

PRICE, TWO CENTS

Ties shot off. Smith won first.					
Twelfth Event—miss and out.					
Smith.....	1	2	1	1	0
Pickens.....	1	1	1	1	1

Figure 2 denotes second barrel.

THE SOUTH BOOMING.
Its Wonderful Growth in Wealth and Prosperity.
PITTSBURG, Jan. 4.—George H. Howells, the millionaire pig iron dealer from Kentucky, was in this city yesterday en route to New York. The South of today is a wonderful country," said Mr. Howells. "and as unlike the South of ten years ago as day is like night. Everything is booming, prosperity is on every hand, and the people are happy, contented and united. Manufactures are being opened all through the States, and it is wonderful what a general revival has taken place. Of course, much of this is due to Northern blood, capital and enterprise, but the South has not been slow, either."
"How are the Southern people pleased with President Cleveland's tariff utterances?"
"Some sections laud him for the stand he has taken, while others condemn him. The South is not the stronghold of free trade that it once was. The best argument in favor of the high protective tariff is that it has stood the test of time; that although it has been hammered away at for twenty-five years, it has been but little changed. The present prosperous condition of our country is another proof of its effectiveness. Why, even in Kentucky, Carlisle's own state, we have many protectionists, while in some of the other states they are so plentiful as to make Democratic success in them very doubtful if free trade be made the issue."

A Confession of Wife Murder.
ROSS CITY, Minn., Jan. 4.—Eric Erickson yesterday confessed the murder of his wife some days ago, asking only that his life be spared. He is thought to be demented, saying he killed his wife because she made him wear shirts charged with electricity. His son, aged fifteen, testified that he twisted a scarf around the mother's neck and dragged her out into the woods, where she was found dead. The large family of small children stayed alone with their murdered mother in the back shed for two days with nothing to eat, but potatoes. There is talk of lynching Erickson.

The Missing Tonawanda.
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 4.—The whereabouts of the steamer Tonawanda recently in distress off Brigantine is unknown here. Neither the Government stations nor the Western Commission have any information regarding her. Two large tugs were seen off here Sunday and the supposition is that the Tonawanda was taken in tow and proceeded on her voyage or was taken to the Delaware Breakwater.

The Deadly Car Stove Again.
ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 4.—A passenger coach on the Sauk Centre and Northern Railroad was thrown down a fifteen-foot embankment near Sauk Centre yesterday afternoon and the wreck took fire from the overturned stove. Miss Amanda Thorsquist was badly burned and a man named Morrison was injured in the back and head while a number of others sustained lesser injuries.

No Doubt of Lamar's Confirmation.
PITTSBURG, Jan. 4.—Solicitor-General George A. Jenks has been in the city on private business and returned to Washington last night. He says that he has no doubt of Mr. Lamar's confirmation. Senators Sawyer and Stewart have declared they will support him; possibly Mr. Evans will do so, too, and also several other Republican Senators.

Shipwrecked Sailors Safely Ashore.
ROXBOROUGH, N. J., Jan. 4.—The schooner Wm. H. Jourdan went on the rocks at Block Island during the storm on Sunday night. The schooner began to fill and go to pieces, when Captain Ball of the life savers came to the rescue. He shot a line to the vessel and successfully took the sailors off in a breeches after long exertion.

A Short Tobacco Crop.
CINCINNATI, Jan. 4.—The annual tobacco report made public yesterday shows that the crop will be short, 50 per cent. It is estimated that the manufacturers of the city have 24,000 hogheads in stock, and the total visible stock is 62,000 hogheads, 60,000 less than last year.

A Young Firebug.
FARMINGTON, Jan. 4.—Charles B. Burzey, 13 years old, was arraigned yesterday morning on a charge of burning the buildings of J. H. Brown, at Chesterville. He was held in one thousand dollars for appearance at the March term of the Supreme court.

Killed By a Railroad Train.
CONCORD JUNCTION, Mass., Jan. 4.—R. H. Sherwood, aged 19, was run over and killed here last night by the Fitchburg express. He was lying full length on the track when the train went over him. It is thought that he fell and was insensible.

Hungarians Murder a Negro.
SCOTTDALE, Pa., Jan. 4.—James Blaine, a colored coal worker, was murdered Monday night near Donnelly's Coke Works by a number of drunken Hungarians, who crushed his head with a hatchet. The murderers have not as yet been captured.

Railroad Thieves Captured.
CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—A gang of railroad thieves who have been operating on the St. Paul and Northwestern roads, have been captured. One of the gang turned state's evidence. Goods to the value of \$4,000 have been recovered.

Wife and Children Drowned.
CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 4.—While driving over Mill Creek, near Jolico, yesterday morning, the bridge gave way, precipitating Hugh Mitchell and family into the creek. Mitchell's wife and two children were drowned.

Will General Garza Go to Mexico?
FOND DU LAC, Wis., Jan. 4.—General Garza quickly left on Saturday, in response to a message from President Cleveland. It is believed he has been tendered the Mexican Mission, and that he will accept.

The Bolters Stand Together.
COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 4.—An attempt to put the officers elected by yesterday's "bolt" of the thirteen Republican Senators yesterday defeated by the same vote by which they were elected.

A False Wife and Arsonist.
CANTON, O., Jan. 4.—Edward Williams, a prominent young man of this place, attempted suicide this morning by taking arsenic. His young wife had played him a trick.

A Nice Gift for Yale.
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 4.—Alexander Duncan, Jan. 1825, of London, Eng., has given Yale \$20,000 to be used as the University authorities may deem best.

Worcester May Have a College for Women.
WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 4.—The announcement made by Mayor Winslow, in his inaugural address yesterday, about establishing a female college here, near Clark University, refers to a conditional gift of Rev. Eli Foy, D. D., of Los Angeles, Cal. James G. Clark, the founder of Clark University, has made a liberal offer to have the institution located in this city, and the city has under consideration a proposition to enlarge a park in the neighborhood.

Conductors Charged With Robbery.
PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 4.—All passenger conductors but one on the Ohio river road between here and Wheeling were discharged last night, owing to the alleged discovery of systematic robbery of the company.

