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# JOHN ROACH DEAD.



THE FAMOUS SHIP-BUILDER SUC-CUMBS TO CANCER IN THE THROAT.

A Sketch of His Eventful Career-The Head o the Greatest Ship Yards in the Country, The Vessels Constructed For the Government-lifs Lowly Beginnings

NEW YORK, Jan. 10 .- John Roach, the famous ship-builder, died at S o'clock this morning. He had been ill for several weeks, suffering from cancer of the throat, His affliction was similar to that of the late General Grant.

The cancerous growth which caused Mr. Roach's death had eaten its way into the side of the neck below the augle of the jaw in-volving the retries. For the past few days Mr. Roach suffered great pain, and to relieve him large doses of morphine were injected. and he was unconscious most of the time.

THE STORY OF HIS LIFE.

The life of John Roach fornishes an admirable illustration of what a poor boy may accomplish in this country if he has brans and is industrious. He has been a pusher from the start, and he goes to his grave feel ing that he has suffered a great disappoint, ment in becoming bankrupt after many years in business, while the world will look upon blin as a una wills a theroughly suc-cessful life. He believed in himself and found it a capital creed. He was born in ite-iand, in Mitchelltowo, County Cork. His father was a blacksmith, but was a very poor mas. He had an uncle in New York with whom he was a great favorite and who sent whom he was a great favorite and who sent him money to come to this country. When he arrived here he was only about thirteen years of age. His parents were much average to his coming, owing to his youth, but al-ready welf-remark, his mind was set upon coming to a land which his boyish hancy pic-tured as one flowing with milk and honey. He arrived after a long and stormy passage. He had his unclo's address to New York, out on arriving found that his next values. out on arriving found that his only relative

in this country had given up all hope of his arrival and had gone to Texas. Thus he was entirely alone and absolutely Thus he was entirely alone and absolutely triendless in a strange land. He had only a tew English pence to his pocket. Day after day 10 walked the strasts value beeking employment. No one took much notice of the uncenth Ith hoy. Night after night he slept where he could, under sheds in wagons or in areas: bla money was soon exhausted : he could earn by his best endeavors little or nothing; at times he seemed on the brink of starvation. At last some case told him he ought toge to the northern part of the stare Marvailan. At last some one told him he ought to go to the northern part of the state and obtain work in the brick yards. One of his friends thinks it was in Troy that he went in pursuance of this solvice. If that was the outy he walked nearly one hundred and fifty miles in his energetic efforts to secure em-ployment; he had to subsist on charity by the way. It was one of the most trying pe-riods in his life, but he was buoyed up by youthful hope and by indomnable pluck. youthful hope and by indomutable plack. He applied to the foreman of one of the large briekyards, but he gave him no hope. As the proprietor was about to drive off in his carriage the boy called to him and was showed to tell his story. The gentleman listened kindly and r deried the rough-spoken foreman to set him to work. The work he has to no way the wheeling of heavy barrels of clay on a wheelbarrow from what was under the circumstances a con-siderable distance. To make his fate worse the foreman of the yard, having taken a spite ag has him to baying obtained work from the propriotor filmselt, greatly added to his poorly paid toil. The man circuit him without stint and male the friendlass buy's interniterable. He did not, however, sink under the burden of even such a life. In six under the burden of even such a life. In six years be became foreman of the yard. The work, however, was too laborious and not en-tirely congeniat. It was, therefore, not long before he left the brickyard and obtained employment in the ironworks of the same city. After learning his trade there he re-turned to this city.

ter, Pa., and they represent a value of more than \$50,000,000. Most of these vessels are steamabips engaged in the South American trade. Ninety per cent of the iron ves-sels saling under the American flag were built by John Rosch; most of these belong to the merchant marine. His contracts with the government bave amounted to about \$7,000,000, exclusive of the three new to about \$7,000,000, exclusive of the three new cruisers. He built six fron-turreted monitors out of the nineteen constructed for the gov-ernment within about tweive years. He re-paired numerous government ships. The most of his business, however, was with

most of his business, however, was with steamship companies. At one time bis fortune was estimated at \$5,000,000. He owned considerable real estate in Chester. He had coal and from mines in Virginia. He was a large stock holder in the Chester rolling mills, in blast furnaces and in the Combination from and Steel company. Strictly speaking his recent suspension was hardly a failure; the indications are that his asseets bearly double bis liabilities. He hardly a failure ; the indications are that his assets nearly double his liabilities. He claimed that his credit was so much injured by the rejection of the bolohin that he found it necessary to suspend. He employed 2,400 men, namely, 500 at the Morgan iron works, in this city, at the foot of Ninth street, East river, and 1,900 in Chester. He paid \$30,000 a week in wages. His shipyard cost him \$1,000,000. Among the work he did for the government were two shops of war. congovernment were two sloops of war, con-tracted for in June, 1873, at the price of \$580, 000; the construction of the sectional dock of the Persacola navy sard, for \$855,000 when a war with Spain seemed imminent ho repured for the government four out o the fourteen iron-turreted monitors; in 1876 two of the five monitors it was decided 1870 two of the five monitors it was decided to construct were awarded to him at the price of \$300,000 each, and out of over thirty millions spent by the bureau of steam engi-neering of the navy department, John Roach received \$15,350,221.93. This was from 1862 to 1885, a period of twenty-three years. He has put repairs upon almost every steam vessel in the American navy, and during the Robeson regime seemed to have an exclusive entree to the department. The bureau of construction and repair from July 1, 1874 to 1885, paid Mr. Roach \$3,964,625 for extras and repairs.

# Betrayed Their Trusts

Henry A. Morris, who stole \$75,000 from the New York Textile Filter company, h still a fugitive. The citizens of Woodbridge, N. J., have so high an esteem for the Morris family that they propose starting a subscription and raising a sum sufficient to enable the family to live in confort. Even these who have lost by Morris' disbonesty, or "carelessness," as his lawyers prefer to call it, will subscribe to this fund.

