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#### TWO IN ONE DAY. AN "IRISH PARLIAMENT."

A Pair of Train Robberies in the South.

Mail Cars are Looted, a Postal Clerk Is Almost Beaton to Death—A Con-ductor Shot by a Lone High-wayman on an Illinois Central Train.

New Orleans, Dec. 14.—The Illinois Central southern fast mail was held up and robbed by a lone train rob-ber about a mile above the upper limits of the city last night. Though some of the train crew say they saw four or more more conceiled in the some of the train crew say they saw four or more men concealed in the bushes, only one man figured in the action and his booty consists of only one registered mail pouch for Dur-ant, Miss., and six other registered letters from points between Cairo ord New Orleans and New Orleans.

Conductor Kinnebrew was shot in the groin and J. C. Parker, railway mail clerk, has his left eye powder burned by a shot directed at his head. The robber got on the train, it is supposed, at some point above the city and after passing Kenner he climbed over to the engine and covered the engineer and fireman and brought the train to a standstill. When the conductor came forward to learn the trouble he was shot by the

learn the trouble he was shot by the robber. R. E. Goldsby, a mail clerk, stuck his head out of the door and was or-dered to jump down, which he did. Then the tobber led the engineer, fireman and Goldsby toward the ex-press car and made one of them blow the side of it out with a stick of dy. the side of it out with a stick of dy-namite which he supplied. This trait carries no money and has no safe. The robber then made for the mail car and there discovered Parker, who had hidden the registered pouches. He shot at him and then one of the pouches was produced and he made with it.

He uncoupled the engine from the He uncoupled the engine from the train and ran it to a point near Car-collton avenue, where he abandoned it. The robber was evidently well acquainted with railroading. His face was blackened and he was a man a little less than six feet tall, weigh-ing about 150 pounds. He took Con-ductor Kinnebrew's watch. Two sus-prets were arrested but the railway pects were arrested, but the railway mail clerk did not identify them. Texarkana, Ark., Dec. 14.—The mail

car on the northbound Cotton Bel: passenger train was looted between Bassetts, Tex., and this city, yester-day. Several registered mail pouches were cut open and the contents carried away. The ponches contained several valuable packages. Mail Clerk Dennis was found unconscious from a blow on the head, when his train reached Texarkana. Two men have been arrested on suspicion a Naples, Ark., but no trace of the plunder was found on them.

Just as the train parted at Bas-sett's water tank Dennis went into the vestibule of the mail car to stir up the fire. When he opened the ves-tibule door he saw two men standing by the stove, one of whom dealt him a terribe blow over the head with a a terrible blow over the head with a heavy fire shovel. The first blow felled him and he was then quickly beaten into a senseless condition. He knew nothing more until he was re-vived in the Texarkana hospital. He is in a critical condition.

Examination of the car showed that the robbers gained entrance by crawling through the small trap door in the floor of the vestibule. In the vestibule is a crank with which a person can uncouple the car from other, and it is believed it was the in tention of the robbers to disconnec and get control of both cars. Offi-cers are on the case, but there is lit-tle to work on, as the men could have left the car at three different places before the train arrived here.

#### FORCED TO THE WALL.

## A Receivership Is Asked for the Order

Convenes in Dublin and a Stormy Session Results-The War in South Session Results-The Africa is Denounced.

Dublin, Dec. 12.—Delegates to the number of several thousand, representing county councils, borough cor-porations, district councils, branches of the United Irish league and kiudred bodies, met yesterday in na-tional convention in the Dublin ro-tunda "to re-create the Irish party." John Redmond, who presided, said it was the "parliament of the Irish people." Seventyfive Irish members of the house of commons were present and several priests were on the platform.

John Dillon, amid cheers, proposed resolution to the effect that the South African war was entered upon in pursuance of a conspiracy to de-prive two free nations of their lib-erty, in the interests of capitalists and mine owners.