Two Hundred Thousand Dollar Fire.
SALIDA, Col., Jan. 4.—Twenty-one houses in the business portion of the town were burned yesterday, with a loss of \$200,000. The insurance is about one-third.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS
REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 30, 1887.
Bennett, Miss Maggie A. Kerry, John H.
Berry, Wm. H. Marshall, Harry
Cornell, Mrs. Kate
Carriacabure, L. B.
Dunn, Miss Nellie
Egan, Miss Emma A. (3)
Grey, Eleanor
Holmes, Miss Marjorie
Holmes, Mrs. L. H.
Hamilton, Mrs. Jennie
Hoffman, Jacob
Hann, John
Jacques, Wm. S.
Kilgus, Miss Mary
Kinz, Thos. B.
Klepper, John
Walker, M. H.
Persons calling for above please say advertised.
W. L. FORCE, Postmaster.

DEATHS.
LOWE—At Catskill, N. Y., Jan. 3, Della E., wife of B. F. Lowe.
Funeral from residence of W. E. Lowe, Plainfield, N. J., Jan. 5, at 2:30 p. m. Train leaves foot of Liberty street 1:30 p. m.

WANTS AND OFFERS.
Advertisements under this heading, one cent for each word, each insertion.
LOST OR STOLEN. ST. BERNARD DOG. One year old; brindle and white. Answers to name of "Royal." Ample reward offered. Walter M. McGee, Linden Ave., North Plainfield. 1-4-12
A VERY DESIRABLE FRONT ROOM TO LET. With board, at No. 31, Second St. A few table boarders can also be accommodated. 1-4-12
FOR SALE—TWENTY THOUSAND YARDS OF Sand and Gravel on North Ave. below Evans station. Must be removed before May 1st, preparatory to the erection of a factory. Apply at the Real Estate Trust, 26 North Ave., or Wallace Vail, Evans. 1-3-12

BRICK! BRICK! BRICK!—The report having been circulated in Plainfield that there were no SOMERVILLE BRICK to be had, the public are hereby notified that we have a large stock of first-class brick on hand, which we are selling at the lowest market prices. RUSSELL BRICK, Camden, N. J. 12-20-11

TO LET—HOUSE CORNER SIXTH AND DIVISION STREETS. Furnished or unfurnished; for boarding or private use; in good order; all improvements. Rent very low to responsible parties. Apply to Mrs. D. Eaton, Division Street, between 14th and 6th. 12-6-11

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

FURNISHED ROOMS, FOR GENTLEMEN. Only, over the Post Office. ELIZABETH SCHOK. 9-22-11

FOR SALE—MY PROPERTY ON WEST SECOND STREET. Price Moderate. Terms easy. T. H. TOMLINSON, M. D. 20-6-11

FOR SALE—A SECOND-HAND, TWO HORSE "Peerless" power. In good order. Sold cheap, for want of use. Apply to S. B. WHEELER, Newburgh Farm, Plainfield, N. J. 6-22-11

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., Architects and Storage Warehouse, from 109 to 123 E. 4th street N. Y. city. —my201

NEW Flour & Feed Store,
E. 4th STREET,
(Mr. Bird's Building, near Park Avenue).
PLAINFIELD, N. J.

I desire to inform the public generally that I have leased the above building and stocked it with **FIRST QUALITY Flour, Feed, Grain, Baled Hay, Etc.,** from our own mill. With a long experience in the business I feel that I know the wants of the people, and shall endeavor to please all who favor me with their patronage. Respectfully,
N. W. FRENCH.

Sham, The Great Tycoon of Japan,
Would be pleased to see you at
MUSIC HALL!
PLAINFIELD, JAN. 9th, 1888.

An Ideal and Refined Production of
"The Little Tycoon,"
Under the Author's Personal Supervision.
An Ideal Cast and Chorus.
The Finest Costumes Ever Seen on the American Stage!
SPECIAL Scenery, surpassing the first production in ELEGANCE.
EVERYTHING NEW!
COMPANY CONSISTS OF 50 PEOPLE!
On this occasion, the Author will personally conduct the
Orchestra of Twelve Pieces!

Reserved Seats for Sale at 3. G. Miller's and Field & Randolph's Drug Stores, Friday, Jan. 6th. Prices as usual. 1-3-12

HOLIDAY GOODS!
Large, New and Choice Assortment.
FANCY CHINA AND BRIC-A-BRAC,
ARTISTIC GLASS WARE,
ART POTTERY.
ELEGANT LAMPS.

GAVETT'S,
15 E. FRONT STREET. 10-1-11

HEADQUARTERS
FOR
RUBBER
Boots and Shoes.
DOANE & VANARSDALE,
22 WEST FRONT STREET.

THE Winthrop Kid Glove!
At PECK'S.

GREEN'S Furniture Warerooms
EVERYTHING AT NEW YORK PRICES.
All Goods Marked in Plain Figures.
REPAIRING AND UPHOLSTERING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.
GOODS TAKEN ON STORAGE.

The Democratic Association
of the city of Plainfield, will hold their Annual Meeting at their rooms in
WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 4th,
inst., at 7:30 o'clock.
JAMES E. MARTINE, PRES. 1-3-12
LOUIS F. WADSWORTH, Sec'y.

SLEIGHS! SLEIGHS!
ALL STYLES
AT
L. M. FRENCH'S,
18 Somerset Street.

At Popular Prices!
Full Stock of Body, Shaft and Saddle BELLS. Also, PLUMES in all the different Shades.
L. M. FRENCH,
18 SOMERSET STREET. 12-2-11

CITY PHARMACY.
21 WEST FRONT STREET, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

CITY PHARMACY DENTINE—Beautifies the Teeth.
COMPOUND WILD CHERRY SYRUP—Cures Coughs, Colds, &c.
CLOTH CLEANSER—Removes Grease Spots, &c.
PHYSICIANS' PRESCRIPTIONS ACCURATELY COMPOUNDED AT REASONABLE PRICES.

SUNDAY HOURS—9 a. m. to 10 p. m.; 4 to 9 p. m. for the Sale of Medicines Only. Telephone Call 109.
FIELD & RANDOLPH,
PROPRIETORS. 12-2-11

MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY
OF
ELEGANT GOODS
FOR
HOLIDAY GIFTS!
AT
SHAW'S PHARMACY!

