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IN HOSTILE CAMPS.

The Battle to the Death Between the Irish Factions Already On.

PARNELL HAS THE FUNDS,

And His Enemies Must Hustle for Money to Pay Their Salaries and Start an Organ.

THE PART TAKEN BY THE PRIESTS.

A Big Dublin Mass Meeting Calls Upon the Members Who Voted for the Deposition to Resign.

TO-DAY THE NEW PARTY WILL ORGANIZE

Dillon and O'Brien to Visit France to Take Part in a Conference of Bolters Before Going to Prison.

THE GREAT GROWTH OF SOCIALISM IN GERMANY

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, Dec. 7.—As might have been expected, Mr. Parnell refuses to recognize the vote whereby he has been deposed from the leadership of the Irish party. He holds that those who passed the vote had ceased to belong to the Irish Parliamentary party, and he now intends to wage a strenuous war with the object of demonstrating that the authority to speak in the name of the Irish people no longer rests with them. He will proceed to Ireland during the Christmas recess and elicit public opinion.

Mr. Parnell's friends are unsparing in their denunciation of Sexton and the Healeyite majority, whom they describe as traitors and in a conspiracy with the Gladstonian wire-pullers to get rid of Parnell on any terms.

Gladstone's Answer Not Satisfactory.

Many anti-Parnellites admit that Gladstone's declaration makes no addition to what they previously knew to be his intentions toward home rule, but say that Mr. Parnell was resolved not to budge on any consideration, and, as the apparent hesitation of the party threatened to destroy all hope for the home rule majority at the next election, they felt bound to take a decisive step and cut the Gordian knot.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt is credited with the remark: "It is hopeless to think of advocating home rule effectively while the Irish Nationalists are split in two hostile camps."

At the meeting of the Irish party on last Saturday night, after the proceedings in the conference room, the following resolution was adopted, with Justin McCarthy presiding, and all the 44 members who voted for the deposition of Mr. Parnell being present:

That Justin McCarthy, Dickson, Murphy, Barry, Murrough, Healey and Sexton be constituted a committee with the power to draw up a prospectus for a limited company to conduct a new Nationalist paper, and that Messrs. Barry and Webb be added to the treasurers of the party.

Getting the Sinews of War.

A subscription list was opened to meet the urgent needs of the committee. Contributions to the amount of £1,020 were announced. The following message has been forwarded to the undermentioned Irish delegates now in America:

To Dillon and O'Brien, Hoffman House, New York:

I am authorized by the party to prepare and issue a manifesto embodying your declared views and any suggestions you may now send regarding the evicted tenants' manifesto, which will be forwarded when ready. Meanwhile, the assent of the delegates to the party resolutions to-day is urgently desired.

The resolutions are those of the majority of the party which, after leaving the committee room, adjourned to the conference room, where Mr. Deasy was called to the chair. It was in the first placed moved by Mr. Arthur O'Connor and seconded by Mr. J. F. O'Brien, that "acting under an imperative sense of duty to our country, we, the undersigned, being an absolute majority of the whole number of the Irish Parliamentary party, declare that Mr. Parnell's tenure of the Chairmanship of this party is hereby terminated."

Elevation of the New Leader.

This having been carried, Mr. Healy moved and Mr. Sexton seconded the election of Mr. Justin McCarthy as Sessional Chairman of the party. It was also resolved on the proposition of Mr. Chance, seconded by Mr. Molloy, that the committee hereby constituted shall exercise, jointly with the Chairman, the functions hitherto attached to the Chairmanship of the party, and that this committee consist of eight members of the party to be chosen by ballot on Monday next at 2 o'clock P. M.

Many of the majority party are in a dilemma, their quarterly checks for £50 each for Parliamentary services just becoming due. It is probable that the money with which to pay them will be advanced from the fund subscribed at last night's meeting for the establishment of a new paper.

The party are discussing the advisability of Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien returning by way of France, where a convention could be held at which the advice of the envoys could be obtained before their arrest.

The Strength of the Factions.

Messrs. Gilhooly, P. O'Brien, Carew and Mahon, are still classed with doubtfuls. The strength therefore of the McCarthyites is 50 and that of the Parnellites 31. The majority party are keenly alive to the disadvantage of the leading Nationalist papers siding with Parnell, and the whole of the machinery of the National League being under his control. They are hopeful, however, that the influence of the bishops and priests will assist them to obtain a popular verdict.

A letter from the archbishops and bishops was read in all the Catholic Churches in Ireland after the celebration of the masses to-day. There was a remarkable evidence of the schism at St. Colmans' Cathedral at Queenstown when the bishop's manifesto was read at each mass. The different clergymen, as they pronounced it, each without exception, added his hope that the people of the parish would not act in accordance with the manifesto.