He read letters from Boer generals giving instances of the alleged bru-tality of British soldiers in South Africa, and also the death notice of a Boer boy of eight in the camp at Port Elizabeth, whose father had re-fused to surrender and whose home was blown up with dynamite. Ac-cording to the notice the child and his mother were deported hundreds of miles and fed upon pea soup. The lad's death Mr. Dillon described as cowardly murder."

Intensely excited by Mr. Dillon's speech, the assembly broke forth into fierce cries and protests against the conduct of the war. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

Mr. William O'Brien introduced a resolution excluding Timothy M. Haley from the parliamentary party. While the differences are of a per-sonal character, he urged that for the sake of unity Mr. Healy's exclusion was necessary. was necessary.

was necessary. Timothy Harrington, who was fre-quently interrupted, said that if the action of the delegates plunged the country into the vortex of despair future generations would curse the convention and those who partici-nated in it. pated in it.

pated in it. "Hog wash," yelled an O'Brienite in the gallery. "I know where the hog is," said Mr. Harrington, which caused pro-tests and cries of "He is calling his fellow patriots 'hogs.'" Mr. Harrington made a temperate appeal for harmony.

Mr. Harrington made a temperate appeal for harmony. After other speeches, an amend-ment taking the bitterness out of the resolution was proposed by Father McNeece, but this was rejected overwhelmingly and Mr. O'Brien's resolution was adopted, only 25 hands showing against it.

#### FOOLED THE PRIEST.

# Americans Steal \$50,000 from the Safe of a Jesuit College.

New York, Dec. 12.-The World ays: Two clever confidence men, believed to be Americans from the descriptions given by a priest whom they robbed in Italy of \$50,000, may

be on their way to this country and the police are watching for them. The story of the robbery says they got from the safe of the Jesuit institute at Turin \$50,000 of the funds of the institution. Rev. Father M. Grosso, of the Society of Jesus, the superior of the institution, was their vietim.

Two well groomed men with polished manners, apparently Ameri-cans, called on Father Grosso a fortnight ago and told him they were trustees of a rich orphan boy whose father had recently been killed in the Boer war.

They said they wished to place the boy in the priest's care and have him educated in the institute. They explained they were custodians of \$200,-000 belonging to the boy, which they desired to leave for safe keeping in Father Grosso's hands.

The priest consented to assume charge of the boy and to accept the custody of the funds. The men thereupon produced several bundles of what purported to be bank notes which they suggested should be placed in the safe. Father Grosso opened the safe and the men placed therein the burdle.

A NOVEL LEGAL DECISION. New York Judge Decides that a Woman Must be at Home by Midnight.

New York, Dec. 13 .- Justice An drews, in the supreme court Wed-nesday, handed down a decision in which he holds that a woman should be home by mid-night. The question arose on an application by Florence Abell, a dressmaker, to enjoin Jacob A. Omdrake, her landlord, from clos-ing the front door of the house and not immediately admitting her when she rang the bell. Miss Abell says she leased two rooms from the defendant to carry

on her dressmaking business and sleep in, at \$55 per month. She was to have her shop open from 7 a. m. until 10 p. m., but was to be admitted afterwards at any reasonable time. She complained that on November

10 and 13 she was locked out, and on the second occasion could not obtain admittance and had to take a room at a hotel. She said that she was kept in all day at her business and did not think it unreasonable that she should afterwards go to a theater or elsewhere with friends. She asked that the owner be compelled either to give her a key, or see that she was admitted whenever she rang the bell.

Omdrake said it was necessary to keep the house locked at night, as the tenants had a great amount of val-uables. The first night, he said, there was some delay in admitting the plaintiff and the second night he and his family had gone to bed and dif not hear her.

Justice Andrews said he could not compel the defendant to give the plaintiff a key to the outer door, as by the terms of her lease she was only entitled to access at reasonable hours. He granted her a preliminary injunction requiring the defendant to permit her to enter her premises at all reasonable hours and r nptly open his door for her up to 12 o'clock at night.