Plush Cases, Perfumes, Mirrors, Odor Cases, and Manicure Sets.
Finest Goods and Lowest Prices in the City.
R. J. SHAW,
12-1-11

GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES,
Opera Glasses,
Gold and Silver-Headed Canes,
Gold and Silver Jewelry, Solid and Plated.

PRICES WAY DOWN!
AT DOANE'S,
9 PARK AVENUE. 12-16-11

DON'T FAIL TO CALL
AT
DICKINSON & CLAWSON'S
JEWELERS, 13 Park Avenue,
To select your
CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S
PRESENTS. Their stock of Goods Cannot be Beaten, either in Quality or Price. 12-21-11

60,000 MINERS QUIT WORK
GREAT INDUSTRIES PARALYZED
FOR WANT OF COAL
The Life of the K. of L. at Stake—The Strike of the Miners Will Make the Company Come to Terms.

READING, Jan. 4.—The situation in brief here: (Over 20,000 of the 30,000 coal miners employed in the coal regions are idle and on strike. The Philadelphia and Reading collieries are all closed up. Individual collieries alone are working.
It is doubtful if the company will furnish them with cars to have their coal shipped to tidewater. Coal shipments have practically ceased, and in this city last night a twenty-five crews, consisting of nearly 4,000 men, were discharged because so many coal trains have stopped running.
Nearly 60,000 men have been idle in the Lehigh region four months and much distress is looked for.
Many furnaces and other ironworks are running short of coal and a week's time enough industrial establishments will close down in the Schuylkill Valley to throw 4,000 men out of employment. There is great stagnation of business and distress, gloom and uneasiness extend all over the coal regions. Two hundred more special policemen were sworn in in this city last night.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4.—There is no change in the condition of the strike in this city. It was very early yesterday morning when John O'Keefe, superintendent of the Port Richmond coal wharves, arrived at his office on Richmond street, below Lehigh avenue. No sooner had he seated himself at the desk before a crowd of workmen began applying for work. The crowds became so numerous that a Pinkerton detective was stationed at the door leading to Mr. O'Keefe's office to keep the people back and instruct the callers to visit General Foreman Hinkle at Pier 14, South Wharves, where they would be employed or rejected, as it might suit his pleasure.

At 7 o'clock the employees began gathering at their respective places throughout the city and went to work. Now and then a stranger ventured to ask for a situation, but in each instance he was refused. A large number of applicants were sent to Assistant Superintendent Stager, at the Port Richmond Junction, but that official in turn ordered them to report to some distant point, remarking that they also had the help required for the present.
Ten of the fourteen "wharf rat" engines are doing duty about the coal wharves yesterday, while the others, four in number, are at the round house under steam. Those "wharf rats" employed about the wharves are manned by two crews, the company preferring to keep all of the engineers and firemen at hand in case of emergency.

Said the engineer of No. 188: "I am an old engineer but I find it entirely new work to run one of these small engines after being accustomed to one of the larger ones. No matter what action the Knights of Labor may take, or how often I am ordered to leave my work I propose to remain loyal to the company."

The engineer then stepped down from his caboose, examined the stay bolts of his engine's boiler and continued: "They talk about some of the new engineers burning out their boilers. That is untrue. There has not been an engine at this end of the line that has had its boiler burned out."

Mr. O'Keefe has promised the engineers at work all the necessary protection, and Pinkerton's officers guard them while they are on duty. They were not molested yesterday, and if any attempt is made to intimidate them they will be allowed to leave duty again and receive full pay while they are idle.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 4.—John Lee, of the Executive Committee of the Reading Company's employees was in town last night on his way to Scranton to consult with Mr. Powderly. It is expected that the latter will issue an order sanctioning the strike of the Schuylkill miners. Lee says 60,000 miners went out in the Schuylkill region yesterday, and that the men will not return to work until the Reading Company grants their demand of eight per cent. above the \$2.50 basis. Lee asserts that unless the men are put to work within ten days a coal famine will follow. It looks as though there was going to be a desperate fight between the Reading Company and the Knights. Lee confesses that the life of the Knights of Labor is now at stake.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Knights of Labor in this city were jubilant over the news that the miners along the line of the Reading road had struck. "That means," said Timothy Fitzmaurice, "that the strike will be won. The company cannot stand the combined efforts of a strike of the railroad men and the miners and will therefore be forced to submit to the demands of the strikers."

James H. Quinn was asked if there was any likelihood of the boatmen and the coal handlers in this city going out. He said: "I have heard of no movement in that direction, and don't know whether they will or not. It looks now, however, as though they would have to stop work for lack of coal."

PITTSBURG, Jan. 4.—A committee of miners left for Washington yesterday morning to request Congressman Scott to grant his miners an advance. In case of a refusal a strike will be ordered in his mines.

Death of Dr. James R. Nichols
HAVERHILL, Mass., Jan. 4.—Dr. James R. Nichols, author of "Whence? What? Where?" died at Haverhill yesterday, aged sixty-eight. He was graduated at the Dartmouth College Medical School, founded the *Journal of Chemistry*, and was afterward senior editor of the *Popular Science News*. From 1873 to 1878 he was president of the Vermont State Railroad, and from 1878 until his death a director of the Boston and Maine Railroad. He was also a trustee of the George Peabody Fund. He leaves a widow and two children.

An Electric Light Convention.
PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 4.—S. A. Duncan, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Electric Light Association, left for Baltimore last night to attend a meeting of the committee. The meeting is called to complete arrangements for the big convention of electric light men, to be held in Pittsburgh in February.

Propagating Fish and Preserving Game.
KINGSTON, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Members of game and fish clubs in the Catskill Mountains are arranging to procure large supplies of trout fry and small-mouthed black bass for the purpose of restocking streams. Steps are being taken, too, to preserve game.

His Own Surgeon.
WATERBURY, Conn., Jan. 4.—John Hall, aged 30, while on his way from a ball yesterday morning was seriously stabbed in the groin. He stopped the hemorrhage by plugging the edges of the wound together.

