LED BY OUTLAWS.

Alabama Desperadoes' Terrible Battle With a Sheriff's Posse.

TWO KILLED AND SIX WOUNDED.

The Murderers Escape Through the Breach Made in the Ranks.

RETREATING UNDER COVER OF A WOMAN

The Sheriff's Party Returns Home With Its Dead and Wounded.

Rube Burrows and Ben Thornton, two noted Alabama desperadoes, defeated a Sheriff's posse of 40 men, killing two and wounding six. They then escaped through the breach they had made in their opponents' ranks.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BIRMINGHAM, October 26.—Rube Burrows, the noted Alabama train robber, murderer and outlaw, has again defeated a Sheriff's posse and added two men to his long list of victims.

Late yesterday afternoon, Burrows and one member of his gang, supposed to have been Ben Thornton, were surrounded near Brooksville, Blount county, by Sheriff Morris and a posse of 40 men. The outlaws opened fire, and at the first volley, Deputy Sheriffs Henry Anderson and Penwood Warp fell dead, the former shot through the head and the latter through the breast. The officers returned the fire, and over 100 shots were exchanged. The posse were armed only with shotguns and pistols, and as they were 200 yards from the outlaws they were at a great disadvantage, as the latter were armed with repeating rifles of large caliber. James Herron, of the posse, was dangerously wounded, and five others, whose names could not be learned, received slight flesh wounds. The outlaws fired only at one point in the surrounding line and cutting a gap in it, they made a rush for liberty and escaped, no pursuit being made by the posse, who remained to care for the dead and wounded.

Sheriff Morris came to this city to-day after help and repeating rifles for his deputies. His story of the battle and the first discovery of the outlaws in Blount is that Rube Burrows and a partner were at the house of Bud Ashworth, five miles south of Brooksville. He got three or four men and started down to Ashworth's at once. They rode up to the gate of the Ashworth yard and, leveling their guns at the door, called to the inmates, notifying them that they had come after Burrows and his pal, and ordering them to come out.

A WOMAN AS A SHIELD.

In response to this Rube appeared at the door with a woman in front of him, serving as a shield between him and the officers' guns, and replied defiantly that he would die before he would surrender. The officers would not shoot for fear of hitting the woman. Seeing that the officers hesitated to shoot, the two desperadoes came out of the door, and still keeping the woman between them and the Sheriff's posse, retreated slowly, facing the officers with their guns leveled on them. Neither party took down their guns, and neither fired while the slow retreat under cover of the woman was going on until the outlaws got some distance from the officers and near a little skirt of wood, when Rube and his pal fired into the sheriff's posse and dashed off into the timber, where they were soon out of sight. They only fired one shot each, and didn't hit any one. As soon as they got out of range of the woman the fire was returned, but without effect.

The officers followed the outlaws for a while, but soon realized that a chase through the woods after such skilled bushwhackers was not only dangerous but fruitless, and gave it up and returned to Oneonta, the seat of Blount county. The officers did not reach Oneonta till late at night, and of course could do nothing till the next morning, which was yesterday. Early yesterday morning Deputy Sheriff Morris began organizing another and larger posse for the purpose of renewing the chase after the desperadoes. Shortly before noon he had summoned 40 men armed with pistols and a few with shotguns, and with these he started for the Ashworth neighborhood, which is about seven miles from Oneonta. They reached the Ashworth farm about 3 P. M. Scattering out they surrounded it and then began to close up, examining every thicket and clump of bushes as they went. This operation was kept up till about 5 o'clock.

CLOSING IN ON THE OUTLAWS.

By that time the circle had grown so small that the scouting party were in speaking distance of one another, and the chase was growing exciting. The men were moving cautiously and with bated breath, when there came a puff of smoke from a clump of bushes almost in the center of the circle, followed by the crack of a rifle, and at the same instant young Henry Anderson fell dead with a bullet in his forehead. Bang! bang! bang! came the shots in quick succession. In a second more two others of the posse, one on each side of young Anderson, fell, and the hunted desperadoes dashed out of the bushes and made their escape through the gap in the line that had been made by their well-directed shooting. They had evidently calculated to do with their fire just what they did—cut the line, and the result shows how well they had reckoned and how well they had executed. As the two men ran through the broken line from one cover to another they continued to fire at every man they saw and succeeded in wounding six others. Their fire was warmly returned and 100 shots or more were fired at the rapidly retreating figures, but without any apparent effect. The fusilade llasted about a minute when the bushmen disappeared from sight in the dense forest growth.

Gathering up their killed and wounded, the posse returned to Oneonta, the county seat, to await assistance and better arms. Sheriff Morris secured no help here, and said he would make no further attempt to capture Burrows with the arms at his command.

A WOMAN'S CLEVER SCHEME.

She Buys $30,000 Worth of Goods on Credit, and is Now Missing.