It, will subscribe to this fund. Chief of Police Frey, of Baltimore, has sent notices to the police departments through-out the country to look out for and arrest William Spurgeon, who is wanted for the enlowzlement of money from Hurst, Purnell & Co. Spurgeon's defalcation is variously estimated at from \$180,000 to \$250,000. He was confidential broad kerner and cashier to: was confidential bookkeeper and cashier for Hurst, Parnell & Co., who carry on one of the largest wholesale dry goods houses in the country, doing a business of several million dollars a year, and Spurgeon handled the preater portion of the money and attended to the payment of the employes. He was with the house nearly twolve years, was held in high esteem and enjoyed the full confi-dence of his employers. Spurgeon is about 35 years old, weighs about 150 pounds, is five feet eleven inches high, has a full black beard and moustache.

# Crueity to a Child.

Lawrence Hobson, a farmer of Christiana Hundred, Del., took a 15 year-old girl from the Children's asylum at Pottsville, Pa., about nine months ago. The girl was of unsound mind and did mischleyous acts of various kinds. For this she was beaten un-mercifully by Hotson, his wife and one Humphrey Pullips. One of the modes of punishment was to take the ciri to the barn, suspend her by a rope and slash her with a cart-whip until her body was covered with sores, bruises and stripes, the stripes cross-ing and recrossing each other and torming a net-work. The society for the Provention of Cruelty to Children had the two arrosted, and they were brought before Magistrate Vandegrift, who fined Hotson S50 and costs. The society withdrew its case against Phil-lips on condition that he pay the costs. A notic pres. was entered in Mrs. Hobson's case. sound mind and did mischleyous acts of

NONE OF THE CREW ESCAPES. TWANTI-SAFAN LIVAN LOST ON THE FIRGINIA COAST.

Wreck of the Grrman Ship Elizabeth-Five the Life Saving Crew Perish-The Cause of the Disaster Unknown-Gathering the Victims From the Beach.

A most disastrous shipwreck occurred at 2 o'clock Saturday morning near the Little Island life-saving station, tourteen miles south of Cape Henry, Va. Not less than twenty lives were lost, among them five life-saving men, who in the discharge of their duty, were drowned. The morning was bitterly cold and a blinding snow storm prevalled, with the wind blowing a gale from the valled, with the wind blowing a gale from the northeast. During a luli in the storm the life saving patrol from Little Island life sav-ing station sighted a large ship stranded on her about 800 yards from the shore. When he saw the vessel he was on his way to meet the patrol from Dame Neck station and ex-change checks showing that both patrolmen had been to the end of their best. The Dam Neck patrol was only a few yards distant when the vessel was sighted, and both fired rockets to notify the crew of thestranded ship that she had been seen. They hurried back that she had been seen. They burried back to their respective stations and gave the

and apparatus, were abreast of the wreck, and the boom of a mortar announced that a line had been shot out to the fill fated vessel. The shot was unsuccessful, and a second was fired with like result. After firing six unsuccessful shots, the life saving men deter mined to brave the furious sea and the death which accord certain to await their venture. The word of command being given by Capt. Belanza, of life saving station No. 4, known

They reached the ship in safety, and five of the ship's crew were taken in a lifeboat and ten in a ship's boats, which was launched for man realized the awful peril which sur-rounded them. With a steady pull the two boats were making good headway for shore

and with many of the men it was a prolonged one. The horrified life savers on the beach were powerless to assist their drowning com-rades or the unfortunate strangers. The drowning men were carried southward by the seas, and some of them were washed ashore. As they came within reach they were picked up, and endeavors were made to revive them and in two instances with

wreck. Her cargo is ucknown, as the high seas have thus far prevented any attempt to reach her. It is thought she is leaking badly, and at sunset her masts were thought to be

Of the life saving crew the following were lost: A bel Belanza, captain of No. 4, known as Little Islaud; J. W. Land, same station; Geo. W. Stone, same; J. A. Belanza, of Darn Neck station, and brother of Abel; Joseph Spratley, of Dam Neck. John Etheridge and Frank Tetford, of No. 4 station, were washed ashore and resusci.

TWENTS SPIEN LIVES LOST.

ginis Coast.

German ship Elizabeth, which went ashore Saturday morning on Virginia Beach, fourfact is learned from the two men of the lifesaving crew who survive and

DINAMITE EXPLOSION. House Containing Cartridges Demolished and the Watchman Killed. People living in the neighborhood of Twenty-ninth street and Girard avenue, Philadelphia, were startled Sunday night by past eight o'clock. Crockery ware rattled, windows were demolished, while the frightened people flocked from their the frightened people flocked from their houses, believing that another earthquake had occurred. It was found that the explo-sion had come from a lot on Stiles street, be-tween Twenty-ninth and Thirtisth, belong-ing to Messra. Widener and Eikina. The shock was occasioned by the explosion of a case of dynamite eartridges which were stored in a small frame structure where the explo-sives were kept dry. The building was blown to atoms and the ground was burrowed to a depth of about three test. Patrick Power, the watchman, was in the building at the

to a depth of about three test. Patrick Power, the watchman, was in the building at the time, and after considerable difficulty his dead body was found some fity feet from the house and his cost in another direction, torn in shreds. His skull was crusted and his face horribly mutilated, while his neck and body were perforated by the flying debris.

his face horribly mutilated, while his neck and body were perforated by the flying debris. People began to flock to the scene of the explosion, but were kept back by the police and a number of detectives of Miller & Sharkey's agency, who are on duty to pre-serve order among the striking brewers in that neighborhood. The house containing the dynamite was isolated from any dwell-ing, but the windows in the buildings for blocks were shattered. The debris was scattered for a considerable distance, but no one was injured except the watchman. The dynamits cartridges were used for biasting rock and making excavations for building operations. The shock occasioned by the explosion was dis-tinctly telt in West Philateiphis, German-town, Roxborough, Frankford, Falls of the tinctly telt in West Philadelphia, German-town, Roxborough, Frankford, Falis of the Schuyikil, Bridesburg, Bustieton, and in the northeastern section of the city. The Frankford station-house was shaken suffi-ciently to awaken the officers, who run down stairs to ascertain the cause of the shock. The general impression prevailed that it was another visitation of an earthquake. In-quiries from the several station-houses be-en to some into the General station and the can to pour into the Central station as to the beation of the explosion and the cause of it. Patrick Powers, the watchman who was killed, lived in the vicinity of Twenty fifth street and Failmount svenue. He was about thirty-five years of age, and had only recently entered upon his perilous duties. He leaves a widow, with whom be had been separated, and two small children, who are living with an aunt at Norristown. The coroner was not fied and the body taken to the Twenty-third district station house, at Twentieth and Jef terson streets. The cause of the explosion is

# COAL GETTING SCARCER.

Not a Paule Exactly, But a Very Annoying Scar stry of the Black Gems. From the N. Y. Herald.

