



D. A. R. MEET.

An Open Meeting With a Delightful Entertainment.

MR. SELLECK SPEAKS.

Delegates Were Elected to the National Congress D. A. R. to be Held at Washington.

The open meeting of the D. A. R. held yesterday was largely attended by the members and their guests. The Regent, Mrs. Samuel R. Weed was present and presided over the meeting. The program was full of interest and was well rendered. After "America" had been sung Mrs. Weed welcomed the guests of the day and introduced Miss Amy Wood, who rendered a ballad in a pleasing manner; E. B. Manville acted as accompanist. A delightful selection from banjos was then given by Miss Louise M. Wood and Miss Matilda Richardson, accompanied on the piano by Miss Amy Wood.

The matter of the Nathan Hale memorial was then brought up with a report from Mrs. E. H. Gumbart, who had in charge the collections made in the schools for this object, amounting to over fifty-six dollars. This was a wholly voluntary offering from the children. It was voted that when the memorial is erected a suitable tablet shall be attached showing the share of

the schools in the patriotic work. In connection with this Mrs. Weed announced that an additional prize of five dollars had been offered by Miss Mary Cunningham for an essay on "Nathan Hale." This is to afford the pupils of grammar and intermediate schools a chance to compete.

The Regent in introducing the Rev. C. M. Selleck referred briefly to the general interest evinced in the centenary of Washington's death as shown by the many memorial services held in different parts of the country and the observance of the day in the schools, and particularly of the striking solemnities at old St. Paul's in New York by the Order of the Cincinnati, the S. R.'s and S. A. R.'s. This church is the only one in the city which is pre-revolutionary and it was there the first president attended services.

Rev. C. M. Selleck then read a paper which was greatly enjoyed by those present. A vote of thanks was tendered him.

More music followed, by the young ladies.

The election of alternates for the delegates to the National Congress, who were Mrs. T. R. Weed and Mrs. E. J. Hill, were Mrs. S. K. Noble, Mrs. Sarah Belden, Mrs. Ella D. Hill, Miss Elizabeth Raymond, Mrs. John H. Ferris, Mrs. Walter L. Weed. Refreshments were served by the Woman's Exchange.

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The Directors Give the Public Valuable Information.

COMPLETED BUILDING.

In Round Numbers the Institution Cost Forty Thousand Dollars.

The directors of the Norwalk hospital lay before the public the following frank statement, and invite the continued, intelligent, warm-hearted, and generous co-operation of all who find pleasure in relieving those who suffer:

THE COMPLETED BUILDING.

The commanding site, tasteful architecture and large proportions of our new Hospital awaken the interest alike of our citizens and of strangers. A careful inspection of the interior will win increasing admiration. A recent visitor from a firm dealing in hospital supplies, in writing to his house described this as the completest, up to date small hospital he had seen in New England.

THE BUILDERS.

Gifts from those in plain walks of life and the well to do, have secured its erection. Not a cent has been realized from local taxation or by any appropriation from our town or the twin cities.

THE COST.
In round numbers this institution represents an expenditure of \$40,000.

This is aggregated by the following items:

The site on Connecticut avenue comprising three acres with approaches from that avenue, from Cedar street, and from Seymour place.	\$ 7,000
Grading, approaches, driveways, sidewalks, etc.,	2,500
The Hospital building with gas, electric and water connections,	22,500
Heating apparatus,	1,500
Furniture and household utensils,	5,850
Surgical, medical and hygienic appliances,	750
Total,	\$40,000

THE PURPOSE.

The sick we have always with us. An appalling sight it would be if there were gathered in one place all the pain-stricken, diseased, infirm and injured to be found within the borders of our township. How little would our new building suffice to give shelter to such a crowd. But it is not intended for so general a ministrations. Its mission is not to serve those ill with lingering, incurable diseases, nor those who suffer from contagious maladies, for we have not yet facilities for secluding such patients where their ailments will not imperil all the rest.

THIS IS PRIMARILY AN EMERGENCY HOSPITAL.

That is, one to offer prompt and efficient refuge and aid for a time to those cases of non-contagious sickness and

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POLITICAL TALK.

Names of Candidates for the Several City Committees.

MAYOR GLOVER TO DECIDE.

Some Changes, It is Thought, Will Be Made.

In local political circles there is a great deal more interest shown in the coming chairmanships of the several city committees to be appointed by Mayor Glover next month than in the canvass for the Republican nomination for Governor. The one is our own affair solely, while in the other we share our interest with the whole state.

Not even the pleasures of Christmas shopping can divert attraction from Mayor Glover's coming appointments. The political quid nunc will turn from gazing at the wealth of attractions in the windows of GAZETTE advertisers to ask the next acquaintance he meets who he thinks will get the chairmanship of this or that committee.

On January first two of the present members of the city council, Messrs. O. E. Wilson and Gould Hoyt, retire to private life.

In the place of these retiring councilmen will come Stephen H. Holmes and George S. Grumman, the latter the only Democrat on the board. With these changes the board of councilmen on January first will consist of the following:

- Frederick H. Buckley,
- Aaron H. Hoyt,
- Aurelius J. Meeker,
- Alfred Avison,
- Stephen H. Holmes,
- George S. Grumman.

The most prominent committee is that of finance, the chairmanship of which was held during the past year by O. E. Wilson. It is thought that in the new deal S. H. Holmes will be given this important post, although there are a number who think that Buckley stands a good show for the chairmanship.

Next to finance comes that of highway. A. J. Meeker has been filling this important post the past year, but it is thought that he will be given another committee next year and Councilman Buckley advanced from the fire department committee to that of highway. Still Holmes may be appointed if he does not get finance.

A. H. Hoyt now fills the chairmanship of the committee on lights, and it is thought that Mayor Glover will continue him in that position another year.

Councilman Meeker, if he leaves the highway committee, will probably be given the chairmanship of the police committee made vacant by the retirement of Gould Hoyt. Mr. Meeker is at present captain of the fire police which gives him an advantage over his colleagues for the police chairmanship.

The chairman of the sewer committee is A. Avison, and as he has made an unusually good officer during the past year it is more than probable that he will be re-appointed to his present position.

George S. Grumman, the Democratic member, is an old fireman and a member of Phoenix Engine company and in all probability he will be appointed chairman of the fire committee, for which position he is better qualified than any member of the board.

To sum up, it is the impression among those who think they are on the inside that Mayor Glover's chairmanships of the committees will be as follows:

- Finance—Holmes or Buckley.
- Highway—Buckley or Holmes.
- Lights—Hoyt.
- Police—Meeker.
- Sewers—Avison.
- Fire—Grumman.

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SUNDAY SHAVING.

Recorder Senior Applies Common Sense to Construction of Law.

New Jersey has in George B. Senior a recorder who applies common sense to his construction of law. The Barbers' Union of Paterson inaugurated a Sunday closing movement, and caused the arrest of barbers who did not shut up shop. Recorder Senior dismissed every complaint lodged by the union against those barbers who refused to close on Sunday, saying: "This question as to keeping open on the Sabbath is indeed a fine one, and I have been for some time studying it carefully before passing judgment. I want you all who are listening to me to remember that this is a modern time—an age of progress, when usages and customs make our laws. I do myself think shaving a necessity. I do it in my home every Sunday myself, and so do countless others who are God-loving Christians. Yes, even preachers do it. It is as much of a necessity as is bathing on Sunday, and I don't think it comes within my province to say who shall or shall not keep open his shaving parlors on the Sabbath. I, therefore, discharge all the barbers who have been arrested for keeping open their stores on Sunday."

—Lost Child Found.

Albert Smith, four years old, wandered away from his home on West avenue this morning and his folks were much worried over his absence. Failing to return at noon a searching party of several hundred excited people traced him to "The Big Store" of W. S. Sturtevant, where he had gone to see the great display of holiday goods.

Klammar-Marshall.

Attorney John J. Walsh acting as a justice last night united in marriage William Henry Marshall and Lena L. Klammar.

The ceremony was performed at lawyer Walsh's well known "Blackstone Cottage" near Dorlon Point.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Buckley's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by J. A. Riggs, Druggist.

Norwalk Cases in Court.

Among the cases on the short calendar, before Judge Robinson in Bridgeport to-day, are the following Norwalk cases: Philo A. Thatcher vs. Fannie G. Baxter et als, foreclosure; James D. Jennings, et als, Exrs. vs. Eloise Ives, foreclosure; Norwalk & South Norwalk Electric Light Co. vs. City of South Norwalk, motion that defendant file an answer to the amended complaint allowed June 23, and to the supplemental complaint filed Oct. 15, 1898.

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Would use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. It is securing more of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles, than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a Sample Bottle Free to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Price 25c. and 50c.

A Worthy Cause.

The Salvation Army hall will be open all day, Tuesday to receive anything that may be sent. Any one who has not been called upon or cannot send their offerings to the hall, if they will drop Capt. Stewart a card he will see that some one calls to receive the gift whether it is money or food. Any one knowing of those who should receive tickets for the dinner would confer a favor by letting the captain know, so that they can be supplied.

Companions of the Forest.

Star of Columbia Circle, Companions of the Forest, held its annual election last night. The result was as follows: Chief Companion—Mrs. J. Tobey. Sub-Chief Companion—Mrs. Mary Tyle. R. G.—Miss O'Connell. L. G.—Mrs. Leslie. I. S.—Miss Mulcahey. Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Michael Howard. Rec. Sec.—Mrs. M. Stegmuller. Treasurer—Katherine Duffy. Trustee—T. S. Tobey. Pianist—Annie Stegmuller.

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Christmas, 1899.



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FOR ODD CORNERS,

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Our New Furniture for Dining Rooms

converts the plain meal into the semblance of a feast, and the luxurious Chairs give ease and comfort to the diner.

- Extension Tables from \$5.00 up.
- Side-Boards from \$12.00 up.
- China Closets from \$10.50 up.
- Dining-Room Chairs from 75c up.



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we have the very things that cannot fail to please you. Smyrna, Moquette and Velvet Rugs, at rock bottom prices. Reed and Rattan Chairs,

- from \$1.50 up.
- Center Tables from 50c up.
- Onyx Tables from \$3.25 up.
- Tabourettes from 39c up.

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The home is more happy that has comfortable chairs to rest the tired body. Our stock includes some elegant easy chairs at easy prices.

Fancy Upholstered Rockers and Morris Chairs in great variety. Nothing more suitable as a Xmas gift.



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Book Shelves and Book Cases of all sizes and at all prices. Protect your books by having the right place for them. Encourage reading by having books where they will be handy to get at.



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we have the most charming Beds and Accessories. Get a new, clean, fresh bed, and your baby's slumbers will be quiet and refreshing.

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Prompt delivery guaranteed.

A. J. COLLINS & CO.

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A NEW ENTERPRISE.

A new firm under the name of Curtis & Comstock have started in the business of manufacturing shirts, overalls and trousers.

Their factory is located on the second floor of the Quintard building on Wall street.

The members of the firm are Seymour Curtis and Willard W. Comstock. Mr. Curtis will retain his position as book-keeper in the Fairfield County Savings Bank and Mr. Comstock will superintend the work of the manufactory, with such assistance from Mr. Curtis as his leisure time from his bank duties will permit.

The firm will manufacture the overalls and trousers at the factory, but the shirts, which are of soft material and known in the trade as "workmen's shirts" will be given out to be made, thus giving work to many outside families.

It is said that the enterprise is well backed financially and is expected to be a success, which the many friends of the young men hope will prove true.

Waterbury Kellogg.

It is rumored that the wedding of Miss Clara L. Kellogg, daughter of Jarvis Kellogg of Center avenue and Schuyler Waterbury will take place early in January.

Lieut. Bloom Resigns.

Lieut. William W. Bloom, of Company F, has resigned, and has been honorably discharged from the service of the state. Capt. W. I. Comstock has been ordered to call a meeting of the company to nominate a first lieutenant to fill the vacancy.

Selleck's Norwalk.

Rev. C. M. Selleck's History of Norwalk will be out on Saturday next. This work, the labor of years, on the part of the author, comprises nearly 500 pages of our town and family history. It is illustrated with rare pictures and will prove a book of reference which should be in every home in town as well as the libraries and schools.

Jesscott-Lux.

Many Norwalk friends have received announcements of the marriage of Miss Florence Esther Lux, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Lux, of Clyde, N. Y., and Robert Crawford Jesscott, on Saturday, December 16. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home, Evergreen place. Mr. and Mrs. Jesscott will be at home after February 1, at Melbourne, Australia. The bride was formerly a teacher of music at Miss Baird's seminary, and is better known to Norwalk people as Miss Myers.

Mystic Chain Officers.

Palestine Castle, Knights of the Mystic Chain, has elected the following officers for the coming year:

- P. C.—William Taylor.
- C.—Asa Lowndes.
- V. C.—Eben Hill.
- Chaplain—Frederick Scotfield.
- S.—Richard Holt.
- F. S.—Edward Beacon.
- T.—Jacob Utzinger.
- I. G.—Fred Coutu.
- O. G.—Samuel Murray.
- D.—George W. Coffin.

The new officers will probably be installed Monday evening, January 8th.

Many Depot Burglaries.

The officials of the Central New England Railway Company have been bothered considerably for the past six weeks because of the frequent burglaries at the stations along the line. No less than thirty have been broken into in that time. The station at Norfolk and those at Pine Plains and Anoram were entered Monday night. At each place the burglars made a raid on the automatic machines and the telephones and opened a number of express packages. The officials are of the opinion that the burglaries are being committed by a gang that is going along the line. In no instance have tickets been stolen from a depot.

Stars Instead of Stripes.

Postmaster-General Smith has issued an order providing that after December 13, 1899, the length of term of service of letter carriers shall be indicated by stars on each sleeve of the uniform coat instead of by stripes as now. The new regulation provides that the stars shall be as follows: Five years' service, one black star; ten years, two black stars; fifteen years, one red star; twenty years, two red stars; twenty-five years, one silver star; thirty years, two silver stars; thirty-five years, one gold star; forty years, two gold stars. There is no provision for longer service, as faithful carriers who have served longer are entitled to a place among the stars around the throne. To distinguish them from regular carriers, substitute carriers are to wear a black cloth bar on each sleeve, one fourth inch wide and 1 1/2 inches long.

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E. C. FRISBIE RESIGNS.

Governor Accepts Resignation From State Prison Board of Directors.

E. C. Frisbie has resigned as a member of the board of directors of the Connecticut state prison and Governor Lounsbury has accepted his resignation.

Mr. Frisbie states the demand on his time in business affairs is so great that he does not consider that he can give such attention to his duties as director as he ought, and he therefore sent his resignation to the governor. Mr. Frisbie was appointed upon the board by Governor Cooke in 1897, and his term would have expired July 1, 1901.

Iron Moulders Elect Officers.

The Iron Moulders union has elected these officers:

- President—Gould Hoyt.
- Vice-President—John Sheehan.
- Rec. Secretary—Joseph E. Gormley.
- Fin. Secretary—John H. Kenney.
- Treasurer—John Henry.
- Moderator—William Latini.
- Doorkeeper—John E. Howard.

Gives Notice of Appeal.

The County commissioners have received notice of the appeal of Daniel P. Kelly of Danbury from their decision refusing him a license at 21 Nichols street in that city. Kelly is one of two applicants against whom there was a remonstrance by a large hat concern and others. The commissioners found the place unsuitable, and that there were enough saloons in the locality.

Looking for Mooney.

Chief Bradely is in receipt of a communication from Chief of Police W. H. Cady of Rockville, asking for information of George Mooney, who was hurt at the recent freight wreck at South Norwalk.

Mooney was taken to the Norwalk hospital after the accident, but left that institution some two weeks ago for his home on Congress avenue, New Haven.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County, FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHEOBY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY, sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D., 1899.

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CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Ten inches of snow has fallen at Peos, Tex. Intensely cold weather, with heavy snow, prevailed in Germany. Justice Mattice granted a nonsuit in the Robinson-Mutual Life damage case at Elmira. The free Museum of Science and Art of the University of Pennsylvania was formally opened. Mrs. Louis F. Payn, wife of the New York state superintendent of insurance, died at her home in Chatham. An appeal for funds to pay off the mortgage on General Lawton's California home was issued from Washington. The call for the national Republican convention to be held June 19 at Philadelphia was issued by Chairman Hanna. The Erie county board of supervisors has adopted resolutions favoring the division of the county, the city of Buffalo to be set apart.

Defaulting Cashier Captured.

DES MOINES, Dec. 21.—State Auditor Merriam has received telegraphic advice that Jeremiah Kendrick, defaulting cashier of the Citizens' State bank of that place, had been captured in the east. Kendrick disappeared three months ago \$14,000 short in his cash, and his capture is through efforts of the Guaranty Surety company of New York. Mr. Merriam is not informed where the capture was made. Kendrick will be brought to Iowa for trial.

Big Convention Hall Burned.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 21.—The Alhambra, the famous convention hall of Syracuse, where the Democrats of the state have convened in state convention during recent years, has been destroyed by fire. The flames threatened also to destroy St. John's Roman Catholic cathedral, which was saved after heroic efforts by the firemen. The loss amounts to \$80,000.

The Mollineux Trial.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The entire proceedings in yesterday's session of the trial of Roland B. Mollineux for the murder of Mrs. Katharine J. Adams were devoted to the examination of John F. Tyrnell of Milwaukee, the second of the handwriting experts, whose testimony Tuesday was interrupted by the adjournment of court.

Relief For Soldiers' Families.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—President Scull of the British-American league of the Chicago board of trade has cabled \$5,000 to the chairman of the soldiers' relief committee in London, the money to be used for the relief of families of British soldiers killed in the South African war.

Indianapolis Responds Quickly.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—Within two hours after the publication of the appeal of the war department for aid for the wife of Major General Lawton \$500 was subscribed in this city. Captain W. E. English and H. H. Hanna each gave \$100.

MEMORIAL TO BURNS.

Famous Scotch Poet Honored by His Countrymen.

Monumental Tower at Mauchline at Last Completed—Surrounded by Cottages to be Occupied by Honorable Poor Families.

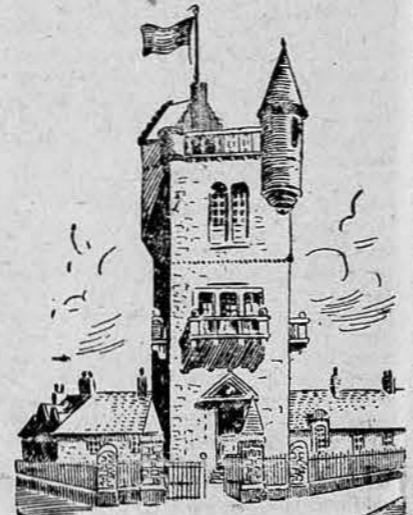
The beautiful and unique memorial monument at Mauchline to Robert Burns, the great Scotch bard, is at last completed.

This announcement should come in the form of a pleasant surprise to the many lovers of Burns in America, not a few of whom have contributed to the cost of the memorial, and who will doubtless, quite naturally, be interested in the statement that the monument is finished and that several of the memorial cottages adjacent to it are already occupied by several families of old folks on whom fortune has not looked kindly.

In many respects this monument to Burns is the most interesting and worthy memorial which has ever in modern times been erected to the memory of a great poet of the people. While the charitable side to the scheme is evidenced by the support by the Burns Memorial association of a number of worthy poor, lifelong residents of the neighborhood in which Burns made his home, is entirely unique in connection with projects of a similar nature.

The charitable feature of the memorial, it is believed, would be entirely in accord with the wishes of Burns himself, as his distinguishing trait was his sympathy with all manner of suffering and sorrow.

Thinking of these things, and of the class from which the poet sprang, the directors of the Glasgow Mauchline society (a benevolent society formed in Glasgow for the stimulating of old friendships and the revival of new amongst natives of Mauchline and



MEMORIAL TO BURNS. (Erected by His Admirers in the Town of Mauchline.)

friends) thought it would not be a bad idea, 100 years after the death of Burns, to endeavor to erect a memorial at Mauchline, such as the one which has been recently completed.

It may be said that the idea of the monument at its present juncture for the world-famed bard originated at the annual reunion of the society in Glasgow in February, 1895.

The chairman, Bailie John Marr, J. P., suggested that, 1896 being the centenary year of the poet's death, an effort should be made to erect some monument in memory of Burns at Mauchline. Next to his birthplace he thought it the most important shrine for worshippers of the bard. Here he got his wife, Jean Armour, and here and at Mossiel, only a few minutes' walk from Mauchline, did the poet do much of his best work.

Mr. J. Seiper Gemmill took his turn as president in 1896 and was also re-elected in 1897. During the second year Mr. Thomas Anderson Battagate left property valued at £1,000 to the scheme, which made a start for the building, and on the 23d of July, 1896, the memorial stone of the tower was laid with full masonic honors in the presence of a large gathering by the chief mason, Hugh R. Wallace, of Cloncaird, a scion of the house of the Scottish hero, Sir William Wallace.

There were present at this ceremony Miss Daisy Barrie Hutchinson, a great-granddaughter of the poet, and a Miss Burns, a granddaughter of the poet. On November 25, 1897, the cottages were occupied, on which occasion the president, Mr. Gemmill, and his good lady entertained the tenants and directors and their wives to tea in honor of the interesting event.

In 1898 Mr. Marcus Bain, J. P., of the celebrated Ballochmyle stone quarries assumed the presidency for the Glasgow denizens and opened the memorial, after which Mr. Thomas Killin had the honor of handing it over in the name of the subscribers to Mr. Bain for the Glasgow Mauchline society.

The museum already has a few interesting relics, such as the nursery chair on which Mrs. Burns nursed all her family, presented by Burns' granddaughter, Mrs. Sarah Burns Hutchinson, of Cheltenham, England. During the course of a chat the other day had by a Philadelphia Press man with the poet's granddaughter, Mrs. Sarah Burns Hutchinson, of Cheltenham, she expressed great delight at the success of the memorial project and spoke highly of it. Among other things she said:

"Fifty thousand pounds have been spent since the poet's death on statues and monuments to the memory of Burns, but I give the Mauchline memorial the foremost place of past and present movements of the warm-hearted sympathies would have gone with work like this."

VALUABLE FORMULAS.

How to Prepare Insecticides and Fungicides for the Destruction of Insects and Scabs.

The following formulas for preparing insecticides and fungicides for the destruction of insects, scab, etc., have been found very satisfactory and are highly recommended by those who have given them a trial:

For destroying the codling moth, canker worm, curculio and leaf insects of various kinds that infest apple, peach, plum, etc., mix a pound of London purple or paris green in a half pail of water, stirring until every lump and particle of dry material is thoroughly incorporated; then dilute with 200 gallons of water for the first spraying. For the second spraying increase the amount of water by the addition of 40 gallons. If a third spraying is required add still another 40 gallons of water. The foliage is more easily injured as the season progresses, therefore the necessity of diluting the material used at each subsequent application. Apply after the bloom falls and at intervals of ten days thereafter.