NEW YORK, October 26.—Adolph Silk and Charles Valkenburg, the latter a shirt manufacturer at 97 Franklin street, were charged with grand larceny in the Tombs Police Court to-day. Dora Silk, the wife of the former, has had a drygoods store at No. 558 Eighth avenue for the last three years. It is charged that between the 1st and 10th of October, Mrs. Silk called on about 30 firms in the drygoods district and purchased goods to the amount of $30,000, for which she gave notes payable in ten days.

When the notes became due the firms discovered that Mrs. Silk had no bank account, and upon sending to her place of business, found that she had sold out. She cannot be found. The two men were held for examination.

NOT TO BE ARBITRATOR.

The Canadian Government Would Not be Satisfied With Pope Leo.

OTTAWA, ONT., October 26.—The report from Washington that Pope Leo is likely to be chosen arbitrator in the Behring Sea dispute receives no credence here. An official of the Department of Justice points out that want of knowledge in regard to marine and international law would unfit the Pope for the performance of duties of so technical a character.

Pedagogues to be Made Happy.

The school teachers will be paid to-morrow for the month of October. The pay roll amounts to $36,657 76.

GETTING MORE MIXED.

The Stella Wier Drama Has Another Actor in It—Mr. Slater's Peculiar Trip—Letters Follow Telegrams.

A new character appeared in the Stella Wier drama yesterday. Father Bernard, of the Southside, received a letter from Mother Superior Gertrude, of the Convent of the Good Shepherd, in Columbus, in which she stated that a man giving his name as Karl Slater called at the institution on Wednesday, represented himself as a good Catholic and especial friend of Father Bernard, and asked permission to see Stella Wier. He was asked if he had a note from Father Bernard, and as he could not produce any he was denied admission, the Mother Superior saying she did not want any more annoyance or deception. Fearing Slater might endeavor to impose upon her with a fictitious or false telegram, she telegraphed to Father Bernard and received a reply that no one by that name had received his consent to see the girl.

The Mother Superior states that upon being refused an interview with Stella, Slater published a statement in the Columbus papers to the effect that he had seen her, which is now denied in the letter to Father Bernard. She states that during the whole time Slater was at the convent Stella was not even permitted to be brought to the parlor where he was. A postscript says: "I am pretty sure Mr. Slater had others waiting outside the door," indicating that abduction might have been intended.

There was nothing about Mr. Slater's conduct to indicate, nor did he claim relationship with the girl. He did not claim even to be a friend of her mother or give any reason why he should be allowed an interview.

J. Karl Slater, the candy manufacturer of 1310 Carson, was seen last night, and he admitted to being the man referred to. He said he went to Columbus on Wednesday to see if he could find Ansill, who had not been heard from for some time. He denied several statements in Mother Superior Gertrude's letter, saying that he did not claim to be a Catholic or that he was a friend of Father Bernard. He claims he did see Stella Wier.

Father Bernard is so much exercised over the publicity he has been given in connection with the matter that he would not say anything about the case last night. Alderman Hartman said: "Time and subsequent developments are demonstrating the wisdom of the action of Father Bernard and myself. Since the girls have been in the Columbus convent, the efforts made through the Gibson girl, and the attempt made by Slater to have interviews after such unfair methods, warrant the assumption that the mother of the Wier girls had just cause to be apprehensive of their welfare, while at home—subjected as they must have been to the influences of such young men. I feel now, as I believed at the time, that what I did was my duty and would ultimately result in a benefit to the girls. I was at no time prompted by motives of animosity, ill will or hatred, either toward the girls or their alleged friends."

Mrs. Wier also received a letter yesterday from her daughter, in which the latter stated she was perfectly satisfied where she is, and would remain, if allowed to, until she is 21 years old.

THEY CAN BE MADE SAFE.

Electric Overhead Wires Not Necessarily as Dangerous as at Present.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, October 26.—The Executive Committee of the National Electric Light Association, or a majority of them, rose from a protracted special meeting at the Electric Club this afternoon. In fact, they had been at it pretty nearly all night. The meeting was called to consider the overhead wire problem. Allan G. Garratt, the Secretary and Treasurer of the association, made public later in the day, the result achieved. The meeting unanimously passed resolutions declaring

That currents, both direct and alternating, of the intensity or electromotive force now in use in this and other cities of the country, are absolutely necessary for the successful and economical distribution of electricity for arc and incandescent lighting and power purposes; and that to substantially reduce the electric pressure or electromotive force of the currents now in use would so increase the cost of electric light and power as to put them out of the reach of many of their present consumers, and greatly cripple the electric light and power industries in which many hundreds of millions of dollars have been invested, and which has become public necessity.

Also, that the accidents which have recently occurred in this city have been due to faulty construction and defective insulation, coupled with restrictive legislation and divided responsibility which for years have prevented such comprehensive repairs and reconstruction as would have insured safety and good service; and that overhead wires, carrying distinct and alternating currents of the tensity now in use, can be so insulated as to be safe.