The strike among the New Jersey coal beavers is having a more decided and annoying effect than was anticipated. While there is as yet no absolute coal famine the there is as yet no absolute coal famine the stocks of retailers are growing less day by day, and many of them look forward with dread to the day when they will have to suspend business at least temporarily. These are, of course, only small dealers who have been expecting the usual drop in the prices fixed by the big "combine," and, fearing to be caught with coal that they could not sell at a profit, refrained from laying in a stock. The anticipated drop did not come and now they find themselves compelled to restrict their sales in many cases to regular customers. sales in many cases to regular customers. When the strike began the coal companies took matters very cooly, and declared that if the men did not want to work they could easily find others to take their places. So

far as can be acertained the strikers show no signs of yielding, and yet, in spite of their as-sertions that their busicess would go on in spite of them, the companies are furnishing little coal to New York, Brooklyn and ad-

little coal to New York, Brooklyn and ad-joining dities. A prominent retailer said on Saturday— "It tooks very much like a famine. I can't get any coal, and all my neighbors seem to be about a bad off as I am. I am allowanc-log my regular customers—that is, when they order five tons I give them one, and so I hops to tide over the troubla." A member of the firm of Ward & Oliphant and "Wa baye not as yed horseased our

SHARP'S REQUEST DENIED.

THE BROADWAY MAGNATE MUST BE TRIED IN NEW YORK.

Judge Barrett Benders an Etaborate Opinion In Which He Refuses to Grant a Chauge of Venue-The Position of Newspapers In Such Cases Reviewed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10 .- Judge Barrett has depled the motion made by Jake Sharp's counsel for a change of venue, and he will therefore he tried in this county on the charges of bribery found against him by the grand jury in connection with the Broadway railroad steal.

Judge Barrett, in rendering his decision, says : "The defendant, in the brief of counsel presses only the point as to the alleged prejudice growing out of newspaper publication. He thus abandons all claim of personal illwill because of his connection with other raliroad enterprises. Upon the argument counsel withdrew the claim of hostility growing out of the strikes of railroad employes. The question is thus reduced court satisfied that the to this: Is the defendant cannot have a fair and impartial trial in this county in consequence of newspaper criticism ? There is no satisfactory vidence to substantiate the defendant's belief that he cannot. The affidavit of a director and vice president of the 23d street rail. road are as vague and lacking in precision as is the defendant's own affidavit. The publications profess no such result as the defendant professes to fear. The defendant will enter the court room upon his trial with as perfect freedom from apprehended violence ss the judge and the jury." The judge in his decision goes on to say

" It is much easier to influence prejudicially to an accused the sentiment of a small community than that of a great cosmopolitan metropolis. The press of a great city teems with matter more or less overlooked by large classes of readers which would set a village aflame. It follows that the rule which throws upon the defendant the burden of clearly establishing by facts and circumstances that condition of the public mind which would deprive him of a fair and impartial trial is more exacting in large communies than in small, and that where the defendant relies solely upon newspaper denun ciation in a great city like this, he must show that this denunciation has had some effect by way of popular expression prejudicial to his rights. The defendant has entirely failed to do this and the motion must therefore be denied."

On motion of Mr. Gall, the committee was instructed to request a rebate of tax for stock on band on the repeal of the law. NEW YORK, Jan. 10 .- The court of over and terminer was opened this morning by Judge Barrett and District Attorney Martine moved that ex-Alderman John O'Neil be ar-The Money Miser Perry Concealed Under Cov raigned at the bar under an indictment for accepting a bribe while in office as alderman. O'Nell appeared and stated that he had no Joseph Perry, the old miser, and his cousin counsel. Judge Barrett, after a few momenta Richard Price,, were found frozen to death, thought and with the consent of the district is in the midst of a number of thieves' resorts. attorney, gave O'Neil till Monday next to There is not a thief in town who is not kick-

# AFTRE HIS WIFE.

A Colored Man Mortally Wounded While Hunting Her With a Rifle.

MACON, Ga., Jan. 10 --- Yesterday the streets of Blackshear, were invaded by George Megethum, a colored man from Florida, who carried upon his shoulder a Winchester rifle and around his waist a belt of cartridges. He was in search of his wife, who had left him, and was thought to be in town with a rival. His warlike appearance attracted a crowd. Reaching a house on the outskirts of the town where he was told his wife was stopping, Megethum began firing into the win dow. The battle was taken up by two negroes inside, fully five shots being exchanged before Megethum fell to the ground mortaily

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# THE WORK OF CONGRESS

THE SECRETARY OF THE THE AND THE FIRM TARIFF.