The Mayor of Cork, after hearing of the secession of the McCarthy party last evening, sent the following dispatch to John O'Connor: "Ireland won't allow England to select her leader. This right belongs to Ireland. The Irish won't stand Gladstone's dictation."

An Enthusiastic Parnell Meeting.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Dublin was held to-day in Phœnix Park to protest against the hostility shown toward Parnell by his colleagues in Parliament. The attendance at the meeting was large and demonstrative. During the progress of the proceedings an effigy of T. M. Healy in wig and gown was publicly burned amid the wildest cheers.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin presided at the meeting, and in the course of his speech he said that he knew something of the inner workings of the Irish party and he was afraid when Messrs. Sexton, Healy, Dillon and O'Brien are dining with Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Morley and the other fellows upstairs perhaps they might be selling their country. Sweetbreads were too much for their political stomachs.

Resolutions were passed supporting Mr. Parnell and calling on the three members for Dublin who opposed him to resign. A special vote of condemnation of Mr. Healy was passed. The procession to and from the park was accompanied by several fife and drum bands, and the enthusiasm of the people was intense.

THEIR LOYALTY NOT STRONG.

The People of Alsace-Lorraine Have Little Love for Germany.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—In conversation with a physician from Alsace-Lorraine, whose practice is widely extended in country districts, it was gathered that the loyalty of the people of the annexed province is much over-estimated. This gentleman said:

I am in constant communication with hundreds and thousands of peasants all the year round, and thus far I have failed to observe any feeling of satisfaction with their present ruler. It is all foolishness to say that in their hearts they have always remained German. They fared extremely well under French rule, and they have not forgotten the prosperity they then enjoyed. Now that French capital is withdrawn, they are not nearly as prosperous. German capitalists are unwilling to furnish the funds necessary for developing the country, perhaps because they fear that sooner or later the conquered provinces may revert to France. At any rate, their want of enterprise is regarded in that light by the peasantry.

The growth of Socialism in these provinces is also remarkable. That party has now a widely circulated newspaper in Muelhausen, but this paper does not advocate re-annexation to the French Republic; on the contrary, it proclaims the internationality of labor, and insists that the working man is as badly off under the Democratic rule of M. Carnot, as under the military regime of Kaiser William II.

DR. DIXON DENIES IT.

He Says He Never Laid Prior Claim to the Koch Discovery.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—Dr. Koch's lymph, which is generally spoken of here as Kochin, may not, according to German law, be patented. Dr. Dixon, of Philadelphia, who is at present in Berlin, denies that he has ever asserted a prior claim to the discovery now known as Koch's method. He says that until he came here the substance of Dr. Koch's method was unknown to him, and he declared that he is willing to admit the superiority of Dr. Koch's. He adds that he has had a very pleasant interview with the latter.

The influx of foreign doctors continues. The opinion which is generally expressed by the American physicians, who have been witnesses of the operations as performed by Dr. Koch and assistants, is that in the case of lupus, good results may be expected, but that a recurrence of the disease is not absolutely excluded. The first undoubted cure was that of an Englishman, and has been accomplished within the last few days. The opinion among the American physicians is that the cases given are too large, and results then unsatisfactory.

REALISM IN LARGE DOSES.

The Zola School Holds Possession of the Berlin Stage.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—Never in the history of the drama in Berlin has the Zola school of realism been so much in favor as at the present time. German, French and Russian playrights vie with each other as to who shall shall produce the most Zolaesque dramas for the Berlin stage. At the Lessing Theatre the German Sudermann exhibits crime triumphant to appreciative audiences of bon vivants and cocottes. At another principal theatre Dostoweski's romantic drama, "Raskolnikow," exhibits all that is faulty and degrading in the family life of great cities, while the habitues of the Residenz Theater find food for cynical amusement in an all too faithful adaptation of Daudet's "La Lutte Pour La Vie."

All these theaters are nightly crowded, and witticisms, which would be deemed rather strong even at the Hoffman House bar, are listened to without a blush by virtuous matrons and maidens. It is the fashion just now to attend these performances, and any one who wishes to be thought anybody must follow in the train.

HEBREWS NOT NUMEROUS.

Their Absence From Germany's Army a Matter of Surprise.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—The rarity with which one meets with Hebrews in the German army has often been a matter of wonder. The fact of their scarcity in the ranks is not explained, but is curiously confirmed by the official figures now forthcoming, from which it appears that Germany, with a Hebrew population of 600,000 souls, has as many Hebrew bankers as if their co-religionists numbered 12,000,000.

