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THE LATEST NEWS.

European Advices-The Eastern Question Unsettled-Reception by Reverdy Johnson-Excitement in Cuba-The Lynn, Mass., Fire.

FROM EUROPE.

The Eastern Problem - Turkish War Movements-Reverdy Johnson's Movements-Affairs in Spain. By Atlantic Cable.

London, Dec. 26.—An Athens despatch of Tuesday last says the Turkinh Government has placed two ships of war on the coast of Cerigo, to prevent the departure of Greek volunteers from that island for Crete.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The Gaulois newspaper says Russia has urged the United States Government to take part in the Turco-Grecian difficulty.

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MARSEILLES, Dec. 26.—I ater advices from Rio Janeiro repart that after the failure of the Allies to carry the Paraguayan stroughold at Villeta, the Brazilian Iron-clads attacked, but without better success.

Liondon, Dec. 26.—Reverdy Johnson yesterday received a deputation of London artisans, who are desirons of founding a colony in Nebraska.

Mr. Johnson encouraged the project.

Madrid, Dec. 26.—The Duke of Montpensier thas published a manifesto announcing his liberal views. The Imparcial suggests the nomination of the son of the Duke of Montpensier for king, under a regency.

Southampton, Dec. 26.—The Holsatia, from New York, arrived here yesterday morning. The Cuba, from New York, reached Queenstown last night and proceeded for Liverpool.

London, Dec. 26.—The Times this morning publishes an able letter from Mr. Dlike, son of an eminent journalist, denouncing the acts of violence recently committed by the British authorities at Yangchow. Mr. Dlike thinks a repetition of such ac's would be more dangerous to peace between Great Britain and the United States than the Alabama question.

The Times, in its comments, agrees with the writer, and pronounces the outrage a violation of the treaties in existence, and justly offensive to the Chinese Government.

The Fire at Lynn-Almost the Entire Town Destroyed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- The following is special

to the Telegram.—
LYNN, Mass., Dec. 26.—Nearly the entire city
was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss
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Amongst the buildings destroyed is the Lyceum Hall, occupied by the First Central National Bankr W. S. Partridge, clothing; P. B. Mansfield, hatter; and ex-Mayor Johnson, insurance agent. The property of the bank was probably sayed in the vaults. Frazer's block, a large and costly building, containing the post office, was also burned. The letters and principal contents of the post office were safely removed.

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Among the other occupants of the block was the Lynn Light Infantry, who lose all their arms and uniforms, together with the Sagamon Temple of Honor, Lynn Lodge of Good Templars, a temporary theatre of the Boston Theatre Company, and Wells & Muso, boot and shoe stitchers—the latter employing a large number of women. Mr. Faser also had a shoe manufactory in the building.

The flames next communicated with the Rubler block, which was destroyed. Among the occupants were William H Gale, Sanderson & Brother, George H. Beede & Co., S. P. Davieg & Bro., and Betde & Berry, all shoe manufacturers; William A. Atwell, dealer in leather, occupied the basement. These firms all had large stocks, the greater part of which were removed before much damage was done. The loss is roughly estimated at \$300,000. Many person fire thrown out of employment.

Charles Dickens' Sister-in-law Commits Suicide.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26 — Mrs. Augustus N. Dickens, w dow of Augustus Dickens, brother of Charles Dickens, the celebrated novelist, committed suicide yesterday, at No. 588 N. Clark street, by suicide yesterday, at No. 568 N. Clark street, by taking an overdose of morphine. She sent her children to the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. Lawrence, on Curistmas Eve, to take part in getting up a Christmas tree. They remained there over night, and on their return home their mother was discovered on the floor dead. Mrs. Dickens was 35 years of age, and leaves three children. She has suffered much lately from poverty, being dependent almost entirely upon friends for the necessaries of life. The arimonious controversy growing out of the co duct of her distinguished brother-in-law, Charles Dickens, towards Mrs. Dickens on the Charles Dickens, towards Mrs. Dickens on the occasion of her visit, will be remembered by all.

Successs of the Cuban Revolutionists. By Ouba Cable.

HAVANA, Dec. 26 .- The city was very much excited yesterday owing to the prevalence of reports of successes of the revolutionists. These reports were started unquestionably to cause an outbreak in the city, and excite alarm among the people. Everything is quie; and undisturbed. The steamer San Francisco, from Vera Cruz for New York, arrived to-day.