One Hundred Thousand Bollars for a Building at Camden, N. J.,-Provid Of the Inter-State Commerce Bill Presented in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.-(House)-A communication from the secretary of the transmission of the transmission of the tariff in the interpretation of the tariff in relative to the interpretation of the tariff about fish, in response to a resolution

"Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to endeavor to secure the required legislation toward the abolition of the system for the same. Referred. of internal revenue so far as it relates to to-The Senate bill authorizing the erection of a public building at Camden, N. J , at an ulif-mate cost of \$100,000 was passed on motion of baceo, cigars, sould and cigarettes, and to have power to take such other action with regard thereto as in their judgment shall be expe-Mr. Hires,

"2. That the committee appointed shall at such time as they shall deem advisable go to Washington and endeavor to secore such (Senate)-The presiding efficer presents amongst others, the following communi-tions which were referred : A recommend "3. That the co-operation of the various to-bacco trade and workers' organizations and tion from the secretary of the treasur the appropriation of \$34,500 for the s unions in this city and state be requested to further this object so far as the same shall be sion of the postoflice building at Newark, I J.; from the secretary of war, a report from the board of engineers regarding the bridge

"4. That petitions embodying the sense of the meeting be discutated and signed and for-warded to Congress. The resolutions were discussed at length, over the Mississippi near St. Louis. A variety of petitions were presented, cluding the memorials of New York and

THE TORAUCO TRADE.

Revenue Tax.

A well-attended meeting of the wholesale

dealers in and manufacturers of tobacco and

cigare was held Friday afternoon at the rooms

of the Tobacco Board of Trade of Baltimore

on South Gay street, to take action upon the

question of petitioning Congress for the re-

peal of the internal revenue tax upon

tobacco products, Mr. G. W. Gall was

chosen chairman, and Mr. Robert Stewart

Mr. Wm. Boyd offered a series of resolu-

From the Baltimore Sun.

secretary.

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lions, as follows :

ore Dealers in Favor of Taking Off the

The resolutions were discussed at length, and were adopted with only two or three hegatives. Those who spoke for their adop-tion were Messrs, George R. Coffroth, Wm. H. Myers, B. F. Parlett, Robert Stewart, Michael Dundon, Jonas Rosenfeld, L. H. Neudecker, George E. Wagner, C. C. Isaacs, E. T. Cruss, G. W. Gall, Edgeworth Bird, Wm. Lamping. Thomas Concerned otherd. Kansas commercial bodies against provisions of the inter state commerce bill ; petition for the repeal of the internal revenue laws, elc. Senator Blair introduced memorials for the consideration of the foreign relations com-mittee, to prohibit exportation of intoxicat-Wm. Lamping, Thomas Cromer and others. ing liquors to uncivilized nations. Those who spoke on the other side were Messrs. W. A. Marburg, J. B. Stafford and

Senator Frye Introduced a subsidy amond-Messers. W. A. Marburg, J. B. Stafford and Jacob Wight. The arguments for the repeal of the tobacco taxes were that the internal revenue stamps and labels are a restriction upon the trade, which is hampered by these requirements. The removal of the tax will relieve tobacco from this surveillance, and its entire aboli-tion is asked for, and not merely a reduction. Tobacco has for twenty years paid from ment to the postoffice appropriation bill. (It ment to the postoffice appropriation bill. (It provides for the transportation of foreign mails by American built and registered steamships to secure the greater fra-quency and regularity in dispatch and a greater speed in the earriage of such mails to Brazil, the republic of Mexico, Cen-tral and South America, and approprising \$400,000 for the purpose. At 1 o'clock Sena-tor Cultom called up the inter-state com-merce bill, and Senator Beck addressed the Senate in support of the adoption of the com-Tobacco has for twenty years paid from thirty to twenty-four millions of doltars a year in taxes. The government does not need this taxation, and its re-moval is asked for. The tax system enables Senate in support of the adoption of the conlarge concerns to monopolize the business. The minority side of the argument was that the internal revenue tax of eight cents a pound on manufactured tobacco and \$3 per thousand on cigars is not onerous to them, ference report.

RES IN A FREE COUNTRY.

A Russian, the Brother of a Princess, Has Romantic Adventure.

TARLEQUAR, Indian Ter., Jan. 10 -- A stranger of some 45 years of age, of dignified deportment, but wearing an air of mystery, has been living quietly in this place for some time past. It is now learned that he in a Russian, a brother of the Princess Dolgor-oukl, the morganatic wife of the late cash When young he incurred the displemente of the czar on account of his nibilistic proclivities and was banished to Siberia. There he was employed in a mine. For five years he worked secretly at engraving charact he worked secretly at engraving characters upon small blocks of stone, and finally was able to make a fac simile of a paramet. With this he avantat to China passport. With this he escaped to China, where he remained nine years. Wanderics further, he next went to South America, and tiring of that sem!-civilized country, came to the North American continent. Here, be the North American continent. Little are says, he has realized the dreams of his early youth; a government by the people, for the people, and says that he believes that Russia will yet see the same thing. He says he hears from his sister, the princess, often, who is under a cloud or exiled from Russia because of the fact that her oldest son is the rightful overeign of Russia.

# FEARED SHE WAS KIDNAPPED. the Sister of Spain's Late King Detained by Ac-

# cident From the Royal Family.

MADRID, Jan. 10 .- A carriage containing the Infanta Isabel and three aids, who were following huntsmen at El Pardo, broke down and toppled over into a ditch. A lackey sent to her assistance. In the meantime royal family became intensely alarmed at the absence of the Infanta and the police and soldiers were ordered to scour the country in search of the missing ones. After several hours' search the infanta Isabel and her of panions were found in a woeful plight beside the broken carriage at 10 o'clock at night. The unfortunate accident becomes intere when it is remembered that stock gambler had recently conspired to steal the infant King Alphouso. The Infanta Isabel is a nister of the late king.

unknown.

# It is thought he cannot survive

In a little while both crews, with lifeboats

beata a contenant, six of the most expert boatmen manned each boat. At his command the men gave way with a will, and in a moment both boats were breasting the furious waves.

the purpose. The boats were headed for the shore and not a word was spoken, for each

when a wave of great power struck both boats, capsizing them instantly and pitching their twenty-two occupants into the boiling Then began a desperate struggle for life

success, although one of the two is badly inlured The vessel is the German ship Elizabeth Capt. Halberstadt, from Hamburg to Balti-

more, and not one of her crew survives her

giving way. Of the life-maving crew the following were

4 station, were washed ashore and resusci-tated, but Etheridge is so hadly injured that

The Wreck of the Enzabeth on the Vir

Later particulars from the wreck of the

teen miles south of Cape Henry, put the number of the crew at twenty-two instead of fifteen, not a man of whom is saved. This

engage counsel.