#### THE LAW IS DEFECTIVE.

#### Portion of the Illinois Anti-Trust

Law Is Declared Unconstitutional. Chicago, Dec. 13.—By a decision of Judges Tuley, Dunne and Waterman of the circuit court, yesterday, Sec-tion 1 of the anti-trust law of Illinois, which defines what constitutes which defines what constitutes a trust or combination in restraint of trade, is declared unconstitutional. Other sections of the law, especially those which compel corporations to file affidavits annually with the secretary of state that they are in no way connected with trusts or illegal combinations and providing for a fine of \$50 in case of refusal to file such affidavit, are sustained by the court. Cases against over 800 Illinois corporations which have refused to file affi-davits with the secretary of state are affected by the decision of the court. The court in rendering its decision overruled the demurrers of the de-fendants and held the anti-trust law

valid in the point at issue. The decision of the court in respect to Section 1, however, is regarded by the attorneys for the defense as a distinct victory for the corporations. and is looked upon as nullifying the anti-trust law of the state in its most vital part

#### NEW YORK'S VOTE.

#### McKinley Had 143,606 Plurality Over

Bryan in the State. New York, Dec. 13.-The state oard of canvassers met yesterday and canvassed the state vote Only four of the 61 counties cast a major-ity of votes for Bryan. They were: ty of votes for Bryan. They were: New York, Queens, Richmond and Schoharie.

Schoharie. The prohibition, social labor and social democratic parties have suf-ficient votes to go on the next elec-tion ticket without a petition. Fol-lowing are the totals for president: For McKinley, 821,992. For Bryan, 678,386. Maloney, socialist labor 12,622

Maloney, socialist labor, 12,622. Maloney, socialist labor, 12,622, Woolley, prohibition, 22,043, Debs, social democratic, 12,869. McKinley's plurality, 143,606. The plurality of Odell, republican, for governor, was 111,126. A CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY.

### Washington Celebrates the Installa-tion of the Federal Government in that City.

Washington, Dec. 13.-With impos-ing ceremonies the national capital yesterday celebrated the centennial anniversary of the founding of the seat of the federal government in Washington. The exercises combined a brilliant military parade, a review by the president from the east front of the Capitol and orations in the hall of the house of representatives, where a brilliant audience was assemof the bled.

By act of congress the day was made a national holiday in the Dis-trict of Columbia. The government departments were closed, business was suspended and the whole city gave itself over to celebrating the capital's natal day. The president and his cabinet took

prominent part in all the exercises and with them were the chief execu-tives of a large number of the states and territories of the Union, the sen-ators and representatives in congress, the judiciary of the United States supreme court, the ambassadors and ministers from foreign courts, the heads of the army and navy, and a great outpouring of the people. Although Washington is the scene of many celebrations it is seldom that

one has occurred of greater brilliancy in its outdoor features, or of more impressiveness in its ceremonial exerimpressiveness in its ceremoniat exer-cises at the Capitol and at the White House. Early in the day the presi-dent received the governors of states and territories at the White House and the model for a new and en-larged White House was unveiled with entitle addresses with suitable addresses. At 1 o'clock the president was es-

corted to the Capitol, where he re. viewed a parade headed by Lieut. Gen. Miles and including the full military strength of the capital, regulars and militia. The ceremonies at the Capitol began at 3:30 p.m. and included addresses by Senators Daniel, of Virginia, and McComas, of Mary-land; Representatives Payne, of New

York, and Richardson, of Tennessee, and a notable historic oration by Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts. A reception by the president to the gov-ernors of states at the Corcoran art gallery last night closed the festivi-

#### SUCCESSFUL REBELS.

# Colombian Insurgents Gain a Victory Over Government Troops.

New York, Dec. 13 .- Advices received Wednesday from various parts of Colombia, and confirmed by passengers who arrived from Panama, tell of desperate fighting in nearly every state. The government troops every state. The government troops are in a poor physical condition, and suffering from several forms of tropical fevers. Senor Arturo Brig-ard, Colombian consul general in this city, has been ordered by his govern-ment to purchase and ship immed-izate a large quantity of quiping for iately a large quantity of quinine for use of the army.