Found Dead and Dying. Special Despatch to The Rvening Telegraph.

NEW YORK Dec. 26.—Charles Ahler and John Riley were found in a dying condition in a canal-boat this morning, at the foot of Pacific street, from the effects of coal gas. Thomas hawkes was frozen to death in Brooklyn last

From Rhode Island. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 26.—Samuel Wilkin-son, a well-knewn citizen of Pawtucket, was killed by the cars at Pawtucket depot to-day.

NEW YORK, Dec 26 —The steamer St. Laurent sailed to-day for France with \$170,000 in specie.

Stock Quotations by Telegraph-3 P. M

Philadelphia Trade Report. SATURDAY, Dec. 26.—There is no spirit in the Flour market, and no demand except from the home consumers, who operate with extrem caution. Sales of 500 barrels at \$5:50 for super fine; \$6@6'50 for extras; \$7.25@8'12', for North-western extra family; \$7.75@10'50 for Pennsylva-nia and Obio do, do,; and \$11@18' for fancy brands, according to quality. Rve Flour com-mands \$7.50@8 per bbi. Nothing doing in Corn Meal.

Meal.
The Wheat market is extremely quiet, and it is difficult to give reliable quotations. Sales of red at \$1 90@245 and amber at \$2.18@242. Rye is steady at \$1 90 % bush, for Pennsylvania. Corn is dull at former rates. Sales of 4000 bushels

is dull at former rates. Sales of 4000 bushels new yellow at 88@90c., according to dryness; old do. at \$1-12@1-15; and 800 bushels new white at \$7@88c. Oats are in steady in jury, with sales of Western at 75@77c.

Nothing doing in Barley or Malt.

Bark—In the absence of sales we quote No. 1
Quereitron at \$42 per ton.

Seeds—Prime Cloverseed commands \$8@8 25 \$\pi\$.

54 lbs. Timothy is nominal. Flaxseed is taken by the crushers at \$2-60@2 62 \$\pi\$ bush.

CHARLESTON. S. C.. Dec. 25.—Arrived. steamship J. Adger, from New York; schr N. F. Burgess, from Boston. Bailed. steamship Camilla, for Liverpool; sohr Thos. Jefferson, for Mobile.
FORTHESS MONRES, Dec. 25.—Passed out, ship May Dudlay, for Liverpool; barque Pembroke, for Cuba; brig Cleta, for Ports Rico; brig Dudlay, for the Mediterraneau; sehr Fiera, for Haifax; schr Petrel, for Han Blas; and sehr Palos, for Cuba.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

The Turco-Grecian Troubles -- A Conference of the Great Powers -War to be Avoided-The Paraguayan Difficulties.

Murder Trials in Ohio and Indiana-Republican Senatorial Nomination Arrival of George Francis Train.

FROM EUROPE.

By Atlantic Cable.

The Turkish Questson-A Conference of the Great Powers.

London, Dec. 25 .- A despatch from Vienna states that it is certain that the Western Powers will agree with Austria respecting the Conference. The Sublime Porte has extended the time for the departure of the Greeks from the Turkish dominions to five weeks.

Paris, Dec. 25 .- The Patrie last evening had the following despatch from Athens, dated December 22:-The Committee of Action have addressed a petition to the Greek Government praying for peace. They urge the Government to support the popular feeling of the country, which is clearly for peace, and to avoid a war

London, Dec. 25 -Russia has asked of Turkey and Greece a suspension of the Conference. The adhesion of Austria is regarded as certain, and Italy and Greece as probable. The Conference will assemble some time in January.

Count von Bismark hopes that the session will be held in Paris.

The Paris Temps (Democratic) said last evenng that France and England have little sympathy with the proposed Conference.

LONDON, Dec. 25-Evening.-It has been announced that the Conference of the great powers will assemble in Paris early in January. Parts, Dec. 25-Evening.-A despatch from Vienna states that the Austrian Ambassadors at Constantinople and Athens are to be recalled,

tionable to both Turkey and Greece. Death of Earl Shannon. LONDON, Pec. 25 .- The Earl of Shannon, Baron Carleton, died yesterday, aged 60 years.

and their positions filled by persons unobjec-

Decrease of Bullion. Paris, Dec. 25 .- The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows a decrease in bullion of 4 800,000 france.