REVERSES DID NOT DISHEARTEN HIM, Finding work in the Howell foundry, Jer-sey City, owned by James Allaire, he man-aged in three years to save \$1,500 Tais was lost when his employer failed, but he bravely went to work to earn more capital. He opened allitie shop on the East river front, and secured odd jobs in repairing whip's engines and furnaces. He was so poor that often when he had repaired some grate that often when he had repaired some grate bars for furnaces he had to carry the heavy bars through the street himself to their desti-uation, perhaps in some distant quarter of the city, because he could not afford to pay for a

truck. Beginning in this small way he grad-ually enlarged his business, extending his shop down in the region of the big ships that arrive from all quarters of the globe, and the

It was not long before his shop was burned out and not being insured he lost almost everything. It was some time subsequent to this that he went to Illinois to try farming; he bad accumulated about \$1,50 and invested it in lands in that state. But he was not born to be a farmer, and he soon concluded to return to New York, and for

obvious reasons he walked back. He managed to establish a small factory of his own in New York, which grew steadily in maginitude until it because known as the lEus iron works, where the largest engines constructed in the United States up to that time were built. During the war he made boilers for factories and ships and gradually accumulated a fortune. He built the first compound engine in this country for the Trenten. Trenton.

In 1867 he purchased the Morgan iron works for about \$40,000. His purchase included ninety-six city lots, 600 feet water front and all the buildings, tools, des. The purchase of the Neptune works for \$150,000 followed in the Neptune works for \$150,000 followed in 1855, and the Franklin Forge in 1870 for \$125,-000, as well as largo property in Chester,  $P_{A}$ , from Reany & Soos, where he subsequently put in operation the extensive works known as the Delaware River Iron Shipbuilding and Engine works, a corporation of which Mr. Roach was president and owner. It was capitalized at \$750,000. The paper of 1873 found him owing about \$700,000. Int his retound him owing about \$700,000, but his re-sources were equal to the occasion, and his state nent in 1874 showed assets \$3,205,000, mortgages and dobis\$525,000. In 1875 rumors of his failure were extensively circulated of his failure were extensively circulated but were false. He then stated that be was worth from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 above everything. In January, 1883, he was said to be using less words than heretofore, and appeared to be easy in money matters. At Chester, Pa., he was said to be doing fairly in business, but in New York he was doing a light business. But in New York he was doing a light business. In September, 1884, he was quoted as recently stating that his material on hand would cover his current liabilities, a band would cover his current \$2,000,00 ad his total worth to be upward of \$2,000,00 and his total worth to be upward of \$2,000,000. His loans on collaterals were estimated not to exceed \$200,000. In the May previous he purchased the material for the new cruisers for the navy, for which he had obtained the contracts. At various times he had interests in several steamship lines, including the shallory line, Ward's line to Havans and the Brazilian line. In 1882 the Morgan iron works properly was valued at about \$500,000. He elso then owned the Eina iron works on Goerak street, occupied by Thomas A. Erlison, John Roach began building iron ships in 1871.

HIS WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

He had built 114 vessels, mostly at Chesthe work.

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Western Grop Summary. The crop summary of the Chicago Farmers levies says : Reports from correspondents show that fields of winter wheat in Ohio Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Missouri are very generally well protected with snow. In Atchison, Dickinson, Lin-coln, Neesho and Sedgwick counties, in Kansas, the fields are reported bare and the ground dry, with the crop looking poorly. There is a free movement of corn to market reported in Illinois and Nebraska. There is very little movement of corn in Iowa, and one-fourth of the counties of the state are importing corn from adjoining states. There are serious reports of cholera among the hogs from fully one-third of the counties in fill-nois, and more or less prevalence of the dis-case in Indiana, Iowa and Missouri. In Adams and Mason counties, in lilinois, the disease is inflicting serious losses.

# Deliberately Starved derself to Death.

May Harlan, a well-known woman Louisville, ended a forty-two days fast at he City hospital Saturday morning by dying. Five years ago she was a well-known milli-ner and did a good business. About two months ago she found herself recovering from a big spree at the work-house. She re-fused to partake of food, and after fourteen days of fasting the work-house officials sent her to the boxond. There is not the sent the ways of lasting the work-house officials sent her to the hospital. There it was the same way. She relused to eat, and it was be-lieved her reason was dethroned. Last hight she beckoned the rurse to her bed-side. In low tones she told her sad history, and said hobody would have cause to regret her death, as she had not a relative in the world. She s'ated that she had starved herolf to death.

Hiscock Presents His Bill, Representative Hiscock's bill to reduce the arplus reveaue by cutting down internal revenue taxes was presented in the House Saturday. The salient features of the bill involve a reduction of the internal revenue tax volve a reduction of the internal revenue tax on raw sugar; the encouragement of the home manufacture of beet sugar by a bounty of 2: for every ton of 2,000 pounds raised by United States farmers and manufactured into sugar; the repeal, after October, 1887, of the internal revenue taxes on manufactured tobaces, snuff, eigars, cheroots and eigarettes, and the special taxes now exacted from dealers in leaf tobacco and the repeal of the internal revenue tax on alcohol spirits used in the arts.

## List of Unclaimed Letters.

Following is the list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Lancaster postoffice, Monday, January 10, 1887 ;

Ladies List. Anna D. English, Miss Barbara Fink, Mrs. N. T. Gray, Miss Maggie and Cath. Rhoads, Miss Mollie L. Stoner, Mrs. Rachel E. Tomiinson, Miss Mary Wea-land, Mrs. Margaret A. Wilhide, Miss C. Zall. Z.+11.

Zeill, Gents List.--Wm. W. Baily, S. K. Condit, Martin Doyle, Henry Ma Gretta, L. B. Semple, M. H. Webb, Harry Welchans. Unclaimed Fourth-Class Matter.--Mrs. Lizzie Schwartz, Jno Stroud.