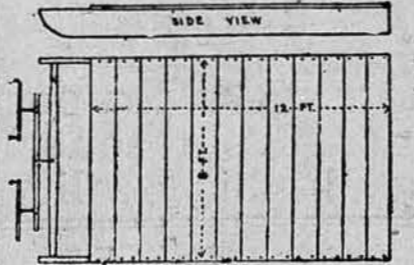
For leaf scab, with which orchardists have had so much trouble and have so faithfully labored to destroy, and mildew on grapevines, grape rot and other fungus diseases, the following has proved efficient: Dissolve six pounds of sulphate of copper in hot water in a wooden vessel. Slack four pounds of fresh lime in another vessel and strain out all the coarser material. Dilute the lime with 50 to 75 gallons of water and then add the sulphate of copper. This is for use on plants in leaf. Copper sulphate solution, which should be used only on plants in early spring before leaves appear, is made by dissolving one pound of sulphate of copper in 25 gallons of water to be used in this form.

A combination mixture for both insects and fungi is made by putting London purple or paris green in a barrel with Bordeaux mixture. The bark louse yields to the following: One pound of common soap dissolved in one gallon of hot water; add two gallons of kerosene and churn, with a force pump if you have one, or by stirring until the kerosene and soapsuds are thoroughly mixed. If the work has been done right the emulsion will have the appearance of very thick cream, and the oil will remain incorporated with the soap and water. Dilute with 30 to 75 gallons of water when using. Any of the mixtures will prove very destructive to the pests if applied properly. They should be applied with a force pump with a spray nozzle.

FOR THE ORCHARD.

How to Build a Pruning Boat for Hauling Away Limbs and Twigs Cut from Trees.

The pruning-boat is a handy, home-made necessity I noticed in a Washington orchard. It is used for hauling away the limbs and twigs cut from the fruit-trees to a convenient place, where they are burned. The boat is nothing more than a sled eight by twelve feet, with a platform of inch boards to receive the prunings. Three



A PRUNING BOAT.

or four men with pruning knives and saws cut the surplus limbs from two rows of trees at the same time, and throw them on the boat, to which a pair of horses is hitched. When a big brush heap is made the branches are drawn away to the fire and consumed. This assists in ridding the orchard of insects and disease germs, and saves the work of collecting the prunings after an orchard has been trimmed. The boat may also be used as a barn-yard manure-sled, and for hauling hay and corn-fodder to the feeding-yards.—Joel Shoemaker, in Farm and Fireside.

Not the Time to Leave Her. "Do you mind if I go into the smoking compartment of the car a few minutes?" he asked. "You'd better not go just now," she replied suggestively. "We're coming to a tunnel in a few minutes."—Chicago Post.

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DISCOURAGING NEWS

Losses at Colenso Over Eleven Hundred Men.

BULLER FORCED BACK FIVE MILES.

Volunteers Come Forward Rapidly. Disagreement Over War Expenditures Denied—Scarcity of Grain in Orange Free State.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—There is still no definite news regarding the military operations in South Africa. Probably this is because the only cable that is now working is choked with official dispatches. General Buller's casualty list at Colenso, just published, shows that 146 were killed and 746 wounded. Two hundred and twenty-seven are described as missing, and of these about 40 are known to be prisoners in the hands of the Boers. This makes a total larger than General Buller's original estimate.

London has been startled by a dispatch from Camp Chieveley, Natal, saying that on Sunday General Buller's army retreated five miles from its position in front of the Boers. This retrograde movement in itself would not have caused serious alarm, as it would be considered a natural precautionary step for Buller to take in the circumstances, but the dispatch adds that two brigades were sent back to Erebe in order to frustrate a possible attempt of the Boers to flank the British and destroy the railroad in their rear.

Royal letters signed by the queen are being circulated by the archbishops to the bishops of the various dioceses authorizing a collection in the churches throughout England on Jan. 7 in aid of the fund for sick and wounded soldiers and their families.

Interest centers for the moment in the preparations to send out reinforcements. The various city guilds have given an additional £12,000 for the expenses of the imperial volunteers besides gifts of horses, ambulances and other paraphernalia.

The latest notable volunteers include two nephews of Lord Roberts, Major Charles Sherston and Major Maxwell Sherston. Their brother was killed at Glencoe.

The admiralty have decided to dispatch another naval brigade of 700 men to South Africa.

It is believed that in mobilizing the eighth division the war office will have recourse to some extent to the militia, it being deemed inadvisable to denude the home garrisons overmuch of regulars.

The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, has issued a formal denial that any differences exist in the cabinet regarding war expenditure.

According to a dispatch from Cape Town, there is a good deal of distress in the Orange Free State owing to a scarcity of grain.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts held a special military council of war at the war office yesterday.

He strongly urged that a large contingent of native Indian cavalry be sent to South Africa for service against the Boers.

It was his judgment that they would prove of inestimable service in the guerrilla tactics necessary to cope with the Boers' mode of warfare.

As a result of his insistence Indian Secretary Hamilton cabled the viceroy, Lord Curzon, to learn how many squadrons were available for war service and how soon they could be landed in South Africa.

The Paris correspondent of The Morning Post telegraphs the substance of an interview with M. Emile Zola explaining why French opinion is on the side of the Boers. M. Zola, while expressing sentiments friendly to Great Britain, said:

"The great mass of the French people are unacquainted with the details of the more or less complicated dispute which culminated in war. In the eyes of the unreasoning mob a powerful nation is assailing a small, weak people. The impulses of the mob, although unreasoning, are frequently generous. Herein is the explanation of public opinion in France, Germany and Russia."

General Kitchener's Movements. ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 22.—Lord Kitchener arrived last evening from Cairo and went on board the British second class cruiser Isis, which immediately sailed for Malta.

Much Building in New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—According to the quarterly bulletin just issued by the state bureau of labor statistics, building operations in Greater New York for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1899, were conducted on a much more extensive scale than during the corresponding term of months in 1898. The estimated cost of all projected structural enterprises for the third quarter of the year 1899 show an increase of \$9,332,188 over the figures for the same months of 1898, the total approximated value being \$32,552,876 and \$23,220,688 respectively. The plans were filed and accepted for 2,298 proposed new buildings during the three months which closed on the 30th of September, this year, as against 2,159 projected in the same months of 1898, the increase over last year being 6.4 per cent. The 2,298 structures, it was estimated, would cost \$30,250,267, while the cost of the 2,159 contemplated last year was placed at \$21,348,726.

Forefathers' Day Kept. PLYMOUTH, Mass., Dec. 22.—The members of the First church (Unitarian) of this town, which was organized immediately after the landing of the pilgrims here Dec. 21, 1620, celebrated Forefathers' day by dedicating a beautiful new structure which is to be the future home of the society. The members of this ancient parish are the legitimate successors through an unbroken church organization and a continuous ministry of the little band of Separatists who met in the Manor House at Scrooby in the first years of the seventeenth century. The history of this church, in fact, is the history of the pilgrim fathers.

Zinc Plant Scorched. IOLA, Kan., Dec. 22.—At Lee Harpe, five miles east of Iola, yesterday fire destroyed two-thirds of the Lanyon Zinc company's plant, causing a loss estimated at \$50,000, fully insured. Two workmen, Jesse Matthews and J. J. Schaub, both married, were crushed to death by a falling smokestack. The town is almost entirely without water supply. The plant, which is one of the most extensive of its kind in the world, will be rebuilt at once.

SCHOOL FUNDS.

An Answer to Comptroller Coler's Absurd Claim.

ALBANY, Dec. 22.—Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction Ainsworth was shown Comptroller Coler's figures with reference to the amount of money paid into the state treasury by New York counties for school purposes and his implied claim that because the amount paid in largely exceeded the amount drawn out by New York she has the right to be exempt from state regulation. Mr. Ainsworth says that since 1795 the state tax for school purposes has been levied by the legislature upon the property of the state. Last year it was .84 of a mill. New York happens to have poured into it the wealth from the rest of the state which is locally taxable there. The result is that she does pay into the treasury probably more money than Hamilton county, but no good citizen would claim that New York was exempt from a general state law because of her wealth. As well might Mr. Vanderbilt or Mr. Rockefeller claim special privileges as a citizen because he pays a larger tax than Comptroller Coler does. Mr. Coler would object to that. Hamilton county objects to New York claiming a special privilege because of increased wealth.

This school money is divided among the counties in proportion to their population and teachers employed. New York receives all that her population and teaching forces entitle her to, as does Hamilton county. The statement of Mr. Coler might be valuable in considering what the law ought to be from his standpoint. His communication attempted to tell what the law is.

Boston Bank in Receiver's Hands. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Comptroller Dawes last evening appointed Special Examiner Daniel G. Wing temporary receiver of the Globe National bank of Boston. In connection with his action the comptroller said: "Some time ago Mr. Wing, who is one of the experts employed in the system of special bank examinations recently inaugurated, discovered a serious condition of affairs in the Globe National bank, which he immediately brought to the attention of the comptroller and under his direction the directors of the bank. The directors very laudably agreed and undertook to make good the doubtful and bad assets found and have greatly improved the condition of the bank since that time. They also delivered to the comptroller a written guarantee that they would remove the doubtful assets. Recent failures in Boston have lessened the value of the unperformed portion of the guarantee and involved the solvency of the bank."

Negro Slave Dead. MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The death of Samuel Brown, known as "Black Sam," aged 88 years, has occurred at his home near Stevensville, this county. He was a slave and was purchased by Barlow Hill and brought to this country from Connecticut in 1812. After he was given his freedom he became industrious and earned a small fortune. He delighted in fine horses and at the time of his death had some of the best in the country. He owned a good farm and was worth several thousand dollars, all of which he left to an adopted son.

The Saratoga Aground. SANTIAGO, Cuba, Dec. 22.—The Ward line steamer Saratoga, owing to the incompetency of her pilot, went aground yesterday afternoon near the wreck of the United States collier Merimac, which was sunk by Lieutenant, Hobson just above Estrella point. She has suffered but little damage, although considerable difficulty is likely to be experienced in moving her. All the harbor tugs are employed.

Coaling Ships at Sea. SANDY HOOK, N. J., Dec. 22.—After a continuous trial of four hours of the Miller conveyor for coaling ships at sea the battleship Massachusetts and the collier Marcellus, which left the navy yard on Wednesday morning, anchored at 5 o'clock last night in Sandy Hook bay. The trial was very successful, 400 bags, about 80 tons, of coal being transferred in four hours without any accident to the apparatus.

Against Sunday Advertising. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Woman's National Sabbath alliance is about to send a letter to department stores in New York city respectfully requesting them not to advertise in Sunday newspapers, and a list of establishments who do not do this will, it is said, be posted at the office of the alliance.

Railroad Complication Settled. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—All the street railway interests in the city of Havana were consolidated yesterday at a meeting in the office of the treasurer of the Havana Electric Railway company at 120 Broadway, thus ending a contest begun more than a year ago.

Measles in Newburg. NEWBURG, N. Y., Dec. 22.—There is an epidemic of measles among the children here. More than 100 cases have been reported to the health officer. 23 new ones yesterday morning. No deaths have been reported, and few adults are attacked.

Minister Straus Coming Home. CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 22.—Mr. Oscar S. Straus, the United States minister to Turkey, left Constantinople for the United States yesterday on leave of absence.

New York Markets. FLOUR—State and western neglected and steady; winter patents, \$3.50@3.75; winter straights, \$3.25@3.45; Minnesota patents, \$3.80@4.05; winter extras, \$2.60@2.80.

WHEAT—No. 2 red opened steady on better cables than expected and light offerings, but eased off through very narrow speculative demand; March, 74%@74% c.; May, 74%@74% c.

RYE—Dull; state, 56@57 c.; No. 2 western, 51 c. @ 51 c. spot.

CORN—No. 2 opened steady with wheat and advanced a little on light receipts west; May, 35% c.

OATS—Dull; track, white, state, 31@34% c.; track, white, western, 31@34% c.

PORK—Steady; mess, \$10@10.50; family, \$12@12.50.

LARD—Firm; prime western steam, \$5.67; nominal.

BUTTER—Steady; state dairy, 18@25 c.; state creamery, 23@25 c.

CHEESE—Firm; full made, fancy, small, 12%@13 c.; full made, large, fancy, 12%@13 c.

EGGS—Steady; state and Pennsylvania, 24@25 c.; western, ungraded, 16@21% c.

SUGAR—Raw steady; fair refining, 3 13-16 c. bid; centrifugal, 96 test, 4% c. bid; refined quiet; crushed, 5 7-16 c.; powdered, 5 1/2 c.

COLLARS—Steady; New Orleans, 32@40 c.

RISE—Quiet; domestic, 4@5% c.; Japan, 4% c.

TALLOW—Firm; city, 5 c.; country, 4% c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 6@7% c.; good to choice, 8@9 c.

Killed by an Elephant.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 21.—M. J. Meagher, an elephant trainer, better known as Patsy Forepaugh, was instantly killed by an elephant at Sellsville. The elephant, known as "Sid," has been in captivity for 20 years and was never regarded as vicious. Meagher led the elephants into the training circle for their daily exercise, when "Sid" became unruly, and the trainer jabbed the animal with his stick. "Sid" became furious and hurled the trainer to the ground with his trunk. The elephant then fell on his victim, piercing Meagher's body with one of his tusks, on which were brass balls six inches in diameter.

Professor Glover Dead. NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Cable advices received here announce the death in Dublin on Tuesday of Professor J. W. Glover, the eminent musician. He was born in Dublin 89 years ago and gained worldwide prominence for the edition of Moore's melodies which he harmonized and edited. Among his numerous compositions were an oratorio, "St. Patrick at Tara," "The Deserted Village," an opera founded on Oliver Goldsmith's poem, and an ode to Parnell. He was for many years organist of the cathedral in Dublin.

Famous Mexican War Flags. BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—Two battle scarred flags, relics of the Mexican war, have been formally presented to the city of Baltimore by the Maryland Association of Veterans of the Mexican War. President Louis F. Beeler of the association made the presentation speech. One of the battle flags was the first American one hoisted on the forts at Monterey after the American victory and was also the first one saluted at Tampico.

Buchtel College Burned. AKRON, O., Dec. 21.—The main building of Buchtel college, including all the laboratories, library, men's and women's dormitories, was burned to the ground last night. The fire started in the men's dormitory about 5 o'clock and spread to the other portions of the building rapidly. Much of the personal property of the students and a large number of valuable books from the library were saved. The loss is fully \$100,000, with \$65,000 insurance.

Stabbed in a Quarrel. TUNKHANNOCK, Pa., Dec. 21.—During a quarrel at the house of William Clark, in Lemon township, this county, where a party of neighbors had assembled and were drinking cider, Dillis J. Coons was stabbed and killed. Otis Whipple is charged with the deed and was placed in jail here.

Fort Omaha Sold. OMAHA, Dec. 21.—The wooden buildings at old Fort Omaha were sold at public auction yesterday by Quartermaster Hathaway of the army. There were 40 of them, and they brought all the way from \$180 down to \$2. The buildings must be removed at once. Most of them were erected about 30 years ago and have not been occupied since the completion of Fort Crook, except for a short time when the Third Nebraska was quartered there to be mustered in during the late war. The brick buildings were not sold and will not be.

Recalled From Nova Scotia. HALIFAX, Dec. 21.—Major Hon. L. H. D. Fortesque, assistant military secretary and aid-de-camp to Lord William Seymour, commander of her majesty's forces in British North America, has received orders to rejoin his regiment, the Seventh lancers, now at Aldershot. He will leave on Sunday for England. It is expected that Major Fortesque's regiment will form a part of the next brigade to be ordered to South Africa.

Burglars at Princeton. PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 21.—Robbers entered Albert Dod hall, on the university campus, Tuesday night and stole several articles from some of the students, amounting in all to several hundred dollars in value.

Valuable Mills Burned. BAY CITY, Mich., Dec. 21.—The saw-mill and salt block of McEwen Bros. & Co., together with 6,300 barrels of salt, were burned yesterday afternoon. The loss is \$78,000, with \$24,000 insurance.

More Pay For Carpenters. BUFFALO, Dec. 21.—As the result of a meeting of the Carpenter Contractors' association all carpenters and joiners in the city are to have a substantial increase in wages on April 1 next.

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Allen May Not Be Seated. OMAHA, Dec. 16.—The question has been raised as to whether William V. Allen, appointed senator from this state, can be seated. The contention of some is that Hayward never having taken his seat the whole matter is in the same position as in a state where the legislature failed to elect. The question is said to have occasioned Hayward considerable worry before his death. Several lawyers were of the opinion that, the legislature having made an election, the failure of the person elected to qualify would not deprive the state of right to representation. Others of equal prominence were in doubt about it.

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GOOD EVENING.

Naturally enough the money market never gets tight when the money flows like water.

John Bull is plainly as little disposed to haul in his horns as he is to crawl out of the small end of them.

These slow-going and prosperous-looking crowds in the stores and streets also show how the people are getting along.

War nevertheless is all the profanest historian ever calls it. When the soldiers are even doing nothing they are killing time.

The top of a desk from Norwich University, Vermont, on which Admiral Dewey had cut his name while a student there, sold in Boston the other day for \$25.

Nets are now to be tried as a means of lessening the motion and force of sea waves. They are floated on the surface of the water by an invention of Baron d'Alessandro and are said to be more efficacious than oil when used for the same purpose.

A grandson of Joseph Jefferson is accounted one of the most promising of young composers. He is Harry Farjeon the son of the novelist. He has won several of the most valued prizes at the Royal Academy of Music. With his sister as his librettist, he has written a successful musical play.

Whether the question as to which shall have precedence in official social functions, Dewey or Miles, is settled or not—and no one seems to know—the controversy has resulted in a new rule that no unmarried woman shall precede a married woman. Thus when a Cab-

inet matron sends her daughter to represent her at a state affair, the daughter must take her place below the wives of the Cabinet officers.

Those people who have foolishly hastened into print to express their opinion that the new century begins with the year 1901 must seriously regret it now that Emperor William has declared for the year 1900. It will occur to these people, now that it is too late, that they would have been wise if they had consulted the Kaiser, or at least secured a pointer from some one in the imperial court before expressing themselves.

Whether it is another development of the new woman movement or not, Mrs. Samuel Lord, of New York, has succeeded in having herself elected a member of the Essex County Country

Club, which had always been supposed to be for men only. Nothing, however, was found in the constitution to keep Mrs. Lord out and because of her charming vivaciousness the members are glad to have her, despite the dangerous precedent they have established in electing her.

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1 lb. can Plum Pudding..... 9c		1 qt. bottle Salad Oil..... 12c
3 lb. box of Starch..... 12c		1 pt. bottle Worcestershire Sauce.. 8c
3 lb. can fancy White Cherries.... 17c		1 pt. bottle strong Ammonia..... 9c
1 lb. can Armour's Potted Tongue 7c		4 cans Golden Pumpkin..... 25c
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2 lb. can fancy Full Cream Cheese. 25c		3 lb. pkge. None Such Mince Meat 25c
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partment. You'll wonder at the prices we've marked these goods and be agreeably surprised to see what \$1.00 will buy here.

Lamps.

To those who recognize us as leaders in this line we would say "come see our Holiday line" and marvel, to others—well there are are no others—every one knows that this is THE lamp house. "Lamps to burn"—lamps that WILL burn, and not only give light but will lighten the heart of both giver and receiver. The right prices on our lamps is what sells them, as well as the style, quality and exclusiveness.

Crockery.

56 piece decorated Tea sets—from \$3.50 up. 112 piece Dinner sets, English porcelain, from \$7.50 up. 10 piece hand-somely decorated Toilet sets from \$2.50 up. These are only a few of the prices.

The variety is bewildering. The goods will not craze. Guaranteed.

Silverware.

Sterling or quadruple plate, it matters not. We have them both. Novelties only in Sterling, but anything made in plated ware. We are showing the pick from first-class makers, and or real exclusiveness this department is a pleasing educator. Rogers' bouillon Spoons make sensible Christmas gifts.

Skates.

All styles. Cut prices.

Furniture.

Here you will find things not only pretty-but useful and necessary. 100 styles of Fancy chairs, 40 styles white enameled beds with dressers and commodes to match. Couches from the ordinary \$5.00 one, to the fine Turkish

bewildering assortment of ladies' fancy desks, combination book-cases and desks, Music Cabinets, Chiffoniers Sideboards, Library, Parlor and Dining tables, Shaving cabinets, Hall racks and settees, Chamber and Parlor suits, and—well, everything supposed to be kept by a first-class Furniture house and many artistic novelties.

Novelties.

Under this head we might mention thousands of pretty, useful and ornamental gifts. Plush, celluloid or leather Manicure or Toilet cases, etc.

Handsome Pocketbooks, fine Umbrellas, Bradley's Perfumes, etc.

Not forgetting the car loads of Sleds, Wagons, Velocipedes, Desks, Blackboards, Hobby-horses, Doll-carriages, Go-carts, and many other things which make the "little folks" hearts glad, and the old folks wish they were children again.

All this and much more can be seen at this Fairyland to-day. Bring the children to see the sight they will ever remember and surely exclaim "And St. Nicholas was there."

W. S. STURTEVANT,

NORTH MAIN AND ANN STREETS,

SOUTH NORWALK.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
ABSOLUTELY PURE
 Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

The Weather.

Fair to-night and Saturday.

LOCAL AND OTHER NEWS.

THE GAZETTE ONE CENT A COPY.

The Big Four Quartette of colored singers are arranging for a ball.

—Geese, Geese, Chickens and Turkeys, 6 Water street.

Rev. S. L. Beller has been spending a week in New York.

Sherman Commandery, U. O. G. C. will elect officers to-night.

Mrs. E. H. Hotchkiss spent yesterday in New York.

—We have some very pretty atomizers, at Tomlinson's.

George L. Sullivan of Waterbury, has been visiting relatives in town.

—Turkeys 12c, up, 6 Water St.

Yesterday was Fore-fathers' Day. The pilgrims landed on Dec. 21st., 1620.

—A Weber piano would make an excellent Christmas gift. Sold by J. W. Studwell.

Sylvester Keeler of Lowe street, is seriously ill of heart trouble and asthma.

—Fancy atomizers at Weed's Drug Store.

Miss Sarah A. Turney of Harbor avenue is undergoing treatment in the Norwalk hospital.

—A Camera or Kodak will make a first rate gift. They can be had at Tomlinson's, South Norwalk.

The team of Company F will go to Bridgeport to-night and play a game of basket ball with the Y. M. C. A. team of that city.

—Pianos and organs of only the best makers at J. W. Studwell's.

To-morrow matinee and night, The Real Widow Brown will appear at Hoyt's Theatre.

—12 lbs. fresh pork \$1.00, 6 Water street.

The Hospital Whist club will be entertained this afternoon by Mrs. Frank D. Lawton, of Elmwood avenue.

—Turkeys 12c up. Chickens, 12c. 6 Water street.

Concord Division has been invited to attend the anniversary of Rising Star Division of Rowayton on Wednesday evening, January 3, and have accepted the invitation.

—Oldenschlager's cigars are best.

Concord Division will meet Thursday evening December 28, and Thursday evening January 4, instead of Monday evening, on account of the holidays.