From Paraguay-Attack on Villeta-The Allies Driven Back-Fifteen Hun dred Killed and Wounded.

Paris, Dec. 25 .- Later dates from Rio Janeiro were received to-day. The news is quite important. The Allies had attacked the Paraguayan position at illeta in force, but were driven back with a loss of 1500 killed and wounded.

The Demand of the Greek Government for Men and Money Granted by the

ATHENS, Dec. 25 .- The Greek Chambers have acceded to the demand for the approval of an extraordinary credit to the amount of 109,090,000 of drachmas, and also for extraordinary levies of men for the army and navy, as called for by the Government, and reported in the cable despatches of the 23d instant.

The Indian Cotton Supply. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 25 .- A telegram from Bombay states that the shipments of cotton from that port since the last report and to the 19th

instant have been 20,000 bales, Commercial Intelligence. LIVERPCOL, Dec. 25 .- A telegram from Bombay states that 'the shipments of cotton from that port since the last report, and to the 19th inst...

ave been 20,000 bales. HAVRE, Dec. 24—Evening.—The cotton market losed quiet: tres ordinaire on the spot, 1231.; low middlings affoat, 1214f.

FROM MASSACHUSETTS. Decision of the Supreme Court on the

Boston, Dec. 25 .- The Supreme Court has decided that the enactment of the liquor license law last winter did not repeal the law known as the "liquor nuisance act," or the 6th section of the 87th chapter of the General Statutes, which is as follows:-"All buildings, places, or tenements resorted to for prostitution, lewdness, or illegal gaming, or used for the sale of intoxieating liquors, shall be deemed common nuisances." This law, it is well known, allows the prosecution of both occupant and owner of buildings so used.

The decision is quite a surprise, and an un. pleasant one to many parties who had been complained of under the act, and whose cases have awaited this decision. All such cases where conviction has been recorded have now been remanded for sentence, which is generally \$50 and costs. The particular case in question was that of John Carpenter, who occupied a building in Fall River and sold liquer without license. His counsel claimed that the concluding clause of the license law, which repealed all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with itself,

made null and void the nuisance act. This view was taken by many district attorneys after the passage of the License law, and a great many "nuisance" cases in which prosecu tion was begun under the prohibitory law, were nol prossed. Another point of interest was decided in Carpenter's case. He was prosecuted for selling liquor without a license. His counsel claimed that the Government must prove that he had no license. This point was also carried to the Supreme Court, which decided that in all such cases the defendant must show that he has

Arrest of Supposed Murderers. Boston, Dec. 26.—James C. Lillies and Edward Ruth are under arrest on suspician of being concerned in the murder of Faulkner, the Malden watchman. Both are young men, and said to have been in prison for crime.

Arrival of George Francis Train. NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- The steamer Australa sian, from Liverpool, arrived to-day. George

Francis Train is among her passengers. LAWRENCE, Dec. 26.—The residence of General G. W. Dertzier, together with the furniture, was totally destroyed by fire this morning. Loss, 256,600. Insured for \$17,000 in the North America of Philadelphia. This was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

FROM OHIO.

Murder Trial in Lucas County.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25 .- Michael Harrington is on trial for the murder of Robert Sharp; One Bunday in May last Sharp and Harrington went out and crossed the Toledo Rathroad bridge, and on the next Monday morning Sharp's body was found in an out-of-the-way place nearly a mile below the railread bridge on the east bank of the river. He was lying on his left side, with his left hand in the pocket of his partaloons, his right hand grasping a bed of rough stones on which he lay. The back of his skull was broken, and in a terribly mangled condition, and a pool of plood was running down to the river. The Coroner's jury found that the wound in the head was by a gunshot, and as Harrivgton had been out gunning. and as pieces of his gun's wadding-paper found near the dead body corresponded with paper found in Harrington's pocket, he was arrested.

FROM INDIANA.