WHAT A ONE-CENT STAMP COST.

A Fight Over Its Possession in the New York Postoffice.

NEW YORK, October 26.—Two men quarreled to-day in the postoffice over a one-cent postage stamp that lay on the floor, each claiming it as his own. From words they came to blows, and in the scrimmage their hats fell off. One of the combatants had a good hat and the other a depraved looking tile. The latter getting the worst of the fight, picked up the former's hat, and putting it on on his head, ran rapidly across City Hall Park. When the victor took in the situation, after examining his new but old acquisition, he started after his hat, followed by a shouting crowd. These were reinforced on the way by many residents of the park, who cried, "Stop, thief!" Whether the victor ever recovered his hat no one knows, but an industrious newsboy picked up the stamp that caused the trouble and took charge of it.

OFFICIALLY ACCEPTED.

Organist Miss Bast Receives a Formal Communication From Rev. J. G. Gogley.

Miss Lizzie Bast, the late organist of St. Paul's M. E. Church, Bloomfield, received the following communication from the Music Committee, and signed by the pastor of the church:

Your resignation as organist of St. Paul's M. E. Church, with the choir, has been accepted by the Music Committee. Respectfully yours, J. G. GOGLEY, President.
ROBERT MUIR, Secretary.

It will be remembered that Miss Bast tendered her resignation publicly last Sunday during the progress of the evening service, because the Music Committee offered her a public affront in discharging her as the Sabbath school organist, and giving the position to another lady without previously warning her of their intention.

WILL NOT SIGN CONTRACTS.

No Sign of an Agreement Between Scott and His Miners.

CHICAGO, October 26.—All negotiations have again been stopped between the coal diggers and Mr. W. L. Scott, proprietor of the mines here. At a meeting this afternoon the workmen decided to stand out altogether against the contract system.

The signing of contracts is the only point at issue, but the probability of a settlement now appears remote.

Hit Him With a Hook.

John Sholows entered a charge of assault and battery against Tim Morgan before Alderman Schafer yesterday. Both men are employed in a Chartiers iron works, and the prosecutor alleges that Morgan attacked him with a heavy iron hook during an altercation, striking him in the back, tearing the flesh and inflicting severe injuries. Hearing on Tuesday.

There's a Meeting To-Night.

The gospel temperance meeting at Curry University to-night will be presided over by A. M. Brown. Mrs. Warrena Huntley will be present and assist in the singing.

A NEW FEATURE THERE.

Hanging to be Introduced in One Section of Tennessee.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., October 26.—The Supreme Court to-day decided a case unprecedented in the history of Tennessee. Last January Henly Sutton, a prominent stock buyer of Hancock county, was fired upon by men in ambush and killed. Suspicion pointed to five men, John, Anderson, John H., Elisha and Clinton Barnard. They were closely related to each other and a family feud had long reigned between them and the Suttons. The Barnards were arrested and tried in the Circuit Court of Hancock on the same indictment, convicted and sentenced to be hanged. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court and that body confirmed the sentence of the lower court. They will be hanged on December 23.

It is a remarkable case in several particulars, and the first on record where five men were tried for murder on the same indictment and convicted. At the same term of the lower court, six men were sentenced to be hanged and several sent to the penitentiary for long terms for homicide. The first sentence to hang ever given in the county was given at that term. Hancock county, which adjoins Kentucky, has been long noted for bloody feuds and fatal shooting affrays, but the decision to-day, it is thought, will start a new order of things in the mountains.

A STOLEN CERTIFICATE

Recovered Through the Confessional, But the Owner Not Satisfied.

ST. LOUIS, October 26.—Mrs. M. K. Hyde, of 814 North Seventeenth street, tells an interesting story of the recovery of a certificate of deposit of $2,000 through the confessional. Mrs. Hyde's husband is in the coal business. They always kept considerable money in a trunk in a third-story room. About two months ago Mrs. Hyde locked in the trunk $200 in crisp paper money and a Bank of Commerce certificate of deposit for $2,000. The next day the cash and certificate were gone, though the trunk was still locked. The police were informed, but they did not succeed in getting any trace of the thief.

A few days ago Mrs. Hyde received a note telling her to call on Rev. Father P. P. Brady, vicar general of this diocese. She did so, and Father Brady told her she would have the certificate of deposit returned and possibly the money. Calling a second time by request she received the certificate, but not the money. Father Brady, however, would give no information as to how he got the paper. Mrs. Hyde does not propose to let to let the case drop, however, but will make every effort to find the thief and force the return of the $200. She put the matter in the hands of detectives today.

POLITICAL ASSESSMENTS.

The Civil Service Commission Will Investigate Some Serious Charges.