TWO YOUTHFUL BURGLARS.
When Discovered by the Police They Made a Hard Fight for Liberty.
BOSTON, Jan. 4.—A peculiar phase of Boston's epidemic of burglary was discovered yesterday morning by two patrolmen. James Sullivan is ten years old and Jeremiah, his brother, is a year older. Instead of being abed and asleep last night they were going around the city breaking into stores wherever they could force an entrance. Jeremiah was armed with a small hatchet, and that was their only weapon of offense and defense. With that they forced open doors and tried to pry open a safe.

Patrolman Graham, while going his rounds, saw the two boys in the grocery store of E. W. Proctor on Kingston street. Summoning Patrolman Parsons, the two officers entered the store and confronted the youthful criminals. Young Jeremiah tried to use his hatchet, but it was at once wrenched from his hand, and after that they fought like little tigers, and the patrolmen had their hands full in holding them.

At this station house the sum of one dollar and ten cents in cash and a quantity of pipes, tobacco and cigars were found in their pockets. They confessed to breaking into stores on Essex and Lincoln streets on the night of January 1, also to breaking a window in a liquor store on Lincoln street, on the same night, but they said they were frightened away by the man who lives over the store. They will undoubtedly be placed where they must keep out of mischief during the remainder of their minority.

No Reduction of Wages for Coke Workers.
PITTSBURG, Jan. 4.—It is stated that the reduction recently made in the price of coke will not affect the wages of the coke workers. It has been decided that the reduced price will only be in operation during this month. This decision relieves the coke district of a great anxiety. It has been thought that a reduction of wages would certainly follow the reduction of price, but the operators have agreed not to change the wages for the present. They also decided that the reduced price would only be temporary.

Arrested for Hamilton's Murder.
LONG BRANCH, N. J., Jan. 4.—Coroner Vandever has issued warrants for the arrest of Bowles and William Cook, implicated in the murder of Hamilton, the servant of Mr. John A. Drexel, and they were arrested last night. Magistrate Wright and John Brown were arrested this morning. All four are held. They will be examined before the Justice of the Peace to-day. The inquest will be held next Tuesday. Hamilton was buried to-day from St. James Episcopal Church.

A Malicious Servant.
WHITE PLAINS, Jan. 4.—Three costly oil paintings, several upholstered articles and a piano valued at \$1,200 in the home of Mr. Gilbert Frazer, connected with the British Consular office in New York, were mutilated with a knife by some malicious persons. A discharged colored servant named Mary Cornell has been arrested on suspicion of being the guilty party. Justice Long has committed her to jail.

No Wires on the Baltimore Exchange.
BALTIMORE, Jan. 4.—For the first time in nearly twenty years the telegraph offices on the floor of the Corn and Flour Exchange were closed yesterday. For some time past the Western Union Company has not the rent of its own office as well as that occupied by the late Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company, but declined to pay for both after the close of the year.

Robbing a Fire Company.
NEWARK, Jan. 4.—Thieves paid a New Year's call at the residence of Francis Kane, Treasurer of the Harrison Hose Company, late Monday night. They stole \$120 of the hose company's money, and had a quantity of the Kane family's wearing apparel tied in a bundle to take off, but in their hurry to leave failed to take it with them.

His Friends Look for His Return.
MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Jan. 4.—There is probably no foundation for the sensational reports regarding the disappearance of Postmaster Gilbert of Hingham except that he has been absent five days. His post-office accounts, domestic relations and business affairs are all right, and his friends think he will return soon.

Four Years and One Dollar Fine.
HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 4.—R. S. Hicks, who robbed the Stafford Bank, was brought before the United States District Court, yesterday, where he pleaded guilty to the indictment of embezzlement. He was sentenced to four years in State's prison and to pay a fine of one dollar.

Accidentally Killed Her Child.
NORTH BROOKFIELD, Mass., Jan. 4.—Florence, the four-year old daughter of Eugene Furrar, was fatally shot through the heart yesterday morning by the accidental discharge of a revolver in the hands of her mother.

Telegraph Lines Consolidated.
HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 4.—President Stokes of the United Lines Telegraph Company has secured a ten years' lease of the Connecticut River Telegraph Company, and the offices here were consolidated.

A County Official Stabbed.
CINCINNATI, Jan. 4.—Mike McGrath fatally stabbed Harvey Rollins, a clerk in the County Auditor's office, yesterday.

Sporting News.
It is Billy and not Johnny Clarkson who is to meet Eugene Hornbecker in a 24-foot ring shortly.
Jim Carney is home and was given a great reception there. By the way, Patay Sheppard says that Carney is a great favorite in Ireland.

Johnny Roacan is giving exhibitions in a Bowery museum in New York. He is billed as having given Jack Dempsey "the fight of his life." Johnny gives an exhibition of fighting the ball that is extremely clever.

The reporters in Philadelphia have formed a baseball-league something after the style of Artemus Ward's military company, in which every man was an officer. There are thirteen members, ominous number in the Philadelphia Reporter club. Four are officers and nine are committee men. Just what they propose doing time will determine.

The prospects for an international yacht race for the America's cup this year are not very bright. No challenge has been received from Mr. Jamieson and none is expected from any other quarter. The English evidently have had enough of beating for the time being, and it may be several years before they try again for the coveted trophy.

William Alberts, the long-distance pedestrian who is to be one of the contestants in the Madison Square go-as-you-please in February, while en route to Fire Island on a running exhibition, was caught in the ice with George Skinner at Coney Island hotel keeper, and a report was set on foot that both were drowned. They came through all right, though they had a cold time of it in the storm.

FROM ACROSS THE WATER

THE POPE LAMENTS THE REVOLUTIONARY SPIRIT OF EUROPE.

Trial of Sir Wilfred Blunt—King John Advancing—The European Situation—The Car Going to St. Petersburg.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The Pope yesterday granted an interview to Eugene Voillat, the French writer, and his son. His Holiness expressed regret at the present sad position of France, but said he was confident that she would rise again to her old place in Christendom and exercise unbounded influence in the world. The Pope then referred to the state of Europe. He lamented the revolutionary spirit fermenting in many States, and said he was preparing two encyclicals dealing with socialism, the license of the press and the great power of universal suffrage, which he considers terribly menacing. He also intended, he said, to define certain points upon which good Catholics have confused and dangerous ideas. The Irish and land questions are believed to be the subject to which he alluded.