—Largest line of perfumes in town at Weed's Drug Store.

Miss Nora E. Ryan, book-keeper at the Boston Store has been ill at her home on Selleck street, East Norwalk.

—Lazell's, Roger & Gallet's and Booth's extracts at Weed's Drug Store.

Miss Mary E. Drew has returned to her home in Norwich, after a visit with her brother Michael Drew of East Norwalk.

—Special ice cream flavors for Christmas at DeKlyn's.

The Christmas celebration of the Arion Singing Society will be held in the society's hall Christmas Day. An invitation dance will also be held.

—Get your Christmas candy at Lane's.

The marriage of John Glynn, son of Thomas Glynn, and Miss Katherine Conway will take place in the Church of the Assumption, Westport, on Wednesday, January 3.

Fabian Soderstrom, employed in the Norwalk Iron Works, has constructed at his home in Taylor avenue, a miniature gas machine from which he gets a good light.

—5 tons of Turkeys at 6 Water street.

Mr. and Mrs. George N. Burnham of Hartford are guests of Mrs. Burnham's parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams of Grove street, South Norwalk.

George B. St. John has been chosen by Miss Sarah E. Adams to act as her conservator.

—Huyler's fancy boxes and Christmas candy at DeKlyn's.

Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Willington of the Philadelphia conference have been visiting friends in town.

Attorney F. Farrar Burke of Cheyenne, Wyoming, has been visiting friends in South Norwalk.

—J. W. Studwell's pianos speak for themselves.

Captain Howard J. Bloomer of Company F. has returned from Yale college to spend the Christmas holidays at his home in this city.

—The best assortment of toys games etc. at John T. Hayes', 5 Main street.

Hon. John H. Light of South Norwalk address the Young Men's Republican club in New Haven last night.

—Fine line of pocketbooks at Weed's Drug Store.

The next meeting of the Barbers' Union will be held Tuesday evening, January 2nd., at Gustave Pitzer's shop. Installation officer Souper will be present and a reception will follow at Mr. Pitzer's home 34 Stuart avenue.

—Turkeys 12c. up best stock ever in the Norwalks, 6 Water street.

The Germania Saengerbund will have its annual Christmas tree and entertainment for the children next Monday night.

—Dewey, Norwalk Club, Town House and Splendid cigars, 25 in a box for the holidays, at Oldenschlager's, Washington street, South Norwalk.

Mrs. Elmer Hendricks of East avenue has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Charles R. Helmer of Southport.

—Lazell's, Pinaud's, Roger and Gallet's, Ricksecker's Perfumes and Toilet Waters, at Tomlinson's.

The Norwalk Tramway Co. is having its tracks repaired in several places in readiness for the usual season's freeze-up.

—Whelpley & Clark, South Norwalk, would be pleased to show you a fine assortment of meerschaum and briar pipes; also a choice line of fine cigars 25 in a box for the holidays.

The loss upon the Norwalk Baptist Church block at 30 Main street, this city, occasioned by Sunday's fire, which occurred in Leonard DeSassa's barber shop, has been adjusted at \$175. Mr. DeSassa had no insurance.

The newly elected officers of Catholic Union Council, K. of C. will be installed next Wednesday evening.

—Christmas tree ornaments at Lane's.

Mrs. Winfield Scott of Elm street and Miss Emily Englehardt of Cranbury are visiting in New York.

—Best spring chickens 12c, 6 Water Street.

Miss Jennie Dibbte of South Main street is home from the New Britain Normal school for the Christmas holidays.

—Perfumes and Atomizers at a reasonable price for the Holidays only, at Tomlinson's.

A family reunion will be held at the home of Mrs. John A. Stevens of Danvers Christmas. It will be the anniversary of Mrs. Stevens' birth.

The Girls' Needlework club will hold their Christmas festival Saturday morning at half past ten in the First Congregational chapel.

—Dewey, Norwalk Club, Town House and Splendid cigars, 25 in a box for the holidays, at Oldenschlager's, Washington street, South Norwalk.

Thomas Collins, of Danbury, is the guest of his brother, Andrew J. Collins, and is assisting during the holiday trade in the latter's store in South Norwalk.

Because of the presentation of Rebekah and the Creation, on New Year's Day, the usual annual reception of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held Wednesday, January 17, afternoon and evening. An attractive musical and literary programme will be rendered in the evening.

—Dr. M. S. Rosen, oculist, can be consulted in the parlors of the Mahackemo Hotel, on Tuesdays, between the hours of 1 and 7 p. m. and daily between 9 and 12 a. m., 6 and 9 p. m., at 280 State street, Bridgeport. Eyes examined and diseases treated. N. 9 tf

Samuel Denny died at the residence of his son, Lumas Denny, 22 Center avenue, at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He leaves besides his son, one daughter, Mrs. James Farrell. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon from his late residence. Rev. S. B. Pond will officiate.

That Throbbing Headache Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by J. A. Riggs, Druggist.

M. B. I. CLOSING EXERCISES

Miss Baird and Her Pupils Exchange Xmas Gifts.

The closing exercises at Miss Baird's Institute preparatory to the Xmas vacation, were held yesterday, at which time exchange of gifts between pupils and teachers was enjoyed. Miss Baird presented each of her senior pupils with a very beautiful gold souvenir spoon, upon the bowl of which was engraved a picture of the school building, also the initials M. B. I. The other pupils each received from Miss Baird a French water color picture prettily framed. The school in return presented Miss Baird with a very elegant case containing a silver-back hair brush, comb, hand mirror and velvet brush, with her monogram, C. F. B., engraved upon the back. The teachers in the school also presented their principal with a solid silver bureau tray.

Jefferson House Opening.

The Jefferson house on Wall street was opened last night under its new management, and about 100 guests were present, including the Arion Singing society of South Norwalk, a number of friends from Westport and the Levy brothers from New York. A pleasant evening was passed.

Runaway.

A horse driven by William Willis ran away on the Westport hill about 9 o'clock last night, and threw the driver Samuel Knapp and a man named Lynch out but they escaped injury. The horse, which is owned by John Knapp, was captured on Wall street by Officer Morehouse.

Additional local news on eighth page.

Schiller Stamm. Schiller Stamm, U. O. R. M., held its semi-annual meeting and election, Tuesday night, in the tailoring shop of F. Kocour on North Main street and elected the following officers who will be installed by district deputy Paul Berg at the same place, Tuesday night Jan. 1: Vice Chief, F. Kocour; under chief, Jacob Wolff; by chief, John Oldenschlager; secretary, Gustav Lange; treasurer, George Schaub.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

Home of Swamp-Root.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES
 WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Cornucopias, Fancy Boxes, Bon Bons, Tree Ornaments, Paper Napkins, Candy Canes, Apples, Cherries and Baskets, Wedding Cake Ornaments, Artificial Fruit.

3 lbs. SPECIAL MIXED CANDY. 25c.

SPECIAL PRICES TO CHURCHES AND TEACHERS.

HARRIE A. SMITH, 39 Main Street, Telephone, 144-44. NORWALK.

- Comstock Brothers. -

MORE FOR A DOLLAR THAN A DOLLAR WILL BUY ELSEWHERE.

GREAT CHRISTMAS WEEK.

We have been Planning for the past two months for this event, and now have the **FINEST ASSORTMENT OF CHRISTMAS GOODS** that can be found in Norwalk.

NECKWEAR for Men. A collection of Neckwear richness which it would be hard to rival. Every color combination that Dame Fashion has smiled on. All the leading shapes at 25c. and 50c.

Smoking Jackets, House Coats and Bath Robes, from \$3.75 to \$7.50.

Men's Pajamas, at 98c and \$1.50.

HANDKERCHIEFS for presents are always acceptable. A man never has too many. The pure linen ones hemstitched with or without initial at 25c. Hemstitched colored borders, at 5c., 10c., 12 1-2c, 15c. to 50c.

Men's Silk Suspenders at 50c. per pair.

GLOVES in all kinds, silk-lined Mochas, or unlined, 98c. to \$1.50. All the qualities on hand from a 25c glove to the Finest kid at \$2.00

Men's Fancy Vests, at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50,

White and Colored Laundered Shirts, at 48c., 75c., 98c,

An elegant line of SILK MUFFLERS, in white, colored or black, at 48c. to \$2.00.

Our UMBRELLA Stock is Immense. All prices, from 75c. to \$7.00.

COMSTOCK BROS. Masonic Building, Norwalk, Conn.

TWO STORES } NORWALK and SOUTH NORWALK.

The Value of a Tip

By Kenneth F. Harris.

THE editor of the "Weekly Monetary and Fiscal Gazette" certainly deserved success, for there was no question about his perseverance and industry. He was a young man, but young men have been known to get a pretty comprehensive grasp of finance, and this one was little short of omniscient, judging by his articles. He could and did tell his readers all about Mexican railroad shares and their prospects as dividend yielders. He was up in Brooklyn Rapid Transit, and was saturated with information concerning Continental Tobacco. He knew just what the Transvaal matter was going to do to the market, and anybody would have thought that he had the sugar trust where it couldn't do the first thing without consulting him and asking his permission. He spoke of the bourse as one who had played marbles in its shadow. He had Wall street at his finger ends and his familiarity with change and Mark-Lane was calculated to impress the most careless peruser. But the Dearborn street printers of the Gazette began to be uneasy.

The young editor went out himself and rustled for advertisements under an assumed name, showing authorization to make contracts and rates given under his hand and seal as proprietor. He was his own reporter, cashier, stenographer, exchange editor and office boy, and he was busy all the time. Nevertheless he had to trim the frayed ends of his trousers with the office shears, and the paper alone was becoming a burden greater than he could bear.

It was only his eighth issue and he had already been compelled to tell the senior partner of the printing firm that he would have to ask him to wait on him a little while. The senior partner looked doubtful the first time, but the young man explained matters and he was glad to wait. He felt ashamed of himself for having doubted the success of the thing. When that wore off and he mentioned the bill again the young man showed him some advertising contracts that made him open his eyes, and when the copy for the advertisements came in the printer was again glad that he had waited. The third time the young man said that he would give the printer a tip that would make him wealthy. Strictly speaking, it was not the third time, but the young man knew by the way the printer cleared his throat that it was going to be and he made the proffer of wealth on the spur of the moment. "Buy Phantasmagorias," he advised, in a confidential undertone. He proceeded lucidly and at length to explain why Phantasmagorias were absolutely certain to soar.

"Why don't you buy them yourself?" asked the printer.

The editor felt that an avowal of the reason would destroy the printer's confidence, so he told him that he never speculated. "It would ruin me," he added. "I would instantly be suspected of influencing the market to advance my own interests. I might even be tempted to do so. I have a duty to the public to perform, and I intend to do it." The young man spoke with great firmness and seriousness. "I would like you to set that article on Caracas 4s in bourgeois instead of brief, and let me have the proofs this afternoon. By the way, I may want to have you add a couple of pages, but I will talk with you about that to-morrow."

"See here," said the junior partner, as soon as the editor had gone, "isn't that fellow going to put up before the next issue? Because if he isn't you can just charge yourself up with the composition and ink and press work."

"I think he'll wriggle out all right," said the senior partner.

"Well, I ain't in favor of carrying him while he wriggles. Make him pay up something on account; make him pay for the issue, anyway."

The senior partner accordingly made the editor pay for the issue, and the editor wriggled harder than ever. He stopped buying cigars and bought a pipe. He cooked his breakfast by stealth over an oil stove in his bedroom and lunched in casual saloons at mid-day. This was a good deal of a lottery, for some saloons spread a very satisfactory sort of table in spite of an unpromising interior, while others that promise well set out nothing but cubes of bright yellow cheese and pretzels that were a mere aggravation. Others, again, had bartenders who seemed indelicately watchful, and all the young editor's association with vested interests had not utterly destroyed a certain native sensitiveness in his character. Altogether the young editor acted as though he was buying furniture with a view to an early marriage on a limited income.

At last the prospect seemed to grow brighter. His prediction of the futures of too-much-talked-of securities was justified by their eventual collapse. And it happened that some of the men of stocks and bonds on LaSalle street had noticed and remembered the position he had taken. The circulation of the Gazette took a boom—not a large boom, but enough to allow the young financier to buy a pair of trousers and to insure the payment of the printing and paper bills for the next issue. Two or three little advertising contracts were negotiated with commission firms and an advertising agency deigned to ask for rates. The editor began to feel the glow of prosperity, but he sternly repressed a mad temptation to throw away his oil stove and two-thirds of a tin of cocoa that he had concealed in his trunk. On the afternoon of the glow he took a frugal lunch of liverwurst, baked beans and rye bread punctuated with caraway seeds, at his latest discovery, and then he walked over to Dearborn street with his

chin in the air, to pay the printers for the current number and give them the last batch of copy. It occurred to him to ask the senior partner if he had bought any Phantasmagorias.

"No, I didn't," said the senior partner, hesitatingly. "It seems to me a form of gambling. I notice they're going up, though."

"They're going to keep going up," said the editor, wisely. He never balked at a decided opinion, arguing that he was as likely to be right as wrong.

"How high do you reckon they'll go?" "If I had any I would hang on to them until they touched the 93 mark. Do you notice the way the ads are coming in?"

"They've got to take a jump to get that high."

"What are you talking about?"

"Phantasmagorias."

"Oh! yes, but they'll get there. Well, I've got to go over to the board."

"Don't you think," said the senior partner, persuasively, "that you could clear up a little of that back account?"

"I'm sorry," said the editor, "but you'll have to let that stand over a little longer. I've been disappointed in some remittances."

The junior partner was still dissatisfied. "You're too blamed easy on him," he remonstrated. "If I hadn't got you to lean down on him before you wouldn't have got what you have. I wish you'd let me tackle him. I'd bring him to time."

"I think he means to do what's right."

"He may, but his intentions ain't going to pay the help. Let me make a bluff at him."

So it happened that when the editor called the next week he found he had to do business with the junior partner. He disliked the junior partner and he had been working hard. The pretzels were beginning to enter into his soul, moreover.

"Here's the rest of the copy," he said, briskly. "You got what I sent you yesterday, didn't you?"

"Yes, I got it," said the junior partner, taking the proffered copy and rolling it into a tight, hard roll. "It's all in now, is it?"

"That's the last of it," said the editor.

The junior partner opened the safe, thrust the manuscript into one of the compartments and closed it with a snap.

"Now, see here," he said, with unpleasant emphasis, "I've got to have our account straightened out before I set a line of your paper. You've got to pay part of it, anyway, besides the money for Thursday's number. I mean that. Understand?"

"Are you good at whistling?" asked the editor, with apparent irrelevance.

The junior partner grew red in the



COOKED ON AN OIL STOVE.

face. "What do you mean?" he asked. "You can whistle for that back account, that's all," said the editor, calmly. "The paper's suspended."

"When did that happen?" asked the junior partner.

"About five seconds ago."

There was a sequel to the story.

About ten days after the ex-editor had duly assigned his office chair and desk and the table whereon he had wrapped the papers for mailing he bought another desk and chair as a nucleus for a new business venture. He was considering what this venture should be when the door opened and the senior partner in the printing firm walked in and after a few general remarks counted out ten \$10 bills, one \$5, a \$2 and a \$1 on the new desk.

"What's this?" asked the ex-editor.

"That's your commission on what I cleared on 1,200 Phantasmagorias," said the printer. "I took your tip all right and let go when you said. You must have been on the inside of that. They went tumbling down to eight cents the next day and the bottom went out of the whole thing a day after. Ten per cent. Put it in your pocket. You were square with me and I want to be square with you."

The young man looked at the greenbacks thoughtfully for a moment. Then he shook his shoulders and straightened in his chair.

"I'll keep on being square with you," he said. "I hadn't the faintest idea on earth that the stock would lift a fraction of a cent. Didn't know a thing about it but the name. I'd supposed you'd have been fool enough to buy. I'd never have opened my head about it. It was just fool's luck. You take your ill-gotten gains and go back to your business and stay there. That's the best tip I can give you and it's worth ten of the other."

"I believe I'll take your advice," said the printer, "but I want you to take the money."

"I won't do it," said the ex-editor.

"Did you have the money to pay for the paper when Ben made his bluff at you?"

"I did. Don't you worry about me."

"I won't," said the printer. "I don't think I need to."—Chicago Daily Record.

Not a Lover of Poetry.

Johnny—What are nonsense verses, papa?

Papa—Nearly all of them, my son.—Brooklyn Life.

A Friend in Need. When In Doubt a Friend's Advice is Always Appreciated.

Many times in the journey of life we find ourselves in doubt, and 'tis then we appreciate most the advice of a friend or an acquaintance who has traveled through darkness into which we are just about to plunge. Showing the way is an act of friendship. Faith can be placed in the experiences and opinions of the gentleman who shows the way in the following statement. He can be depended upon to corroborate it in reply to any communication sent to him. It is only a re-echo of the testimony of thousands of his fellow citizens, published in the daily newspapers throughout the land.

Mr. F. S. Lyon, of 22 High street, South Norwalk, ex-teacher, who was in harness for nearly a quarter of a century in that city, says: "A slight urinary trouble accompanied by back-ache attacked me from the result of a cold which I caught at an entertainment some years ago. It hung on for a few days and I looked around for some medicinal preparation which would remove it. After reading quite a few testimonials about panacas and cure alls for the kidneys, I selected Doan's Kidney Pills. It did not require a box to remove all the difficulty. I have heard in South Norwalk of over a score of people who used this remedy and obtained the same result as I did."

Drop into Glendening & Co.'s drug store and hear what their customers report.

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers; price 50 cents a box. Mailed on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

HOSPITAL BURNED. Santiago Pesthouse, With Valuable Contents, Destroyed.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Dec. 21.—The yellow fever hospital, located on an island across the bay, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Before the American occupation the building had been used by the Spanish as a pesthouse for the treatment of victims of smallpox, yellow fever and Asiatic plague. During the epidemic last summer many hundreds of American soldiers and civilians were treated there, but for some time the building had been used as a warehouse for hospital supplies.

The fire was evidently of incendiary origin, as several previous attempts to destroy the building had been made during the last four days.

Dr. Herman, the commandant, who recently received orders to report at New Orleans for the annulment of the contract, is still in charge. Large quantities of hospital supplies, tents, coats and blankets were destroyed.

The adjoining building, containing 100 bodies of American soldiers in sealed caskets ready to be shipped to the United States, was saved by the heroic efforts of the firemen, who went quickly in a government tug to the scene of conflagration.

A new hospital will be erected immediately on the same site, specifications having been already prepared.

A Long Labor Convention. DETROIT, Dec. 21.—The longest convention of the American Federation of Labor ever held ended yesterday afternoon.

During the nine days that the delegates were in session declarations were adopted concerning a great variety of questions of more or less public import, but for the first time in many years no proposition was made or action taken even remotely connected with the money question or other pending political issue. Among the closing items of business transacted were the adoption of resolutions appealing to congress to submit to state legislatures a sixteenth constitutional amendment to prohibit disfranchisement of citizens on account of their sex and directing President Gompers to correspond with the trades unions of the continental European countries with a view of bringing about fraternal relations.

For Improved Mail Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The postmaster general has signed a call for bids for furnishing improved mail service between San Francisco and Sydney for an optional term of either five or ten years beginning Nov. 1, 1900, under the subsidy act of 1891.

The chief significance of the action is the substitution of vessels of American register in the Pacific mail service, the enlargement of the service to 17 outward trips per year instead of 13 and an expected saving of four days in the passage, thus, in connection with expedited railway mail service, making the shortest route possible between Sydney, New York and London.

Locomotive Boiler Explodes. ATHOL, Mass., Dec. 21.—The engine of the train leaving here for Springfield at 3:30 yesterday afternoon on the Boston and Albany was completely wrecked.

The boiler exploded with terrific force. Engineer Ingraham and Fireman Cowan were seriously injured.

Military Reservation Enlarged. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A tract of land containing 111 acres situated in Red Lion Hundred, in the county of Newcastle, Del., has been added to the military reservation of Fort Dupont at Battery Point, Del.



A Cure for Constipation.

I have been troubled with constipation for years. It was ruining my health, my comfort and my complexion, and I am glad to say that Celery King has restored all three, and this after trying many other medicines that were supposed to be good, but which were of no value whatever. I would like to tell every suffering woman what Celery King has done for me.—Nellie Gould, Medina, Ohio. Celery King cures Constipation and all diseases of the Nerves, Stomach, Liver and Kidneys. Sold by druggists. See and See.

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

OF NEW YORK.

RICHARD A. McCURDY, President.

Statement for the Year Ending Dec. 31, '98.

According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

INCOME.

Received for Premiums	\$42,318,748 51
From all other Sources	12,687,880 92
Total	\$55,006,629 43

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Policy-holders for Claims by Death	\$13,265,908 00
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	11,485,751 33
For all other Accounts	10,493,379 53
Total	\$35,245,038 88

ASSETS.

United States Bonds and other Securities	\$160,956,141 35
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	68,803,580 90
Loans on Bonds and other Securities,	9,396,619 00
Real Estate, appraised by Insurance Superintendents	
at \$23,534,826.88: Book Value	20,604,649 61
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	11,621,377 36
Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.	6,434,957 10
Total	\$277,817,325 36

LIABILITIES.

Policy Reserves, etc.,	\$23,058,640 68
Contingent Guarantee Fund,	42,238,684 68
Divisible Surplus	\$2,220,000 00
Total	\$27,517,325 36
Insurance and Annuities in Force	\$971,711,997 79

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department. **CHARLES A. PRELLER, Auditor.**

From the Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

Board of Trustees.

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NATIVES MOURN BRAVE WARRIOR.

General Otis Pays High Tribute to the General's Soldierly Qualities and Says "He Would Always Get There"—Widow's Fund.

MANILA, Dec. 22.—After the simplest possible ceremonies at the house this morning General Lawton's body was taken to the Paco cemetery, where it will remain until Mrs. Lawton is ready to accompany it on a transport to the United States.

Troop B, Fourth cavalry, which General Lawton when a captain commanded and which has been serving as his body-guard, escorted the remains to the cemetery. When the body is sent home, there will be a public funeral, with military honors.

Mrs. Lawton is receiving hundreds of expressions of sympathy and condolence. Many Filipinos who say they knew General Lawton was his good friend express great grief at his death.

Officials of the civil governments which General Lawton established, even as far north as Tayug, are sending messages of sympathy and say they wish to come to Manila and attend the funeral. The supreme court also intends to take official action.

Speaking of General Lawton, General Otis said:

"I suspended the orders for the San Mateo movement last Monday evening on account of the storm. Lawton came from Malajacan and personally urged that the expedition be allowed to proceed. He said the troops were already advancing, and he thought that the storm would not seriously interfere with the operations. I finally concluded to permit him to go ahead.

"General Lawton's death is an irreparable loss. He was a man who would always 'get there.'
"He was always ready to adopt plans to meet whatever obstacle he encountered. He was reckless as to his personal safety, but was unusually considerate of his men."

The death of General Lawton will not delay the carrying out of General Otis' plans. The first work to be undertaken will be the opening of ports in the southern provinces. It is not intended to make any special campaign in Cavite province.