The most desperate fighting is now going on in the department of Bol-ivar. In a battle fought at Toluviejo, on November 25, the revolutionists lost, among 100 killed and wounded, two able officers, Gen. Camacho and Col. Enrique Pinedo. The rebels took

tionary government, with his force, has arrived at the port of Rio Hacha and established government there.

TEN DOLLARS PER WEEK.

# Bookkeeper Evidently Thought His

New York, Dec. 13 .- Justice Blanchard, in the supreme court Wednesday, on the application of the Weehawken Wharf Co. issued an attachment against Allerton Merritt, in an action brought against him for the recoverv of \$18,000 which it is alleged he embezzled from the plaintiff corpor-ation, for which he was bookkeeper

at a salary of \$10 a week. The plaintiff claims that between August 31, 1898, and August 1, 1900, Merritt collected \$26,000 from custom-

#### A CARNIVAL OF CRIME.

Thugs, Thieves and Murderers are Busy in Paris Since the Exposition Closed. Paris, Dec. 14 .- The close of the

exposition, throwing thousands out of employment, has created abnormal criminal conditions in Paris mal criminal conditions in Paris. The sensation caused by the murder of the man whose body was found in two parcels in the streets here" December 4, has directed attention to the fact that the outlying quarters of Paris are infested by bands of footpads. Two respectable workmen were attacked a few nights ago by four prowlers who almost decapi-tated one of the workmen and stab-bed the other. bed the other.

It was announced yesterday that the prefect of police had decided to place a couple of policemen on each street car running into the suburbs offen Si'on m we do that he had also after 8:30 p. m., and that he had also decided to create a special corps of picked men to be stationed in the dangerous wards, such as the ward where the severed body was discov-ered. Moreover, in order to secure nurder clues, the police for several nights have raided the disorderly districts and made large hauls of criminals wanted on other charges. A raid Wednesday evening led to 347 arrests.

The present condition of crime is largely due to the numbers of workmen, street hawkers and others who came to Paris, attracted by the exposition, and who are now walking the streets, out of work. It is estimated that in 25 trades 212,000 out of

The officials of the prefecture of police calculate that 2,000 sufferers from the close of the exposition have joined the criminal army.

#### SHOULD DEFEND THE CANAL. The Senate Adopts an Important Amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 14 .- For nearly three hours Thursday Mr. Hanna ad-dressed the senate upon the ship sub-sidy bill. While he has spoken here-tofore on the floor of the senate, his flort yesterday really was his first

rmal speech to the body since he became a member of it. Since com-ing to the senate Mr. Hanna has devoted much time and labor to the preparation of the ship subsidy bill bill and his speech was given close atter.

The senate in executive session took a vote at 3 o'clock on the amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty authorizing the United States to defend its interests in the isth-mian canal. The senate did not close its doors until 2 o'clock and there was then left only one hour's time for discussion of the provisions of the amendment. The vote was taken by yeas and nays, 65 votes being cast in favor of the amendment and 17 against it.

After the amendment offered by the committee was passed upon var-ious other amendments received the attention of the senate for a brief time, but none of them was acted ipon

#### A BIG DEAL IN COAL PROPERTY

### The Pennsylvania Coal Co. Changes Owners-Another Large Transaction Pending.

New York, Dec. 14.-J. P. Morgan & Co. on Thursday issued a state-ment saying that they had purchased on behalf of the Erie Railroad Co. the majority of the stock of the Pennsyl-vania Coal Co., which is the only formidable rival of the anthracite coal combine. The stock is bought at the rate of \$276 for each share, the par value of which is \$50.

The property involved includes 22 mine workings in the Scranton and Pittston fields, producing 2,000,000 tons of coal and employing 5,500 men and boys.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec, 14.—A prom-inent coal operator of the Wyoming region in an interview says that an effort is being made by a syndicate to buy all the individual mines be-tween Wilkesbarre and Carbondale, and when all or most all of these mines are secured it is probable that the syndicate will reach out to the Hazleton and Schuylkill regions. There are about 25 individual coller-ies between Wilkesbarre and Carbondale, and the capacity is about 12,000 tons a day.

GOLD AND SILVER.

Mint Director's Report on Production During '99.