The Pope gives the jubilee gift money to St. Peter's treasury to be expended in propaganda. The artistic articles will be placed in the museum of the Vatican and the objects of worship in the treasury of St. Peter's. All the rest will be given to hospitals.

The Pope addressed the pilgrims to-day in the presence of the whole court. After expressing joy at the evidence of the cohesion of Catholics, the Pope said: "You have not given faith to those who, with the voice of Calvary, try to persuade you that the Pope is an enemy of Italy. The Pope has always been the greatest friend and benefactor of Italy."

"You, like ourselves, are convinced that the Church, by her holy mission, ought to be independent of whatever terrestrial authority (cries of 'Yes, yes!'); that the Church is a divine institution, and that to try to reduce its interests to a question of the laws of Italy can only be the result of most deplorable blindness."

The address was greeted with enthusiastic applause, which continued several minutes. At the conclusion all present filed past the Pope and received his blessing.

TRIAL OF SIR WILFRED BLUNT.

Many Prominent People Present in Court During the Proceedings.

DUBLIN, Jan. 4.—The hearing of the appeal in the case of Sir Wilfred Blunt began yesterday morning at Portlaoine. The court room was filled by a deeply interested and demonstrative body of spectators, and many throngs surrounded the building.

Among the distinguished persons present were Lady Blunt, who occupied a seat by the side of her husband; Right Hon. Shaw-Lefevre, Liberal member of Parliament for Bradford; Mr. Evelyn, late Conservative member for Deptford, who resigned his seat because of opposition to coercion, and other visitors from England.

A sensation was caused by the entrance of Mr. Sheehy, member of Parliament for Galway, who is undergoing sentence of imprisonment under the coercion act. He was in custody of the police, and wore a long, loose gray coat, which covered the prison garb he was compelled to retain.

Messrs. McDermott and Harrington, members of the House of Commons, defended the appellant. Messrs. Atkinson and Carson acted for the Crown.

The Car Going to St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 4.—The imperial family will leave the Gatchina palace at the end of this week and will come to St. Petersburg to reside for ten weeks. Special measures have been taken to protect the Car. Several hundred special detectives watch the streets along which the Car is likely to pass. The coming fete at the palace promise to be unusually brilliant.

The European Situation.

VIENNA, Jan. 4.—Official declarations of a decidedly pacific character are expected at an early date. Col. Zuleff, who as returned to his duties as military attaché to the Russian Embassy, says he found the Car absolutely opposed to war. The Emperor will receive Col. Zuleff to-day.

Cold Weather in Europe.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The snow storm on the continent continues. Several railways are snow blocked, compelling the stoppage of all traffic. At Brunn, eight gypsies have been found frozen to death, and at Vienna several women have perished from the extreme cold.

Denmark's New Minister to America.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 4.—Count de Sponebeck, Secretary of the Danish Legation at St. Petersburg, has been appointed Danish Minister to the United States. He will enter upon the duties of the post in February next.

A CITY TREASURER ACCUSED.

New Albany, Ind., Supposed to Have Lost Nearly \$100,000 Within a Few Years.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 4.—For several days past there have been rumors that Treasurer Samuel Weir, of New Albany, was short in his accounts \$200,000. He has been in office twelve years. W. W. Granger, an expert, is examining Weir's books. Col. Granger said yesterday he would not say positively that there was any crookedness. He had looked up the accounts of the city clerk and of the treasurer, and found a discrepancy of three hundred thousand dollars. [This might, however, be due to clerical errors. There had not been an overhauling of the books during all Weir's twelve years in office, and naturally many mistakes had occurred.] Weir said the actual cost of carrying on the city government is about \$140,000 a year. The income from all sources is only about \$115,000 a year, and by a state law the city is forbidden to levy a heavier tax on property than is now collected. Accordingly, New Albany has been running short about \$25,000 a year. Weir says, therefore, that there has been no money to steal even if he had been so disposed.

Burned in His Storehouse.

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Jan. 4.—The building occupied by C. W. Parry, general merchant, was burned yesterday. J. A. White, a retired merchant and one of the owners of the building, was burned to death. Miss Inez, Mr. White's only daughter, was rescued with difficulty, and her agony at the horrible death of her father is intense. She has gone from one paroxysm to another and her life is despaired of.

A Venerable Episcopal Clergyman Deceased.

YAKONTA, Dak., Jan. 4.—Rev. Melancthon Boyer, aged eighty, pioneer in the Episcopal ministry of the Northwest, for several years pastor of the Yakonta Church and Dean of Dakota, died near here yesterday.

GOING WESTWARD.

Tent-Dwellers Who Are Travelers Overland Across the Country.

Probably no other class of people that are confined to a living space of 6x10 is as comfortable, and enjoys life as much, as the inhabitants of the tents with which the suburbs of Kansas City abound, says the Star. These people are classified as "movers," and they deserve the title, although many of them have signified their intention of remaining as long as the weather will permit.

While these tents on the roadside have for a long time attracted attention on the part of the grown people and inspired the children with awe, the purpose and mode of living of the tenants have never been well enough understood by even the older residents to be explained to strangers. In the first place, who are these strangers? They are foreigners, the majority of them, on their way West. They prefer this way of traveling because it is much cheaper than railroads and is a far more pleasant way of making a trip across the country than in a closed emigrant car. If the mover is from abroad, immediately upon his arrival at Castle Garden, purchases the necessary outfit for camping, and with proper directions as to the route to follow, starts with his family to Kansas, or, perhaps, to the Pacific coast. The trip is usually commenced in the spring so that it may be completed ere winter sets in. If money is plenty the mover purchases two horses and a wagon, but often the traveler considers himself fortunate to possess a solitary horse, and the trip has been known to be made without any.