THE LAWTON FUND.

Generous Response to the Subscription For the Widow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Captain Seyburn of Detroit, U. S. A., retired, telegraphed General Weston yesterday: "Brave old Lawton. One hundred for."

General Alger telegraphed \$100 for the Lawton fund, adding: "I hope there will be such a generous response all over the country to the committee's appeal that the devoted wife and children of this gallant officer shall be placed beyond the possibility of want."

Secretary Root has issued a general order officially voicing the regret of the war department at the death of General Lawton and ordering flags at half mast at all military posts. Thirteen minute guns will be fired at each, and officers will wear badges of mourning for 30 days.

Additional contributions received were: Adolphus Busch of St. Louis, \$500; General Francis V. Greene of New York, \$100, and B. T. Borden of New York, \$50.

General Lawton's Successor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—It is said at the war department that the vacancy in the list of major generals which was caused by the death of General Lawton will not be filled until after the funeral services over his remains at Manila prior to their transportation to the United States. It is said among well informed officers of the army in this city that the appointment will go to either General John C. Bates, General S. B. M. Young or General Lloyd Wheaton. These officers hold the rank of brigadier general of volunteers, and each has distinguished himself in active military service in the Philippine Islands. It is also understood that Brigadier General A. R. Chaffee, who has been chief of staff to General Brooke, commanding the division of Cuba, is likely to be relieved of duty in that division in a short time and given an important command with the army in the Philippines.

Mrs. Davis' Christmas Gift.

RICHMOND, Dec. 22.—Governor Tyler has received the following from Mrs. Jefferson Davis, dated New York: "I send today a communion service, with the linen proper for its use, and beg you to present it to the veterans of the home in the name of a few Confederates who honor their steadfast valor, the proud memory of which time cannot efface. We had hoped to offer it on the birthday anniversary of General Harry Heth, but, failing to receive it in time, we make it a Christmas offering to the veterans and ask God's blessing upon each and every one of them."

Rescued From Death.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 22.—John Hare of this city saved an Italian girl from being crushed to death by a train. The girl was walking along the tracks when her foot became wedged between a plank and the rail. A train was bearing down upon her, when Hare, realizing that she would be unable to extricate herself, rushed to where she was pinioned and released her. They had barely cleared the track when the train passed.

Rich Copper Vein.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—A special from Custer, S. D., says: "The Vigilance Mining company has struck a vein of copper ore in its mine that exceeds in value anything that has ever been found in the Black hills. The mine is about five miles from Custer. The rich ore is found in the 300 foot level, and the width of the vein at this time is ten feet. Superintendent Bush has gone to New York with samples."

Grievance Not Settled.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—The grievance committee of the Big Four telegraph operators left yesterday after failing to make any arrangements with the officials. The committee will meet here again Jan. 3.

Weather Probabilities.

Generally fair; variable winds, mostly fresh southerly.

THE PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS.

Quiet Occasion at the White House on Mrs. McKinley's Account.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Many senators and representatives called upon the president yesterday to pay their respects and extend their Christmas greetings before leaving for their homes to spend the holidays. Among them was Representative Richardson, the Democratic leader of the house, who was accompanied by Representative McClellan of New York and Representative Stallings of Alabama.

The president is very cordial in his responses to these evidences of good will. He appears to be enjoying exceptionally good health. No extensive preparations are making for the Christmas celebration at the executive mansion this year owing to the state of Mrs. McKinley's health, and the day probably will be a very quiet one. Miss Grace McKinley and Miss Sarah Duncan, nieces of the president, will be guests at the White House during the holiday season. Abner McKinley and his wife will also be here.

The White House steward long since ceased to give himself any concern about the Christmas turkey. For many years the fattest, juiciest bird in Rhode Island has arrived with the compliments of the raiser. Many boxes have already reached the White House containing gifts for the president and Mrs. McKinley, and a considerable number of presents are already on their way to their destinations from the White House.

Most of Mrs. McKinley's gifts are exquisite products of her own handiwork. Last year Mrs. McKinley went to New York before the holidays and purchased many little things for the servants and White House attaches, but this year her illness prevented her from making the trip. It is the custom to remember every married employe of the White House with a big, fat turkey and every unmarried attaché with a suitable present.

Mormons in South Carolina.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 22.—Mormon elders, two at a time, seven years ago began to visit the great swamp section of Hampton county, near the seacoast of this state, and made many converts among the Baptist backwoodsmen near Ridgeland. They now have so large a following that they have established a church at which eight Mormon elders were at work several weeks ago. The delegation to the state legislature has been asked by the orthodox people of Hampton county to work for a law to expatriate the elders and say that "prompt legislation may save them from having the mob violence that some sister states have lately had in trying to rid themselves of these disgraceful parasites."

Gorman Instead of Bryan.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 22.—Judge John McClure, who represented General Powell Clayton at the recent meeting of the Republican national committee at Washington, returned last night. Speaking of the political situation he said: "Mark my prediction, Mr. Gorman of Maryland will be the nominee of the Democratic party for president next year. You may think it sounds ridiculous, but time will bear out the assertion. The Democracy of the east will put up the campaign expenses if Mr. Gorman is selected. If Bryan is nominated they will desert him worse than they did in 1896. The Democrats of Arkansas will be compelled to vote for a gold Democrat in 1900."

The Glassware Trust.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—The glass tableware trust, known as the National Glass company, is sending out circulars containing information that has been of a confidential nature until now. It is signed by H. C. Frick, the president, who says the trust has secured control of 87 per cent of the factories, but that it has been necessary to bond the property for \$2,000,000 to care for visible expenses. The trust has filed mortgages to that amount in every state in the country in which it has a foothold. The president says that the bonds will give a working capital of \$500,000 besides taking care of the mortgages.

Coal Mines Shut Down.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 22.—The Hampton and Hyde Park collieries of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company shut down yesterday by reason of a strike of the driver boys, who claim they are working ten hours for the same pay they got during the dull times, when they were required to work only eight hours. Twelve hundred men are laid idle. Because the Connell company refused to discharge eight nonunion men the 1,000 hands employed at the Duryea colliery quit work, and they say they will not return till their demand is granted. The companies have not expressed themselves as yet in either instance.

Purves Gets the Call.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—Rev. Dr. George T. Purves, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, has the formal call from the members of the Fifth Avenue church, New York, to become their pastor. Dr. Purves when seen refused to discuss the matter. He said he had received the call, but could say nothing further at present. He goes to New York today, and it is probable he will meet the pulpits committee of Fifth Avenue church. It is believed here that Dr. Purves will accept the call.

Woman Shot to Kill.

NATICK, Mass., Dec. 22.—Louis Perry, until recently employed by the Dennison Manufacturing company at South Framingham, was shot and killed by Miss Lizzie Morse at her home in West Natick yesterday afternoon. Miss Morse claims self defense.

To increase your herd, raise your own heifer calves from your best cow. Number one cows are not always to be had, and the buyer is often deceived.

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is the wisest of all wisdom. The quickest way to make weak stomachs strong; to make sickly people well, is to use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is the best medicine in the world for indigestion, dyspepsia, also liver or weak kidneys. It cures all stomach ills. It makes and keeps people well. A PRIVATE REVENUE STAMP should cover the neck of the bottle.

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To Try Wireless Telegraphy.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Wireless telegraphy in railroad service is to be given a practical test by the Ann Arbor line. A contract between the railroad company and the Marconi company has been closed, and arrangements for installing the new system will begin at once. The system will be used in connection with the Ann Arbor ferry line between Frankfort and Menominee. The distance across Lake Michigan between these points is about 83 miles, and hitherto messages pertaining to the business have been transmitted around the lake.

Disturbance in Samoa.

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—Advices received here from Apia, Samoa, say a slight disturbance has occurred at the village of Luatvannu owing to deprivations upon the property of three chiefs who were expelled for refusing to pay the poll tax imposed by the consuls of the dreibund. The consuls have demanded that the guilty parties be sent to Apia for punishment, which has been promised.

A Crematory For New York.

ALBANY, Dec. 21.—The legislature at its coming session will undoubtedly be called upon to pass legislation to give New York city power to establish and maintain a crematory for the disposal of garbage and ashes. Dr. Alvah H. Doty health officer of the port of New York, was in the city yesterday and conferred with Governor Roosevelt on this matter.

Peace Conference Documents Signed.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 21.—The Japanese envoy, on behalf of the mikado, has signed all the conventions of the international peace conference. A Chinese envoy from St. Petersburg is expected to sign certain declarations for the Chinese government, excluding the laws of war.

Cheneys Recognize Their Assailant.

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 21.—Henry F. Corbett, who was arrested on suspicion of having shot the Rev. David B. Cheney and wife two weeks ago, was taken before the Cheneys yesterday and positively identified as the guilty man.

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Additional Local News.

A Christmas entertainment will be held in Graniteville chapel this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Bachelors' ball will be held in Music hall instead of Arion hall as heretofore published.

Fred Carr, W. E. Brown, Miss Alice Hill and Miss Agnes Conners attended a dance in Pound Ridge last night.

Patrick Sullivan was arrested last night for drunkenness. He was fined \$5 in the town court this morning and sentence suspended.

There will be a festival service with special music at the Chapel of Our Holy Savior on Sunday evening.

Miss Anna Richardson of the New Britain Normal school is spending the holidays at her home on Cedar street.

A WANT advertisement in the GAZETTE always brings returns.

There will be a game of basket ball at the Armory Christmas night between the team from the Olympia Athletic club and Co. F.

Buttery Brothers on Water street have the largest display of turkeys ever seen in Norwalk, and their prices are below all other merchants.

The funeral of James Hardy will be held from his late home on Hillside street, Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock and not at 9 a. m. as previously stated.

Mrs. Benjamin Bennett and daughter Alice, of St. John avenue, East Norwalk, have gone to Paterson, N. J., to spend the holidays. Mr. Bennett will join them later.

Film-Flammers Arrested.

Chief Volmer arrested Thomas Reardon and Joseph A. Callahan yesterday afternoon for working the film-dam game on several South Norwalk merchants.

This morning Reardon, who claimed to live at 120 Broad street, Bridgeport, was released by Judge Frost as there was no charge that he had played the game. Callahan, however, was sent to jail for 30 days.

St. John's Officers.

At a meeting of St. John's lodge last evening, the following officers were elected:

- W. M.—S. H. Huntington. S. W.—Geo. E. Curtis. J. W.—D. P. Osborn. Treas.—Samuel Lynes. Sec'y.—Fletcher Van Hooser. Trustees—A. C. Golding, Edward Street, A. C. Wheeler.

The new officers will be installed at the first meeting in January.

AMUSEMENTS.

The Real Widow Brown.

"The Real Widow Brown" will be at Hoyt's Theatre, Saturday afternoon and evening. The lady is an agreeable personage and figures as the leading character in one of the best musical comedies bidding for public patronage, and it has met with prodigious success. Surrounding the "Widow" is a company of recognized dramatic and fun-making abilities. No matter how many cares you may have, you'll positively forget them if you see this funny and thoroughly entertaining play.

Stereotypers Will Not Strike.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22.—In connection with the printers' strike in this city the stereotypers were ordered yesterday to assist their fellow workmen, but with the exception of two all refused to obey the order. They say the printers were not ordered out to help the stereotypers during the latter's fight in Chicago recently, and they consider themselves under no obligation, as a body, to the printers.

French Musician Dead.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—M. Jean Lamoureux the celebrated musical conductor, died yesterday after a two days' illness. M. Lamoureux was born at Bordeaux of poor parents and at the age of 12 played the violin at the Grand theater of his native town.

West Virginia Railroad Sold.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 22.—It is stated that Baltimore and Ohio railway interests have purchased the Monongahela River railway, extending from Clarksburg to Fairmont, a distance of 34 miles, for \$600,000.

FALLING HAIR RESTORED

By warm shampoos with CUTICURA SOAP, followed by light dressings with CUTICURA, purgest of emollients and greatest of skin cures. This treatment will clear the scalp and hair of crusts, scales, and dandruff, soothe irritated, itching surfaces, stimulate the hair follicles, supply the roots with energy and nourishment, and produce luxuriant lustrous hair with clean, wholesome scalp.

NORWALK HOSPITAL.

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accident suddenly occurring, calling for immediate professional action which the sufferer or his family would be unable to command elsewhere. Many operations impracticable or hopeless if attempted at home may be performed here with best results to patients.

In almost all our cases a good recovery follows the efficient treatment of the medical staff and the care of our trained nurses; and the Hospital shelters the convalescents until they may be safely transferred to their homes. Now cannot everyone see that this, our prime purpose of giving first and necessary aid to the injured and those ill with acute diseases, would be frustrated if our wards were filled with chronic incurable cases, some suffering from disease in offensive and harmful forms, and likely to spread the poison to others. Such sufferers appeal strongly to our sympathy, but we must for the most part look to their relief in other places than here, as all will agree. Nevertheless, the Hospital from the first has permitted itself to cover a broader field. Many forms of chronic disease have been admitted to its wards.

If the Annual Catalogue of the various cases which have been treated is consulted, it will be seen that a very wide latitude has been covered, and the acute and chronic have been side by side. While some patients have remained here a short time, others have greatly prolonged their stay.

This is a Hospital for the needy sick. So we do not refuse its sheltering roof to the incurable who need its present care.

WHAT A "FREE HOSPITAL" COSTS.

It is often carelessly said "this is a Free Hospital." In a sense, so it is. But in our world somebody has to pay the cost of all good service and good service is always costly.

This magnificent Hospital, so well furnished for its work, is freely given for the relief of the sick and suffering, but it cost \$40,000. Nobody will ever repay the generous donors one cent of this large sum. It stands a monument to their sympathy and their liberality. It cost them these thousands to be sympathetic and liberal, and it will cost them and others of like spirit, more to make these appliances effective this year and in the years to come. So while the sick are served gratuitously by a most devoted staff of our skillful physicians, and every service by all the Officers—President, Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Committee and Directors, has also been freely given without any salary.

The Hospital must pay for its fuel, light, food, repairs, all domestics, trained nurses, medical appliances, etc. While the "Free Hospital" is now ours, we cannot tell until we pass through the first year just what it will cost per annum to run it. The state of Connecticut has made an annual appropriation of \$3,500 for the next two years, but our expense account will be much more than that, perhaps, with best economy, double that sum.

THE COST OF CARING FOR A PATIENT.

Hospitals in this State are allowed \$4 per week when one of "the town poor" become a patient. One of our town officers awhile ago said that Norwalk paid for all it got of our Hospital, because it paid that rate. As a matter of fact, in 1898 every patient of ours cost the Hospital at the rate of \$19.04 per week.

In the case mentioned our Hospital really contributed \$15. per week to care for those sick at the town's cost.

WHO PAYS THE BILLS?

Our ward patients, if they have the ability, ordinarily pay \$7.00 per week, while special "room cases" may pay \$15.00 or \$20.00. While the Hospital service is a gracious charity for the absolutely poor and those who receive its blessed ministrations are generally willing to do as well as they can towards paying the cost, all money so paid by patients helps other less fortunate ones; but whether patients are able to pay or not is never a condition in their kindly welcome, good attention and skillful care. The helpful help the helpless, but there should be a manly ambition in such a work for each to help himself all he can.

—If you have a house to sell or rent an ad in the GAZETTE will bring you a response.

EAST NORWALK.

Caleb Wood is painting Raymond Bros' old farm house near the Poor house.

Mrs. N. Smith Furgeson of Ancora, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. E. S. Bowen of St. John avenue.

Courtland E. Hildson, the Westport milk dealer has purchased the skimming milk business of Lewis E. Pettiner.

WESTPORT.

Harry S. Lees, having recovered from his illness, the Dramatic club will appear at the opera house Wednesday evening, Dec. 27, in their postponed play, "Too Much Johnson."

The little Royal Crusaders are promised a splendid time before Christmas in honor of the great day. They will have it Saturday in "Sons of Temperance" hall, Hurlbutt block. There will be a lighted tree and gifts.

The new officers of Westport grange P. of H., are: Master, William I. Wood; overseer, W. H. Taylor; lecturer, Mrs. W. I. Wood; steward, E. N. Sipperly, Jr.; assistant steward, E. B. Bradley; chaplain, George Fairchild, Jr.; treasurer, Joseph G. Hyatt; secretary, Bertha Wakeman; inside guard, F. Kemper; Cores, Mrs. W. S. Jones; Pomona, Grace Meeker; Flora, Dorothy Adams.

The burial of Mrs. Lorenzo Tuttle, who died in Stratford on Sunday, took place in Christ church cemetery, Tuesday afternoon. She was born 70 years ago, and had formerly been a resident of Westport. The deceased was well known in church and social affairs.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Jessica, youngest daughter of the late Madison Wakeman, and Francis Perry Morehouse took place Tuesday evening at the new home of the young couple in Weston the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Alexander Hamilton.

DARIEN.

Miss Lucretia Cullen was the guest of Norwalk friends on Monday.

Mrs. Henry Whitney spent Monday with Mrs. Scott in Rowayton.

Mrs. Isaac Selleck has returned from a visit to her son Frank in Brooklyn.

Miss Josie Bowen of Norwalk visited Mrs. Velsor on Monday.

Charles D. Dillon, formerly of Elmwood has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Weed this week.

The Misses Clara and Millie Fleet and Miss Street, have arrived at Los Angeles, their future home.

A third baby daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bruggerhoff, Noroton, Wednesday morning.

Rev. Herbert Brown entertained some of the young people of the Congregational Church at his home, Monday evening.

James Goodeve, William Flemming, Ethel Clock, Susie Silliman, and Helen Waterbury will unite with the Congregational Church next Sunday.

The marriage of Miss Henrietta Davis and Leslie Knapp of New Canaan will take place Dec. 27. Mr. Knapp is a nephew of Mrs. Benjamin St. John.

NEW CANAAN.

Roger's cutters resumed work, Monday, after being idle for two weeks.

Thomas Coleman of Boutonville, N. Y., called on relatives in town on Monday.

Thomas Leheny has taken out a license for the saloon run by Edward Parker, formerly Kohler's.

K. W. Schmidt commenced his duties as freight agent at the depot, Saturday, taking the place of Bert Slauson.

J. F. Silliman & Co. have been moving their stock to their new store in Raymond's building, for several days.

George Stevens has reopened his bicycle store on Railroad avenue, after being absent from town for about a month.

Wooster Lodge, I. O. O. F., voted Monday evening, to lease the lodge-room it now occupies, in Nichols' Opera-house, for five years.

John Haupt and family have rented the east half of the Weed cottage on Seminary street.

Fred Owen who was confined in the lockup, several days last week, with an attack of the delirium tremens, was set at liberty and proceeded to Norwalk. While in the lockup he was treated by Dr. Scoville.

Plans are out for a fine residence for Miss Katherine Bliss, who purchased the Bright place on Oenoke avenue. The present one will be remodeled and the new one erected close to it. It is said it will cost about \$30,000.

Samuel Bartow, who was taken suddenly ill about a week ago, and threatened with pneumonia, is now suffering from rheumatic fever, and is a very sick man.

The funeral of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Rusco, who died last Thursday evening, of pneumonia, was held at the house Sunday, at 3 p. m. Rev. B. C. Pillsbury officiated. Interment was in Lakeview cemetery.

EAST NORWALK.

The following programme of Christmas exercises was given by the pupils in the upper school this afternoon:

Chorus, "Christmas Hymn," by school; recitation, "Christmas Greeting," by Lulu Bearse; recitation, "All Over Our Land," by Edith Sanford; violin with piano accompaniment, Thomas Collins and Carrie Phillipson; recitation, "Santa Claus' Wail," by Mildred Hyatt; recitation, "White Shepherd's Watch," by Philura Merwin; chorus, "How We Make Our Taffy," by school; recitation, "Santa on a Strike," by Kenneth Thomas; recitation, Ella Wheeler Wilcox's poem, "Speech," by Lina Taylor; duet, "There's Music Everywhere," by George Morrell and Lizzie Ashworth; recitation, "Jes' Before Christmas," by Spartan St. John; recitation, "When Daddy Lights the Tree," by Harry Perry; chorus, "Christmas Song," by ten pupils from Grades V and VI; recitation, "The Reason Why," by Marvin VanKueren; recitation, "Christmas Letter," by Grace Mosher; mandolin and piano, "Gasparone" by Mildred Decker and Carrie Phillipson; recitation, "Grandma's Christmas Party," by Emma Lambert; piano solo, by Laura Baker; recitation, "Christmas Day in the Morning," by Bessie Levy; violin, mandolin and piano, by George Ingham, Mildred Decker and Alice Pearce.

RIDGEFIELD.

Robert Barry has returned to New York after a visit to his home on Barry avenue.

Miss May Alcott spent Monday in New York city.

The churches are making special efforts in the direction of decorations.

Jerusalem Lodge, F. and A. M. has elected officers last night as follows:— W. M.—George G. Scott. S. W.—George Lawrence. J. W.—M. B. Barrett.

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New Chaplain For Sing Sing Prison. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Rev. J. C. S. Weills, chaplain of Sing Sing prison, has tendered his resignation to Warden Johnson, to take effect Dec. 26, which will be the completion of his seventh year as chaplain of the prison. He is a clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal denomination. His successor is the Rev. George Sanderson, recently chaplain of Albany penitentiary.

Soldiers' Votes Are Costly. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Four more soldier votes were canvassed yesterday by the Westchester board of county canvassers at White Plains, N. Y., for county treasurer, coroner and assemblymen. The votes cost the county \$400.

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Local News.

Miss Euphemia W. Taylor died at her home on Main street Monday night, aged 79 years.

The Germania Singing society held concert Sunday evening under direction of Karl Diehl.

The funeral of Edward, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theall was held Sunday from his home on Maple avenue, Rowayton.

James Harford of Brooklyn is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Ellen Harford of Burbank street.

Miss Flora C. Lait of Bridgeport spent Sunday with William J. Foster of Reed street.

Mrs. L. N. Phinney, of West avenue, returned home from a four weeks' visit in Batavia, N. Y.

Robert A. Reynolds of Stamford addressed the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon. Gottfried Utzinger and Horace Keyworth assisted on the violin and mandolin. There was a good attendance.

In the Norwalk Methodist church Sunday the Rev. Samuel L. Beiler preached on Modern Pharisees in the morning and in the evening his subject was A Picture of Washington. Both services were well attended.

The young ladies of Mrs. M. E. Mead's Hillside Seminary gave a Christmas tree entertainment to a number of poor children, Saturday evening. A number from the county and town children's homes were present and presents were distributed.

The Musical Union has appointed a committee to act with St. Joseph's T. A. B. society in arranging for a dance to be held on January 10th.

Mrs. Arthur L. Betts and niece, Miss Jessie Collins, are visiting at the residence of Allen Betts, Newtown avenue.

Ticket Agent George W. Harris resumed his duties Monday at the South Norwalk west-bound station, having had a three weeks leave of absence.

The funeral of Hannah J. White, wife of David White who died Saturday at her home on Ely avenue, was held at her late home at 2 o'clock, Monday afternoon.