GREATEST ON RECORD.

Gold Output of United States was Phenomenal.

COLORADO IN FRONT RANK.

The Silver Product of This Country Slightly Exceeded that of the Pre-ceding Year—Klondike's Gold Pro-duction About \$16,000,000.

Wshington, Dec. 15 .- The report of usington, Dec. 15.—1 he port of the director of the mint on the pro-duction of gold and silver in the United States during the calendar year 1899, shows \$71,053,400 for gold and \$22,858,700 for silver at its average commercial value during the year. The gold product was the greatest in the history of the coun-try, exceeding that of 1898 by \$6,590.-400, and greater by \$6,053,400 than the estimated product of 1853, the record year in the working of the California placers. The principal gains in 1899 over 1898 were in Alaska, \$2,934,700, due to the Cape Nome district; Colorado \$2,787,500, and Utah \$1,165,400. Colorado still retains its position as the largest producer of gold and

that is the largest producer of gold and silver and Montana is second. The silver product of the United States in 1890 was slightly greater than in 1898, being 54,764,000 ounces against 54,439,000 ounces. The average price for silver during the year was 60 cents per ounce, as compared with 59 cents in 1898.

with 59 cents in 1898. The world's production of gold in 1899 was of the value of \$306,584,900, an increase of \$19,156,300 over the yield of 1898. The principal gains were \$6,590,400 in the United States, \$7,485,600 in Canada (mainly in the blockille) and Australasis \$14,600,800 Klondike) and Australasia \$14,860,800. The most important loss was in Africa, which fell about \$7,000,000 below the output of 1898 as a result of

but the output of 1595 as a result of the war in the Transval. But for the interruption in the Transval the world's production for the year would doubtless have been \$25,000,000 greater. The Klondike output for 1899 was about \$16,000,000, The world's production of silter in The world's production of silver in 1899 was 167,224,243 fine ounces, against 165,295,572 fine ounces in 1898. Mexico leads and Mexico and the United States produce two-thirds of the silver yield of the world. The world's industrial consumption of gold is estimated at \$72,658,500, and of silver \$24,595,600.

#### Allen's Bounty Bill.

Washington, Dec. 15.-Senator Al-len, of Nebraska, has proposed a substitute for the ship subsidy bill au-thorizing the payment of bounties on exports of agricultural products of the United States. The substitute provides for a bounty of ten cents a bushel on wheat to 50 cents a bar-el on wheat flour: ten cents a bushel rel on wheat flour; ten cents a bushel five cents a bushel on corn; seven cents per cental on corn, ground; one cent a pound on cotton; two cents a pound on hops, and two cents a pound on tobacco.

#### Adopted Foraker's Amendment.

Washington, Dec. 15.-The senate committee on foreign relations yescommittee on foreign relations yes-terday decided to recommend fur-ther amendments of the Hay-Paunce-fote treaty. The committee adopted an amendment suggested by Sena-tor Foraker, which declares that the Hay-Pauncefote treaty supersedes the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and also strikes out the Hay-Pauncefote agreement which permits the submis-sion of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty to sion of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty to other powers and invites their accep-tance of it.

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200 prisoners, besides which the gov-ernment force lost 100 in killed, From the department of Magda-lena comes the news that Gen. Var-gos Santos, president of the revolu-

# Pay was Too Small and Is Said to Have Appropriated \$18,000.

ion county to-day asking for the ar pointment of a receiver for the Order of Chosen Friends, a fraternal insurance association.

In the application for the receiver hip the fact is set out that the asso ciation is insolvent and unable to meet the death claims now outstand These claim aggregate about \$300,000 and came to light through an examination made by George U. Bingham, expert of the Indiana insurance department, last Wednesday

The Order of Chosen Friends was founded in May, 1897, in Indianapolis and spread rapidly into neighboring states and then to nearly very state in the country until at present it has a total membership of 22,140 in 31 states. There are 551 local councils. One of the primary causes for the

failure of the organization was the great loss sustained in the Galveston disaster. The claims arising out of the death of members in the ill-fated city aggregated about \$60,000

The examination instituted by the state insurance department also revealed that ex-Supreme Treasurer William B. Wilson, who had been in office since 1895, had defaulted to the amount of \$30,000. Mr. Wilson died last October and the order is secured by a bond in one of the bonding com-panies and will lose nothing pames and will lose nothing.