The sundry expense account of the mover is small. All that is needed is a tent, and if the wife is a useful and dexterous one, the tent is home-made. The blankets used in making the sleeping voyage are retained, and all that is needed is a few cheap dishes, a skillet, and knives, forks and spoons for as many as there are in the party, and the outfit is complete. Little food is carried; neighboring farmers will supply the camp with every thing needed at a small price, and very often a generous tiller will contribute a quarter of beef and a spring chicken or two to the little band.

The movers are progressive until they strike the State line of Kansas and Missouri. This is usually the first long stop that is made, and generally a lengthy rest is taken. The mover feels that after a weary tramp of a thousand miles or more he is nearing his destination, and he gives himself up to a good time, enjoys the fresh Western air he is now breathing. The spot selected for a camp is near a spring or on the brink of a brook. Vacation here, the men and boys "boulder" the campfire, and the Jack-rabbits are kept busy avoiding lead. The women folks find time to do a little patching up among the dilapidated wardrobe of the party, that a good appearance may be made when the once far-away Western home is finally reached.

"This is only a sort of pleasure trip, with business at the other end," explained an intelligent member of a band, on the extreme South side, to a reporter. "We make hay while the sun shines, and enjoy ourselves while we can, for you can imagine what hard times are in store for us when our trip is ended. We are leaving friends and families thousands of miles across the Atlantic, to settle in a new country that we know nothing about save what the newspapers tell us. One, to look at us as we lie in camp, no doubt would think that we are as happy and free from care as a band of Gypsies, but this is not the case, for our minds are filled with doubts of whether our future life will be as prosperous as we hope."

The movers are of almost every nationality, although the Germans predominate. A visitor to a camp was surprised to find among the few pots and kettles that were being packed a variety of books, old, yet valuable. The movers, as a rule, are illiterate and poorly informed upon the world's affairs, but occasionally an intelligent family is to be found among these nomads, who have been compelled to follow this life through course of circumstances.

The graders employed by the railroads have adopted tent life and find it agreeable. Their horses are kept in "circus tents," while they occupy commodious quarters under canvas during the summer months.

A TERRIBLE CUSTOM.

How the Chippewa Indians Try to Evade the Aid of the Great Spirit.

A Duluth pine-land explorer, who has recently returned from a trip through Northern Michigan and Wisconsin, reports to the Duluth (Minn.) Journal a custom among the Indians which has been recently resurrected. While at a place called "Bird-beat-arsus," the Indian manning being where the caribou live, near Portage Lake, he came across the entirely nude bodies of three Indian maidens hanging lifeless from the branches of a tree. An Indian guide and hunter then told him the remarkable story of the event in connection with these young squaws. The Indians of Bird-beat-arsus, fearing a removal to the White Earth reservation, decided to try and "bottle" the blessing and aid of the Great Spirit, and so brought forth this old custom, which has long been forgotten. Three of the prettiest Indian girls in the band of Chippewas were then invited to a feast, and after receiving the attentions and adoration of all assembled were invited to partake of a draught of liquid which had been prepared by the medicine men of the tribe. Without any knowledge of the deadly nature of the liquid they drank and in a few minutes were beyond human assistance. For three days and nights the Indians then held a wild and exciting service over the corpses and then buried them with all pomp and ceremony. Indian Agent Gregory is investigating the affair and it is extremely probable that something will be done to punish the murderers of these innocent victims of an old and barbarous custom.

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THE CROWS AT HOME.

Wicked and Cowardly Reds of the Great Northwest.

Scenes and Sketches on the Reservations of these Over-Pettled Savages—Civilization and Savagery Mixed—The Custer Monument.

An ex-sergeant of Troop G, First United States Cavalry, who has spent much time with the Crow Indians, contributes this interesting account of that wicked tribe to the *Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette*: Their reservation is about two hundred miles long by sixty wide, the northern boundary line being the Yellowstone river, which they cross "when the spirit moves them" to raid the Bloods and Pie-gans, whose reservations are in the north-western part of the Territory (Montana). Their fighting men may probably amount to five hundred warriors, and as a rule they are the most contemptible and cowardly tribe in the whole West. Their morals are of the lowest, as contact with civilization has taught them nothing but the vices of the white man. There are among the Crows a great many white men who have married Indian women in order to pre-empt a tract of land in the reservation. These men are termed "squaw men," and in case of serious trouble would prove valuable auxiliaries to the military, as it would be to their interest to join out the tribe as much as possible.

The Crows have been humored and petted so long by the Government that they have grown sassy, exacting and defiant. Conciliatory measures have been used toward them until they look upon the white man with contempt, and the only way left to gain their respect is through fear. It is not that it will be of short duration, as one engagement will cause them to sue for peace. The most thickly populated portion of their reservation is in the valleys of the Big and Little Horn rivers, part of which I will endeavor to describe.

The most direct route to reach this country from St. Paul is by the Northern Pacific railroad, leaving the train at Custer Station, M. T., (or, as some call it, Terry's Landing, or the cantonment on the Yellowstone). Here you may take the stage for Fort Custer, thirty-five miles south. You pass but one white man's habitation between here and the post, a small log cabin called the "Half-way Ranch." It is used as a stage station, where horses are changed and meals furnished travelers. But little sign of human life is seen until after you pass this place. The road to the post from Custer Station is confined to the valley of the Big Horn. The river is bordered by clumps of cottonwood trees, among which you may occasionally observe solitary "isopods," and if you approach close enough you will be greeted by a chorus of sharp yelps from numberless crows of the coyote breed.

You will reach one small village of Crows within ten miles of the post, composed for the most part of the worst element of the tribe, who depend for existence upon what they may beg or steal from the members of the garrison, as rations issued them at the agency are usually doled out in one-fifth of the time for which they are supplied. During the intervals between "issuing days" the "bucks" send their women and children into the post to beg, and every day you may notice a dozen or more hanging around the company kitchen pestering "Mer-o-cheetah" for "mock-o-wah."

The first place the stage stops after leaving the "Half-way Ranch" is Fort Custer, situated on the south bank of the Big Horn, in the fork formed by the junction of the Big and Little Horn rivers. To reach it you cross the river on a ferry, which consists of a twisted wire rope stretched from the north bank to a small island or bar in the center; a similar appliance is used from the island to the opposite shore. Suspended to these wires by two pulleys, the small, flat-bottomed boats run across by the force of the current.