Corporal Albert A. Buttery has been discharged from Company F, Fourth Regiment, for expiration of term of service.

Le Grand Jennings and daughter Florence, of Jennings place will spend the holidays in Scranton, Pa.

The Sunday school of the Latter Day Saints will hold a Christmas festival in the chapel, Thursday, Dec. 29, at 8 p. m.

Uncas Tribe held a meeting Tuesday evening in the Wigwam and nominated officers. Next Tuesday officers will be elected. The Warrior's degree was worked on E. Campbell and the chief's degree on E. H. Blanchard.

Sheriff Hawley has received over 15 applications for appointment to the position of janitor of the new county court house at Danbury, now in the course of erection.

The Stamford Athletic Club is planning another sparring exhibition to take place in Miller's Hall about Jan. 15.

Harry Pepper, of this city, will give a "Ballad History" and concert, in Ridgefield, the second week in January.

The chorus of the South Norwalk Congregational church will sing Sunday morning and afternoon. It will rehearse Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 7:30 o'clock.

The Kings Daughters circle of the South Norwalk Congregational church met with Mrs. William Thompson of 61 South Main street Tuesday evening.

The Kelsey Athletic club will hold its annual ball and social in Arion hall Friday evening, January 26. Souvenir programs will be issued.

The Central Labor Union of Norwalk is considering the matter of giving a big ball at which there will be \$500 given out in door prizes, the first one being \$100.

The La Mont club has decided to sing at the Christmas entertainment Wednesday, December 27, and will hold a rehearsal at 3:30 Sunday afternoon.

Oysters On Trees.

The New Haven Oyster Company, incorporated in New Jersey on Saturday with a capital of \$100,000, is said to be a corporation intending to put to test a new method of oyster culture the right to which it has acquired. The "new idea" consists of an arrangement of brush, which are held down to the bed of the Sound, or bay, where oysters are to be planted, by a patent anchor. These anchors consist of a combination metal which is expected to rust out at the end of several months, leaving the oysters on the bottom. The brush rots away, leaving the surface of the oyster bed, clear of debris.

Norwalk Public Schools.

The calendar for school year 1899-1900 is as follows: First term begins September 5th, 1899, ends December 22nd, 1899; length of term 16 weeks. Second term begins January 2nd, 1900; ends April 6th, 1900; length of term, 14 weeks. Third term begins April 16th, 1900, ends June 22d, 1900; length of term 10 weeks.

CHRISTMAS WEDDING FAREWELL ADDRESS.

The Chapel of Our Holy Savior on Berkeley street was the scene of a pretty wedding at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Flora May Jennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Jennings of West street, South Norwalk, was united to David Stout Werts of New Haven. The little edifice was well filled with invited guests to witness the ceremony which was performed by the Rev. Frederic W. Norris, pastor of Trinity church.

The chancel was adorned with palms and other greenery which tended to enhance the attractiveness of the scene. Prof. Edward J. Sims presided at the organ and rendered several selections before the arrival of the wedding party.

At the appointed time the young couple arrived and proceeded up the aisle to the strains of the Lohengrin Wedding march, to the chancel where they were met by the Rev. F. W. Norris, who tied the knot.

The pretty bride was gowned in a castor, colored broadcloth trimmed with white of the same cloth and carried bride roses. She wore a hat to match. There were no bridesmaids nor best man.

The ushers were Walter Jennings, the bride's brother, and Victor W. Ferris.

Mr. and Mrs. Werts left for a week's wedding trip at the end of which time they will return to South Norwalk and be at home to their friends January 1st, at 2 West street.

The newly married couple will make their home in New Haven where the best wishes of a host of friends go with them.

Many valuable presents of silver and cut glass were presented them including useful as well as ornamental articles.

Old Well Lodge.

At the annual meeting of Old Well Lodge Monday evening, the following officers were elected.

- W. M.—Chester F. Clark.
- S. W.—Peter Decker.
- J. W.—William Johnson.
- Treas.—James A. Brown.
- Sec'y.—Robert M. Wilcox.
- S. S.—Arthur Keyworth.
- J. S.—S. S. Weed.
- Tyler—A. J. Crossman.
- Trustees—W. H. Raymond, George W. Smith, William P. Beers.

Uncas Haymakers' Officers.

Uncas Haymakers' association held its annual election of officers in Red Men's wigwam Monday night. Regular business was transacted and the following officers were elected:

- P. C. H.—J. H. M. Lowth.
- C. H.—Fred H. Benger.
- A. C. H.—Julius M. Hubbell, Jr.
- O.—Frank L. Judd.
- C. of S.—A. B. Freeman.
- A. C. of S.—Rufus J. Smith.
- K. of B.—A. W. Dreyfuss.
- S.—William Miller.

The chiefs will be raised up January 8th and a collation of stewed hay and steamed oats will be served.

Sent to Reform School.

Willie Morton, an incorrigible twelve year old, was sentenced to the State School for boys in Meriden, by Judge Charles D. Burnes in the Borough Court of Greenwich, last Thursday. He was arrested at the home of his mother, Mrs. Joseph Lee of Norwalk, last month, for the theft of a silver watch. The court was lenient with him upon that occasion, suspending execution of sentence upon his promise to reform. Wednesday night he was re-arrested upon a charge of truancy, with the result above stated. The boy came into prominence a year ago as the victim of alleged cruelty on the part of Miss Sarah Davenport, of Wilton.

THE MOON IN ECLIPSE.

The Face Of Luna Partially Obscured For 3-1-2 Hours.

The apparently total eclipse of the moon on Saturday night was an astronomical event well worth witnessing. The sky was entirely free from clouds and the stars were shining brightly when at 6:45 o'clock the shadow of the earth began to creep across the face of the moon. By 8:30 the eclipse was total, except that a fine ring of light all around the shadow showed just the outline of the moon's brilliancy. The magnitude of the eclipse at the period of totality was .996 of the moon's diameter. At 10:06 the moon was again clear and shining brilliantly.

Pine Ledge Whist Club.

Mrs. Robert VanBuren of West avenue entertained the Pine Ledge Whist club Monday afternoon. Mrs. W. H. Smith of Morgan avenue won the prize.

Mrs. William McCabe of St. Louis and Miss Ellen McClancy of New York have been visiting friends in town.

FAREWELL ADDRESS.

An adjourned meeting of the Norwalk city council was held Monday night, it probably being the last but one meeting of the board under its present "roster."

All of the members were present when Mayor Glover called the meeting to order.

Before routine business was commenced the Mayor gave an opportunity to those in the lobby to be heard on any matter which they wished to present for the consideration of the board.

Officer Morehouse took advantage of the offer and stated his case in reference to an application for pay while off duty by reason of injury received while in discharge of his duty.

He said that he was present by request. He explained that he was injured in making an arrest of a woman some weeks since, "I was lifting her into a wagon and was given a terrible strain in so doing. It caused me to be somewhat like a horse with a stifle. It caught me and it caught me bad. I couldn't get off my back for three days and three nights."

Councilman Gould Hoyt said, "I have looked up the records of the board, but failed to find but one instance where pay had been voted to an officer for injuries received in the performance of his duties, and cited the case of ex-captain of police Wallace Dann, which he thought might perhaps establish a precedent."

Councilman Wilson, addressing the officer queried, "How much do you ask?"

Officer Morehouse: "I am at your mercy, gentlemen. I have been ill for nineteen days from the injury received."

Councilman Buckley: "Then you make a claim for nineteen days?"

Officer Morehouse: "That is right."

Councilman Gould Hoyt: "Did she resist you?"

Officer Morehouse: "Yes she did and very strongly too." Mr. Morehouse further stated that he felt the injury at the time, and that although he did duty thereafter, his injury grew rapidly worse and he was forced finally to give up duty.

Action on the matter was deferred for the time being and as no one else present signified a wish to be heard, the Mayor took up the not unimportant matter of "reading bills of which there was a fairly good grist divided among the several departments as follows:

- Administrative, \$2.00
- Sewer, \$94.20
- Light, \$16.68
- Police, \$158.00
- Highway, \$98.05
- Fire, \$390.75
- A total of \$699.63 all of which were ordered paid.

Collector Addison A. Betts presented a list of names on which he asked an abatement of taxes amounting to \$206.90. The plea for such abatements included almost everything from "poverty" to "moved out of town."

The prayer of the collector was placed in the hands of the finance committee for adjudication.

Councilman Meeker chairman of the highway committee, then reported on the matter of the bill of Contractor Dann for work done in the macadamizing of Main street.

He said in substance that he and other members of the board had inspected the work and found the east side of the street entirely satisfactory, but that about 500 feet on the west side of the street was not altogether as it should be. He said, further, that the contractor had offered to let \$200 of his bill remain until spring as a surety that he would at that time place the section complained of in a satisfactory condition.

Mr. Meeker was of the opinion that the expense of making the work O. K. would not be in excess of \$25 and was in favor of the payment of the contractor's bill under the above offered restriction.

After some further discussion it was voted to pay the bill, the amount received from the railroad company as its share of such expense being used in part liquidation of the contractor's claim.

The matter of the "driftway" "foot-path" or "highway," leading from Wall street to Lewis street then received the attention of the board, being introduced by Councilman Meeker, who suggested that it would be a good

idea to have an iron railing along the length of such thoroughfare, as a source of protection to those who had occasion to go over the same.

Discussion of the subject elicited an admission from Mr. Meeker that he thought that he owned the "driftway" or whatever it is, and that he was not unwilling to make the city a present of the same. He said "I don't want to own it. I want to get rid of it."

It was shown that in 1870 this same driftway was a source of considerable discussion, the owner at that time being Shepperd who blocked the same as a highway by erecting posts at the apex of the hill with the result that C. N. Case who lived at the junction of the driftway and Lewis street, sought to have such posts razed.

Mr. Case's objection resulted in the calling of a meeting at which a committee was appointed to adjust the matter.

It appears on the records of the court of burgesses a highway, but later it would appear its acceptance as such was rescinded, and property owners abutting it were ordered to keep it in repair.

Councilman Meeker thought it would be advisable to appoint a committee to investigate the matter, but as no motion to that effect was offered by his brother councilmen no action was taken in the premises.

The Morehouse matter was again taken up and on motion of Councilman Gould Hoyt half-pay was voted to Mr. Morehouse for the nineteen days he lost by reason of injury received in the discharge of his duty.

On motion of Councilman Buckley the usual \$25 to each of the fire companies was voted.

Councilman Gould Hoyt who retires as a member of the board, then made a farewell speech to his brother members of the board, in which he said that he had tried to fulfill his oath of office to the best of his ability.

He noted the fact that while the members of the board had not always agreed on the business brought before the board, the members had always left the room without a shadow of ill feeling towards one another and congratulated the board on the good work they had performed.

He strongly objected to the large honorary member lists of the fire companies which he said included doctors, lawyers, etc., to his mind simply for political purposes.

He complimented the highway department on their work, and extended to the incoming council an "I wish you success, you also have my sympathy."

He was warmly applauded as he sat down.

As the board was about to adjourn the Mayor called attention to the fact, that the city was paying its treasurer \$150 a year for such service and an additional \$150 a year for services as treasurer of the water fund. He was of the opinion that the latter amount ought to be paid by the water commissioners, and at his suggestion it was voted that the city clerk be instructed to present the water commissioners with a bill of \$150 for services of such treasurer.

The council then adjourned to Friday evening, December 29th.

SCHOOL CLOSED.

Dr. William J. Tracey, health officer for the town, is fighting against a diphtheria epidemic among the scholars of the Center school district.

On Sunday two cases were reported to him, a daughter of Cyrus Gray, conductor on the red line, and a son of Andrew V. Heath, bookkeeper at Meeker's coal yard. Both cases are on West Main street and both of the children attend the Center school.

As soon as Dr. Tracey was notified of the disease he promptly quarantined the homes of the children, and upon consultation with the members of the board of health ordered Principal Tucker to close the school, which was done and the children sent home.

Soon after taking this action Dr. Tracey received notification that the daughter of Henry S. Grumman on Camp street, another scholar, had diphtheria and he also quarantined her home.

The prompt action of Dr. Tracey will, it is hoped, prevent the further spread of the disease.

It has not been ascertained where the disease originated, but a case of tonsillitis of one of the scholars is suspected as being the cause of the spread of the dread disease.

AFTER LIGHT'S SCALP

The South Norwalk Council held an adjourned meeting in the Council room in Haviland street Monday night. Most of the old business for the year was cleared up and Edwin Adams was present with a petition, for the removal of the city attorney's office from the council room.

The Mayor called the meeting to order with Councilmen Ferris and Beas absent. The minutes were omitted and the bills were taken up. Only two were presented, one from former Tax Collector R. G. Mitchell for \$276.15 and one from James Paul, Tax Collector, for \$246.26 both of which were ordered paid.

The Street Commissioners asked for \$52 or the residue of the appropriation for paving North Water street and it was voted that an order for that amount be drawn.

Edwin Adams presented a communication stating that the city attorney had too much influence on the councilmen's actions and asking that his office be removed from the council chamber, and that the furniture be sold and the proceeds go into the city treasury. Councilman Charles N. Smith said that he considered the petition a gross insult to the councilmen.

City Attorney John H. Light said that the Councilmen were all familiar with the circumstances of the Railroad avenue widening and how Mr. Adams purchased property to make money out of the city by selling it. Mr. Adams and he had always been warm friends until then. In the hearing for the opening of the street Mr. Adams had sworn that his damage should be \$28,000. The city attorney had opposed the matter and on its being taken before a court commissioner Mr. Adams had been awarded \$2,417, saving the city \$25,583 enough money to pay the city attorney's salary for over forty years. Mr. Adams had no right to apply for the damages done during the storm as only tenants were harmed and could claim redress. In all his (Mr. Adams) communications he had slandered the city attorney.

Mr. Adams would like to abolish the office of City Attorney and have the councilmen prevent him looting the treasury. To show Mr. Adams' spirit, he said that Mr. Adams had taken a copy of the petition dated November 13th to a local paper, that he might get at him, Light, through the press.

Mr. Adams said that the gentleman had stated as near the truth as he was capable of stating. That he never took the communication to a paper. A Councilman had said that he considered the petition an insult. He challenged the council to show any insult in the communication dated the 13th. He had no doubt that the paper was in the city attorney's office before coming to the council. That it was not read in open session and that the reporters were asked to leave before it was read. He then read the communication as clipped from a local paper.

Mr. Light had said that he prevented him from looting the city treasury. As to the Railroad Place matter he would take care of that later. It was not an insult to send a petition to the council, but a motion concerning it coming from that man sitting there, pointing to Light, is the grossest insult which could be offered to any man.

S. C. Palmer here interrupted and inquired if all bills for the year had been presented. Councilman Smith informed him that there would be more at the meeting on December 29.

Mr. Adams continuing said, that the city attorney had received \$5,650 in eight years and that there was nothing to show for it. It had been stated to him that all bills to the council were itemized, yet the clerk told him the attorney's were not. That the attorney has had his bloodsucker fingers in the treasury and looted it until it was dry.

Mayor Codurn than said, "Mr. Adams, would you like my private opinion of the whole matter?"

Mr. Adams than subsided and on the city clerk being instructed to return the petition without comment he left the room.

The Council then voted that the treasurer pay the cost of securing bonds for the city officials, at an expense not exceeding \$125.00.

The matter of the Street Commissioners' fund was then taken up.

Commissioner George F. Bearse said that the department needed about \$600. The \$330 had been for damages to the E. Hill property when widening Water street. There had been \$75 damage to the Raymond estate and Russell property and expenses in the Becker property amounted to \$18.42. \$22 had also been expended for curb stone in front of the Raymond and Russell property. In the Godson case \$50 had been ordered paid and \$33.50 was due witnesses. To take up and change the sewer and gas pipes on North Water street had cost considerable and a matter of \$200 had been entailed.

Commissioner Reed didn't see how the department was to get along without some relief from the council. Councilman Smith thought \$600 would be enough and it was decided to call a special city meeting to be held in the council chamber Tuesday, December 26, to appropriate not more than \$600.

The clerk was then instructed to advertise for all bills against the city to be presented at an adjourned meeting held December 29.

Commissioner Reed spoke on Taylor avenue and the sidewalk in front of the Morton property 250 long extending into the street. The matter went over after some discussion.

A three months' note for \$4000 in the City National Bank was ordered drawn in favor of the city treasurer.

The resignation of Street Commissioners George F. Bearse handed in Sept. 2, to date from January 1, was taken off the table and accepted.

The council then adjourned to Friday evening, December 29.

ADAMS VS. LIGHT.

The Former's Letter Which Caused the Disturbance at Monday Night's Council Meeting.

The letter presented to the South Norwalk city council by Edwin Adams, which caused the "circus" at Monday night's meeting, was refused the reporters by City Clerk Taylor, who said it belonged to Mr. Adams now that the council had voted to return it to him without comment.

Mr. Adams when seen promptly gave it to the press and it is published as follows:

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND BOARD OF COUNCILMEN OF THE CITY OF SOUTH NORWALK, GENTLEMEN:

Following on the line of reforms and retrenchments, suggested in my communication submitted to your honorable board Nov. 13th, I most respectfully submit the following and ask your honorable board to give to it and also my petition of the 13th of November such consideration as all resident taxpayers' petitions for reforms and retrenchments are entitled.

The influence of the city attorney's office in the council chamber is pernicious. It robs the councilmen of their self-reliance, their manly independence and their personal responsibility. Recent occurrences in the council chamber render it difficult to determine whether his honor and the six honorable gentlemen sitting at the table with him or the man sitting at the right of the entrance (at a cost to the city for the last eight years of five thousand six hundred and fifty dollars, with nothing to show for it) dominate our common council. Circumstances strongly point to the latter. Fooling with such a man is a waste of time.

Therefore I, a resident taxpayer, do most respectfully petition your honorable board to have removed from the council chamber the city attorney's office and the desk and chair sold and the proceeds diverted to the city treasury.

Very respectfully submitted,
E. ADAMS.
City of South Norwalk, Dec. 18, 1899.

"Taps" Sounded.

The funeral services over the remains of Patrick Wade were held Saturday morning at the late home of the deceased on South avenue, Bridgeport. At Sacred Heart church Rev. Father O'Brien, pastor, paid an eloquent tribute to the sterling qualities of the deceased who had been a devout attendant of that church for many years. A solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated after which the casket bearing the remains with its innumerable floral emblems were conveyed to St. Michael's cemetery, where after the body was laid away "taps" were sounded by the bugler of the post and the soldier was left to his rest. The services throughout were impressive, at the church, the residence and the concluding mark of respect of the veteran's over their late comrade.

Library Club.

The Library club is to have a social meeting, Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 26, at 3:30. The little magician, Sheek, who has been so popular before the Norwalk club and the Central club, is to give an hour's entertainment, and the young ladies of the club and their friends are to furnish the music. It was necessary to give the entertainment in the afternoon because the clubhouse is used every Tuesday and Wednesday evening. Notices have been sent to club members, each of whom has an invitation to extend to a friend.

BRAVELAWTON DEAD

Shot by Filipino Sharpshooter Before San Mateo.

A HERO OF MANY BATTLES.

The General Was, as Usual, at the Head of His Troops and Received the Fatal Shot Just as Victory Was Gained.

MANILA, Dec. 20.—Major General Henry W. Lawton has been shot and killed.

General Lawton was at San Mateo. He was standing in front of his troops, was shot in the breast and died immediately.

General Lawton left home Monday night, having returned from his northern operations Saturday, to lead an expedition through Mariquina valley, which has been an insurgent stronghold throughout the war. The valley has several times been invaded, but never held by the Americans. General Geronimo was supposed to have there the largest organized force north of Manila, and General Otis wished to garrison Mariquina. The night was one of the worst of the season. A terrific rain had begun and is still continuing.

Accompanied by his staff and Troop I, Fourth Cavalry, General Lawton set out at 9 o'clock in advance of the main force, consisting of the Eleventh Cavalry and one battalion each of the Twentieth and Twenty-seventh infantry, which started from La Loma at midnight.

With a small escort he led the way through an almost pathless country a distance of 15 miles, over hills and through canebroke and deep mud, the horses climbing the rocks and sliding down the hills. Before daybreak the command had reached the head of the valley.

San Mateo was attacked at 8 o'clock, and a three hours' fight ensued. This resulted in but few casualties on the



GENERAL LAWTON.

American side, apart from the death of General Lawton, but the attack was difficult because of the natural defenses of the town.

General Lawton was walking along the firing line within 300 yards of a small sharpshooters' trench, conspicuous in the big, white helmet he always wore and a light yellow rain coat. He was also easily distinguishable because of his commanding stature.

The sharpshooters directed several close shots, which clipped the grass near. His staff officers called General Lawton's attention to the danger he was in, but he only laughed, with his usual contempt for bullets. Suddenly he exclaimed, "I am shot!" clinched his hands in a desperate effort to stand erect and fell into the arms of a staff officer.

Orderlies rushed across the field for the surgeons, who dashed up immediately, but their efforts were useless. The body was taken to a clump of bushes and laid upon a stretcher, the familiar white helmet covering the face of the dead general.

Almost at this moment the cheers of the American troops rushing into San Mateo were mingling with the rifle volleys. After the fight six stalwart cavalrymen forded the river to the town, carrying the litter on their shoulders. The staff preceding with the colors and a cavalry escort following. The troops filed bareheaded through the building where the body was laid, and many a tear fell from the eyes of men who had long followed the intrepid Lawton. The entire command was stricken with grief, as though each man had suffered a personal loss.

Owing to the condition of the country, which is impassable so far as vehicles are concerned, the remains could not be brought to Manila yesterday.

Mrs. Lawton and the children are living in a government residence formerly occupied by a Spanish general.

San Mateo lies between a high mountain behind and a broad, shallow stream in front, with wide sandbars, which the insurgent trenches and the buildings commanded. The Americans were compelled to ford the river under fire. It was while they were lying in the ricefields and volleying across preparatory to passing the stream that General Lawton was shot. All except the officers were behind cover. A staff officer was wounded about the same time, and one other officer and seven men were wounded.

After three hours' shooting the Filipinos were dispersed into the mountains. Colonel Lockett took command when General Lawton fell.

The Panay insurgents are being driven out of the island by General Hughes and are passing to Negros, where they are creating trouble. Two hundred recent arrivals there from Panay ambushed Lieutenant A. C. Ledyard with a party of 15 men of the Sixth Infantry. It was in this fight that Lieutenant Ledyard was killed, falling in the second volley.

Colonel Smith, governor of Negros island, has been obliged to arrest several prominent natives on the charge of conspiracy. The native municipal constabulary in three towns recently mutinied and went into the mountains, but the native soldiery are reported loyal.

General Lawton was known as a good fighter and a soldier of experience and ability. In July, 1898, he was chosen for the important duty of opening the military operations against the Spaniards by the capture of El Caney and the interception of the Spanish reinforcements then near Santiago, Cuba.

out the war, having entered the service as sergeant of Company E, Ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, in April 1861. He was successively promoted through merit on the field of battle to first lieutenant of the Thirtieth Indiana infantry in August, 1861; to captain in May, 1862, and to lieutenant colonel in November, 1864.