WASHINGTON, October 26.—It has been brought to the attention of the Civil Service Commission that the Old Dominion Republican League, of the District of Columbia, has had mailed or delivered to persons in the public service in the departments at Washington circulars requesting contributions for political purposes. Some of the officers of this association, it is said, are officials in the service of the Government.

The commission is taking the necessary steps to bring the matter to the attention of the proper authorities, with a view to the prosecution of any persons who may be found to have violated the provisions of the law relating to political assessments.

A FAST MAIL SERVICE.

Across the Continent in a Little Over 100 Hours.

WASHINGTON, October 26.—General Superintendent Bell, of the Railway Mail Service, has made public an important change in the transcontinental fast mail service that will take effect November 10, 1889. On March 4, 1889, the time going West from New York to San Francisco was 128 hours, 15 minutes, which was reduced to 118 hours, 45 minutes, on May 4, 1889, and by the November schedule the fast mail train going West from ocean to ocean will be 108 hours, 45 minutes.

One very important feature is the fact that the train will reach San Francisco early in the day, and the mails will all be distributed by 10 A. M. Nearly as good time will be made by the service going East.

Following the Example of Chicago.

KANSAS CITY, October 26.—The proposition to annex to this city the suburb of Westport was voted upon to-day and carried by a large majority. The same proposition carried a few weeks ago, but a second election was necessary on account of a legal irregularity in calling the first.

A Charge of Embezzlement Brought.

EASTON, October 26.—Jacob W. Oldenwilder, Register of Wills of Northampton county, was arrested this morning, charged by the heirs of his father, who was one of his bondsmen, with having embezzled while in office about $7,000 of State funds. He was released on $12,000 bail.

LOCAL ITEMS, LIMITED.

Incidents of a Day in Two Cities Condensed for Ready Reading.

THE Law Students' Association met in the Orphans' Court room yesterday and elected the following officers: E. B. Ferguson, President; Alexander Goss, Vice President; Frank McMullin, Secretary. Executive Committee—Alexander Goss, Thomas Ewing and E. R. Edmundson. Moot Court was held, in which W. W. McElhany was tried for burglary. Mr. Goss prosecuted the case, and McElhany defended himself, assisted by Mr. Dunn. The defendant was convicted.

JOSEPH MCFADDEN, employed at the Union Foundry, Preble avenue, Allegheny, fell from a scaffold yesterday to the ground, a distance of 30 feet. He was considerably bruised and suffered slight internal injuries. He was removed to his home on Hancock street.

CAPTAIN WM. IRWIN, of the Pittsburg and Lake Erie road, with Conductors Settlemyer and Flath, are home from their hunting trip to Beaver county. They do not deny that squirrels are as plenty now in Beaver county as before they started on the trip.

THE coal operators will to-morrow set men to work leveling the heaps of stone and gravel deposited in the river by the sand diggers. District Attorney Lyon is to be consulted concerning prosecution of the diggers for obstructing the channel.

THE City Passenger Agents' Association met yesterday afternoon and decided to make one fare for the round trip for persons wanting to visit the city on Thanksgiving Day to attend the dedication of the Thomas A. Armstrong monument.

JOHN HENDERSON fell from a B. & O. freight train at Soho station last evening and was badly injured. His injuries were dressed at the Fourteenth Ward Police Station.

GEORGE HEPPINGER, of Charlotte street, was badly burned by natural gas yesterday at Wilkinsburg. He was attended at his home by Dr. Clark. He may recover.

WHILE lighting a fire in the stove Miss Lizzie Mullen, of Broad street, East End, was severely injured by a flash of natural gas. Dr. Davis dressed her injuries.

THE Thirty-fourth ward School Directors met last evening, but were unable to agree as to which teacher should be dropped on account of decreasing attendance.

JOHN BROWN, of Thirty-second street, had his foot badly lacerated by an elevator at Pickering's store yesterday. He was treated at the West Penn Hospital.

GEORGE WEIRFIELD, of Westmoreland county, was brought to the Western Penitentiary yesterday to serve a year on a charge of larceny.

THOMAS CARNEY, alleged to be Alderman Parter's constable, was placed in jail last evening. He will have a hearing on November 2.

THE Allegheny electric light ordinance was signed by Mayor Pearson yesterday. The work of erecting the plant will begin promptly.

WELDING THE CHAIN

Which is to Defeat the Ambitions of Both France and Russia.

THE PLANS OF PRINCE BISMARCK.

Turkey is Now Expected to Assist the Triple Alliance.

THE TARIFF IS AN ISSUE IN GERMANY.

Queen Victoria's Wedding Presents Not Remarkable for Munificence.

Bismarck is planning to strengthen the alliance against France and Russia. In addition to England, Turkey will be asked to lend her assistance. German political matters are also engaging the Chancellor's attention. The Socialists are again causing trouble.