The post is situated in an admirable position, from a military standpoint; it is built on a high table land, the bluffs on the sides, toward the rivers stand with faces almost vertical for more than two hundred feet above the watered way approach from the junction of the streams is through a small pass, where a galling gun-squad could annihilate the whole Crow nation. The fourth side of the square formed by the post is occupied by the quartermaster's and commissary store houses, cavalry stables, guard-house and sutler store; five hundred yards further on is the rifle range and cavalry drill grounds, there being enough level space here to maneuver an army.

The number of troops habitually kept in garrison at Custer consists of five troops of cavalry and four companies of infantry, Colonel N. A. M. Dudley, First Cavalry, being in command. The agency is situated on the Little Horn, about nine miles from the post, in a very pleasant locality. It includes about ten buildings in all, agent's residence, store and storerooms.

The Custer monument is about two and one-half miles southwest of the agency, about half a mile from the river, and situated at the highest point of the foothills bordering it. This is the spot where Custer and his gallant Seventh cavalry were massacred by Sitting Bull and his hosts of Sioux Indians.

About half a mile due west of the monument is a lonely grave surrounded by an iron railing, marking the exact spot where one of the most chivalrous and manly young officers of the service fell. A plain inscription tells the wondering stranger that here lies "Lieutenant J. J. Crittenden."

The monument itself consists of three granite blocks, the foundation stone being about three feet thick by six square, the others tapering to a height of about fifteen feet, measuring three feet across the apex, the whole being enclosed by an iron railing to preserve it from relic hunters. Upon the north side is this inscription:

In Memory of Officers and Soldiers who fell near this place, fighting with Sioux Indians on the 25th of June, A. D. 1876.

On the side of the hill toward the river, and about two yards from the monument, is a cluster of graves some forty or fifty in number, marked by small mounds of stones, and from here in every direction you will notice those small mounds marking the spots where the doomed ex-soldiers gave up their lives in their futile endeavors to escape.

The Little Horn Valley from here to the source of the river is a beautiful stretch of country, and the view is especially fine. This is the man who is going to overthrow the Crows, Empires and Kings, by what he calls "the weapon of anarchy."

ORDERS OF CHIVALRY.

The Case for Buttonholes and Decorations in France.

The French are not the only nation who thirst for decorations and orders. A number of Americans, now in Paris, says a writer in the *Epoch*, have danced attendance on the Ministers to obtain the coveted honors. One in particular has a whole case-full of orders, which he puts on exhibition when he gives a reception. Those who are unable at first to gain a decoration are satisfied to wear the purple ribbon of Officer of Academy, a sort of sub-officer of the Legion of Honor.

The traffic in decorations is not new, the business being carried on generally by women who have friends among the Ministry. The number of persons decorated with the various orders of knighthood is so large that it is almost a distinction to be seen without a ribbon in your buttonhole. Even the actresses and ballet-dancers are not forgotten on the grand occasions like New Year's Day and the Fourteenth of July. Several of these charming persons are included in the list of those who receive academic palms, which are the major distinctions conferred by the government. One of the tricks of the men who have not rendered any special service to their country, or who are not rich enough to buy a grade in one of the orders, is to wear in their buttonhole a little red flower, which at a distance looks like the rosette of the Legion of Honor.

Nearly every society of any importance distributes medals among its members, who, however, are not allowed to display them in public. The Grand Chancery of the Legion of Honor, under whose direction all the honorary distinctions are placed, permits the members of the Life-Saving Society to wear their medals on gala days. Some time ago the announcement that the Minister of Commerce would bestow one of these marks of favor on every workman who had remained thirty years in the same shop was received with as much delight as though the Minister had agreed to give them a pension.

There are two kinds of agencies at Paris: one which really obtains genuine foreign decorations, the other which simply fabricates the diplomas and insignia. There are about one hundred and fifty orders of chivalry in Europe, and most of them are on the market here. They vary in price from \$200 to \$1,000. The existence of these agencies shows that it is possible to obtain a decoration without having any title to it other than a purchasable one. As far back as the reign of Henry IV., honorary distinctions were sometimes conveyed by favor, and not for merit. When the monarch remitted the collar of the Order of the Holy Spirit to M. de la Vieville, the recipient modestly replied: "Sire, I am not worthy of the honor."

"I know it," replied the King, smilingly, "but my nephew begged me to invest you with it."

History does not say whether the nephew received a commission for his influence.

LIVELY PIG-STICKING.

Description of an Exciting Horse-Race in Brahmapootra.

A correspondent for the *Field* has been giving an account of some pig sticking in which he took part in Brahmapootra. Here is his description of one run: We were going at a racing speed, Chin along with the pig and I a little to the right. The ground looked firm enough—and below, covered by a deposit of alluvial soil left by the annual inundations. Neither of us paid any heed to the ground we were falling over. Suddenly C's horse came down a cropper, and rolled over. I hesitated for a second whether I should not go back to the help of my friend; but he called out: "Never mind me. Go on! I'll be after you in a second." In front of us, about half a mile ahead, was a heavy patch of reeds. Once in that the pig would be safe; so I drove in this spur. I got nearer and nearer. The brute's eyes twinkled more and more, and he gnashed quicker at his tusks. The jungle was not a quarter of a mile away, and I could hear horses' footsteps galloping after me. A look round showed that C's horse, put at its best speed, was fast overhauling me. My horse was doing his best, though I doubt whether I should have overtaken the brute had he continued straight on; but the horse had evidently had enough of running, and turning suddenly, came at me like a dart. My spear caught him sideways on the shoulder, and heavy as he was, so great was the impetus of our rush that he rolled over and over. My spear snapped short off, and I had gone but a few yards when the horse was up and going for C, who was coming up hand over hand. In the distance was our eyes running like demons. I galloped up to mine, and, seizing a second spear, was back just in time to see C knock over the horse; but I fell nearly under the horse, which stumbled and before he got into his stride again the horse was close to his quarter. From being the hunted, the pig now became the hunter. It was a close thing, for C's horse became unmanageable, and C called out, "My spear's point is broken off." I was, however, close by, and, by giving the horse a prod in his hind-quarters, induced him to give a phish-chase and turn once more on me. This time we met face to face. The bear looked a perfect demon; his tusks were covered with blood, which poured down from a wound inflicted in his head by a broken spear, which otherwise would have penetrated the brain and with every breath of wind and clamping his bloody tusks, he came at me, the very more-sensation of rage and revenge. My spear caught him fairly in the chest. I snatched aside and let go the shaft; the bear fell to ward with a crash, breaking my spear, and driving it farther into his side, and fell over dead.