# No Work for Barbers on Sunday

The journeymen barbers of Wilkesbarr recently formed an organization for the pur-pose of enforcing the closing of all barber shops on Sunday. Out of 38 places in that city, 38 were closed on Sunday. The two employers who kep t open will be arrested.

# He Was Drunk and Disorderly

Frank Suydam was arrested on Sunday night on a warrant issued by Alderman Barr. He is charged with drunkenness and the complaint was made by a neighbor at the request of his family. His case will be disposed of to-morrow morning.

# Contractors Going West.

J. D. and B. B. Gonder, of Strasburg, who recently were awarded a contrac for doing railroad work near Cincinnati, left for the West this morning. In a couple of weeks they will take out large numbers of men from this soction, who will be put on

bodies of the five men of the life The barles of the ave men of the file saving crew and bar of the ship's crew re-covered were in life preservers, and three more of the ship's crew without life preser-vers were picked up lower down the coast. A body which has been identified as that of the captain is among those recovered. On the captain is among those recovered. On his person was a photograph marked Cap-tain F. Halberstadt, and letters addressed to Henry Kaulkmann, and several bills from Joseph Lamke & Co., Bremerhaven: As reported last night not a word was spoken between the ship's crew and the life saving men when they boarded her in their desperate attempt at rescue, and the cause of the wreck can beyer be positively known. the wreck can hever be positively known, although it is supposed that in attempting to make the capes of Virginia under reefed sails sufficient allowance was not made for the strong currents which have caused several disastrous wrecks along the lower Virginia und North Carolina coast during the last few

# KILLED IN A COLLISION. Two Trainmen on the Wilmington & Northern Lose Their Lives,

A terrible accident occurred Sunday morn ing on the Wilmington & Northern railroad, little distance south of Lenape station. Chester county, by which two men were killed and two others badly wounded. A freight train, northward bound, stopped be low the Lenape station because of no steam. A flagman was sent back, but before he got three hundred yards another freight train came up at full speed and dashed into the caboose of the standing train, killing the conductor, Harry Huber, and a companion named William B. Martin, who were asleep at the time of the collision. The stove in the cabose was overturned and set fire to the car, which was soon de-stroyed, and the bodies of the two men were

stroyed, and the bodies of the two men were burned to chaler. Henry Knox, the brake-man of the train, was also in the cab, but suc-ceeded in saving his life, though he is badiy hurt. The direman of the train was under the engine clearing the cinder-box when the crash came and was badly, though not fatally, injured. The engineer and fireman of the second train did not see their danger until within a few feat of the standing train within a few feet of the standing train, when both jumped and escaped, being

slightly hurt. An inquest was held in the afternoon and the jury placed the blame upon Conductor Hubert, who was asleep at his post. He lived in Reading and was without family. Martin's home was in Birdsboro. The injured rakeman and fireman were taken at once to their homes, in Wilmington and Coates viile.

tilazes in Bellefonte and Ashland Bush's Arcade, a large three-story brick block on High street, Beilefonte, containing seven store rooms, the Masonic hall, the Keystone Gazette office, the armory of com

Keystone Gazette ollice, the armory of com-pany B, 5th regiment N. G. of Pennsylvania, and many offices and private rooms, was burned Sunday morning. The loss is esti-mated at \$75,000, which is but partly covered by insurance. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin. Fire broke out Sunday morning about 2 o'clock in James Wythe's bakery on Chest-nut street, Ashland, and spread to the ad-joining building, to Wythe's candy factory, and L. J. Steinhilber's and Alfred Bancroft's barns on the opposite side of the street, all of which were destroyed with their contents. Adjoining Wythe's bakery was his barn, where he had two cows and two horses, and in endeavoring to rescue them he was seri-oasiy burned and had to be carried from the spot. His loss will reach \$7,000; no insur-ance. Steinhilber and Bancroft's loss \$1,000 each, covered by insurance.

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Burned to Death. Mrs. Carrie Arden, wife of James Arden, was burned to death at her residence about five miles from Baltimore Saturday night. She was sliting at a table reading when the coal oil lamp exploded and threw the burn-ing fluid over her clothing. She was burned almost to a crisp, but lingered until after midnight, when she died. Mr. Arden had both oil his bands horribly burned while try-ing to relive his wife. ing to relieve his wife.

said.—"We have not as yet increased our prices at our retail yards, but we cannot say how secon we shall be compelled to do so. One thing, is certain, and that is, that we will One thing, is certain, and that is, that we will not accept any big orders for prompt de-livery, because there is no certainty, that we can fill them. The steamboat men com-plain greatly of the scarcity, but then all they need to do is to go to the docks and take in their supplies." IL L. Herbert & Co., on Saturday ad-vanced the retail price on all grades of do-mestic coal twenty-five cents. "If we don't get some coal within the days." said Mr.

nestic coal twenty-five cents. "If we don't get some coal within ten days," said Mr. Herbert, "we may have to cut down on our regular customers. This scarcity is getting annoying, and in some grades of coal our supply is nearly exhaused." At the Pennsylvania docks at Weehawken Superintendent Kamsey sud that only a few laborers sent over by the New York Steam Heating company were at work, and that no coal was being loaded at any of the stations that supply New York city. It was said further that the strikers are more strongly banded together in this strug-gle than ever before, and that they have, if not the actual assistance, at least the moral encouragement of the L-connotive Engineers and the United Order of Brakemen.

# He Didn't Belleve in Banks.

Daniel Robinson, living at No. 628 Bayard street, Philadelphia, reported to the police in September last that he had been robbed of \$615. It appears that he had no faith in banks, and had buried his wealth in an old banks, and had buried his wealth in an old tomato can in an ask pitch in the cellar. On the morning of the ligh of September he awoke in a stupefied could not which he be-lieves was caused by chloroform, and found that his housek ceper, Ann McKenney, and his money had both disappeared. On Satur-day Detective Bond arrested the woman in Baltimore. She will have a hearing at the Central station on the charge of stalling the Central station on the charge of stealing the hidden gold.