The percentage of Hebrew lawyers is equal to a proportion of 10,000,000 of the Christian population, while the number of Hebrew soldiers turns out to be as small as it should be if there were only 90,000 Hebrews in the country.

Programme of the Bayreuth Season.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—The programme of the next Bayreuth season has just been published. Within the period commencing July 19 and ending August 20, 1891, there will be altogether 20 performances. "Parsifal" will be given ten, "Tannhauser" seven, and "Tristan" and "Isolde" three.

Won 200,000 Francs and Eloped.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—A well-known merchant named Truntz, of Ebingen, Wurtemberg, won 200,000 francs at Monaco a few days ago, and at once eloped with the wife of a friend, with whom he was traveling, and took passage for New York.

Bound for the United States.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—Another doubtful acquisition by the New World is Karl Echler, who defrauded the German bank at Hamburg of 120 marks by means of spurious notes, and is now on his way to America.

A DECIDED FAILURE.

POVERTY-STRICKEN BERLIN CLERKS HAVE NO USE FOR SOCIALISM,

And Refuse to Identify Themselves With It—The Catholic Church in Germany Strongly Arrayed Against the Movement—Socialists Having a Lively Time.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—While on the subject of Socialism it may be mentioned that the Socialistic propaganda among the clerks in Berlin has signally failed. There are not 100 of these poorly paid men who confess to any sympathy with the movement. A person attending the so-called mass meetings of Socialistic clerks in Berlin meets the same faces everywhere. The reason of this is to be found in a trait of German character which is, perhaps, not confined to members of this race. This is the German clerk's unwillingness to identify himself with the hewer of wood and the drawer of water, or even the skilled mechanic. He considers himself a gentleman, even though a slave for 16 hours out of the 24, and half the time on Sundays, for a salary which a New York scavenger would consider unworthy of his acceptance.

Babel's book, "Woman," a cheap edition of which was recently brought out by the Socialist party, has now been withdrawn from public sale by the same authority. Leibknecht declares that the party shall not be held responsible for the opinions expressed in the work. This would indicate that Eugene Richter's pamphlet on the "Heterodoxy of Socialism," which pointed to woman as a demonstration of the faulty deductions and vain prophesying of the Socialists to the working man, has well fulfilled its object.

The campaign which the Catholic Church has commenced against Socialism is assuming definite shape. Some of the Bishops have ordered their clergy to attend all meetings of Socialists in their parishes and take part in the discussions when desirable. The information thus obtained will be afterward reviewed at the parish meetings, and nothing will be neglected that can be said or done to counteract the spread of Socialism, so that between the Emperor, the Catholic clergy, Eugene Richter and their own leaders, the Socialists are having a lively time.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S HEALTH.

He is by No Means the Invalid That Has Been Reported.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—The Kaiser is by no means an invalid. On the occasion of the parade in honor of the Grand Elector the other day, of the 6,000 guards who took part in the ceremony, the Emperor was alone in appearing without his great coat, in spite of the bitter cold. His face was ruddy, his voice was clear, strong and ringing, and his movements were full of life and vigor. He bestrode a magnificent charger, the vivacity of which he controlled by his knees only during the long halt, while the different regiments paraded the entire length of the Linden. If William the Second is an invalid he certainly conceals it well.

The Emperor seemed anxious to avoid recognizing the presence of his mother, the Empress Frederick, who stood on the balcony of her palace, clothed in black and widow's weeds. The latest estrangement between mother and son is doubtless due to the attempts of the former to assume the official duties of the reigning Empress during her approaching confinement.

THAT EDUCATIONAL SPEECH

Of Emperor William Has Created a Sensation in Germany.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—The Emperor William's speech on Thursday on education has found an echo in every capital in Europe, but it would be difficult to give an idea of the sensation it has caused in Germany. It amounts to a sweeping condemnation of classical education, and has caused a feeling of consternation in the ranks of old-fashioned school men.

The Conservative newspapers are dumbfounded, and admit that the last vestiges of the ancient regime have been thrown overboard, while the organs of the Liberal, Professionist and Freisinnige parties laud the Kaiser as the most far-seeing of cotemporary sovereigns.

STRUCK BY A STORM.

Rough Experience of the Steamer Servia From Wind and Wave.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 7.—The Servia arrived to-day at 4:30 in the afternoon from New York. During her voyage she experienced terrible weather, which culminated in a fearful southwest gale. On Sunday she shipped a tidal wave, which smashed one of the life boats amidships on the starboard side to atoms, and broke in twain the davits, which were two heavy iron bars.