The Murder of Mr. and Mrs. Young.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25 .- Since the disagreement and discharge of the jury in the case of Mrs. Clem, the street has been full of rumors. It is said that the pistol and shoes used by Mrs. Clem have been found in an outhouse in her yard, and that her servant says that Mrs. Clem burned the dress she had on that Saturday. Another report is in effect that she said to Abrams:-"We put Mr. Young out of the way easy enough, but Mrs. Young fought like a good one." There is probably no truth in any of this; but the fact is that the State is in possession of evidence which seems to insure conviction on the next trial. It may not be held in this county, but in Hendricks or Johnson pro-

FROM NEW. HAMPSHIRE

Republican Senatorial Nomination. CONCORD, Dec. 25 .- The epublican Convention at Milton yesterday nominated the Hon-Gilman Scripture, of Nashua, as candidate for State Senator in the Seventh district. As a member of the House of Representatives, as Mayor of Nashua, and as a Commissioner of Hillsborough county, Colonel Scripture proved himself one of the most active and valuable men

FROM MASSACHUSETTS.

The Assassins of the Malden Policeman. Boston, Dec. 25.-It is said that the two men who have been arrested in Salem on supicion of being implicated in the murder of Officer Faulkner are State Prison convicts, who have been living in Salem. It is said that they have been identified as the pair who were prowling about the depot the evening before the tragedy and that Officer Chase, who was on duty with Policeman Faulkuer when he was killed, is of opinion that they are the men whom they attempted to arrest.

Destructive Fire in Lynn. Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph.

Boston, Dec. 26 .- A fire broke out to Lynn Mass., last night, which is reported to have been extremely destructive, completely destroying the larger portion of the town. The loss, which cannot now be estimated, is immense. Five engines were sent down from this city this morning, and several have also been sent from Salem, to assist in extinguishing the flames,

Lynn, Mass. Dec. 26.—The fire broke out in the Lyceum Hall about midnight, and extended to Frazier's building and Bubier's new block, which were totally destroyed. The fire is now under control, and the loss will not be as great as leared before the arrival of the Beston steam engines, and will probably not exceed three hundred thousand doilars.

Boston, Dec. 26.—Messrs, Farrar & Co.'s extensive kerosine factory in East Boston was totally destroyed by fire last night. Loss

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FROM LOUISIANA.

The Peruvian Monitors to be Repaired at Pensacola.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25 .- An inspection of the Peruvian monitors resulted in the Board reporting that they were unfit for sea. . They will sail next week for Pensacola for repairs before taking final departure. If report is true, the Peruvian Government has been badly swindled in the sale, and a month may intervene before they sail for Peru.

Burning of a Valuable Mill in Rhode Island.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 26 .- The mill in Warwick, on the East Greenwich line, owned by Richard G. Howard, and run by General James Waterhouse, for the manufacture of cassimeres, was burned about one o'clock on Friday morning. Loss \$69.000; fully insured, as follows:-\$20,000 in the Boston Manufacturers' Mutual Company; \$5000 in the Worcester Mutual; \$5000, each, in the Hope and Girard Companies of New York, and the remainder in several Providence com-

An Important Decision-Gaming Debts

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25 .- Before Judge Prentiss, suit was instituted to recover \$1550 on a promissory note for money which had been lost at draw-poker, and the defendant claimed that under the laws such a note was invalid. The Judge decided that a promissory note founded upon the consideration of and for the pay-ment of money lost at gaming could not be collected in this State, and is absolutely void and of no effect in the hands of a bong fide indorsee for a valuable consideration.

FROM BALTIMORE.

Observance of Christmas Day. clat Despatch to The Evening Telegraph.

Baltimore. Dec. 26—The papers are published here this morning. Christmas passed off appropriately, and about as usual. Many turkeys suffered, together with Egg nog & Oo. No accidenat or outrages occurred here. Large cannonading, shooting crackers, etc. Comparatively not much drunkenness. Weather very cold and plenty of skating. cold, and plenty of skating.

Markets by Welegraph. BALTIMORE. Dec. 26.—Cotton steady and unchanged. Figur quiet and dull, Wheat dull and nominal. Corn—receipts small; prime white, 57(@900. Oats dull at 65@700. Bye firm at \$1.50@1.50, Provisions quiet and unchanged.