# Shot by a Brother Officer. Roundsman Robert Montgomery, of the

Twenty-fifth precinct, New York, was on Saturday night twice shot by Officer O'Rourke whom he found off post. Montgomery is in a critical condition, and has made an ante-mortem statement. He says O'Rourke asked him if he intended to report him, and was answered affirmatively. Montgomery left him, and while his back was turned O'Rourke shot him through the wrist and then as his victim turned, shot him through the body, plercing his liver. plercing his liver.

# Pennsy's Big Purchase.

It is announced that the Pennsylvania railroad company has purchased \$300,000 worth of property at the foot of West Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth streets, New York, and will construct an extensive freight depot and yards, with tracks connecting with the yards of the New York Central & Hud-son River railroad

son River railroad. It is said that a ferry to Jersey City will be established to take the place of the line to Thirty-fourth street, which was discont nued last year.

At the Lancaster Rmk. Prof. Glesson closed his week's engagemen at the Lancaster rink on Saturday evening Between six and seven hundred persons were present and the professor handled his mus tangs and two ugly kickers to the satisfac-tion of the audience. This will be the last week for skating at the rink as Mr. Halbach will at once erect a stage and the place will be turned into a variety theatre.

His Head Cut Off by the Machinery. William Evans, aged 40 years, employed in E. Appleman's planing mill, at Rehrers-burg, Columbia county, was caught in the machinery Saturday night and instantly killed. His head was severed from the body.

# Can Such Things Be?

From the Philadelphia Record. The Democratic nomination for United States senator in California is up for sale. The Republican nomination for United States senator in Michigan has been seld.

ounded. The citizens were in church a the time, but many of them joined Marsha Gregory in surrounding the place and cap-turing the whole crowd. The two men who were on the inside were also wounded.

# Still Suffering for Rain in Texas.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 10 --- Gov. In land has just taken action on the published proceedings of the Albany convention of ounty judges from the drought district. In answer to inquiries from Eastern cities the governor has written the following letter which will be printed here to-day : "The resolutions and proceedings of the county udges in the northwest are entirely reliable and are from representative men. The drought continues in that country, and, in stead of relief coming with the fall, as was confidently hoped, the distress has grown with the coming of winter, and I not only indorse the gentlemen and their proceedings. but I appeal to the liberality of the country in their pehalt."

# Boston Street Car Employes to Strike.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 10 .- On account of their demands for better wages having been refused the horse shoers of Boston (consoli dated) and Cambridge horse railroad have voted to strike to day. The drivers and conductors held a meeting last night for the purpose of deciding upon the question of a up?" The pay for extra trips is their chief grievance. President Powers is willing to meet the men half way, but he says it is im possible to accede to all their demands. The meeting lasted until an early hour this morning.

# Supped From a Train and Killed

NEWARK, Ohio, Jap. 10. - Another accident occurred on the Central Ohio division of the Baitimore & Ohio yesterday. William Roach, aged 22, freight brakeman, while passing over the cars slipped and fell from the train, being caught between two cars and almost instantly killed, the wheels mangling the body terribly. The body was taken to Sonora, where his mother resides, for interment. Roach had only been on the road about a year.

# An Aged Journalist Dead

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 10,-E. R. Jewett, prominent citizen of Buffalo, died at his real dence on Jewett avenue last night, aged 76 years. Mr. Jewett in 1856 was prominently connected with the newspaper publishing business here. Among others who acquired a portion of their journalistic experience in his employ were ex Public Printer Rounds and the late Wilbur F. Story, of the Chicago Times.

# A Baltimore Firm's Collapse

BALTIMORE, Jan. 10.-Edward Landstreet, trading as Towner, Landstreet & Co., failed to-day for \$40,000.

# WBATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.-Foi Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware: Colder, northwesterly winds,

air weather.

# Dropped Dead.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10,-Judge, Rogers, chief ustice of the circuit court, dropped dead on the street about 2 p. m. to day.

## Stage Changes.

William Stansbury has purchased the stage tine between New Holland and Lancaster and he will run it in the future. Mr. Stans bury formerly operated a line from Rawlins ville to Lancaster but more recently had one between Terre Hill and Lancaster. For a couple years past he has been out of the busi

The stopping place of Cooney's stage line The stopping place of the Exchange hotel has been changed from the Exchange hotel to the Franklin house.

paper in a corner on the floor. He found within it \$40 in gold. Under the bed was discovered an old and dusty diary. When its clasp was opened \$130 in gold certificates were revealed. On the floor beneath the hed was found \$137 in currency. In crevices, in boxes found \$137 in currency. In crevices, in boxes in dishes, amid broken glassware and rags were found \$03.17 in sliper and pennies. Strong pasteboard boxes, carefully field with tape, were there, and they were full of valuable papers, some of which bave not been recorded. Bonds, mortgages, notes, deeds, deeds for ground rent, insurance poli-cies, and bank books, worth many thousands of dollars, were found. At 4 p. m. the dingy little room was dark, and the men abandoned jurther search until Monday morning.

and that the internal revenue system is not disadvantageous. The committee appointed to visit Wash-ington are Mesars. Wm. A. Boyd. C. C. Isaacs, L. H. Neudecker, Ellas T. Cruse and

WEALTH IN THE BEDS

erlids and Mattresses.

No. 1,025 Locust street, Philadelphia, where

ing himself. The search of the old house

began Saturday and was conducted by Clerk

Doual of the coroner's office, several relatives

of the dead men, and a lawyer. The search

ing party went at once to a small front bed-

room on the second floor. In the room were two beds, one of which was tidy and the other had evidently been occupied by the

eccentric old man, Petry. An examination was made of the bed which had been used.