Six of the crew were knocked down and swept along the deck, receiving such injuries as to necessitate the removal of three of them to the hospital. One of them had an arm broken, while a second suffered internal abdominal injuries. On Tuesday the Servia made only 262 miles.

WHILE DEFENDING A GIRL

Peter Dempsey is Probably Fatally Stabbed by Two Poles.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Peter Dempsey, a cooper, 23 years old, of 191 Bedford avenue, was stabbed in three places, and, perhaps, mortally injured this evening, while protecting a young girl from the assault of two Poles. Mary Allen, 15 years of age, and very pretty, lives with her parents. In the rear of the house, in a frame shanty, live Andreas Mihalla and Wadialus Wisniskie.

Mary was standing in the hallway of her home waiting for her folks, who had gone to church, to return, when she was seized from behind by two men, whom she afterward identified as being the tenants of the rear house. They had begun to drag her along the passageway, in spite of her struggles and cries for mercy, when Dempsey, who was passing, ran to see what was the cause of the screams, with the result stated. The men were arrested.

ANOTHER BOOMER INVASION.

A Number of Too Previous Settlers of the Cherokee Strip Turned Back.

WICHITA, KAN., Dec. 7.—Lieutenant Elliott, of the Fifth Cavalry, with a force of 30 men, returned with 63 boomers running over the State line. They were found on Black Bear creek in tents, hoping to remain there until the strip was opened to settlement.

The boomers consisted of men, women and children. It is known that there are at least 1,000 boomers in the strip, and the cavalry, it is thought, will force them out in a few days.

DEMAND AN INQUIRY.

Depositors in the Defunct Delamater Bank Becoming Restless.

THE LIABILITIES GROW LARGER,

While the Available Assets Seem to Diminish Each Passing Hour.

SENATOR QUAY MAKES A STATEMENT

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

MEADVILLE, Dec. 7.—The failure of Delamater & Co. is still on everybody's lips. The real extent of the disaster is becoming more apparent as the facts very slowly come to light. Every second man on the streets carries a low chin. The effect of the failure upon business has been very depressing. All merchants and business men are complaining about the drop in business.

This general depression is due very materially to the fact that the number of small losers is very great. News as to the real financial condition of the company is very difficult to obtain. Everything is in the hands of the assignees, who wish as yet to make no announcements for publication. What is shown by the county records, and what is known from private losers is about all that can be obtained.

The Statement of a Heavy Loser.

Thomas Roddy, Esq., a heavy loser himself, seems to have about as perfect an idea of the situation of affairs as can be obtained. He says depositors have been preferred to the amount of $115,000, in round numbers, as shown by the records; of this amount all except $3,000 is in favor of the Merchants' National Bank, of Meadville. An assignment has been made in accordance with the State law. This affords the assignees one year in which to settle up affairs, and prior to the appointment of appraisers, no public statement can be gained. Mr. Roddy says the indebtedness of the bank will be very large if the statement of depositors can be relied upon. The liabilities will run up to more than $500,000, and it will not be at all surprising if they amount to from $700,000 to $800,000. The assets are in obscurity. The real estate seems to be in the hands of the individual members of the firm. At a forced sale the real estate would not much more than satisfy the liens against it.

Some Rather Uncertain Quantities.

G. B. Delamater, the senior member of the firm, is said to have important and valuable assets—notably, a fine farm or ranche in Dakota. G. W. Delamater is owner of the Meadville and Linesville Railroad, but it is said to be bonded for all it is worth. G. W. Delamater is said also to own large interests in the Conneaut Lake Ice Company, but until a certified statement is made it will be difficult to say whether it is encumbered or not.

The statements circulated to the effect that sums of money were borrowed at the last moment in Philadelphia and Pittsburg are quite probably correct, according to Mr. Roddy. At least there is no reason to believe they are not true. The small creditors are those who are suffering the most—those who had the whole of their hard earnings deposited for safe keeping. They demand the sympathy of all. There are many cases of this character under my especial notice which are very touching.

An Inquiry Will be Demanded.

Mr. Roddy continued: "Those interested will demand and make thorough inquiry as to the management of the bank in the past, and will push the matter to the utmost extent of the law. Of this the public may rest assured. However, it will be best for the people to bear themselves with patience and calmly await an official statement of the bank's affairs, and there will then be time to arrange our judgment of the case in accordance with the facts."

Mr. Roddy expressed himself as considering the prospects very cloudy for a large realization.