New York. Dec. 28.—Cotton quiet at 25 cents. Flour quiet at former quorations. Wheat quiet. Corn quiet at 86c.@81*12½. Oats. 76@77½c. Beef quiet. Fork quil at \$27.50. Lard dull at 16½@17½c. Whisky dull. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Stocks strong, Ohicago and Rock Island, 115/4; Reading, 193/4; Erie, 20/4; Cieveland and Toledo, 105/4; Cieveland and Toledo, 105/4; Cieveland and Pittaper, 25/4; Pittaburg and Fort Wayne, 111/4; Michigan Central, 113/4; Michigan Southern, 85/4; New York Central, 158/4; Illinois Central, 140/4; Oumberland preferred, 25/4; Virginia 8a, 163/4; Missouri 6a, 90; Hudson River, 134/4; 5-20a, 1852, 110/4; do, 1864, 195/4; do, 1866, 107/4; do, new, 110/4; 10-40a, 105/4; do, 1864, 185, Money, 7 per cent, Exchange, 109/4.

SECOND EDITION

Speaker Colfax at Springfield, Massachusetts-His Reception There.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 26.—Mr. Colfax and wife have been Christmas guests of Mr. Bowles, et the Republican, and had a reception this evening at the Springfield Club Rooms. Mr. Colfax was tendered a serenade by the Armory band, and in the response said:—"I am very glad to have the greetings of the people of Springfield, as I have within the few minutes I have spent in this club room. I thank the Club who have so honored me, the people whose who have so honored me, the people whose bands I have clasped, and the armorers who have tendered me the further compliment of a serenade. Coming here to visit an old friend, Mr. Bowles, with whom I have twice made a long trip across the continent, and again nearly as far, experiencing with him varieties of frontier lite, I came here to have a quiet time, as I see it is this evening. It is the misfortune of public men that they belong to the public whenever they can be caught, and they cannot attend a New England dinner or make a Christmas visit without at the same time making a

speech. "It is good fortune as well to meet here the beauty and grace of Springfield, and the sturdy sons of toil. All the emotional part of my nature is with the ladies, naturally so, but under my present circumstances all the patriotic part goes with the armerers, who in our civil strife equipped a regiment in a day. I am glad again to visit New England, but unfortunately was not born in New England, nor does my ancestry come from thence; yet I have met so many and so great kindnesses in her borders, that I feel that I can call myself a New Eng-lander, first by birth and then by election. Upon this occasion it is not fitting that I should speak on any question which has divided us; but on this Christmas Day, which commemorates such a blessed event, and which is filled with happy associations and general joy, I may ray that we are all bappy in our nation, in its recognition in the world, and in our President. Yes, every loyal heart is happy, General Grant is happy, I am happy."

FROM NEW YORK.

A Financial Crisis Imminent—Reported Failures and Suspensions.

Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph.

New York, Dec. 26.—There is much uneasiness and excitement among the financial people of Wall street to-day, and the street is full of exciting rumors of failures and suspensions. During the forenoon the names of some of the largest brokers' firms in the neighborhood of Bond and Wall streets were mentioned as about to suspend, but up to lo'clock there were no positive assurances made that could be relied upon, and it would not do to repeat them. It is ascertained to be a fact, however, that Messrs. Lathrop, Luddington & Co., wholesale dry goods dealers, of No. 326 Broadway, have suspended to day, and it is said have actually failed. The amount involved is not fully stated, but it is thought the liabilities of the firm are quite large. Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

The Trial of George S. Twitchell, Jr. EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

This morning another large crowd collected about the doorway, blocking the sidewalk and rendering entrance into the Court House a difficult undertaking. The prisoner, as heretofore, eat in the dock perfectly composed, and his faithful young friends were beside him.

The jury, who were of course in custody all yesterday, appeared well and as if none the worse for confinement; they were allowed to have the liberty of Independence Square, guarded by the officers, and this they took advantage of. They looked refreshed, and as if prepared to re-enter upon the investigation of this case with new vigor.

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Mr. Mann asked the Court to permit the experts employed by the defense to cut one of the wenty-nine spots of blood from the prisoner's shirt for inspection.

The Court granted the motion, provided the piece was cut out in open court, in the presence of all the experts with whom the clothes have

At 10% o'clock the Court met, and Mr. Pratt proceeded to conclude his opening for the

defense:

"The prisoner has sat for days in the most painful suspense, has seen the dark clouds gather about him, and has been partially broken gather about him, and has been partially broken down by the great weight that has been brought to bear upon him. But he is still hopeful, still confident that a better day for him is at hand. We ask you to give us a patient, careful hearing; hear all we have to say; do not make up your minds until all the case has been presented to you; we promising not to consume one stagle hour of your time nonecessarily.