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BERLIN, October 26.—The proposed conference between Prince Bismarck, Count Kalnoky and Premier Crispi has been delayed until after Emperor William's visit to the Sultan of Turkey. The political importance of the event is not now denied. It is admitted in official circles that hopes are entertained that the Emperor's interviews with the Sultan will result in the adhesion of Turkey to the general aims of the triple alliance, without her formally entering the league.

Bismarck's project is to construct a second defensive line behind the Dreibund, consisting of England and Turkey, not committed by treaty to the special purposes of the central European alliance, but linked by kindred interests. Hence he is maneuvering to commit Lord Salisbury to a new treaty with Turkey relating to the permanent occupation of Egypt.

THE CHANCELLOR'S PROJECTS.

Count Herbert Bismarck will precede Emperor William to Constantinople in order to meet the German and English Ambassadors and the Turkish Foreign Minister before the interview between the German and Turkish monarchs. Bismarck's projects in regard to a Balkan settlement, as communicated to the Czar, have led to a temporary cessation of hostile Russian intrigues.

The Czar has certainly consented to permit the Chancellor to try to realize some modus vivendi, holding himself free to resort to independent action in event of the scheme failing. It is the impression in the Foreign Office that the Chancellor will not fail, and that the negotiations will lead to another Berlin conference in the spring to revise the treaty on a basis that will better secure European peace.

The Sultan, desiring to invest the reception of Emperor William with the greatest pomp, has directed Marshal Ali Nizamii, Aarifi Pasha, the President of the Council and other Ministers, and Generals Achmed, Von Goltz and Streiker to proceed to the Island of Phedas to meet the Emperor. General Streiker was aid-de-camp to Crown Prince Frederick when he visited Constantinople in 1869.

A GREAT AFFAIR.

The German reception committee has chartered three vessels to go to San Stefano. The Germans will give a banquet to the members of the imperial suite and a "commere" to the officers of the squadron. The news of the arrival of the imperial party aboard the Hohenzollern in the Piracus was telegraphed here at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The German squadron was sighted passing the extreme southeast peak of Moria at 6 o'clock this morning. A gale was then blowing.

Court telegrams state that heavy weather was encountered. The Empress was prostrated by seasickness. The King and Queen of Greece and the Crown Prince received the imperial party at the entrance to the harbor. Their landing was delayed for two hours owing to the condition of the Empress. After landing the party took a train for Athens, where they were received by the Greek Minister and resident diplomats. They then drove to the palace in state carriages.

PLENTY OF JEWELS.

Princess Sophie's already marvelous jewel dower has been enhanced by her mother adding a diamond and ruby cross, an heirloom in the English royal family which was first worn by Princess Charlotte of Wales. Queen Victoria's presents do not figure prominently. They consist of the usual Indian shawls, whereof she seems to have a ready store, a set of Houiton lace, a narrow diamond necklace and a number of books. In contrast is King Humbert's present, sent through the Prince of Naples. It consists of a splendid parure of diamonds, valued at 400,000 marks.

Prince Bismarck's earliest return to Berlin will be on Thursday. It is improbable that the Reichstag debates will demand his presence till the socialist law is discussed. Count Herbert, before starting, went to Friedrichsruhe, accompanied by the Turkish Minister, Kiamil Pasha, who wanted memoranda to prepare the Sultan to talk with the German Emperor. Bismarck gave Kiamil long conferences, but refused him written memoranda. He also advised Kiamil that the interviews between the Sultan and Emperor William must not proceed through an interpreter unless he be a member of the Sultan's council.

THE SOCIALIST TROUBLES.

The alteration of the socialist law is not approved by any section of the Reichstag excepting the Conservatives. The Nationals and Centreists disavor the permanent duration of the law as depriving the House of its present controlling power to amend the law every two years. In order to sweeten the proposal the Government modifies some of its strictest provisions.

Thus, a newspaper, now suppressed for one offensive article, will be stopped after two offenses. The power of the police to cancel the licenses of taverns frequented by Socialists is abolished. Further, a meeting does not require previous police sanction, though it will remain liable to closure.

It is probable that the majority will reject the permanent bill, and that a substitute of five years' duration will be passed. The Progressists made a motion that a newspaper illegally suppressed have the right to obtain damages if the suppression should be canceled. There is small chance of its acceptance. The Socialists moved for the abolition of duties on all provisions.

THE TARIFF AN ISSUE.

Though there is abundant proof of the terrible pressure on the poor caused by the existing tariffs, it is improbable that the Reichstag will grant relief, though it is certain the food question will be a prominent factor in the coming election. A section of the National Liberals support the progressist demand for the abolition of the pork duties. The Progressists also moved an amendment to the electoral law, aiming to render difficult electoral frauds and unjust pressure upon electors. This will not be adopted. The Conservatives and National Liberals protess to be indignant at the bare suspicion that electoral frauds are possible.

The *National Zeitung*, referring to the demand of the Progressists that voting tickets be delivered in closed envelopes, advises the majority to refuse to even discuss this and similar motions.