A telegram from Philadelphia stated that a rumor was current there that Senator Delamater was not in Meadville. Mr. Delamater is at his residence, but the announcement is made for him that he is indisposed, and declines to talk upon the subject of the failure.

SENATOR QUAY'S STATEMENT.

He Indulges in Some Brief Remarks Upon Politics and Finance.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Senator Quay has opened his lips to say a few words about the defeat of his gubernatorial candidate, George W. Delamater, and the more recent financial failure of that gentleman.

We have no apologies to make. We were defeated, but that is past. We will make the next fight a victory if we pull together. I cannot understand why Mr. Delamater kept the condition of his financial affairs from his friends. Something might have been done to tide matters over, or at least to break the force of the blow. It is an unfortunate thing at this time. The developments as they come out are not improving matters. I have known practically nothing about his financial affairs, and therefore the subject was as great a surprise to me as anyone else. There is no occasion, as far as I know, for the failure to have any bearing upon political affairs. I doubt whether Mr. Delamater knew that there was to be an assignment, although he may have known that the recent disturbances in financial circles were affecting their house. He was absent when it took place. I know that Chairman Andrews knew nothing about it, as he came here on other matters, and I believe that my information was the first he had on the subject. What relations others may have had with Mr. Delamater financially, if any, I cannot say, for the reason that I never received any information on the subject.

QUAKER CITY KICKERS

Who Think That Delamater Should Have Looked After His Friends.

Representative Richards, of this city, returned from a trip to Philadelphia yesterday. He was in the Quaker City three or four days, during which time he came in contact with a number of prominent politicians. In conversation yesterday he said that the Delamater failure had caused a big sensation there. The amount of money involved was not so alarming, but the methods and the many little side issues made it an extremely interesting topic of conversation. The general impression there was that the story had not yet been told. One point in which the Quakers were bitter was the plan of Senator Delamater to get money when he was insolvent. They were particularly angry about the manner in which Collector Martin was touched for $5,000, and regard that as the unkindest cut of all.

"When they think how Martin worked for Delamater," continued Mr. Richards, "and even spent his own money to see him through, they reach the boiling-over point, and some very severe criticisms have been indulged in."

"What does Collector Martin think of the transaction?"

"He did not express any opinion to me, but one of his closest friends told me that he regarded it as a mighty bad piece of business, and acknowledged that he was greatly surprised. In fact he put it a great deal stronger than I have told you, but it might not look well in print. I am reliably informed that when Delamater asked the collector for the loan he was told that he (Martin) had put all of his ready money into the campaign. Questions as to Delamater's whereabouts were quite common. If he is away on a vacation, or anything of that sort, the Quaker City politicians can suggest the names of some people that would make excellent and interesting companions."

M'CLURE TO BEAVER.

HE BLAMES THE GOVERNOR FOR THE SINKING FUND LOSSES.

A Demand Upon the Executive to Enforce the Law in Regard to the Purchase of Bonds—If He Does Not Do It, Pattison Surely Will.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—Col. Alex. McClure will say, in the course of a lengthy editorial to-morrow:

Three months ago we called the attention of Governor Beaver to his persistent disregard of a plain and emphatic duty by permitting millions of money to accumulate in the treasury when the law clearly commands that the money in the sinking fund and certain excess of the funds in the general treasury account shall be invested in Government or State securities. Governor Beaver made no response to this appeal beyond advocating the election of a candidate for Governor who was a beneficiary of the lawless financial methods of the State administration. He certainly knew his duty; he had the conspicuous example of his predecessor and now soon to be his successor, in halting the accumulation of State monies for the benefit of bankers possessing political power; he has his chief cabinet officer a member of the Sinking Fund Commission, and there was no excuse for his failure to execute the laws.

It is due to State Treasurer Boyer to say that he had no part in this lawless sale of a million of sinking funds bonds, as the sale was made before he became State Treasurer. The only criticism to which Mr. Boyer is justly exposed is for his failure to demand the prompt reinvestment of the surplus sinking fund monies as soon as he came into office; but with an established system of political favoritism and profit governing the use of the public moneys, and with the Governor assenting to the sale of Government bonds to enlarge benefits to political favorites or to multiply illegal profits to financial officials, he accepted things as he found them and is now likely to be compelled to pay into the treasury $120,000 lost or tied up in the Jamison and Delamater failures, with little prospect of recovering any considerable percentage of it from the assets of the insolvent firms. The Jamison assignment was a manly one. It put all creditors on equality, but the Delamater assignment was not made until most, if not all, of the available assets were exhausted by preferred family creditors.