A LITTLE QUEER.

CONTRIBUTIONS to the "Conscience fund" are almost daily received by the collector of New York.

A fox was rattled with two heads was found by a Kansas farmer. One of the heads only was active, though both were perfectly formed.

NEAR St. John, N. B., a short time since, a petrified seal was discovered in an out-crop of gray granite. The animal was fifteen inches wide and three feet long.

A MEXICAN woman made of her bustle a hiding place for seven thousand dollars, but a thief made off with bustle, money and all. Truly the bustle is not a thing to be ignored.

A MARYLAND man lately caught a large terrapin in the Choptank river, upon the back of which grew a huge oyster. The terrapin and oyster were both in a flourishing condition.

A LETTER was delivered in a Pennsylvania town the other day that was mailed twenty-two years ago. The letter was in some way become secreted in the post-office and was accidentally discovered recently.

A SHAVING match occurred recently in London in which the contestants shaved against time. The champion barber shaved seventy-seven persons in sixty minutes, receiving a prize of seventy-five dollars.

A PUMPKIN weighing 250 pounds was lately displayed in a store in Newburg, N. Y. It was said that during the last two weeks of its growth this pumpkin consumed a pint of milk a day, it all being drawn through a single root which was placed in a basin.

On a farm near Albert Lea, Minn., a short time ago a discovery of natural gas was made which led to the opening of a small basin containing a thin, yellow oil. When the oil was disturbed it was found to contain a large number of small fish, that were swimming about as though in their native element.

A STRANGE sight was recently witnessed by a small party in passing an Iowa farm-yard. In a lot among a lot of hogs a young miss well-grown was amusing herself riding the porkers around the enclosure. She met with several upsets, but would mount again and pound the animals with her heels to make them run.

RURAL EXCHANGE.

In a warm barn or cellar a few hens may be allowed to set in cold weather and raise a few good winter flocks or early spring layers.

The foulest meat or older barrel may be thoroughly cleaned by putting into it a kettful of hot boiled pumpkins, and letting them remain in until cooled.

It is wrong to skim milk and churn at once. Cream should not be put in the cream-pot for twelve hours before churning, as the cream will not ripen in less time, and by so doing the butter will be slower in forming.

Cauliflower is generally a good paying crop, but there is no use trying to get one unless extra cultivation is given. It is a ravenous feeder, and should, if possible, be planted where the ground is naturally moist.

The best time to prune an old, neglected orchard is in the spring, before the leaves have started. There are many large branches that must be removed, and it will need a whole year's growth to enable the wounds to heal over.

SOME farmers feed the fodder in the barnyard without cutting it. When so fed the cattle eat only the leaves. The more approved way is to cut the stalks in a fodder-cutter, a little bran or meal is added, when all is eaten up clean.

It is said that in Italy turkeys are always fattened with walnuts. Thirty days before a turkey is to be killed one walnut is stuffed down his throat. Each day he is given an additional walnut, and on the twenty-ninth day he has twenty-nine walnuts. He is then immensely fat.

The precise method to be fed to each cow to produce the best result in milk and butter must be determined by the feeder, as cows of the same weight do not digest alike. And the same cow can digest more at one time than another. The eyes of the feeder must note and provide for these differences.

NO FARMER would think of carting mere earth to distribute over his fields, but this he is doing if he or some one else mixes earth or other worthless substances with fertilizers merely to make bulk. Besides, in most cases, the farmer pays very dearly for the labor of mixing good and bad together.

SOME patience is required in getting the fowls used to sunflower seeds, but when once they acquire the taste they grow very fond of them, especially in cold weather. The seed of the sunflower has much oil in it, which makes it a better feed for cold weather. By this time, too, the acid juices of the green stalk have evaporated. It is better, therefore, to put the sunflower heads away for winter use.

PEASE and oats make an excellent soiling crop on clay loam. If the land is plowed in the fall this crop can be put in early or as early as the land can be worked. No harm can come from freezing. Mix two bushels of pease with 40 quarts of oats, and then drill in 1/2 for 4 bushels to the acre. The crop is ready to begin cutting for soiling when pease are in blossom, and may continue to be cut until seed is in milk.

In cleaning up grain for market, if the work is done properly there will be nothing left in the screenings but the seeds of weeds. These should be burned. Even if there are a few imperfect grains among the screenings, farmers can not afford to feed the whole to stock, and thus get weed seeds into their manure heaps. Screenings are mostly given to poultry. This is another cause of loss, for they will eat many seeds which are injurious, and often stop them from laying.

This selection of potatoes for seed should be made when the crop is harvested, and before being taken up after being dug. At this time the very largest, smoothest and most perfectly formed ones can be and should be taken to be used as seed for the next year's crop. This seed should be handled carefully, so as not to bruise them. They should be put into sacks, one bushel in a sack, and stored in a dry, cool cellar, separate from or as far away from other potatoes as possible.

BECKWITH should be thoroughly dry before this is harvested, so as to avoid the danger of heating or molding in the bin. Although the threshing is frequently done by machine, the tendency is to perform the work when the straw or grain is not entirely dry. The old-fashioned method of hand-threshing in the middle of the day, when the grain is perfectly dry and will shell easily, seems to be a very satisfactory mode, even if it takes a little longer time and the additional labor of winnowing by hand. Hand winnowing will give much clearer grain.

The young fowls that are not intended for laying or breeding should be put up for fattening before cold weather comes on. If they have good range and are not troubled some to harvested and growing crops, they may be allowed a few weeks longer to improve in size. Fowls can be fattened at less expense in the fall than the winter, and the prices are almost invariably higher then than when the market is full, which is often the case about Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Two or three weeks of generous feeding of fat producing food will put fowls in good condition for the table.

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