Freytag's book has created a sensation. Prince Bismarck, prior to its publication, advised the suppression of certain passages referring to the private negotiations over the formation of the Empire. Herr Freytag declined to suppress the passages. The Chancellor did not insist.

BISMARCK'S REAL REASON.

The complaisance of Bismarck is attributed to Freytag's disclosures of the unwise interference of the then Empress, who, the book declares, guided when it was natural she ought to be guided, thus causing difficulties and conflicts. Another passage grateful to Bismarck describes the late Emperor Frederick as afflicted with morbid moods, and old in mind and body long before his fatal disease attacked him. His vital energy, the book declares, was no longer befitting the heir to the Imperial crown. The persuasions of the Crown Princess were unable to banish this sadness. He often thought to abdicate in favor of his son.

The steamer Vulcan, attached to Captain Wissmann's expedition, has been wrecked on the east African coast. The natives killed a number of the crew.

QUAY CAUSES AN UPHEAVAL.

One of His Schemes in Virginia Serves to Rally the Democrats.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

RICHMOND, VA., October 26.—The active interference of Quay in the pending election is having an effect the opposite of what was looked for by Mahone. It has, next to the question of Mahoneism, done more to rally the Democrats than anything sprung in the canvass. Virginians have always been sensitive about outside interference with their local affairs, and more than one contest has been won on this issue. Of the Mahone canvassers now stumping the State the Democrats have made a list which gives the following showing:

Judge Perkins, of Kansas; ex-Senator Bruce (negro), of Mississippi; Senator Blair, of New Hampshire; Judge Wheeler, of New Jersey; Congressman Butterworth, of Ohio; Houk, of Tennessee; Burrows, of Michigan, and Brumm, of Pennsylvania; ex-Congressmen J. B. Cheadle, of Indiana; W. C. Plummer, of Dakota; E. C. Carrington, of Washington; John Barbriere, of Pennsylvania; John C. Dancy, of North Carolina; Pat O'Farrell, of Washington; T. H. Miller (negro), of South Carolina, and W. F. Giddings, of Ohio.

The other names on the list are United States office holders who were appointed by Harrison as follows: Richard R. Farr, United States Marshal; J. C. Watts, United States Marshal; Pat McCaull, United States Revenue Collector; W. E. Craig, United States District Attorney, and S. Brown Allen, United States Deputy Collector. As circulars containing these statistics have been within the past few days scattered through the State, they have caused a general upheaval.

GABRIEL'S TRUMP MUST BLOW.

A Man Who Sounded It 46 Years Ago to Do So Again To-Morrow.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., October 26.—Of the 40,000 Second Adventists in this country, a large number reside in this city. Their leaders had fixed on Friday, October 25, as the day on which the termination of all things terrestrial should take place, but as the dusty old ball continued to revolve just the same, a few have set their minds on next Monday as the date. Forty-six years ago this month, the predecessors of the existing Adventists were positive that the end would come at noon on October 23, and according to the testimony of persons now living, they assembled in robes of white on the lot now occupied by Henry Atwater, of Clinton avenue, where they waited for Gabriel's horn to blow. The sun shone out brightly and passed the meridian, but Gabriel failed to appear.

About ten minutes after 12 o'clock something in white flowing garments and blowing a tin horn came in sight and drew near the group. At first they believed the object to be a pioneer of the angelic host come to announce that the bottom of all creation had fallen out, but it proved to be Colonel O. B. Hall, who tooted loudly, flaunted the folds of his robe, and so ridiculed the group that they got mad and immediately postponed the event which they had gathered to see. For 46 years there has been no occasion for Colonel Hall to repeat his exploit, but as he is alive and will be able to blow the horn again, it is proposed that he do so on Monday next.

A HORSE-THIEF WITNESS.

Sensational Testimony Materially Injured by the Witness' Bad Record.

WILLIAMSPORT, October 26.—In the judgeship contest the contestants placed upon the stand Boyd Richard, a Morel and township voter, who had been previously called by the respondent. The witness stated that he could not read or write, but he believed that he had paid the necessary tax to entitle him to vote at the election in 1888, as he had shown his receipt to two friends, who informed him that he was all right. The witness stated that after he had been examined on the part of the respondent he had gone to Judge Metzger, and informed that official that his tax had been paid, which would legalize his vote. Upon being questioned further the witness said that Judge Metzger told him that he had better not testify to anything of that kind, as he might get himself into trouble, as he (Metzger) didn't intend to lose the case. This testimony created something of a sensation.

Counsel for the respondent then took charge of the witness for cross-examination, first introducing the court records to prove that the witness had been held for horse stealing, and that he only escaped punishment by forfeiting his bail. The witness admitted this fact and was permitted to depart. The object of the cross-examination was to show the unsavory record of the witness and attack the truth of his statement. Witnesses may be called to prove that his reputation for veracity is bad.

FIGHTING A CATTLE SYNDICATE.