The result of this lawlessness is the old, old story. However long such official lawlessness may seem to prosper, sooner or later it brings the logical fruits of speculation in public measures, and the reckoning that has come just on the eve of Governor Beaver's retirement must make his disobedience of the law and his persistent neglect of the plainest public duties, a lasting shadow upon his administration. He has yet more than a month in which to correct his blunder, and he should improve the brief time remaining to him. He cannot save the more than $100,000 lost to the State Treasurer by accepting the lawless financial methods adopted by Governor Beaver's administration, but he can yet put the State finances in a lawful condition before he retires from office. He must know that about the first official act of Governor Pattison will be to order the immediate investment of the surplus State moneys in Government or State bonds, and if he would not retire with financial lawlessness clinging to his record until the last days of his rule, he will at once call in the speculative surplus of millions and invest it as the law commands.

KALAKAUA'S VISIT.

He is Going to Offer Uncle Sam the Sandwich Islands.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Whenever Kalakaua comes to this country, or sends one of his officers here, there are rumors floating of a loan or annexation of the islands to the United States. This time the usual rumors were afloat, but no one took any stock in them till to-day, when a big sugar planter on the islands let drop the real reason of Kalakaua's visit. It seems that the King has been authorized by the Hawaiian Government to offer the islands to the United States. He is to get a good pension and fat allowance. All sugar planters are back of the scheme, because it means to them an increase of $5,000,000 yearly on their sugar crop, by reason of the bounty of 2 cents per pound on home-grown sugar offered by the McKinley bill.

Under the old reciprocity treaty they had the advantage of the American grower, but now this is reversed, and if they remain under the foreign flag they will lose this big bounty. What will commend an annexation scheme to the State Department is that it will deliver the trade of the islands into American hands. With new duties on imports, English importers will be driven from the field. King Kalakua, or his Chamberlain, MacFarlane, will soon leave for Washington to lay a proposal or annexation before Secretary Blaine.

DIED IN A CHURCH.

A Retired Minister Suddenly Expires While Sitting in a Pew.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The Rev. Lester M. Dorman, who retired from active ministerial labors some years ago, preached this morning in St. Matthews' Episcopal Church in Throop avenue, Brooklyn. To-night he died suddenly in Holy Trinity Church, in Clinton street, just before the beginning of the service. He and his wife walked from their house to the church, about a mile distant. Just before entering the church he placed his hand upon his chest and complained of a severe oppression, and remarked to his wife that he experienced the same feeling before, and would have to attend to it.

He and his wife took seats in a front pew in the gallery about five minutes before the accustomed time for beginning the service. While he was turning over the pages of the musical programme which had been placed in the pew, his wife noticed that the paper fell from his hands and that almost simultaneously his head dropped back on his shoulder. A pallor in his face alarmed her, and placing her hands around his neck she endeavored to raise him to an upright position. He sank back in her arms, however, and died without uttering a word.

REWARDS FOR RUBE BURROWS.

A Big Fight Among Claimants for the $75,000 Offered.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 7.—The rewards offered for the capture of Rube Burrows, the train robber, who was killed near Linden, Ala., October 8, have not been paid and there is a prospect of some interesting litigation over them. The rewards aggregate $75,000 and are worth fighting for. J. D. Carter, the man who shot and killed Burrows, claims all the reward, while John McDuffin and two negroes, who assisted in the capture of the robber, claim their share of it.

The Southern Express Company, it is said, has placed the money in bank to pay their part of the rewards, but insist that the claimants must settle among themselves who is entitled to it.

YELLOW FEVER IN MEXICO.

The Authorities at Vera Cruz Are Reticent, but a Bishop is Dying.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 7.—The health authorities at Vera Cruz will give out very few reports to the press about yellow fever in that city.

However, popular rumor has it that the disease is epidemic there. The Bishop of Vera Cruz is dying.

A BLOODY BULL-FIGHT

Responsible for Death of Three Soldiers and Many Convicts.

TERRIBLE SCENES IN THE ARENA.

The Infuriated Beasts Turn Madly Upon Their Tormentors.

PRISONERS SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

PASO DEL NORTE, Dec. 7.—A brutal bull fight at Juarez, a Mexican military station, resulted in the probable fatal injury of an estador, and was responsible for the death of several soldiers at the hands of military convicts and the subsequent killing of some of the convicts.

Preparations for this fight were on at Juarez for some time and the perfect weather to-day guaranteed a fine Sunday entertainment from the Mexican point of view. Pretty blackeyed senoras in gay and brilliant colored raiment, gallant young dons and handsome cavalierly soldiers in the gaudy Mexican uniform filled every seat in the amphitheater, presenting an animated and beautiful colored picture. The bulls were large, strong and vicious and kept the crowd in a fever of excitement all the afternoon.