In March, 1865, he was brevetted colonel for gallant and meritorious service during the war.

He entered the regular establishment in July, 1866, as second lieutenant of the Forty-first infantry, colored.

Later he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel and held that rank until the opening of the war with Spain, when President McKinley appointed him brigadier general of volunteers and assigned him to the command of a division of the Fifth army corps, commanded by General Shafter.

On General Lawton's arrival at Manila he relieved General Anderson in command of the regular troops. He captured Santa Cruz, at the extreme end of the lake near Manila, April 10. This place, which was a Filipino stronghold, fell into the hands of General Lawton's expedition after some sharp fighting, which formed one of the most interesting battles of the war.

General Lawton and his staff accompanied the troops, sometimes leading charges in Indian fighting tactics, which eventually resulted in the complete rout of the rebels. The general's next hard fighting took place in his attack on San Rafael, where the American troops were met with a heavy fire from a large number of rebels who were concealed in the jungle on all sides.

Only the adoption by General Lawton of the tactics followed in the Indian fighting in the United States, every man for himself, saved the division from great loss. As usual, General Lawton was at the head of his line with his staff.

After the capture of San Isidro by General Lawton, President McKinley sent him the following dispatch: "To Otis, Manila: Convey to General Lawton and the gallant men of his command my congratulations upon the successful operations during the past month, resulting in the capture this morning of San Isidro."

During the recent northern campaign his troops suffered considerable hardships in this series of energetic movements, many of them dropping out sick and being left at various towns. Many of the general's horses were dying, and many of the soldiers and even some of the officers were half naked.

The general was at Tatum on Dec. 1, his troops having captured large quantities of insurgent supplies. Later he returned to Manila and, as already set forth, started Dec. 18 to capture San Mateo, where he was shot and killed.

Grief in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—General Lawton's death was a great shock to the officers of the war department, to nearly all of whom he was known personally. Hitherto his luck in battle had been marvellous. He had been in hundreds of skirmishes and midnight attacks. He was regarded as a man of action and of splendid courage, but was not considered reckless. He never exposed his men without due consideration of the risks and the stake. His men knew this and would unhesitatingly follow his lead under what seemed to be the most desperate conditions.

The Indians came to know him as the most active, vigilant, wary and determined of foes, and his pursuit and capture of Geronimo, the famous Apache chieftain, has gone down to history as one of the most remarkable campaigns ever undertaken with the small force in hand.

At Lawton's Home.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 20.—Grief is general and genuine in this city over the announcement of General Henry W. Lawton's death at San Mateo. General Lawton was living in Fort Wayne with his parents and was a student at the outbreak of the rebellion. He was a member of Zion S. Bass post, G. A. R., here and a member in good standing of Harmony lodge, I. O. O. F. Zion S. Bass post had raised a fund of nearly \$1,000 to purchase a testimonial sword which was to be presented to General Lawton upon his return from the Philippines.

Otis Announces Lawton's Death.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The war department has received from General Otis the following official confirmation of the killing of General Lawton near San Mateo, Luzon: "General Lawton, engaged in driving insurgents from San Mateo section of country, east of Manila, killed instantly at 9:30 yesterday morning. A great loss to us and his country."

Mourning in Cuba.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Dec. 20.—The report of the death of Major General Lawton made a profound impression here, many of the officers now in this military department having served with him. A social function which had been arranged at the Officers' club for last evening was postponed, and the flags on the government buildings and the American club were lowered to half mast.

Transports Arrive at Manila.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch received at the war department from General Otis reports the arrival of the transports Hancock and City of Pueblo at Manila with the Forty-fourth and a portion of the Forty-third infantry aboard.

Illness Decreases.

ALBANY, Dec. 20.—The December quarterly bulletin of the bureau of labor statistics, just issued, which covers the returns from the labor organizations of the state for July, August and September, show a rapid increase of membership and a largely reduced percentage of idleness. There were 1,320 trade unions on Sept. 30, 1899, as compared with 1,087 on the same day in 1898, and the membership increased from 171,067 to 209,120, which is the largest number yet recorded by the bureau of labor statistics. During the quarter the number of members idle was 4,788, or 2.3 per cent of the membership, as compared with 9,734, or 5.7 per cent, in 1898 and 6.5 per cent in 1897.

Buffalo Grain Receipts Light.

BUFFALO, Dec. 20.—Practically all of the grain bound down the lake for this port this season has arrived, and the total receipts, when compared with last year, show a big falling off. This season's total receipts of grain were 146,685,407 bushels as against 217,785,511 bushels last year, a decrease of over 71,000,000 bushels. The falling off is attributed to the dock troubles early in the year, the keen competition of the railroads and the greater profits in carrying ore.

HOUSE FAVORS GOLD

Currency Bill Passed by Large Majority.

ELEVEN DEMOCRATS VOTE FOR IT.

Every Republican Voted For the Measure—The Speaker's Announcement of Committee's Gave Few Surprises.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The currency bill was passed by the house by a vote of 190 to 150. It had the united support of every Republican in the house and of 11 Democrats, Messrs. Clayton, Driggs, Fitzgerald, Levy, Ruppert, Scudder, Underhill and Wilson of New York, McAleer of Pennsylvania, Denny of Maryland and Thayer of Massachusetts.

All the other Democrats voted against the measure or were paired against it except Mr. John Wacker Smith, governor elect of Maryland; Mr. Stallings of Alabama and General Joseph Wheeler of Alabama. Mr. Stallings of Alabama was not present in the house this session owing to illness, and one of his colleagues announced that if present he would have voted in the negative. General Wheeler is serving in the Philippines. Mr. Smith is, therefore, the only member of the house who did not go on record upon the bill yesterday.

When the speaker announced the result of the vote, the Republicans cheered lustily. That was the only demonstration in connection with the vote.

After the vote the speaker rather unexpectedly announced the committee selections, and the reading of the list was followed with intense eagerness by the members whose opportunities for distinction depend so largely upon their committee assignments. The only incident in connection with the reading of the list was Mr. Bailey's interrogatory of the speaker as to whether General Wheeler's name had been placed upon the committee on ways and means. Speaker Henderson responded in the negative.

There were very few surprises, as the speaker preserved the time honored custom of following precedent as to old members, leaving them to their old chairmanships and places and gradually advancing them as vacancies occurred. The important new chairmanships are those of Mr. Brosius of Pennsylvania, chairman of the banking and currency committee; Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, chairman of merchandise and fisheries; Mr. Southard of Ohio, chairman of coinage, and Mr. Cooper of Wisconsin, chairman of the newly formed committee on insular affairs.

The new members of the ways and means committee are McCall and Long, Republicans; Newlands, Silver, and Cooper, Democrats. Appropriations and foreign affairs also get a considerable amount of new blood. Military affairs has the largest new membership, six Republicans and three Democrats. The membership of the insular committee is notable in being a "committee of chairmen," the heads of ways and means, appropriations, foreign affairs, commerce, postoffices, etc., being represented also on this committee.

The new members of the house receive full consideration from the speaker, although, following custom, they necessarily take the lower places on committees.

The announcement of the death of the late Representative Bland of Missouri, which occurred last summer, was made by Mr. De Armond of Missouri, and the house, out of respect to his memory, immediately adjourned.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS.

Numerous Resolutions Concerning Philippines—Morgan on Trusts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—What the senate may accomplish in the way of legislation for the Philippines during the present session is problematical, but that the question will be thoroughly discussed is indicated by the number of resolutions bearing upon it being introduced. In opposition to the retention by the United States of the Philippine Islands two resolutions were introduced yesterday, one by Mr. Tillman of South Carolina and the other by Mr. Bacon of Georgia. While they differ in phraseology, their intent practically is the same—to yield the islands to a government to be established by the Filipinos themselves. Both senators gave notice of their intention to address the senate on their respective resolutions.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama addressed the senate briefly upon the necessity of legislation to control trusts, his argument being directed particularly to the committee on judiciary, to which his joint resolution, upon which he based his remarks, was referred.

Cone Jury Disagreed.

TOLEDO, Dec. 19.—Judge Lurton, in the federal court, has dismissed the jury in the case of Calvia Cone versus the United States Express company. After being out two days the jury was unable to agree upon a verdict. Cone sued to recover \$25,000 alleged to be due on a life contract which the express company contended was obtained under duress.

Railway Employees in Session.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 19.—A secret conference of the federated board of the Federation of American Railway Employees has begun here. Among those present are F. P. Sargent, P. H. Morrissey, Val Fitzpatrick, E. E. Clark and W. P. Powell. The members of the board refuse to make public the object of the conference until after adjournment.

Postoffice Burglarized.

EAST PEPPERELL, Mass., Dec. 19.—Burglars at the postoffice here blew off the safe door with dynamite during Sunday night, but they found only \$10. The office was wrecked. The thieves previously broke into a plumber and blacksmith shop, where they secured the tools with which to force an entrance to the postoffice.

Austrian Cabinet Out.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—A special dispatch from Vienna announces that, in consequence of the paralysis of parliamentary business, due to persistent Czech obstruction, the Austrian cabinet, headed by Count Clary Aldringen, which was formed last October to succeed the ministry of Count Thun-Hohenstein, will resign today.

To Pension General Henry's Widow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Senator Platt of New York has introduced a bill granting a pension of \$150 per month to the widow of the late General Guy V. Henry.

A BIG LANDSLIDE

Thousands of Tons of Cement Rock Fall, With Serious Results.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 20.—One hundred and fifty miners employed in quarrying cement rock for the New York and Rosendale Cement company at Rosendale, seven miles from this city, had a lucky escape from losing their lives yesterday. The quarry is situated under a high hill which rises almost perpendicularly from the roadway, and from the side of this mountain yesterday occurred landslides of many thousands of tons of rock. The first landslide occurred at 8 o'clock. When this occurred the 150 men who were working at the other end of the quarry ran out through a lower entrance, and a number of mules and horses were taken out later. The last fall took place at 11:30 and did damage to the amount of many thousands of dollars. Hundreds of tons of rock were precipitated upon the works of the company at the end of the Wallkill Valley railroad bridge.

Notice of New Trial For Benham.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Dec. 20.—The formal notice of a motion for a new trial in the case of Howard C. Benham, under death sentence for wife murder, to be made before Justice Hooker in Buffalo on Tuesday, Dec. 26, has been served upon District Attorney Randall. Accompanying the notice are 11 affidavits on which the motion for a new trial will be made on the ground of newly discovered evidence. The affidavits tend to show that the prussic acid found in the body of Mrs. Benham was taken for the cure of a malady from which Benham and his wife both were suffering.

Standard Oil Did Not Bribe.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 20.—The bill of information filed some time ago by Attorney General Monnett, charging bribery by implication, against the Standard Oil company in the suit in ouster pending in the supreme court against that corporation, has been disposed of in a decision handed down by the court. While the decision does not reflect upon the veracity of Mr. Monnett, it holds that there is no evidence which tends in the least to connect the Standard Oil company with the alleged attempt to bribe the attorney general.

Port Jervis Bank Suspended.

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Dec. 20.—The National Bank of Port Jervis has suspended. In an interview President Marvin stated that the defalcation of Assistant Cashier Goldsmith was the primary cause of the suspension. A quiet but steady withdrawal of deposits had followed, and yesterday the failure of the Produce Exchange Trust company, which was a depository of the bank's funds, still further crippled it. The condition of the bank shows ample assets to pay all depositors.

A Turn About in Wall Street.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—There was a complete revolution of sentiment in Wall street yesterday, and the latter part of the session of the Stock Exchange witnessed something like a panic among the bears, who were making frantic efforts to secure stocks to cover short contracts and bidding prices up on themselves. The professional traders took the long side of the market and bid up prices to take the market away from the bears.

Hanna's Christmas Gift.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 20.—At the request of Senator M. A. Hanna the Little Consolidated Street railroad, of which he is president, will distribute \$5,000 among its employees Saturday night as a Christmas gift. The senator in a telegram to the directors says he wants to show the company's "appreciation of the many course taken by its employees during the late strike" on the Big Consolidated lines when they refused to go out.

A New Coaling Station.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 20.—A board of naval officers has been looking over the environments of Narragansett bay with a view of making a recommendation for a coaling station. Three sites were inspected, one on Prudence island, near the lighthouse; one at Walker's farm, Jamestown, and the third at a point in the west passage to Narragansett bay. It is considered probable that the site at Prudence will be recommended.

Coke Company Official Shot.

DUNBAR, Pa., Dec. 20.—Sanford White, superintendent of construction for the W. J. Rainco coke company at the Mount Braddock works, was shot yesterday by Caleb Pierce, a negro laborer, and died while being taken to the hospital. The murderer fled to the hills, followed by a crowd of the citizens and workmen, and was finally overtaken and shot seven times.

Holland Boat in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Holland submarine torpedo boat has arrived at the navy yard at this city after a four days' run from Philadelphia. She will remain at the yard several days before any trials are made, as the men comprising her crew need a rest.

Porto Rico Census Completed.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 20.—The Sanger census commission has arrived here from Santiago and will remain two weeks, inspecting the districts. The enumeration of Porto Rico is practically completed.

Rich Gold Ore Found.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 20.—The Danube brings advices of an immense deposit of gold ore which assays \$860 to the ton. It is located ten miles from Dawson.

Colliery Strike Ended.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 19.—The strike at the Girard colliery, which began Saturday, was ended yesterday, the 350 men and boys resuming work following a conference between the officials. A committee of strikers and dissatisfied workmen signed an agreement that hereafter they would present their grievances to the United Mine Workers to be arbitrated with the company. Several discharged miners were reinstated.

New Adjutant General.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The dispatch from Albany reciting that Governor Roosevelt had said that the man he selected for adjutant general should be endorsed by Adjutant General Andrews, resigned, has led to the discovery that General Andrews' candidate and also the candidate of Major General Roe and Brigadier General Fitzgerald is Captain Francis Griswold Landon of Company I, Seventh regiment, and it is believed that the governor will name him in a few days.

WAGE EARNING EVILS

Wrongs and Perils of Women's Employment.

EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK.

Various Assaults Upon the Family Must Be Resisted—Divorces Increase Rapidly With the Industrial Invasion of Women.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 18.—The Rev. Dr. S. G. Smith of the People's church, whose arguments against women wage earners have attracted so much attention all over the country, last night presented his solution of the trouble. Dr. Smith said: "In all the cloudy vituperation in regard to my recent utterances on the question of woman labor not a single fact has been shown to be false or a single argument proved unsound. My statistics were taken from the very latest official reports. The awful conditions remain unchanged. The decrease of child labor has been paralleled by the increase in the labor of girls between 14 and 18 years, which is falsely called woman labor. The conditions of former times, when women did the weaving and the like at home, were conditions of severe labor, but at any rate these women produced for themselves and their families and under wholesome sanitary and moral conditions, but it is not enough to show that the world is better off than it was formerly. It is incumbent on my critics to show that it is as well off as it may be. "I am an optimist, but not a crass optimist who believes all things are so good that it is no use trying to make them better. Progress is not blind, and now more than ever the evolution of the race should be guided by intelligent foresight. I am not under obligations to point out a remedy because I disclose a wrong, but I have suggestions to make. Four states forbid women to work in mines. These laws should be extended to about 100 of their present occupations, which are too severe and too unhealthy. "Then all girls under 18 years should be forbidden to be employed in commercial and industrial pursuits. These measures would cut down woman labor 1 per cent. Then a movement largely social and moral, but also by women organizing, should be effective to give women who do equal work with men the same wage. Thus the family standard of wages would supplant the individual standard. The various assaults upon the family must be resisted, for it is the social unit. The Madonna with her own child in her own arms must not be dethroned to make room for the public woman. Divorce in this country is increasing 2 1/2 times as fast as the population. It parallels the industrial invasion of women. In 20 years divorces doubled in the state of Ohio, while marriages actually decreased. "Not every movement in society is either safe or final. No civilization has any assurance of perpetuity. That depends on its virtue and its intelligence. When the Greeks chose Asphasia, the female philosopher, as their heroine rather than Penelope, the virtuous wife, it was not the dethronement of Penelope alone, but the doom of Greece."

Cincinnati Wants the Convention.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—There will be a strong effort made to have the next Democratic national convention held in Cincinnati. The building erected for the international saengerfest last June is retained in expectation of having this convention here. It was decided to make an effort for the Republican national convention, but it was said that the Republican committee would not consider that an Ohio city when it was conceded that an Ohio man would be nominated. The saengerfest hall seats 14,800 and cost over \$90,000. With a suitable building already constructed, it is claimed that Cincinnati will offer every inducement that can be offered by other cities.

A Family Affair.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 18.—A murder trial in which three generations of a family were defendants has ended with a verdict of manslaughter against Thomas Gallagher, aged 21, the youngest of the four defendants, and acquittal for his brother, Joseph Gallagher; his mother, Ann Gallagher, and his grandmother, Bridget Dempsey. The murder for which they were tried was the killing of James Quinn, Sr., in Carbondale township Aug. 13 last during a quarrel between the Quinns and Gallaghers, which began in a dispute between boys.

Former Congressman Dead.

WHITE HOUSE, N. J., Dec. 18.—Former Congressman James Nelson Piddcock, for 20 years the Democratic leader in this section of New Jersey and a power in state politics for many years, died at his home in this place yesterday of paralysis. He was stricken with paralysis at 7 o'clock Saturday night while seated in his library. He became unconscious immediately, and although doctors were summoned he did not regain consciousness.

Released From Custody.

ROME, N. Y., Dec. 18.—George W. Kennedy of New York, who was arrested here on Friday for having in his possession eight gold watches, which it was supposed he had stolen, has been released. The Gorham Manufacturing company of New York telegraphed that the watches were Kennedy's property, and Chief of Detectives McClusky wired that he could find nothing against Kennedy.

Shoe Factory Burned.

DULUTH, Dec. 18.—Fire completely destroyed the factory of the Duluth Boot and Shoe company at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. One of the firemen, H. McVitte, was killed by falling walls, and John Twaddle and Captain John Walsh were seriously injured. The loss on stock and building was \$130,000; insurance, \$90,000.

Ship Contract Let.

NEWPORT NEWS, Dec. 18.—A contract for the construction of four new freight and passenger vessels for the Morgan line has been awarded to the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company. The total cost is to be \$2,400,000.

Oldest Citizen Dead.

MALONE, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Isaac B. Farrar, a well known resident and supposed to be the oldest man in the county, died here last night. He was 99 years of age. Up to a few weeks ago he was frequently seen driving his own team about the place.

IRISH FOR THE BOERS.

Noisy Demonstration in Dublin—The Queen Denounced.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—The announcement that a pro-Boer meeting would be convened yesterday as a protest against the proposal of Trinity college to confer a degree upon Mr. Joseph Chamberlain led to exciting scenes. A large force of police was called out, and the troops were held in readiness.

Maud Gonne, the so called "Irish Joan of Arc," and Mr. James Connolly, the Irish republican, drove in a wagonette to the place appointed for the meeting, which was attended by a large crowd. Mr. Connolly tried to speak, but was prevented by the police. The wagonette then made a tour of the street, the crowd rapidly increasing, cheering for the Boers, singing "God Save Ireland" and "Well Hang Joe Chamberlain on a Sour Apple Tree" and using disgusting expressions against the queen, the empire and the army.

While passing Dublin castle the occupants of the wagonette waved the Transvaal flag defiantly, whereupon the police stopped the vehicle and seized the flag.

The wagonette, attended by a large body of police, who often cleared the streets, then drove to the rooms of the Irish Transvaal committee, where Michael Davitt, William Redmond and J. O'Brien were waiting. A meeting of about 60 persons was held, Messrs. Davitt, Redmond and O'Brien speaking in violent condemnation of the war and of Mr. Chamberlain and declaring that the latter's visit to Ireland at such a moment was proof of his callous nature. The speakers urged that, should opportunity occur, Dublinites ought to show their detestation of the colonial secretary in unmistakable fashion.

Mr. Davitt said: "All Irishmen rejoice in the triumph of the Boers. No power in Europe would now fear Great Britain, except perhaps the Prince of Monaco." Mr. Redmond said: "Mr. Chamberlain deserves not doctors, but executioners." Ultimately a resolution, proposed by Mr. Davitt, was carried, denouncing the war and calling upon the powers, particularly the United States, to take steps to insure the independence of the Boer republic.

While Maud Gonne was speaking somebody shouted a reference to the Phoenix park murders. The chairman and Mr. Davitt warmly protested, however, that no violence should be shown.

The meeting closed amid tremendous cheers evoked by a rumor that Lady Smith had fallen. Maud Gonne and Mr. Connolly drove off, with the intention of holding open air meetings, but the police arrested Mr. Connolly.

MARCONI OUTDONE.

Discovery of Interesting Sensitive Receiver Means Wonders.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—Bold researches by Professor Reginald A. Fessenden and his assistant, Professor Kintner, in the electrical laboratory of the Western University of Pennsylvania have resulted in the production of a receiver for wireless telegraphy that is 2,000 times more sensitive than the so called "coherer" of the Marconi system.

In speaking of the discovery yesterday Professor Fessenden said:

"Although we have improved the receiver so that it is 2,000 times as sensitive as the original one, we realize that we have not yet begun to see the limit. Marconi, in his brilliant experiments, has demonstrated that messages can be sent over 90 miles. As our receiver is several hundred times more sensitive it is clear that the messages can be sent by our method very much farther, though just what the limit is I would not like to say. It at least should be possible to send messages across the Atlantic with poles less than 200 feet high. The ultimate distance must be checked by actual experiment before it becomes scientific fact in the strictest sense."

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The island of Mozambique was swept by a terrific cyclone.

Hannibal Smith, a noted New York state lawyer, died in Watertown.

James Broderick, 6 years old, was found in a state of intoxication from eating brandy drops.

J. D. Rockefeller has given \$10,000 to Booker T. Washington for Tuskegee Normal Institute, in Alabama.

RUSSIANS MALIGNED

Recent Sensational Reports False and Libelous.

RELATIONS WITH JAPAN NOT STRAINED

Figures Given by a Competent Authority to Prove the Sound Financial Condition of the Czar's Country.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—M. Routkowsky, the agent of the ministry of finance of Russia in Washington, in a communication which has received the approval of the Russian ambassador, complains of the attempts which he says were made in Europe recently to create in this country the impression that the relations between the governments of Japan and Russia were strained.

"Immediately after these statements had been authoritatively denied by the Russian ambassador and the Japanese minister here," says M. Routkowsky, "other sensational rumors were started, presumably at Berlin, and directed against the credit of the Russian empire. These were followed by libels directed against the eminent statesmen to whose care was intrusted that credit and an appeal made to Japan in an article on Russian finances to attack that country before her Transsiberian railroad could be completed."