Settlers Fire the Ranges and the Stock is Dying of Starvation.

WICHITA, KAN., October 26.—S. M. Ferdom arrived here to-day from Beaver City, No Man's Land. He reports a bad state of affairs in the neutral strip. Trouble has been brewing for some time between the settlers and the Scotch Cattle Syndicate.

Last week the settlers set fire to the syndicate's range, which destroyed every vestige of food for the cattle. Mr. Ferdom says that the cattle have already begun to die of starvation, and he anticipates an enormous loss.

To Civilize the Indians.

DULUTH, MINN, October 26.—The Chippewa Commissioners arrived here to-night from the Grand Portage reservation, where they secured every male adult Indian signature to the agreement for taking up land in severalty and selling what remained.

LOOK AT THEIR THOMAS RECORDS.

Chicago, 1,700; New York, 2,000.

A telegram just received states that the first day's sale in Chicago for Theodore Thomas' concert was 1,700 and in New York for the first concert 2,000.

It should not be forgotten that the sale for the testimonial concert to Theodore Thomas by the citizens of Pittsburg will take place on to-morrow (Monday) morning at H. Kleber & Bro.'s Music Store, 506 Wood street, and that persons desiring to have good seats must call early. The indications are that there will be an immense crowd on the occasion, for since the days of Patti's and Christine Nilsson's first appearance there has not been so enthusiastic an interest manifested by the general public. Let us try and surpass windy Chicago and beat their boasted record.

Monday and Tuesday

We will continue our phenomenal $13 overcoat and suit sale. We still have about 1,000 superb overcoats and 1,000 elegant tailor-made suits left, and they must be sold Monday and Tuesday. Everyone is delighted with this $13 sale, for it means handsome garments usually sold from $22 to $30 go for $13. P. C. C. C., Cor. Grant and Diamond sts., opp. the new Court House.

THE COMING SEASON

At the Capital Expected to be One of Even Unusual Brilliance.

PREPARATIONS WELL ADVANCED.

Repairs, Changes and Renovation Going on at the White House.

FAIR DEBUTANTES OF THE WINTER.

Deaths Will Keep the Supreme Court Justices' Wives Out of Society.

Preparations are progressing rapidly at the capital for the entertainment of guests and other social events the coming winter. A number of debutantes are awaiting their first season out, and the winter promises to be a brilliant one in society.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

WASHINGTON, October 26.—White House affairs have been very quiet the past week, the rat hunt being about the only excitement going. For the most part the weather has been good, and the President and Mrs. Harrison have enjoyed daily drives. A few changes are being made in domestic arrangements. The pleasant front room where President Cleveland slept, and which has been occupied by Mr. Halford, is being put in order for Mrs. McKee and her children, who will return to the city soon.

Mrs. Harrison had planned to visit Mrs. Wanamaker, in Philadelphia, this week, but her household duties did not permit her to leave home. She selected from samples a new carpet for the red corridor, and also a new floor covering for the red parlor, which was last fitted up by General Arthur. The red corridor will be again laid in red, of the same shade that has always distinguished it, but the carpet in the red parlor will be

A CHANGE IN COLOR

from the present one, as one of the pretty shades of terra cotta has been chosen for it. The red color of the corridor carpet recommends itself particularly because it does not show footprints in its soft texture. The carpets all over the house are being put down, and soon the Executive Mansion will have the heavy curtains at the windows, and the usual appearance that is familiar to the winter guests of the place. Mrs. Harrison has spent her leisure hours in the past week putting the finishing touches to some pretty porcelains that have been fired, and are receiving the final colorings. A small white ornamental dish has a bunch of strawberries that have all the luscious sweetness and blush of the fruit. A placque of field flowers with the high light in a hedge-rose is also a bit of excellent drawing.

Mrs. Blaine joined her husband at the Hotel Normandie, this week, and is preparing to take possession of her new home, the Seward House, on Lafayette Square. The workmen will not be entirely out of possession by that time, but Mrs. Blaine, by her past experience knows that the carpenter never leaves until the family invades his quarters. Mrs. Blaine, with Mrs. Crozier, called upon Mrs. Harrison at the White House yesterday.

WILL SOON BE SETTLED.

Postmaster General Wanamaker expects to have Mrs. Wanamaker and daughters settled in the I street house by the middle of November. A great many improvements that the majority of Washington people did not dream that the house required will have been made upon the Whitney house by the date named above. A furnace, that will heat the upper chambers of the house, is being put in, and the floors are being laid with hardwood, and elaborate decorations and hangings are being put upon the walls. Some of the walls have been covered with rich, warm plush. The furniture throughout the house will be new and of the latest fashion in house furnishing. Among the Cabinet debutantes this season will be Miss Harriet Blaine and Miss Wanamaker.