#### Heroic Boy Rewarded.

New York, Dec. 14.-Frank Ratte-macher, 15 years old, of Hoboken, N. J., was last night presented with a gold medal by Col. Wesley Jones, president of the United States life saving corps for inland waters. Rat-temacher is credited with saving 120 nves, unaided, at the time of the burning of the Hoboken docks on June 30 last. While the steamers were burning the boy, who was in a large rowboat, time and again went through the smoke and close to the flames of the burning vessels and rowed men ashore.

therein the bundles. They then departed, stating they were going to Milan, where they had left the boy, and would return with him shortly. Father Grosso waited several days and when neither the men nor the boy appeared became suspicious and went to the safe.

He found that bank notes aggre gating \$50,000 were gone and that the bundles of supposed bank notes left by the men were only waste paper. The men, the police say, abstracted

the funds from the institution under the eyes of the priest while placing their counterfeit bundles in the safe.

#### Cannot be Enjoined.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—The supreme court yesterday held that the trans-portation of natural gas out of the portation of natural gas out of the state at high pressure by means of pumps, when the gas is left to blow naturally from the wells and force is used only to carry it to other places, cannot be enjoined without a show-ing that some danger to the plaintiff's property is threatened from the period property is threatened from the possible bursting of pipes or otherwise, although such transportation might be a violation of the criminal statute. The opinion is important, as Chicago and many cities in western Ohio are supplied by natural confrom the In-diana field.

#### Children Panic-Stricken.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Fifteen hundred children fought and struggled to escape the fancied horror of death by fire last evening in West Twelfth Street Turner hall. There was no spark of flame in the building, but the ery of a startled youngster was taken up and in an instant the gathering was in a panic. Fully 100 boys and girls were swept from their feet and trampled on and crushed against the walls and balustrades of the stairs. Others leaped from the gal-leries and fell in the midst of the stranging mass below struggling mass below,

Will Caucus on January 1.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 13 .- The reublican caucus to agree upon a canlidate for United States senator to fill the vacancy caused by the expir-ation of the term of M. S. Quay will meet on Tuesday night, January I. The legislature meets in biennial ses-sion at noon that day. The repub-licans have a majority in both branches, but both factions of the re-nublican wather constitution blican party are claiming control

of the legislature, the anti-Quay leaders asserting that they will win by reason of an alliance with the demo-The legislature will vote for crats.

senator on January 15.

#### May be Located at Macao

Washington, Dec. 13.-The British overnment, having notified the inited States government that it has een unable to locate the reported Philippine junta in Hong Kong, our governmental agencies have been put o work to ascertain where the munitions of war and other supplies which reach the insurgent Filipinos origi-nate. It has now been discovered that the Portuguese settlement of Macao, located on the Chinese coast and convenient to the Philippines, is one point of insurgent activity, and probably the abiding place of one of the Philippine juntas.

#### Alger's Home Is Robbed.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13 .- Gen. Alger, ex-secretary of war, was quite badly shaken up early yesterday by a burg-lar in his home. The general was awakened by someone provling about on the first floor of his residence, and started down stairs to investigate. Just as he reached the foot of the stairs he ran into a burglar, who tripped him up, the general falling heavily. When Alger recovered him-self after the fall he began an inves-tigation which showed that \$300 worth of silverware had been taken by the thief.

ers of the firm, which he misappropriated to his own use. This was dis-covered on August 3, and he repaid \$8,000, but disappeared on August 6. Michael F. Burns, the president of the company, made an affidavit to this effect and said Merritt confessed to him that he had spent the money.

William H. Merritt, of this city, also made an affidavit in which he said he had heard his son confess that he had taken the money of his employers. This was on August 6, and he disappeared the same day and has not since hear heard of has not since been heard of.