Upon the mattress was found several silver dollars. A feather bed was removed, disclos-

ing six crisp, gold certificates. "What's this?" asked one of the men as

his hand struck a bag ued to the footboard o

When the bag was opened \$900 in \$20 gold

pleces and \$45 in \$5 pleces were disclosed. Then another bag was found containing \$500 in gold. Mr. Hepburn noticed a little roll of

Robert Stewart.

further search until Monday morning. Meanwhile the house is carefully guarded. The inventory of the real estate and per onal effects discovered amounts now to

\$100,000. Some of the most valuable assets

discovered are : Cash, \$2,167 : mortgages, \$30,880 : a ground rent valued at \$10,000, bringing an annual in-come of \$600 : another ground rent valued at \$3,250; annual ground rent for 2307 Emerald street, \$48; for \$37 Huntingdon street, \$54; for 1036 Mountain street, \$45; for 2261 Jasper street, \$43; deed for real estate at Tenth and Locust streets, \$45,000; deed from teat estate at Tenth and Locust streets, \$4,000; deed from Charles M. Lukens for property on Ellsworth street, \$5,500; deed from Eliza Evans for northeast corner of Convent alley and Spruce street, \$6,000; a loan to Samuel Price for \$1,200; bank credits by books and certificates of de-posits, Western Saving tund, \$257; Pulladel-phia National bank \$1,831; the Fideitty \$5, 112; Pulladelphia Savings tund, \$300; Provident Life and Trust company, \$8,500

Mr. Hepburn is confident that \$50,000 more will be found before the search is ended. No will has been found, and it is very doubtful if one exists. Drs. Formad and Stewart made a post-mortem examination. They found that both men had been affected by alcoholism, and that death was caused by They freezing.

# A SHERIFF HANGED.

In Levying on a Theatre Curtain it Goes With the Officials Dangling From 15. The newly-elected sheriff of Cuyaboga

ounty, Ohio, E. D. Sawyer, who has just ented upon the duties of his office, began his official career with an experience that he is not likely to forget soon. A man named W. A. Harrington sued Mr. H. R. Jacobs, of New York, proprietor of the Cleveland theatre, for \$2,000 for being ejected from the theatre about a month ago. Inasmuch as Mr. Jacobs is a non-resident of the state an attachment was asked for and granted. In the evening, while the orchestra was tooting away the overture, "Climbing Up the Gol-den Stairs," before the first act of "Passion's Slave," the sheriff and two constables ap-peared behind the curtain. They staached the curtain and ordered it kept down probably to enforce a settlement. Mr. Jacoba' attorney, who was on hand, whispered to the man who manipulated the curtain, "Hoist the curtain up and they can't touch it." The man in the files worked the crank. The curtain started on its upward flight, with the sherifi and a coastable dangling to it in plain sight of the audience. When they thought themselves high enough they roleased their hold, cause down in a heap and disappeared behind the wings. The curtain remained up during the rest of the performance and the stage was set, with the audience as inter-ested spectators. ably to enforce a settlement. Mr. Ja

ested spectators.

The Red Rose of Lancister D. K. Burkholder announces himself as a candidate for sheriff. His card is illuminated with the red rose of Lancaster which means war to the knife and the knife to the hilt against all opposing candidates. Mr. Burk-holder is an energetic worker, and has never yet come out second best in a political battle. His opponents had better gird on their armon

# Death of Harry E. Brenne

Harry E. Brenner, son of Edmund Bren-ner, formerly of this city, died at his father's home in Philadelphia on Sunday, aged 27 years. Deceased was well known in Lan caster, where he was raised, and he has rela-tives and many friends here. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon. The body will arrive in Lancaster on the one o'clock train and will be interred in St. Mary's cemetery.

Lives Without Part of His Brain EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 10.-A low nights ago John Christian, of Greenville, Ky., was struck by a train and nearly killed. His skull was crushed and a piece of the bone penetrated the brain. He was removed to his home, where physicians extracted pieces of the skull, covering a surface of one and one-half by three inches, and a tablespoot of the brain. No hope of his recovery we given, but to the surprise of everybody he in growing stronger, eats, talks and sleeps well. Paralysis of the right side, which followed the blow, is leaving him. Should he recover the case will be a miraculous one, the terrible exposure he endured being alone sufficient to kill almost any one.

Three Women Sue for Big Damages. SpRINOFIELD, Ohio, Jan. 10 .-- Saturday suits aggregating \$45,000 for damages we: brought against the Cieveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis railroad and the Citizens' Street railroad company, Tie plaintiffs are the three women who were injured last month by a freight train colliding with a street car in which the women were riding. Ex-Speaker Kelfer is counsel for the plaintiffs. One will probably lose her arm.

Three New Consuls Appoint WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.-The president to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate : Consuls-Isaac R. Diller, of Illinois, at Florence ; Oscar Malmoros, of Minnesota, at Cognac ; Willoughby Walling, of Indian at Leith. Second Lieutenant Wm. W. Gib son, third artillery, to be first lieutenant crdi

# nance department ; Lieutenant Colonel Wm. P. Craighill, corps of engineers, to be colo-nel ; Major Charles R. Suter, corps of en-gineers, to be lieutenant colonel, and a number of minor naval promotions.

Tenants Not Granted their Reques DUBLIN, Jan. 12-The Marquis of Lon. donderry has declined to grant the request of his tenants in county Down for an abatement of 40 per cent. in the rents. The ten ants, who are without exception non Nation alists, thereupon offered to purchase their holdings on the basis of fifteen years rental of the same.

Giadstone Favors Sconomy in the Army, LONDON, Jan. 10.-Mr. Gladstone has write ten a letter in which he says that Lord Churchill's resignation was justifiable, and that he (Mr. Gladstone) himself is in favor of the exercise of more economy in the army and navy departments.

Ordering a Test Case WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 -- By the advice of the attorney general the collector at New York has been instructed to proceed to settle the pending claims for refunds of duties on coverings of merchandise, reserving one case only to be tested in the suprems court.

# A Spanish Palace Destroyed. MADBID, Jan. 10.—The Alexan at Tole in the province of Tolede, 41 miles be Madrid, occupied by the military acceler and library, was destroyed by fire to-de Several persons are said to have perished 1