M. Routkowsky adds that in view of the fact that all of these false rumors and misstatements, if not exposed, might leave among capitalists and financiers in this country an erroneous impression he has decided to give to the press some figures on the subject. These figures show that during the 12 years from 1887 to 1898 the ordinary revenues of the Russian government steadily increased from 820,000,000 rubles in 1887 to 1,584,000,000 rubles in 1898 and that during the whole of that time, with the exception of two years (1887 and 1891), the expenses were considerably less than the receipts, this surplus for the 12 years amounting to 790,000,000 rubles. For the same 12 years the extraordinary revenues and expenses of the government make a total of the former of 1,128,000,000 rubles and of the latter of 2,075,000,000 rubles. The items in the extraordinary revenues are shown to have been: Loans, 941,000,000 rubles; reimbursement of debts to the government of private railroads, 111,000,000 rubles; all other, 74,000,000 rubles.

The items of the extraordinary expenses during the same period were: Purchases of high rate bonds and payment of various debts, 1,035,000,000 rubles; construction of new state railroads, including Transsiberian road, 653,000,000 rubles; relief of the distressed population during famine of 1891, 161,000,000 rubles; increase of capital of Imperial State bank, 43,000,000 rubles; warships, 90,000,000 rubles; all other, 93,000,000 rubles. On Jan. 1, 1887, the national debt was 4,357,000,000 rubles, and Dec. 31, 1898, it was 6,109,000,000 rubles. This increase, it is stated, was due partly to the refunding of high rate loans into bonds at a low rate, but principally to the purchase of many railroads by the government, which are earning large returns on the money invested. The deposits of the people in the savings banks on Jan. 1, 1887, are shown to have amounted to 44,000,000 rubles, while on June 1, 1899, these deposits had increased to 567,000,000 rubles.

Disinterring Maine Victims.

HAVANA, Dec. 18.—The United States battleship Texas, Captain Sigbee commanding, has arrived, and Captain Greene, commandant of the naval station, has conferred with Captain Sigbee with regard to the removal from Colon cemetery of the bodies of the victims of the Maine disaster. The present intention is to remove the remains with as little ceremony as possible. The work of disinterment began this morning. Each coffin will be inclosed in a metal casket and be surrounded by a disinfecting compound. The caskets will be removed during the night to the naval wharf, where they will be under guard until all is ready for removal to the battleship, which, it is expected, will take place Wednesday night or Thursday at daybreak. The Texas will identify the coffins as they are taken from the ground, having a chart showing the exact location of each.

Will Build in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 18.—The executive committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has decided to look no further than Cleveland for a site for the big building which the Brotherhood intends to erect for its permanent home. The committee had intended visiting a number of cities before coming to a decision, but concluded that Cleveland offers sufficient advantages. The land and building will cost \$300,000.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The river Seine at Paris was nearly closed by ice.
An unknown man committed suicide before the high altar of St. Peter's, in Rome.
Edgar F. Bailey of Orange, N. J., was wounded in a duel with a burglar in his kitchen.
The Michigan legislature met in special session, and Governor Pingree's message urging new method of railroad taxation was read.
The Texas tax commission's proposed readjustment of rates was made public. It is especially severe on corporations.
An advance of 10 per cent in wages went into effect in the New England cotton manufacturing cities and towns, affecting 70,000 hands.
Cholera has broken out at the Famine Relief works at Hissar, northwest of Delhi, India. There have already been 997 cases and 563 deaths.
Mississippi Steamer Burned.
MEMPHIS, Dec. 19.—The steamer State of Kansas, which was burned at New Madrid yesterday, left Memphis Saturday for northern river points loaded with general merchandise. The cargo included 1500 bales of cotton consigned to eastern buyers. The loss will be about \$50,000.

Naval Movements.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Admiral Schley's flagship Chicago sailed from Bahia for Buenos Ayres Sunday. The Detroit has sailed from Colon for Key West, the Dixie from League Island for Norfolk. The Philadelphia and the Iowa have arrived at Santiago. The Porter has arrived at Newport.

A CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CASE.

A So Called Healer Describes Her Mode of Treatment.

ROME, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The coroner's inquest in the case of Mrs. M. M. Davis, who died under Christian Science treatment, was continued yesterday. Dr. W. B. Reid, who made the autopsy, said he examined for strychnine or arsenic, but found none in the stomach. There was a strong alcoholic odor to the contents. Mrs. Jennie Watson, a friend of Mrs. Davis, said she called to see the deceased a week before her death. Miss Moore, the Christian Science healer, and others were present. They refused to let Mrs. Watson see Mrs. Davis. Witness said several times on other visits when she had seen Mrs. Davis she expressed the thought that she would need a doctor. Miss Moore testified that she had been a Christian Scientist for 11 years. She has a certificate from the Massachusetts Metaphysical college. The district attorney endeavored to get her to describe the course of study there. She said it would take ten days or two weeks to describe it. The attorney said there was plenty of time, and her reply was that she could not give a description. During her examination she said:

"I do nothing physically. I do not do the same thing with every patient. The mentality of the patients is not the same. The healer does not touch the patient. The understanding of the commandments is necessary to do healing."
Among other things in reply to the district attorney she said she would treat patients by the truth—the God power. She also said Christian Science teaches that a physician should not be called in with a healer. Asked what sickness was, the witness said it was the opposite of health. She would treat sickness by changing the mentality. She would tell patients they were children of God and teach them the commandments. In that way she could heal any disease. She could heal a broken leg if the patient fully understood God. She had had some instruction in physiology and had read medical books.

The coroner's verdict was that Mrs. Davis came to her death from paralysis of the heart caused by valvular disease of the heart and that her death was hastened very much by the treatment accorded the deceased by the persons having her in charge. The verdict recommends that the district attorney present the case to the grand jury.

New Jersey Legislature.

TRENTON, Dec. 20.—The Republican house caucus for the selection of officers for the assembly during the coming session of the legislature, which begins next month, was held in the assembly chamber yesterday, and the principal places were filled without opposition. E. W. Wakelee was elected permanent chairman, which makes him leader of the house. Following are the officers: Speaker, Benjamin F. Jones, Essex; clerk, James Parker, Passaic; assistant clerk, George E. Poole, Morris; journal clerk, Noah P. Morrison, Union; sergeant-at-arms, Frank Tatum, Monmouth; assistants, Horatio Hazens, Ocean; John G. Coover, Somerset; bill clerk, George P. Powell, Essex.

New Depository Banks.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The secretary of the treasury announced at the close of business yesterday that he would increase the funds in depository banks now existing and would designate new depository banks which may apply and qualify themselves by deposit of United States bonds as the law requires. To such banks the incoming receipts from internal revenue, estimated at about \$1,000,000 per day, will be distributed. The large balance in the treasury will enable the government to deposit to a total of \$30,000,000 or \$40,000,000 should so much be applied for.

Sampson Joins the G. A. R.

PALMYRA, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Admiral Sampson was mustered into membership in James A. Garfield post, No. 193, G. A. R., last evening. He promised to join the local post some time ago, sending in his application and the usual dollar bill. Sunday he arrived unannounced from Rochester and spent the day quietly with his sister, Hannah Sampson, at the homestead. After the ritualistic ceremony there was a campfire and hard tack and pork and beans. There was a large attendance of veterans. The dollar bill has been framed and hangs conspicuously in the local lodgeroom.

Steamer Plymouth Ashore.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The big side-wheel steamer Plymouth of the Fall River line went ashore on a reef on the north side of Riker's island at 8:30 o'clock last night. She had about 600 passengers aboard at the time. A hole about five feet in diameter was stove in the boat well forward, and she filled rapidly. The captain appeared to have lost his bearings on account of the fog, which was almost impenetrable at the time of the accident.

No Spanish and Russian Alliance.

MADRID, Dec. 18.—Senator Silveira, the premier, replying to a question on the subject in the chamber of deputies, said the report of an alliance between Spain and Russia based upon the cession of Ceuta, the Spanish seaport town in Morocco opposite Gibraltar, was without foundation. "Neither now nor in the future," he declared, "will Spain on any account cede her African possessions."

One of the James Gang.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 18.—John Smith, who was last Friday convicted of attempting to dynamite Judge O. W. Powers and who took morphine with suicidal intent Saturday night, is dead. Smith declared that his real name was Jesse James and that he was a cousin of Jesse and Frank James. He claimed to have traveled with Frank and Jesse James for years.

Prominent Ohian Dead.

BELLE FONTAINE, O., Dec. 18.—Hon. William Vance Marquis, who is lieutenant governor of Ohio under the Campbell administration, died suddenly yesterday of heart trouble in the office of Dr. Chalfant, upon whom he had called for treatment. Mr. Marquis was 72 years of age. He had been engaged in mercantile and banking business here for many years.

Three Persons Burned.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Dec. 18.—Three persons were badly burned here yesterday by the explosion of gases in a cellar. The injured are Mrs. William Chamberlain of East Third street, her daughter Lottie, 15 years of age, and Joseph Stevens, a man employed by Mr. Chamberlain. Mrs. Chamberlain and her daughter are not expected to live.

TO ENLIST MORE MEN

British War Office Wants Mounted Infantry.

EVERY VOLUNTEER REGIMENT INVITED

Enlistments Are Being Made With Great Alacrity—Complete List of Casualties in the Tugela River Fight Not Yet Received.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The government has at last consented to mobilize a force which General Buller is credited with having demanded all along as an essential of success in South Africa—namely, 10,000 mounted infantry. This morning the war office issued an order to the effect that the government had decided to raise for South Africa a mounted infantry force, to be called the Imperial yeomanry and to be recruited from yeomanry, volunteers and civilians possessing the requisite qualifications. Enlistment will be for one year or during the continuance of the war. The men must be between 20 and 35 years of age and of equal physique to the ordinary cavalry soldier. Officers and men are to provide their own horses and to wear neutral tint shooting jackets (not necessarily uniform), felt hats, breeches and gaiters. All must be good riders and marksmen. The same order invites every volunteer regiment that is linked with a regular battalion serving at the front to supply a full company, which will take the place of the mounted infantry of the regiment.

These arrangements are expected to result in a considerable force. The enrolled strength of the yeomanry forces which originated in the troublous period of the French revolution is now 10,433. Their services have never before been called for in war.

The lord mayor of London, Mr. Alfred Newton, is raising and equipping a force of 1,000 volunteers among the city corps. The large city firms are contributing the necessary expenses.

Colonel Sir Charles Howard Vincent, commandant of the Queen's Westminster volunteers, has also offered to raise a regiment of 1,000 picked marksmen.

The enthusiasm of volunteer enlistments continues and promises to give the government ample material.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling addressed a meeting at Rottingdean last evening, called for the purpose of forming a volunteer company.

Special reports regarding the fighting at the Tugela river are still filtering through, but all the newspapers complain that these are severely censored, and it is still impossible to get an accurate idea of the battle. From the latest accounts, however, it appears that General Buller was in personal command.

A correspondent at Chieveley camp says the Boers excuse themselves for firing on the stretcher bearers by asserting that two squads of the Connaught rangers took cover under civilian bearers of the Red Cross and that this act drew the Boer fire, three being killed and several wounded.

Much anxiety is caused by the fact that the war office has not yet received a full list of the casualties at Tugela river.

Spanish Steamer Stopped.

MADRID, Dec. 20.—The Spanish steamer Ciudad de Cadiz, which has just arrived at Las Palmas, Canary islands, from Cadiz, reports that she was pursued and overhauled last Saturday by a British cruiser, which fired guns, compelling her to leave, to interrogate her as to name and route and then allowed her to proceed.

Aid For British Widows.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 20.—A movement has been started in this city by the Order of the Sons of St. George to raise a fund for the widows and orphans of the British soldiers killed in the Transvaal and in meeting with a promising response from the various lodges throughout the country. The idea originated with Captain W. P. Mockett of this city, formerly an officer in the British army and more recently identified with the New Jersey militia. In Camden and Philadelphia contributions amounting to over \$500 have been made, with several lodges yet to be heard from. The three lodges at Trenton have subscribed \$1,000. The grand lodge of this state and the supreme lodge at Chicago have become interested in the fund.

Aid For War Sufferers.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—A meeting of the representative British residents in Boston has been held for the purpose of organizing for the relief of those seriously affected by the war in South Africa. G. Herbert Windeler occupied the chair and, after stating the object of the meeting, asked for an expression of opinion. A unanimity of sentiment was manifested that a sum similar to that which has been started in other parts of the country should be begun in New England. The meeting finally organized under the title of the "British South African Patriotic Fund." Before the meeting closed more than \$1,000 had been subscribed. It is believed that over \$100,000 can easily be raised in New England alone.

Crisis Passed in Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Notwithstanding the financial day in this city opened with the failure of a prominent brokerage firm and closed with a large attachment filed against two of the three leading members of a combine in copper stocks, it is generally believed that the crisis has been passed and that a panic has been averted.

Earthquake in Germany.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A special dispatch from Berlin says: "Sharp earthquake shocks were felt about 9 o'clock Tuesday morning in the Rheingau district, between Frankfurt and Wiesbaden. The houses were shaken, and the people rushed wildly into the open air. No loss of life is reported."

Receiver For Baltimore Firm.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—Judge Phelps, in the city circuit court, late yesterday appointed Harry A. Parr receiver for the Columbia Iron Works and Dry Dock company. Mr. Parr gave bonds for \$100,000. The receiver was appointed by consent.

Actor Russell Very Ill.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Sol Smith Russell, who collapsed on the stage in the second act of "The Hon. John Grigsby," is reported to be in such a serious condition that it is possible that all his engagements for this season will be canceled.

THE MAINE VICTIMS.

Exhuming the Remains in Havana, Preparatory to Shipment.

HAVANA, Dec. 19.—Yesterday morning a gang of 14 gravediggers, superintended by Chaplain Chidwick and Dr. Macour, began the exhumation in Colon cemetery of the remains of the victims of the Maine. After clearing away the tops of the mounds from a majority of the graves the men set to work at 7 o'clock to open up the first three, which contained 20 coffins. About 1 o'clock in the afternoon the first coffin was raised. It contained the remains of Joseph Seery and was one of the few tin lined coffins in which bodies were placed some days before the funeral took place. The next contained the remains of Harry Keys and the third those of Eldon Nero.

As the coffins were raised to the grave side the remains were immediately placed in tin lined coffins prepared with lime and charcoal bottoms, after which more lime and charcoal were used, and then the coffins were carried a few yards away, where tinmiths nailed down and hermetically sealed the lids, the names being distinctly painted thereon.

Chaplain Chidwick, using his chart, kept a strict account in each instance. Forty coffins were carried to the cemetery chapel, about 100 yards away. Two watchmen were on duty last night.

The weather was favorable, a gentle breeze stirring the pines which stand around the graves. Twenty-five soldiers and about as many other spectators were present.

A most distressing but unavoidable feature was the necessity of removing the broken remnants of several coffins. Father Chidwick at first refused to allow this to be done in the only way it seemed practicable to remove them, but as the lime which was originally put in as a disinfectant had caked firmly there was no alternative.

A farewell banquet will be given to General Brooke Thursday at the Hotel Inglaterra by Cuban friends under the direction of a committee including General Mario Menocal and General Andrade.

Expert Kinsley on the Rack.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—William J. Kinsley, the handwriting expert, was again cross examined yesterday by Barlow S. Weeks during the trial of Roland B. Molineux for the killing of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams. No other witness was examined during the day. The evidence was technical in the extreme, size, slant, shape, shade, spacing, speed, proportion, pen pressure, movement and alignment being discussed in detail. Mr. Weeks took up each one of these particulars and questioned Mr. Kinsley at length regarding each letter which appears in the address on the poison package. Though Mr. Weeks asked many questions that seemed to annoy and embarrass the witness at times, on the whole he was unable to shake the position of the expert or to induce him to waver in his contention that Molineux wrote the address on the famous poison package.

Opening of Grand Opera.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The grand opera season at the Metropolitan Opera House, under the direction of Mr. Maurice Grau, began last night with a performance of Gounod's "Romeo and Juliet" that was made especially notable by the first appearance here of Albert Alvarez, the tenor of the Grand Opera House at Paris. The opening performance was brilliant in the matter of audience and enthusiasm, despite the fact that the opera was not a novelty, and the cast derived its interest from the fact that it was to introduce, besides Mr. Alvarez, such popular artists as Emma Eames, Edouard De Reszke and Pol Plancon.

Amherst Students Suspended.

AMHERST, Mass., Dec. 19.—President Harris of Amherst college has announced the suspension for an indefinite period of four students, the alleged ringleaders in an attempt to break up the annual banquet of the freshmen class in Springfield last Wednesday evening. The sophomores had a battle with the police in attempting to pass the door of the banquet hall, and a patrolman and several of the hotel employees were severely injured, while a number of students were badly battered. Several of the freshmen after dinner speakers were captured by the sophomores.

Logan's Defamers Punished.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—General Shafter, at San Francisco, has telegraphed the war department as follows: "In the matter of the stories concerning Major Logan's death the matter has been carefully investigated, and as a result I have, according to direction of the secretary of war, ordered Koppitz discharged, also Second Steward Englan. Full report mailed today." Koppitz was accused of circulating stories to the effect that Major Logan was shot by his own men in revenge for ill treatment.

A Camera Trust.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 19.—The E. & H. T. Anthony company of this city, manufacturers of cameras and photographic supplies, have sold out their hand camera business to a combination of photographic manufacturers in Rochester. The Rochester combination which has purchased the local company is made up of five manufacturers of camera supplies. The combination is capitalized at about \$3,000,000 and is purchasing various manufacturers throughout the east.

More Libraries Sent Out.

TRENTON, Dec. 19.—State Librarian Buchanan has sent out 15 more traveling libraries, making 21 in all. He has six more on hand, which will be sent to places applying for them. The places to which libraries were sent yesterday are Belleville, Bloomington, Belvidere, Belle Meade, Pemberton, Mill Stone, Millburn, Hamburg, Pompton, Riverville, Tuckahoe, Fair Haven, Penns Grove, Eatontown and Lawrenceville.

Suspension Bridge Fails.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 19.—The suspension bridge across the Brandywine partially collapsed last evening and precipitated 30 men and three horses and carts into a deep pool. Five men were more or less injured. It is not known that any one was drowned. The bridge was 100 feet long and 15 feet above the water. The wire cables at one end broke.

Woodruff For Vice President.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Kings county general committee held in Brooklyn resolutions indorsing the candidacy of Lieutenant Governor Timothy L. Woodruff for vice president of the United States were unanimously adopted.

STOCK MARKET PANIC

Slump in Prices and a Sharp Rise in Money Rates.

BEARS CONTROL WALL STREET.

Concerted Effort of Clearing House Banks Placed \$10,000,000 For Loan at Low Rates and Prevented Disaster.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Panic conditions developed on the Stock Exchange yesterday afternoon with the imperative need of money developed by the violent contraction in values. Stocks were being thrown over without the slightest regard to the price they would bring and at distressing sacrifice of values. No end to the helplessness of the situation seemed in sight, when, in the last half hour of the market, some \$10,000,000 was offered on the Stock Exchange by the concerted action of the clearing house banks to force the rate arbitrarily down to 6 per cent without regard to the distracted bidding at higher rates which was being done by other brokers for distressed operators. The collapse in the money rate checked the decline and drove the bears to cover.

The recoveries produced by their urgent bidding were almost as violent as the declines had been, but the losses were by no means entirely retrieved. Large offerings of stocks continued at the rally, and at some points of the list prices broke anew before the close, making the closing exceedingly irregular and unsettled. The excitement continued to the end, with sentiment looking forward anxiously for the developments of another day.

So far as actual news was concerned yesterday, there was a suspension by a newly organized trust company and by a firm of bankers and brokers who have figured as traders in stocks to an extent of some importance. Neither event in itself would have been sufficient to precipitate a crisis, but they were supplemented with a whole crop of wild and incoherent rumors which spared no interest however powerful, long established and hitherto free from suspicion it may have been. One would think from the tone of some of the gossip that was flying about by telephone, telegraph and by message boy or by whispers and even by shouting in the lobbies of the Stock Exchange that the whole financial fabric had been undermined and was about to tumble in ruins.

Before the concerted relief by the clearing house banks the money rate leaped to 50, 70, 100 and according to the official record, 125 per cent. Credible reports assert that 186 per cent was paid for money during the day. The official record of such a transaction was lost in the excitement. An idea of the severity of losses may be gained from a few specifications. American Tobacco fell an extreme 2 1/2%, Metropolitan 20%, People's Gas 14, Sugar 12%, Continental Tobacco 11 1/2%, Tennessee Coal 17, Manhattan 9 and Leather preferred 9 1/2, all in the list of industrials.

In the railroad lists such stocks as Northwest, New York Central, Great Northern preferred, Rock Island, Southern Pacific, the Union Pacific, the Northern Pacific, Atchison preferred and in fact the most prominent and active railroad stocks in the whole list showed losses all the way from 4 to 9 points. The rallies with the final offering down of the money rate to 6 per cent ran from 5 to 10 points.

The day's transactions run up to a total of nearly 1,650,000 shares, which is the record for a day's business. The excitement was intense all day, and there can be no doubt that a large volume of transactions and a record of many quotations were entirely lost in the seething and turmoil of brokers and operators which surged over the floor of the exchange and about every post all day long.

The Slump in Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Confidence in financial circles in this city was apparently restored yesterday morning by the united efforts during Sunday of bankers and brokers only to be again shaken by the failure in New York. This while the entire situation is not particularly alarming it is still unsettled enough to cause severe apprehension. The local stock market quickly followed New York in the stock decline, but the slump did not bring with it any failures among local brokers—that is, none had been announced up to the closing of the Stock Exchange.

Philadelphia Market Panicky.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—The Philadelphia stock market did not escape the panicky conditions that ruled in the New York Stock Exchange, though the losses here were not as serious, save in one stock, United Gas Improvement, which lost 9 1/2 points, having opened at 155 and closed at 145 1/2. Great interest was taken here in the Wall Street slump.

Gale to Succeed Settle.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 19.—At the special election in the Seventh Kentucky congressional district yesterday to elect a successor to the late Congressman Evan E. Settle, June W. Gayle (Dem.) of Owen county was elected over ex-Congressman W. C. Owens, who ran as the fusion candidate of the anti-Goebel Democrats and Republicans. About two-thirds of the vote was polled. At Gayle's headquarters his majority is placed at 3,000.

Stars For Letter Carriers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The postmaster general has ordered that hereafter the length of service as letter carriers shall not be indicated on the uniforms of carriers by stripes, but by stars. For 5 years' service they will wear one black silk star, two stars for 10 years, one red silk star for 15 years and two for 20 years, one silver star for 25 years, two for 30 years, one gold star for 35 years and two for 40 years.

More Pay For Threadmakers.

PAWBUCKET, R. I., Dec. 19.—Notices announcing a general advance of 10 per cent in every department of the J. & P. Coates Thread company were posted yesterday morning. Employees to the number of 2,200 will be benefited by the advance. The Harrison Yarn company also posted notices of an increase of 10 per cent. The advance to go into effect at once.

Noted Art Dealer Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Bernard Quaritch, the famous art dealer and vendor of rare books, has just died in his eighty-second year. He had a world wide reputation among bibliophiles.

LIEUTENANT BRUMBY DEAD.

