contact with the briars and shrubs, his clothes torn in many places and covered with dirt. It was some time before he could gain sufficient composure to give an account of what had befallen him.

Bobby was undressed and put to bed, and hot cloths were applied to his aching body, but he did not fall asleep until three o'clock, and his mother kept watch by his bedside until he awoke late in the day.

In the meantime, Mr. Gray, accompanied by Sam, started for the clearing. Arriving there, they found things as represented by Bobby, and the animal, a full-grown panther, was shouldered by Sam and Mr. Gray, and they marched back in triumph. He measured fully six feet and a half from tip to tip.

Bobby was the hero of "Red Fork," and for many days the spot was visited by inquisitive neighbors to see for themselves where the intrepid youth fought and killed the savage fawny brute.—S. Frank Blanding, in Yankee Blade.

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The Oyster and the 'Coon.

Mr. Frank G. Wheaton, of New York, telling of how the racoons catch oysters at Cat Island, near New Orleans, says that one night he saw an old coon crawl up to a big oyster that had his shell open and stick his paw in to scoop out the meat. With a snap the shell came together, and the coon was caught. He squaled and tugged to get the oyster out of the mud or his paw from the oyster's clutch, but to no purpose. Then the tide began to rise, and pretty soon the water was running about the coon's feet. He saw what was coming, and, after a vain effort to get away, deliberately gnawed his own paw off and hobbled off on three legs.

EFFECTS OF FRIGHT.

A Man's Life Wrecked by an Encounter With Rattlesnakes.

A tall, handsomely-dressed man, leaning on the arm of an attendant, was walking up Madison avenue Sunday just as a vast throng of church-goers were returning home, says the New York World. Suddenly he stopped, looked at his legs in a frightened way, and fell to the ground in a fit. His body twisted and writhed in a way horrible to see, and he made a strange noise which sounded like a dozen angry rattlesnakes. The gentleman's attendant evidently knew just what to do. He raised the sufferer's head so that he could not injure it on the sidewalk, and quickly loosened the fastenings of his shirt. When the first violence of the fit had worn off the attendant called on a bystander for help and removed the gentleman to a drug store. During the fit the gentleman's hat had rolled off, and also a wig, leaving a head exposed as smooth as a billiard ball. While waiting for a carriage the attendant told a reporter a remarkable story of how his master came to be so terribly afflicted.

The gentleman is Mr. Franklyn Brush. Ten years ago Mr. Brush came to America from England to seek his fortune as a civil engineer. He had letters of introduction which secured him a place on the International & Great Northern railroad in Texas, which was then being built. He joined Major Benham's party as assistant engineer. One day in October, 1877, Major Benham sent Mr. Brush to obtain certain papers from Captain Wardell, who was engineer in charge of the next division. He started on his twenty-mile ride in the morning and reached his destination shortly before noon. He refused an invitation to remain in Captain Wardell's camp until the heat of the day had passed and at once started on his return journey. Half way between the two camps Mr. Brush became tired and dismounted from his horse. He found a shady place on a large rock overshadowed by trees and stretched himself out to rest.

He had been asleep some time when he was awakened by a strange sensation. It seemed as though a heavy weight was attached to each leg. When he opened his eyes an ominous rattling noise greeted his ears. Two huge rattlesnakes had coiled about each of his legs, and at the slightest motion the animals raised their heads, ready to strike. Afraid to move and filled with inexpressible terror, Mr. Brush lay hour after hour with the two big snakes coiled about him. At last the sun began to set, and the chill night air began to make the snakes uncomfortable. Slowly they unwound themselves from about Mr. Brush, and crawled into a crevice in the rocks. Then he mounted his horse and rode into camp. When his horse halted in front of Major Benham's tent, Mr. Brush fell from it in a faint. For three days he remained unconscious, passing from one fit into another, until his life was despaired of. At last he rallied sufficiently to be removed to San Antonio, where he remained in the hospital for six months. During his illness every hair dropped from his head. As soon as practicable Mr. Brush was taken to England, where he remained until a year ago, when, through the death of a relative, he came into a handsome property. He has been traveling under the care of a nurse since then, but he is constantly subject to fits. It is the opinion of noted surgeons who have failed to effect a cure that Mr. Brush will die during one of these.

MAKING LIQUORS.

Their Distillation Said to Be a Comparatively Modern Invention.

Strong liquors are a modern invention, observes a writer in the Popular Science Monthly. The ancients knew of nothing more powerful than light fermented wines, and have left warning enough of the abuse of them. Alcohol was not discovered until the seventh century, although an older story exists of a monk, Marcus, who collected and condensed the wool steam of heated white wine, and then pressed out from the wool a balsam which he applied to the wounds of those who fell at the siege of Rheims, in the reign of Clovis I. He also mixed this balsam with honey, and produced a cordial which brought the moribund back to life. Clovis, however, did not wait for the approach of death before claiming his share of the cordial.

According to Dr. Stanford Chaille, the distillation of spirits from wine was not discovered till the twelfth century, and spirits did not come into use as a beverage until the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Prof. Arnoldus de Villanova, in the fourteenth century, made a panacea of the water-of-life which gave sweet breath and fortified the memory, besides being good for sore eyes, the tooth ache and the gout, and having other wonderful properties. Distilled spirits came into use in London in 1450, and had to be prohibited in 1494. Michael Savonarola produced a treatise on making the water-of-life in the fifteenth century, which became a standard authority on the subject, and was followed by the work of Matthiol de Sienna. These books gave the start to brandy-making in Italy, whence the trade extended to France.

About 1520 the Irish usquebaugh began to acquire reputation in England. Before 1801 "brand wine" had begun to be distilled in the low countries from apples, pears and malt; and in that year an ordinance was passed at Tournay forbidding the sale of the liquor except by apothecaries, partly "because of the drunkenness which this cheap brand wine caused, to the great prejudice not alone of homes and lives, but to the extreme danger of the souls of the drinkers, many of whom had died without confession."

The art of extracting alcohol from other substances was gradually discovered, and liquors of various names came into use. The trade grew great, and the present century has seen a new development of it in the general application of the art of "doctoring" liquors.

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