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The Commonwealth in presenting her case has made up certain points, has thrown a chain of circumstances about the prisoner, of which as yet no link is broken; they have shown that Mrs. Hill was murdered, have produced instruments with \$ hich the murder was said to have ments with \$ hich the murder was said to have been committed; the conspiracy to obtain the house; Joseph Gilbert's testimony, the distress of the prisoner, and the fact that he was the only person in the house when the murder was discovered. We will show that the wounds upon that skull could not have been inflicted by such an instrument as that poker; that the bouse and everything in it were purchased by Mrs. Hill for her daughter; that not one doiler of her money was traced to the prisoner, and that he was not the only person in the house, but that there were others there; and we will show that Joseph Gilbert is not a man to be believed. Having done this, gentlemen, we will leave the case with you, confident that you will consider it fairly and honestly, and give the prisoner the benefit of everything he is entitled to by the law of the land.

James F. McNee sworn—I am a carpenter and made this model of the house at the north-east corner of Tenth and Pine streets; it is made upon the scale of % of an inch to the foot; dur-ing its construction I visited and examined the house a number of times.

(Here the model made under the direction of General Collis was brought before the jury. It was so put together that the fence and iron rallwas so put together that the fence and fron rallings on top were plainly shown, the original fence being five feet nine and a haif inches from the ground to the top board, and the iron ralling on top twenty inches. The top and sides could be removed, so as to disclose every room, door, staircase, and entry within. Every widdow, door, and gateway on the outside were represented, and also the outhouse and hydrant, inclosed by Venetian blinds, and two ash barrels near the street fence in front of the kitchen.) The lith of December was the day I got chen.) The 11th of December was the day I got the order to go to this house; on the first floor are close wooden shutters; on the second floor are blinds; the lot is ninety two feet eight inches by thirty-two feet seven inches; the dining-room is twenty two feet four inches by fifteen feet; the bath-room was eleven feet by fourteen feet; the distance from the sofa to the west wail of the dining-room is seven feet eight loches.
Richard Skinnersworn—I reside in Gloucester
ceunty. New Jersey, where I have lived fifteen
years; I have known the prisoner from his boy-

hood.
Question. Do you know others who know him? Witness. I do.
Question. What is his character for kindness and peace and honesty?

Mr. Hagert—May it please the Court, at the beginning of this investigation I must insist that the gentlemen be confined to the strict rule of ascertaining first his knowledge,
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and had better be observed.
Question—Do you know his reputation for
peace and quiet. Witness—I do, sir.
Question—What is it? Witness—Good, sir.
Question—Do you know his reputation for
horesty? Objected to.
Mr. O'Byrne said he thought this perfectly
competent to rebut the imputation of fraud cast
upon him by the Commonwealth's testimony
in regard to the deeds and other matters.

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The Court overruled the objection.

Witness—His character for honesty is good;
he lived in my neighborhood tweive or fifteen
years ago, and boarded with me one year.

Cross-examined—I am related by marriage to the prisoner's father; he has not lived in my helgaberhood for three or five years. Jertia Abbott sworn—I reside in Wood-bury, and have known the prisoner about four-

bury, and have known the prisoner about four-teen years; I knew other persons who know him, and have had opportunities of tearning what his reputation for peace, quiet, honesty, and good behavior is; I never heard anything bad of him until this occurrence; when he first came to the neighborhood he was engaged on his father's farm, working and going to school. Andrew Gianding sworn—I reside in Glou-cester county, New Jersey; have known the prisoner five or six years; know other peaple who know him, and know his character to be good.

Counsel here proposed to prove by this witness the gentleness of temper and mildness of habits of the prisoner, in order to give the jury every item from which could be raised an inference compatible with the theory of the prisoner's innocence, such as the size and weight of the prisoner, the length of his arm, and the mildness of his temper.

The Court overruled the question in the form proposed, but said that they would admit to be shown his reputation for peace, humanity, honesty, regularity of conduct and in any other respect having relation to the matter under consideration.

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reputation of being a humane man, and was esteemed a very nice, honorable young gentleman.

R. J. Dobbins sworn—I am a builder; have been about fifteen years; I have been in the house at Tenth and Pine streets, and made an examination of its interior; the doors of the dning-room and bed-room are old-fashioned, solid ones, an inch and three-quarters thick; I made experiments of the transmission of sound from the divine room to the second store.