Agreed on a Street Railway Scheme.

Chicago, Dec. 13 .- The Chicago street railway commission has agreed upon a plan for municipal action in regard to street railways. These will be incorporated in a bill which will be presented to the city council with the recommendation that the council re-ommend its passage by the legislaommend its passage by the legisla-ture. The plan includes provisions for municipal ownership—this to be decided by a popular vote of the municipality—also provides that in cases of new street railway companies the franchise question must be submitted to a popular vote; unifica-tion of all street railway systems in Chicago, and arbitration of all labor difficulties.

#### Indians in an Ugly Mood.

White Rock, Utah, Dec. 13 .- Troop K from Fort Duchesne was ordered A from Fort Dicheste was ordered out last evening to prevent trouble at the Uintah agency. Over 30 chil-dren in the school are down with measles and their parents have been much dissatisfied because the children ware not allowed to ge home. Or were not allowed to go home. One girl died. Black Hawk went to the school yesterday and demanded the release of his children. O'Connor, a teacher, resisted and was thrown down stairs and the children were taken by force. Threats were made to burn the school buildings.

#### SHOT THE TREASURER.

Masked Men Attempt to Rob the Box Office of a Theater. Sioux City, S. D., Dec. 14.—During a performance at the Grand Opera house in this city last night two masked men entered the box office, assaulted, beal and shot at the treas-urer and escaped without getting any cash. Harley Rounds, the treasurer was in the box office with the m<sup>n</sup> ager of the company when th. , came a knock at the street door. Rounds opened the door and two masked men pushed in with a revol-ver under Rounds' nose, He reached for his own revolver, when one of the robbers fired at Rounds, the bullet passing between his arm and body, piercing his clothing but not touching the flesh. The manager of the company ran

out and the robbers pounded Rounds over the head with a revolver, mak-ing severe wounds and fracturing the skull. Rounds put up a desperate fight and, the robbers becoming frightened, escaped the way they had came without getting any money.

Will Lay a Submarine Cable. Manila, Dec. 13.—The United States cable ship Burnside will next week proceed to Damaguea, island **5**f Negros, to begin the laying of 600 miles of government cable to con-nect Negros, Mindanao and **J**olo, Negros and Cebu already have cable connection with Iloilo and Manila. At present there is scarcely any tele-At present there is scarcely any trie-graphic communication with south-eastern Luzon, owing to persistent wire cutting. It is proposed event-nally to connect that section and the islands adjacent, by cable with Man-

#### Prince Tuan's Escape.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 15.-Accord-ing to the North China Daily News, Prince Tuan escaped from Tung Kuan pass in the disguise of a Bud-Kuan pass in the disguise of a Bud-dhist pilgrim, bound for western Mongolia. He was subsequently traced to Lan Chou, through which city he passed, still in the garb of a Buddhist pilgrim. He was last heard from at Ting Hsia, the native city of General Tung Fu Hsiang, un-der whece motorition he is alloced to der whose protection he is alleged to have traveled.

#### Harrison Wants to Know.

Chicago, Dec. 15 .- Mayor Harrison has undertaken a personal investigation to learn whether or not the Mc-Govern-Gans contest was a "fake." He declared yesterday that if the facts satisfied him that either or both the participants arranged to "quit" he will never issue another license to boxing promoters. Just how the mayor purposes getting at the bottom of the muddle is a mystery.

#### Miners and Engineers Clash

Linton, Ind., Dec. 15.-The United Mine Workers have demanded that all hoisting engineers join their union. The engineers have refused and the miners have demanded their dis-charge unless they comply with their demand. State President Van Horne, of the United Mine Workers, has sustained the miners. All mines in the Linton district are idle.

#### McGillis Is Sentenced.

Montreal, Dec. 15.-Donald McGil-lis, one of the three directors of the Montreal Cold Storage Co., who were indicted for fraud, has been sen-tenced to three years in the penitentiary. Of the other directors, McCul-loch is out on bail, the jury having disagreed in his case, and Chisholm is in hiding somewhere in the United States. - - - is - -

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