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PRIDAY, APRIL 19.1886.
The Point House TragedyTus thrill of horror which ran through this
community when the recent terrible massycre
near the aite of tie old "Point House" was near the site of tive old "Point touse" was
first announce, fis now succeeded by an emo-
tion of satisfaction proporitonably intense, in consequence of the arrest of the murderer The elaughter of eight persons in daytime,
within the limite of the city, for the sake of within the ime and its discovery, by a cocident,
plunder alone,
about four daya afterwards, is, perhaps, the about four daya afterwards, is, perhaps, the
most remarkable instance of homicide wilhin the criminal annals of this country. It is difm
cult to comprehend how the human mind bowever depraved, could contemplate such an
nhuman butchery of defenseless women and children, from a mere motive of cupidity, and much less extecute the purpose in cold blood.
Atrocities of thls character are continually happening in all communities; and whill
philosopliers may speculate as to the moral ad mental peiversion from which ther mmediatoly concerned in the detection of
mrime when committed, and its certain and prompt punishment.
The particular case
The particular casc in view illustrates, in a
moat striking and impressive manner, the mpossibility or next to impossibility of per-
petrating a murder almost anywhere, but especially in a city like this, with impuanty,
Eseape is out of the pale of the doctrine changes. There seems to be a divine provi-
dence that pursues and surrounds and conturn in his wild and trightened flight from
iustice, and which meets him at all points with what hast thou done? The voice of thy broAnd it is this power of the almighty and all-
seeing God, working in the conscience of the moot hardened criminal, which bewilders him Sten leads his feet into the very toils of the are looking, and hundreds of thousands of
eary are sharply listening, to catch the murderer, into whatever paths he may wander, or and safety.
Justice in this instance has not been siow
in her pursuit and arrest of the assassin. Though he had time to bave gone hundred something mysteriously held him here, and note from the spot where he brutally slew
all the members, but one, of an entire housebold. His trial, of course, will
be little more than a ferm. Bis fession. And the interval between his con-
viction and execution should be only long Christian decency and mercy. The swifness this is necessary for the sake of example. The evil-doer must be impressed by a wholesome
terror, in order that the secarity of society may befincreised and strengthened. Crime by the severest discipline of the law. Our poince have discharged their duty done, depends on our Criminal Court, which, no doubt, will me
emplary manner.

 highly important meesure. It. amends the
net of March 3, 1865, entitled "An at to Wide ways and means to support the Govern-
mant," and says that tt shall be so extender of the Treasury, at his discretion, to receive any lranaury notes or other obligations issued
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gress, the procects thereof to be ned ond retiring treasury notes, or other obligation issued under any iet or Congress.- But nothing bereen connamed shail be construed
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