I made experiments of the transmission of sound from the dining room to the second story back room of the front building; considerable noise may be made in the dining room without being heard in this second story back room; noises made in the street and yard would be more readily heard in this room than noises made in the dining-room; noises made in the dining-room; noises made in the second story back room could be more readily heard in the street than in this second story room; I do not know the thickness of the wall dividing Mrs. Hill's house from Mr. Montgomery's house; the experiments I made were that two of us, Mr. Zelss and myself, went into this back room and left two in the dining room, with instructions for them to proceed and make a noise; I cannot tell what they did, for I heard nothing.

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Cross-examined—The gentlemen we left in the back room were Mr. Essler and Mr. Mathers; it was one day this week that we went there—about 2 o'clock in the day; I went another day with Mr. Struthers; Mr. Binder was there also on the first day; he and I remained in the dining-room while the others went to the bed-room; when we were in the bed-room listening, the door and window were closed; the distance between the two rooms in a bee-line is about twenty-two feet; if the doors were open, it would make considerable difference; when I say it is easier to hear in the street noises made in the dining-room more readily than in the bed-room, I mean with the doors closed; while in the bed-room listening to the noises in the dining-room, I heard noises in the street.

Re-examined—When we were in the dining-room, Mr. Bender cried out as would a person being murdered, and we made other noises.

Here the Court took a recess until a quarter before 3 o'clock.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

OFFICE OF THE EVENING TELEGRAPH, Saturday, Dec. 26 1868. Money continues in good demand. Call loans are quoted at 7@8 per cent. Prime commercial paper rauges from 8@12 per cent. Prime commercial paper rauges from 8@12 per cent. per anuum. The Stock market was very duil this morning, but prices were steady. Government securities were firmly held. City loans were dull; the new i-sue sold at 1004@1003, a slight decline.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK EXCHANGE SALES TO-DAY

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QUBENSTOWN, Dec. 25.—Ship William Tapscott which sailed from Liverpool Nov. 16, for New York, has returned to this port leaky.

LONDON. Dec. 25.—Ship Hornet. from Shields for Boston, has put into Berwick, leaky.

PHILADELPHIA, CHRISTMAS, 1868. PHILADELPHIA, CHRISTMAS, 1868.
At a meeting of the employes of Oak Hall, held this morning, it was unanimously
Resolved, That we, the employes of Oak Hall, tender our sincere thanks to John Wanamaser, E.q., for a moet acceptable and valuable "Gitt of the Season," namely, a policy of Life Insurance.

Resolved, That in the desire to provide for the cherabled ones of our hearths, we proceive and appreciate the promptings of a warm heart, actuated by the spirit of Him the anniversary of whose advent we this day celebrate.

Resolved. That we accept this token of love as such, and we carnestly desire that a kind Providence may lengthen his days to behold the good that must naturally result from so generous an action; also, we trust the impressions of this occasion may be lasting, and as he has so carefully guarded our temporal interests, we may, in turn, mase his interest ours.

Resolved, Tast as we are placed within the goardian care of the American Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, we will use our infinence in sustaining this valuable institution.

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WASHINGTON.

Christmas at the Capital-Claims Against the Peruvian Government Abandoned-Sumner on Specie Payment-The Border State Convention.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Judge Sharkey in Town. Judge Sharkey in Town.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 — Judge and ex-Governor Sharkey, of Mississippi, is in town, and expects to remain over the holidays. He will be called before the Reconstruction Committee, at the instance of its conservative members, to relate exactly the situaten in his State, and to testify as to the recent election. The Governor is in good health, and thinks that Mississippi has secured under General Gillem and the military government a better treatment than the most refined reconstruction could have wrought out.

Christmas

has been fully observed in Washington. All public business has been suspended, and services were held in many of the churches. Among the most interesting exercises of the day were those connected with giving presents in some of the colored schools under the charge of the authorities of the District. The pupils of an entire school received each a suit of clothes on Thursday night, and as peared with them in the church this morning, where the exercises above mentioned occurred.