The Supreme Court will be represented in society this year by comparatively few families. Mrs. Bradley and her daughter are in mourning for the death of their only son of the house, which occurred last spring in New Jersey. Mrs. Miller, who will have with her Mrs. Tanzalin, her recently widowed daughter, will not entertain with her usual lavish hospitality, and the wife of Justice Gray is in mourning for the death of the late Justice Matthews, whose place has not yet been supplied by an appointment. Mrs. Fuller will keep open house with the assistance of Miss Grace and Miss Maud Fuller, and Miss Milfred Fuller, who graduated at Welles College last June, will be

FORMALLY INTRODUCED TO SOCIETY

this winter. Mrs. Field will extend the usual hospitalities of her house to her friends. Mrs. Lamar will receive in her new house on Massachusetts avenue, and Mrs. Blatchford will entertain by a series of dinner parties. Mrs. Harlan will introduce her youngest daughter to her friends this season.

Vice President Morton expects to take possession of his residence in Scott Circle the early part of next month. He purchased the property from Mr. Alexander Graham Bell last spring, since when it has been practically in the hands of the workmen. The most notable change that has been made is the extension of the dining-room. An addition has been built on the east side of the house, extending all the way back and joining the stable. All this space is given up to the dining room, which is a noble room, 35 feet deep and 25 feet broad. Its lofty ceiling is finished in oak, and the entire room is enriched with this wood. At each end are splendid fireplaces, with great mantels. One of the mantels is 11 feet high, and contains a large glass. This is said to be the largest private dining room in the city, and it will accommodate as large a dinner party as even the Vice President would care to give. The only other improvement made in the house, of any consequence, is the decoration of the walls, which has been done in the modern style and with elegant effect.

MINNIE WON'T GIVE HIM UP.

She Will Marry Her Bigamous Husband Again As Soon as He's Free.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BROOKLYN, N. Y., October 26.—The divorce suit of Ida Livingston against William Livingston was on trial before Justice Bartlett, in the Supreme Court, here to-day. The defendant was formerly a Lieutenant in the Thirteenth Regiment, and he is now serving a term in the penitentiary for bigamy, having been convicted of deserting the plaintiff and marrying Miss Minnie Willis. Testimony that each marriage had taken place was taken. Private Samuel Bruce Bethel testified that he had warned Livingston not to marry Miss Willis while his lawful wife was living, but he did not notify the girl that Livingston was already married. Livingston had threatened to blow the brains out of anyone who betrayed him.

Justice Bartlett did not think the proof offered was sufficient, and he adjourned the hearing. The second wife refused to appear as a witness, and she says she will marry Livingston again when his term expires.

Baer Found Guilty Again.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

GREENSBURG, October 26.—Frank Baer, charged with complicity in the burning of the Chambers mill, has been found guilty. The jury was out four hours.

BIG MONEY SAVED—Buy your blankets, comforts, winter underwear, childs' dresses, ladies' wrappers, Newmarkets, etc., at reduced prices. Busy Bee Hive, Sixth and Liberty.

KICK AGAINST AN ASSESSMENT.

Colonel Shepard Accused of Trying to Work a Shrewd Scheme.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, October 26.—A circular sent to all the stockholders of the Fifth Avenue Transportation Company, Limited, the legal title of the Fifth Avenue Stage Line, by Secretary William Irwin, of the company, attracted attention today. Mr. Irwin starts the document with the announcement that the preamble and resolutions contained in the circular were adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the company, held on October 18. The circular then proceeds to relate the reasons for calling for an assessment of 95 per cent on the par value of the stock. The stockholders who received the circular were very indignant at the proposed assessment. The par value of the shares is $25.

All of these stockholders held an informal meeting in Barnes Brothers' office, this afternoon, for the purpose of arranging to resist the payment of the assessment, and to fight it out with Colonel Elliott F. Shepard at the annual meeting of the directors, to be held November 19. All these stockholders openly assert that the present condition of the company was due entirely to the mismanagement of Colonel Shepard, and to his desire so to depress the value of the shares as to be able to secure permanent control of the company. They were equally positive that Colonel Shepard had been working on this plan for several months.

SWINDLING IN THE OIL BELT.

Sharpers Fraudulently Obtaining Oil Leases From West Virginia Farmers.

WHEELING, October 26.—Incident to the excitement in the newly discovered oil territory in the upper Monongahela region, this State, hundreds of farmers living in the counties comprised in the belt are being made the victims of confidence men pretending to represent large corporations, who go through the country offering large bonuses for their land. They pay a small cash amount on five or ten acres, a lease is signed and a promise given to return the following day and lease the balance of the farm at a large amount. The farmer afterward discovers he has for $50 or $100 leased the oil privileges on his entire farm for a period of five years.

In the meantime the sharper has resold the lease for perhaps $5,000 or $6,000 and departed. Several men claiming to represent a company known as the "Philadelphia" have secured thousands of acres in this way. There is no such company as the Philadelphia chartered in this State. Endless lit