A Spectacle of Hideous Brutality.

In the first tourney, the bull, a huge brown fellow, horned the horse of one of the fighters three times, ripping the left fore-leg almost from the body and disemboweling the beast. At this the senoras waved their handkerchiefs, stood up on the seats and shouted, while the men yelled bravo until they were hoarse. The picadore was considerably injured, but was helped out by the chulos, who then succeeded in attracting the bull away from the horse. When the big bull was dispatched by the matador the audience yelled wildly.

The second fight was comparatively tame, but the third set the whole plaza de toros wild. The big red bull was pricked several times by the lances of the picadores before he grew furious. But once aroused he made it lively for the horsemen, so much so they were glad to be relieved by the chulos. The bull was snorting and foaming at the mouth and rushed at everything, first one way then another. An unlucky chulo tripped and fell over his red banner just as Taurus' horns were touching his back and the big beast went over him, trampling him into the dust.

One Bull-Fighter Seriously Injured.

He was taken out and found to have one leg and both arms broken beside numerous bruises. When attacked by the banderillos the bull was even more vicious. A dozen spears were sticking in his flesh with bright flags fluttering from them, when one banderillo stuck a barb into his front right shoulder with a burning pin wheel attached. The sparks flew into the bull's ear, and, roaring terrifically, he rushed at his tormentor, and half way across the plaza impaled him on his horn. The matador rushed in at his juncture, and by a well-directed blow plunged his sword into the brute's heart. The banderillo, Joaquin Boldomero, will probably die. To say the people in the plaza were wild with excitement at this time is putting it mild.

But another scene was being enacted at the barracks. Eighteen military convicts took advantage of the absence of the soldiers at the bull fight to escape. The guard resisted. Juan Espejo, Sergeant of the guard; Sancho Romez, a corporal, and one private were killed by the convicts, who then escaped to the mountains. The alarm was given at the plaza just as the third fight terminated, and the soldiers were soon in pursuit. Word reaches here to-night that three of the convicts were overtaken and shot to death. Four more were captured and returned to the barracks, where they will be shot at sunrise to-morrow. The other 11 are still at large.

MORE WHITE CAP RAIDS.

Worthless and Immoral People Receive Harsh Treatment.

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND., Dec. 7.—During the past week the White Caps have been active in Harrison county, and the result of their raids is found in the lacerated backs of a number of men and women who have been so unfortunate as to come under their displeasure. On December 1 the raiders of the night called at the home of an aged pair named Mewer, of Heth township, and, taking them from their beds, lashed them to a sapling and whipped them until their backs were a mass of bruises. They were then released and warned out of the county within ten days. The old couple, who were charged with petty thieving and immorality, have packed up their belongings and left.

In Washington township the gang paid a visit a few nights ago to the house of David Lowe, and, jerking him from his bed, administered such severe punishment that it was feared for a while he would die. Leaving Lowe's house the same gang went to the house of Fielding Rickard. Upon being refused admission they broke the door down, and, dragging Rickard from the house, tied him to a tree, where 50 lashes were laid on his bare back. Rickard and White were charged with indolence, immorality and general worthlessness. These are only a few of several cases of punishment.

THE CHESTER TRAGEDY.

Fresh Evidence to Prove That Murder Was Committed.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

CHESTER, PA., Dec. 7.—Several important links were to-day added to the chain of evidence that is being formed to prove that Emma Pfitzenmyer was murdered, and that the people in the house were at least cognizant of the murder. Adjoining the house in which Harry F. Schmidt lived with his wife, baby and the dead girl is the residence of Photographer Jeans. They now admit that a violent struggle and outcries for help took place in the adjoining house.

It is asserted that the blood-soaked dress found under the girl had been sponged in places with the evident desire to remove traces of apparent murder and strengthen the theory of suicide.

ONLY TWO WEEKS APART.

A Bigamist Who Insisted Upon Boodle With His Brides.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 7.—John Botticher was arrested in Rutherford to-day and taken to the Essex county jail in Newark on a charge of bigamy. Two years ago he married Mrs. Anna Sippel in Newark and after she sold some property left by her first husband, they went to Canada. Recently they returned to New Jersey and Botticher opened a store in Rutherford.

The complainant against him is a Hoboken woman who claims that he married her two weeks before he married Mrs. Sippel, his wife, and deserted her because she would not sign some property over to him.

A BATTLE WITH THUGS.

TERRIFIC FIGHT BETWEEN OFFICERS AND DESPERADOES.