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The Government has abandoned the claims against Peru in the Georgiana and Lizzle Thompson case. A convention was made with Peru for the submission of the case to the decision of the King of Beigium. That monarch, in January, 1864, declined to act as umpire, intimating an opinion that if he did so he would be obliged to decide against the claims. The principles which this Government asserted and adhered to during the late kebeilion in respect to its rightful power to close ports in the possession of insurgents to foreign commerce would naturally lead us to expect a rejection of these claims. Their farther prosecution has, these claims. Their forther prosecution has, therefore, been indefinitely suspended. Senator Sumner

is preparing a speech on the finances, and is said to favor a speedy resumption of speede payments. General Butler is also preparing a speech on the same subject, and holds that a resumption of specie payments is impossible. The Border State Convention. The leading colored men here are actively preparing for the national convention, to be held here on the 13th of January here, which was called by a Border State Colored Convention held in Baltimore last August.

Woman Suffrage. The advocates of woman suffrage will hold a national convention here, January 19, in which it is expected that Mrs. Stanton, Lucy Stone and other leading advocates will participate.

Snow Storm.

BUFFALO, Dec. 26.—The severe snow storm which occurred on Christmas day has not impeded travel. All the trains coming into this city from the Eastward and from Canada are on time.

LOUISIANA.

The Complications of her Case in the

House of Representatives. The case is this:—Mr. Mann of Louisiana died during the summer recess. At the time his seat was contested by Mr. Jones, the Democratic candidate, who claimed that he had a majority of the votes east. The first duty of the Com-mittee of Elections in the matter, as it now stands, is to go on and decide between Mr. Maun and Mr. Jones exactly as if the former were living and still holding his seat on the floor. When this is done the case will be only opened.

Next, a question arises which is entirely Previous to the death of Mr. Mann, the Legis-lature of Louisiana redistricted the State, with a view to the election of members of the Forty-first Congress. This very materially changed the boundaries of the district bearing the same number as the Mann district. At Mann's death the election for his successor was held in the new district instead of the old, and at this election Mr. Menard, the first colored man claiming a seat in the American Congress, was the Re-publican candidate, and holds that he received a majority of the votes cast. The Committee has two points to settle concerning this par-ticular complication. The first is general, and affects the legality of the election in the whole State of Louisians. Violence and fraud, as is well known, prevailed to a fearful extent throughout the State. If this is decided in Menard's favor, then the new question arises whether a man can be elected in one district to fill the place of a deceased member who was returned from a district embracing only a part of the first and a considerable portion of adja-

of the first and a considerable portion of adjacent districts. These have been the features of Menard's case till within a few days.

Now another is added which makes all the examinations and decisions called for by the points presented above merely preliminary to a regular contest between the Republican and Democratic candidates. The gentleman who ran against Menard has just appeared in Washington, and craims that he, instead of Menard, received a majority of all votes cast, and that he was duly elected. And as if to leave nothing usual or regular to be found in the whole case, the gentleman seeking to contest Menard's seat is a Democratic carpet-barger from Massachusetts. Could the negro question in any of its shapes present more complications? Biography of One of President John-

son's Office-Holders. The New Orleans Republican of the 18th has the following relative to Colonel Eugene Tisdate, whom Supervisor Creecy has ejected from the Collectorship of the Third district of

Louisiana, the charge being that Collector Tisdale has embezzled \$175,000:— Tisdale used to live in New Orleans, and was fond of writing bad poetry for the Times. He made a pilgrimage to Washington, and got a commission as a revenue official, since which time he has kept house in Morroe, Quachita contab where he has parish, where he has been a shining light in the Bemecratic party. When first appointed he was without means, but in less than two years he became the owner of much real estate in Ouschita parish, contributed liberally for Democratic torchlight processions, and on his frequent trips to New Orleans he would treat at the passengers and employes on the boats to champagne from morn till night.

But his official career is now brought to an inglorious close. Creecy, who wont be bribed, wined, dined, or builted, is after him. Honesty and fearleseness in Federal officials to this city have been so rare, that the coming among us of a man like Creecy seems to stir up all the ras-cally elements of the whisky ring. There are others beside Tisdale who need looking after. Uncle Fam has been too long trifled with and swindled by his hired servants in this State, and it is high time that some of the taxes paid by our citizens should reach the public treasury.

-A New York bride received last week, among other presents, a Bible and a piece of

-There is a Mississippi negro, 111 years old, who doesn't claim to have been Washing-

ton's body servant. -A Southern editor offers a year's subscription for a Christmas turkey.