Dewey's Faithful Flag Officer the Victim of Fever.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Lieutenant Thomas M. Brumby, flag lieutenant to Admiral Dewey during the Manila campaign, who had been ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, died at Garfield hospital shortly after 6 o'clock last evening.

The death of Lieutenant Brumby, while not unexpected, was a great shock to Admiral Dewey. The relations of the two men for several years past had been very intimate, and a strong friendship had grown up between them. Lieutenant Brumby went out to the Asiatic station with the admiral and had been there with him until they both returned to the United States.

The lieutenant's present illness dated from about the 27th of November, the first symptom being nothing more than a cold, which, however, failed to yield to treatment, and soon afterward he went to the Garfield hospital, where he died. Admiral Dewey was unremitting in his attentions to him until his condition became precarious and visitors were not allowed to see him. Some days ago Mrs. W. L. Heyward of Marietta, Ga., a sister, was summoned, and Thursday she was joined by her husband, both remaining with the lieutenant until he died.

The lieutenant's aged mother is still living in Marietta, Ga. The father, who is dead, was colonel of the Fourteenth Georgia regiment in the Confederate army. Lieutenant Brumby was 44 years old and unmarried.

The lieutenant was appointed a naval cadet from Georgia, entering the service on the 29th of September, 1873, and his present commission dates from the 24th of August, 1892. Practically all the time during the last two years he had been with Admiral Dewey. In his report of the battle of Manila Admiral Dewey spoke in very complimentary terms of the services and gallantry of his flag lieutenant and recommended that he be advanced some numbers on the list of lieutenants. His recommendation was adopted by the navy department and the name sent to the senate, but together with a number of other promotions made by the department failed to be acted upon. The promotion recommended placed him about 13 on the list of lieutenants, and had it been confirmed he would in less than a year from now have reached the grade of lieutenant commander. The lieutenant's death is the third of those who were closely associated with Dewey at the battle of Manila who have died since that time, namely, Captain Gridley, Commander Wood and Lieutenant Brumby.

Lieutenant Brumby was presented a sword by the legislature of Georgia on the 26th of October. He remained in Georgia some days after that and returned to Washington about the middle of November.

AGUINALCO DISGUISED.

Young's Forces Still Operating in the Mountains.

MANILA, Dec. 18.—The following dispatch, dated Dec. 15, has been received from Laog, province of North Ilocos:

"Natives at Manitong, province of North Ilocos, report that Aguinaldo, in disguise and accompanied by several of his generals, left Manitong last Saturday with 500 men, going in the direction of Salsona, from which point he intended to proceed to Cabugan, province of Cagayan.

"An insurgent major, claiming to be in command of 100 Filipinos who have been guarding 23 American prisoners at Cabugan, surrendered. He wrote his captains to deliver the prisoners to General Young.

"General Young's command is now divided into six or seven parties, which are operating in the mountains about Laog. Several parties are hunting for General Tio.

"Major Swigert, with a detachment of the Third cavalry, had an engagement

THE STORM.

Hark! hark! hark!
Hark to the thunder's roar!
Hark how the maddened waves
Burst on the rock-girt shore!
Lashed by the furious winds,
Their foaming crests they rear,
Rush on with mighty bound,
Start back in shuddering fear.

Hark to the rattling hail!
Hark to the driving rain!
The heavens, a blaze of light,
Throb as in quivering pain;
And nature seems to work,
Unchecked, its own wild will,
While man looks on in awe,
And bird and beast are still.

God on the whirlwind rides,
The storm is 'neath His feet,
He holds in His right hand
The winds, His coursers fleet;
They bear creation's Lord
In triumph on His way,
And in their maddest race
His slightest check obey.

The lightning is His glance,
His breath upheaves the sea,
The thunder His dread voice
Of awful majesty;
In nature's seeming war
His Maker walks abroad,
And all its mighty powers
Are servants of His God.
—Ester Wiglesworth, in Golden Days.

Life's Possibilities

IT WAS at the Waldorf-Astoria during horse show time, and the dinner hour, the busiest time of the whole day at that wonderful hostelry.

Uniformed attendants flew here and there in breathless haste, waiters and "omnibusses" hovered distractedly about the flower-bedecked tables in the grand dining salon and the palm garden, and through the rich corridors flowed a ceaseless stream of elegant women in trailing silken gowns and prosperous-looking men in Tuxedos or swallow-tail coats cut to reveal dazzling segments of shirt front.

The riot of luxury, feasting and enjoyment was at its height when two men met in the office—two men of 40 or thereabouts, with that indefinite air of self-conscious power that marks the successful business man.

"By the gods, if it isn't Ned Frink!" exclaimed the taller of the two, stopping suddenly with outstretched hand. "Teller!" cried the other, joyfully, seizing the proffered hand. "I'm glad to see you, old man!"

In another moment the two, seated in a couple of big throne-like leather chairs which the Astor millions have provided for the purpose of at once comforting and impressing the hotel patrons, and were giving an account of themselves in true American fashion. They had not seen each other since 15 years before they had separated after four years of intimate companionship at a fresh-water college to go out and seek their fortunes, after the impetuous fashion of western youth.

"You have prospered, I hear," said Frink, "and have become an out-and-out New Yorker in fact and sentiment."

"Oh, I've had my ups and downs," replied Teller, with a little laugh, "but I'm on top now. As for being a confirmed New Yorker, well, Mrs. Teller, like most eastern women, doesn't care for the west. We've never even done the conventional trip to California. She prefers crossing the pond when we travel."

In the last words was all the complacency of the man who has had a hard fight of it and won, but Frank easily forgave the little touch of vanity. He had been through it all himself.

"Then, there's a Mrs. Teller," he said, smiling.

"Oh, yes, and a Jack Teller the second," replied the other. "You must see that boy, Ned."

"I want to," said Frink, but something wishful in his voice struck his friend.

"And you," he asked, quickly. "Surely you've not remained single, my boy?" "I've never married," was the brief reply.

"Why, you're the very fellow to have a romance. I should think," went on Teller. "You used to be a sentimental chap at college, always writing verses and all that."

Frank laughed.

"Yes, I had my romance," he said.

"Well, I'm sorry it doesn't seem to have had a happy ending," said Teller, sincerely. "A wife is a great help to a man. I'd like to tell you before you meet her," he went on, bending forward earnestly, "what mine has done for me. She's made a man of me and proved that I was worth the job. She's been more than a wife to me. She's been my good, honest, loyal chum. There are not many men who can say that of their wives."

"No, I fancy not," assented Frink, smiling.

"It's wonderful the understanding she had of the ways a man feels, an inexperienced girl like her," proceeded the other. "You see she was a stenographer in our office when I first met her, and I fell in love with her at first sight, almost. I'd made a little pile, and when we were married I thought things were coming pretty much my way. But hard times settled in and I lost everything. For a long time it was hard work to get bread and butter, but that girl stood by me through thick and thin. When I was sick for a year with rheumatism she went back to office work and kept me and the boy with what she earned, with never a word of complaint or regret through it all. I tell you, my boy, she's got the stuff in her that heroes are made of. Goodness knows where she got it, that courage of hers. I never asked her about her family, and she's not one to talk much, but I fancy they were ordinary enough. I believe she came from some little town in New York state, and I know she never had anything much in her life. But now the struggle is over and I can give her about what she wants, thank God. I tell you, Ned, it's

a pity you let one disappointment spoil your life. There's nothing so sweet as existence as the companionship of a good woman."

"And nothing poisons it like a bad one," said Frink, bitterly.

"But surely the good ones outnumber the bad. Forgive me, Ned, but isn't it rather narrow to let one woman prejudice you against the whole sex? Of course, I don't know your story—"

"It's not pleasant," said the other man, knocking the ashes from his cigar with nervous fingers. "It all happened the year I left college. I met a girl in Denver. She was beautiful and clever, and you're right about my being sentimental. Teller, I fancied because her eyes were pure and bright as the stars in heaven that she must be an angel. She was poor, too. Her father was a drunken, good-for-nothing fellow, and she was very unhappy, and I pitied her. Ah, I was very far gone, indeed. We were going to be married when I had made money enough, and meantime I was happy as well, as happy as a fool. And one day as we were walking down the street together we met a man, a low fellow, with a dyed mustache. I knew him. He was a shoestring gambler who came down sometimes from the mining camps, and as vile a cur as ever breathed. To my amazement, he stopped and spoke to me. 'What are you doing with my wife?' he asked, angrily. I supposed he'd been drinking, and was about to brush him aside, when I happened to look at her, and what I saw told me all. She was covering before that beast, with every vestige of color gone from her face and her eyes fastened on his with such a look that in a flash I knew that her fear of him was no new thing with her."

"Great goodness, Lucy," I cried, "tell me this isn't true." But she only gave a little moan, and so I turned away and left them there. I never saw her again."

There was a moment's pause. The orchestra, from its perch on the landing of the marble stairway, was playing an air from "La Boheme," repeating the refrain over and over again with passionate insistence.

"Isn't it possible there was some mistake?" asked Teller at last, a little awkwardly.

"No," said Frink, in a hard voice. "Her father came to see me afterward. She was getting a divorce quietly, he told me, and they had agreed to keep me in ignorance of the whole affair. Of course, the blackguard threatened to shoot me if I didn't marry his daughter, but when he saw I was not afraid of him he let me alone. They came east after that, I believe."

"Perhaps she wasn't as much to blame as he," observed Teller, thoughtfully.

"Perhaps—she was very young. But such training in deceit doesn't turn out the women who make good wives, and

divorced women are hardly in my line. No, there was no excuse for her, and it was only my luck. You fell in love with the right woman, and I fell in love with the wrong one—that's all."

A woman came down the corridor as he spoke the last words, a tall, elegant woman, in a modish gown, whose gleaming folds clung closely to her slender figure. A boy of eight or nine years held her by the hand, and both looked out on the world with the same eyes, great, beautiful, gray eyes, at once proud and sad.

As the woman's eyes met Frink's they dilated suddenly, and he started with a sharp pain at his heart that caught his breath.

How had she come there just then—the very woman of whom he had been talking? As he started up Teller glanced around and then rose also with a happy smile.

"Ah, Lucille," he cried, "I have met an old friend, Ned Frink. He must be your friend, also. Ned, this is my wife."

The joyous pride in his friend's voice made Frink wince inwardly as he bowed ceremoniously.

"I'm very glad to meet Mr. Frink," she said, calmly. How well he knew her voice.

"You'll dine with us, I hope, Ned," called Teller, over his shoulder, as he started on with the boy.

"Thank you, no. I leave for Denver in half an hour," replied Frink.

Then a sudden surge in the crowd brought some one between them for a moment, and the woman turned to him, abruptly.

The pitiful appeal in her eyes went straight to Frink's heart, and he felt his own eyes grow dim with tears.

"He does not know," she said, simply.

"He never shall," cried Frink.—Chicago Herald.

Getting Even with Her Enemy.

A woman was staying in a Canadian village one summer and met an old woman who had a blood feud on with another woman. "How is it Miss Smith was seen taking tea with you yesterday?" the visitor asked. "Oh, well," she said, triumphantly, "she asked me to tea the day before, so I retaliated the next day. I knew she'd make herself ill with my johnnie cake."

Spanish Naval Budget Adopted.

MADRID, Dec. 20.—The chamber of deputies has, by a vote of 154 against 94, adopted the naval budget.

BROOKE'S FAREWELL

Wood Succeeds as Military Governor at Havana.

THE WORK OF A YEAR REVIEWED.

Military Rule Is Now Only Advisory. Laws Have Been Bettered, Order Restored, and Peace Now Reigns.

HAVANA, Dec. 20.—General Brooke in turning over the office of military governor to his successor, General Wood, issued the following proclamation:

"By direction of the president I hereby transfer to my successor, Major General Leonard Wood, the duties and responsibilities of the office of military governor, bespeaking for him that support and confidence which you have come to accord me. To those who have been associated with me in the performance of the difficult task of reorganizing and placing in operation the civil government of the island I hereby tender this expression of appreciation and thanks for their loyal and patriotic support and assistance."

"A year ago I found the country most thoroughly devastated, its resources and commerce destroyed and its rural population gathered into towns, without food and without shelter and dying of starvation and exposure. The government of the United States immediately supplied work and food. In a short time those conditions passed away, and now the country is rapidly pressing forward to a prosperity hitherto unknown in its history."

"Look about and see how true this is. The various steps that have led to the present conditions are well known to you and need not be mentioned here. The change is truly marvelous. Without the semblance of civil government then, you have now a complete organization. Your municipal and provincial governments are all in the hands of your own citizens. The military control is purely advisory and supervisory. Many of your laws have been modified and changed to suit the times in which you live as well as the interests of good government. Your courts have been reorganized and are in operation. Peace reigns. Law and order rule."

"By your own industry and by a careful observance of these conditions the full restoration of your social affairs and prosperity is assured. With the feeling that the future is in your hands to make or to mar, and trusting that wise counsels may prevail among you, I say to you farewell."

General Wood's arrival took place this morning. The division was represented by Generals Chaffee, Richards and Humphrey and the department by Adjutant General Scott and an aid-de-camp. These officers met the Mexico, going down the harbor in tug.

General Brooke made a call yesterday morning upon Captain Sigbee on board the battleship Texas, receiving a salute of 17 guns.

One commentator on the change of governors says: "General Wood is a man of tact. As soon as he arrives he will give the present secretaries their passports, choosing in their place men of ability, and the Cuban people may congratulate themselves upon his coming."

William Watches the War.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—Emperor William is said to exhibit the keenest personal concern regarding the war in South Africa, especially the fate of the British troops. Each day he receives dispatches showing the latest losses, and these he communicates to the German princes who, like himself, have blood ties with England. The court presentation at 12 o'clock New Year's eve will include the various ambassadors and their wives and even the ministers of minor states. The emperor will have a series of original surprises in store for his guests. A symbolic charade written and composed by his majesty and by Count Philip von Eulenburg, German ambassador at Vienna, will be acted. Its theme will be a salutation of the new year.

Federation Against Conquest.

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—The significant feature of the eighth day of the Federation of Labor convention was the stand taken yesterday afternoon in opposition to all wars of conquest. The delegates, representative of probably 1,500,000 members of labor unions, voted unanimously that such wars, "whether waged in Africa, the Philippines or elsewhere," greatly endanger the liberties of the conquered peoples. The declaration closed with the reiteration of a sentiment previously adopted in another form—viz. "That we are opposed to any increase of the standing army of the United States beyond 25,000 enlisted men."

New Government Ship.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—The United States ship Chesapeake, the full rigged sailing vessel designed as a practice ship for the Naval academy and built at the Bath Iron works and the Charlestown navy yard, was given her official government trial trip yesterday on various courses south-east of Boston light. The ship was tried for seaworthiness only. Her performance was pronounced satisfactory by the members of the official board.

A Short Strike.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 20.—Three hundred miners at Colbert colliery had to stop work owing to the slate pickers going on strike for an advance in wages of from \$3.25 to \$3.75 per week. A committee of boys conferred with the officials, and the latter granted the increase asked for, whereupon the strike was declared off and work at the colliery resumed.

A Dairyman Shot.

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 20.—B. F. Daniels, a dairyman living near College hill, was shot from ambush and died early yesterday morning. Daniels made an ante mortem statement charging James Stafford with the crime. Bad blood has existed between the two men for over a year. Stafford is now in jail.

Senator Martin Re-elected.

RICHMOND, Dec. 20.—United States Senator Thomas S. Martin has been re-elected for the term beginning March 4, 1901, by both houses of the assembly, acting separately. Today the two houses will meet in joint session to canvass the vote and declare the result.

King Leo Dead.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—King Leo, the senior lion of Hagenback's zoo, which is in winter quarters in the Cyclorama building, this city, died yesterday. A cold contracted while en route from Philadelphia ten days ago developed into pneumonia, which did not respond to the treatment of several veterinarians whom the management secured to try to save his life. King Leo was a magnificent specimen of the black maned African lion and was about 20 years old. He was the father of the cub presented to Admiral Dewey. The carcass was sold to a New York furrier for \$500. The beast was valued at \$5,000.

A SUNDAY FIRE.

An alarm of fire about 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon called the Norwalk fire department to a fire in the barber shop and pool room at 30 Main street kept by an Italian named Leonard Disesa.

Shortly before 2 o'clock Mrs. Thomas Lanigan, who lives upstairs over the shop, smelled smoke and calling James Gordon who also resides in the building, the latter went down the back way and found the shop in flames.

Gordon, who was in his underclothes and had been asleep, effected an entrance into the rear of the shop and came near being suffocated before he succeeded in getting out.

When the flames were discovered from the front the barber's pole was used as a battering ram to force the door in readiness for the firemen who had been summoned by an alarm from box 15 turned in by Captain Costello of Hope Hesse Company.

The firemen quickly got water on the burning shop, but were unable to extinguish the flames before the chairs, mirrors, etc. of Barber Disesa had been totally destroyed. The heat also broke both of the large plate glass windows in front.

Two pool tables in the rear of the store, which was divided by a board partition escaped with a thorough wetting.

When first discovered the fire was in the northwest corner of the barber shop near the partition dividing the shop from the pool room. Its origin is somewhat of a mystery, but it is thought to have been caused by a lighted cigar or cigarette being thrown into the corner.

The entire loss will amount to something like \$1000, equally divided between the barber shop and building.

The building is owned by the Norwalk Baptist church society, and there is an insurance of \$2000 on it with the agency of O. E. Wilson, which will more than cover the loss.

The loss to Barber Disesa will be a total one as he had no insurance whatever upon his fixtures.

WORK OF CONGRESS.

Nothing of Importance Transacted. Senate Financial Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The house was in session two hours yesterday. A large number of perfunctory resolutions for printing for committees, leave to sit during the sessions, etc., necessary to get the committees under way, were adopted, and the several portions of the president's message were distributed in accordance with the usual custom. The resolution for the distribution of the message was made the occasion of a speech by Mr. Grow, the venerable ex-speaker of the house, in defense of the administration's course in the Philippines and another by Mr. Bell, a Colorado Populist, criticising the president's utterances upon the prosperity of the country. Scores of the members left for their homes to spend the holidays.

Discussion in the senate of the financial measure drafted by the Republican majority of the committee on finance will begin on Thursday, Jan. 4, the day after the holiday recess. This announcement was made in the senate by Mr. Aldrich (R. I.), chairman of the finance committee, in connection with his report of the senate substitute for the financial bill passed Monday by the house. Mr. Aldrich, who will have charge of the measure, declared his purpose to press the measure to passage as soon as possible.

Mr. Vest (Mo.) desired it to be understood that the bill reported by the finance committee did not represent the views of the minority of the committee.

Hon. W. V. Allen, appointed by Governor Poynter as senator from Nebraska, took the oath of office yesterday.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Ex-President Cleveland is suffering with rheumatic gout.

Two persons were killed in a railway collision near London.

The massacre of 280 Armenians by a party of Turks was reported.

General B. F. Tracy purchased two farms near Middletown, N. Y.

Dillaway & Starr, bankers and brokers of Boston, have assigned.

Appendicitis has just carried off its tenth victim in three years at Yale university.

Five persons perished in a fire in a Harlem apartment house and two in a west side tenement.

William Hunter, for ten years chief engineer of the Central of Georgia railway system, died in Savannah of pneumonia.

It was reported that the interstate commerce commission would grant six months' more time to the railroads in which to equip freight cars with safety appliances.

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SUE FOR FEES.

An interesting case between lawyers and client came up before Judge Curtis when the Court of Common Pleas reopened its session in Danbury Tuesday morning. The case was that of Hurlbutt and Gregory vs. John Belton and wife. Hurlbutt & Gregory are the well known firm of Norwalk lawyers. Mr. and Mrs. Belton, the defendants, live in Georgetown. The defendants were at one time involved in a law suit. They had built a new house but had not paid the carpenter. The carpenter put a mechanic's lien on the house and when he started to foreclose it Mr. and Mrs. Belton placed their side of the case in the hands of Hurlbutt & Gregory. Whether it was Mr. Belton or Mrs. Belton who placed the matter with the lawyers there was a discrepancy in the testimony.

This is an important point in the case because Mr. Belton owns no property and Mrs. Belton does. A similar point came up in the case between the Beltons and their carpenter and was what won them the case. Both Mr. Hurlbutt and Mr. Gregory testified that they had spent much time and labor on the case, that its trial took up four days and that their bill which amounted to about four hundred dollars outside the court fees was as reasonable as they could make it under the circumstances. The case was tried in the Superior Court at Bridgeport and decided in favor of the Beltons. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court by the other side but it was not prosecuted.

Mr. and Mrs. Belton entered an appearance for themselves in the present case, and when Judge Curtis asked Mr. Belton if he had not better retain counsel, he replied that he preferred to appear for himself.

It is very rarely that a litigant appears in court and conducts his case without the aid of counsel, although they have such a right. Mr. Belton took no active part in the proceedings, except to give testimony on the witness stand, and much of his side of the case had to be brought out by questioning on the part of Judge Curtis. There were no arguments and the court reserved its decision.

Hurlbutt & Gregory, although lawyers themselves, did not follow their former client's example and were represented in the case by Attorney John J. Walsh.

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MINOR SMITH SKIPS.

William Minor Smith, of Stratford, who for the past 27 years has been the proprietor of a shore house in that town, and whose reputation as a caterer has reached beyond the boundaries of the state, has left for parts unknown, and it is believed by everybody that Stratford has seen the last of an eccentric character—one of the most successful bonifaces in New England but whose domestic life the past five years has been anything but pleasant. The last seen of Minor Smith in Stratford was Sunday morning. Sheriff Stagg has had a warrant in his pocket since Sunday to place Minor under arrest for failure to fulfill the conditions of the court, which were to give Mrs. Smith \$6 a week for the support of herself and four children. The domestic relations of Mr. and Mrs. Smith are responsible for his disappearance. It is over a year ago that he brought a suit for separation, alleging as the grounds therefor intolerable cruelty and that he was the parent of only three of the four children. His wife was successful in her fight against him but Minor would not provide a living for her and the four children, and Mrs. Smith brought action against him. Justice Peck decided in favor of the wife, but Minor appealed to the court of Common Pleas. This court also found for the wife, and put him under bonds to pay \$6 per week for her support.

Minor swore he would never pay her any money, but would go to jail first. He has evidently kept his threat, and did not give his wife any money. Mrs. Smith made complaint to Grand Juror Rhoades, asking for a warrant for his arrest. The warrant was not made out till Sunday, and was given to Sheriff Stagg. That afternoon the sheriff went to the Minor Smith hotel, but his man was not to be found. The search has been continued since, but without result.

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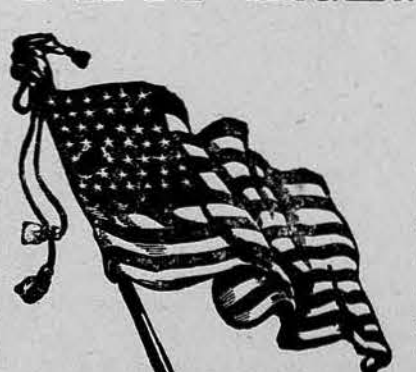
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