Mervin Kuhns, the Murderer, and a Policeman Named Connelly Riddled With Bullets and Will Die—Kuhns' Partner Captured—Threats of Lynching.

CHERUBUSCO, IND., Dec. 7.—Mervin Kuhns, the desperado who is wanted at Fostoria, O., for the murder of a man named Campan, was captured late last night. Sheriff Viberg and a posse from Fort Wayne effected the capture. The fight between Kuhns and the officers was a most desperate one.

Kuhns had been joined in the village by James Messe, an ex-convict, and a partner of the desperado. As soon as the officers approached them, the outlaws opened fire. Policeman John Connelly fell at the first volley with three deadly wounds in his body, any one of which will prove fatal.

James Messe was brought down with a shot through his left leg and was easily captured. The most desperate battle ensued between Kuhns and Deputy Sheriff Tom Wilkinson, of Fort Wayne. They fought at short range until their revolvers were emptied. Three times Sheriff Wilkinson put his pistol close to Kuhns' breast and fired. The desperado, however, managed to escape. He walked two miles until, in a dying condition, he sought shelter at a farmer's house, where he was taken prisoner. H[illegible] was literally riddled with bullets. O[illegible] pierced his left lung, another hi[illegible], two had ploughed through his [illegible] several bullets had lodged in hi[illegible]

James Messe, after he w[illegible] a knife on Sheriff Wilkinson, [illegible] escaped being killed by that offi[illegible] Connelly and Kuhns will die.

The prisoners were taken to Fort Wa[illegible] to avoid a lynching.

A MEETING OF CREDITORS CALLED.

A New Orleans Firm Owing $1,750,000 Appeals for Leniency.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7.—V. & A. Meyer & Co. will to-morrow issue a circular to their creditors, in which they will say:

The pressure of the present financial crisis has compelled us to suspend payment. Our liabilities amount to about $1,750,000. An extremely conservative estimate of the value of our assets show a large surplus over liabilities. We believe that with an extension of time we can pay every dollar we owe. If our assets are handled by a court, or are sacrificed now by pressure to realize, nothing but disaster can come to all concerned.

The circular continues by calling a meeting of creditors for December 22, and promises to administer the assets as trustees of the creditors.

A CORNER IN APPLES.

Western New York Speculators Making a Good Thing on the Fruit.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 7.—A speculator, who is coining money by speculating in apples, told THE DISPATCH correspondent to-day that over 150,000 barrels are now stored in Western New York. In Buffalo and vicinity there are not less than 60,000 barrels. They were purchased early in the fall and shipped here from Michigan, Kansas, Missouri and Texas, at an average cost of $3 25 a barrel.

Large orders have already been received by the holders of the fruit from Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Chicago and other points. The dealers receive $4 50 for the apples at the point of shipment.

A BRUTAL FARMER'S CARELESSNESS.

His Team Wrecks a Load of Children and He Never Stops.

MADISON, WIS., Dec. 7.—John Oertli, mail carrier between Montana and Fountain City, yesterday allowed his two children and a neighbor's child, all under 13 years of age, to drive the last two miles of the trip. On their return they were met by a farmer's wagon, which ran into their vehicle, throwing them violently to the ground, while the horses broke away.

Edward Oertli, aged 8 years, was picked up unconscious, and the other children were also severely injured. Edward had sustained concussion of the brain and died in a few hours. The farmer who drove the team continued on his way without stopping.

A CHURCH BURNS DOWN,

The Fire Originating While the Sunday School Was in Session.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 7.—The First Baptist Church in Passaic City was entirely destroyed by fire this afternoon. It was a large frame building worth about $14,000. It was insured for $12,000. The Sunday school was in session, but all the children were safely removed through the basement way. The fire spread with great rapidity.

The whole building was a mass of flames long before the firemen arrived. The firemen were very slow getting to the ground and of little use after their arrival. Some of the pews and curtains were the only things saved.

STRANGLED BY COAL GAS.

An Army Veteran Dead and His Wife May be Dying.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Aaron Oakley, a veteran of the late war, aged 60, was found dead in bed this morning, and his wife beside him dying. Coal gas, which had escaped all night from a stove in an adjoining room, was the cause.

Deceased belonged to the celebrated Twenty-Eighth Regiment, New York Volunteers. Physicians think there is some slight chance of the wife living.

BIDDING AGAINST UNCLE SAM.

Stockmen Willing to Pay $10,000,000 for the Cherokee Strip.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—A. J. Snider, a wealthy Kansas City cattleman, arrived in this city yesterday. After a short consultation with some st