FIVE IN THE FIELD.

No Combine Yet Effected by the Candidates for Tom Reed's Shoes.

EACH ONE HOLDS HIS OWN.

Less Change in the Situation Than at Any Time in the Race.

SPRINGER HAVING A HARD TUSSLE.

Senators Putting in Brave Licks for Their Favorites.

REPUBLICANS TO CAUCUS TO-NIGHT

THOM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. ship candidates and their lieutenants. At no time since the struggle began has there been so much work done as in the last 24 fallacious, hours. Notwithstanding this fact, it is ap- to get

So far as the support of each candidate is man could deliver him or his colleagues. concerned it appears at this time that each | A break was also claimed in Mr. pledged, and this margin of uncommitted votes fills a large share in the hopes and fears of the respective contestants. The leading candidates, Mills and Crisp, still stick to the figures which their managers put out yesterday, while Springer, Mc-Millin and Hatch remain in the field.

Impossible to Force a Combination. All efforts to bring about combinations have proven futile, and unless some extraordinary coup is accomplished between now and the hour of the cancus there will be

Speakershir Mr. Springer has had the most difficult task of all in keeping his men together, but up to this time he has been successful. He that any desertion from his ranks between new and to-morrow afternoon would simply be cold-blooded treachery on the part of

those who have so bound themselves. Mr. McMillin is unmistakably for Mills, and would cheerfully abandon the contest now if it would help the Texan. However, one of his principal lieutenants, Mr. Rich-ardson, holds a handful of Tennesseeans whom he can transfer to Crisp as soon as McMillin drops out of the fight. Consequently, it is an assistance to Mills to have McMillin in the field, for otherwise there is anger that Crisp will be nominated on the

Mr. Mills claims a recent accession in the erson of Congressman Hare, of Ohio, hereofore credited in the estimates to Crisp.

Good Thing for Telegraph Companies. One of the features of to-day's struggle was the wholesale sending of telegrams to Crisp's supporters requesting them to change to Mills. These messages were forvaried from the home of the member to which they was addressed and were signal by prominent local Democrats. This had evi-dently been prearranged, and it was in-tended to effect a stampede in the direction of Mills. As no practical results have so far been visible, the telegraph companies appear to have been the only gainer. Some of Mr. Mills' enthusiastic friends overdid their part of it. The Kentucky members received threatening messages, all anonymous, but they have served the purpose of increasing the accinery that increasing the acrimony that now exists be-

About the various headquarters the Demo-cratic United States Senators are as active as though they had a vote in the cancus. Senator Palmer, of Illinois, is assisting Springer, Senator Vest is performing a like flice for Hatch, Coke and Carlisle are with Mills, and Kenna and Pugh with Crisp. A Randall Democrat Outspoken,

One incident will show how the lines are drawn. Some of Mr. Mills' supporters have been freely using the expression that "Crisp is a Randall Democrat." The phraseology of the term irritated Senator Kenna, who at one time in the House was the young lieutenant of the great Pennsyl-He went to the National Hotel and secured the rooms in which Randall made his last canvass for Speaker. There Mr. Kenna installed himself as an avowed Randall Democrat, and proceeded to do all handari Fennsian, and phendif. One result of his efforts was the conversion of Capebart, of West Virginia, from Mills to Crisp. In view of the fact that no combinations have been perfected, and the general under-standing that all five of the candidates are carnestly in the fight, it is a sate prediction that no candidate will have votes enough to nominate on the first ballot. Crisp holds the lead, with about 96 of what his mana-gers call "rock-bottom" votes; Mills has about 50, with Springer's support of 40 pushing him for second place. McMillin and Hatch have their 16 and 14 respectively, leaving in the neighborhood of 20 votes that have not as yet been accurately classified.

Crisp's Chances on a Third Ballot.

The most satisfactory accomplishment of the Crisp managers to-day was getting nine for y members of the Missouri delegation to sion promise their votes for Crisp in the event that Hatch withdrew. As Hatch, McMillin and Springer are liable to retire simultaneously, this accession from Missouri, if ob-tained at the right state of the caucus proceedings, will be a great help to the

The probabilities to-night, as they have been throughout the week, favor the nomination of Crisp. It is asserted with equal confidence at Mills' headquarters that he (Mills) would be nominated on the second or third ballot. This assertion was discounted somewhat by the strong tendency on the part of the Mills people to explain not how they expected to win, but what would happen if they were beaten, namely, the prostration of the star-eyed goddess of tariff reform.

It is not the intention to have speechmaking in the caucus. The interest in the contest is so great that the members would not have the patience to listen to any bursts of oratory that could serve no purpose but to take up time. Kerr's Walkover for the Clerkship. .

With the exception of the Clerk the results of the nomination for the minor offices are more or less involved in the outcome of the speakership battle. Kerr, of Pennsylvania, has a walkover for the clerkship. Yoder, of Okio, seems likely to be made Sergeant-at-Arms; Tarner, of New York, doorkeeper, and J. C. Roy, of Wisconsin,

The Republican Congressmen will meet in cancus to-morrow at 7:30 P. M. for the purpose of nominating their candidate for the speakership as well as for the minor offices of the House. The task will be but a refunctory one, and all of the old officers will undoubtedly be placed in nomination. The cancus will be held in the hall of the House if the Democratic caucus adjourns in time. Otherwise it will be held in the room of the Committee on Judiciary. The call will probably be issued by Representa-tive Henderson, of Illinois, Chairman of

The Situation at Midnight, At midnight the situation was no less in-

teresting than it was through the day. The finish between Mills and Crisp has become exciting. The final effort of the Mills men was made between sunset and midnight. There was general caucusing among the delegations, which started a crop of rumors that sent the lieutenants of each candidate hustling for

It was noticeable that the Mills managers claimed everything. They circulated rumors in the hotel lobbies calculated to stampede toward Mills every doubtful and uncertain vote. These claims were backed up by offers to bet amounts in hundreds of dollars that the Texan would poll 129 votes on the second ballot. To support these as-sertions they designated men in the various delegations whom they alleged had deserted Crisp, and had avowed their intention to vote for Mills. In the Northwest not a single vote was conceded to Mr. Crisp.
In short, it was claimed that the combination which has been in view for the past week had been consummated, and that the week had been consummated, and that the States of Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota had joined hands for Mills. It was also claimed that Judge Holman was to deliver Indiana, and Don Dickinson, Michi-

Some of the Claims Run Down. These statements were startling and had a tendency to produce the result at which they were aimed. The supporters of Crisp, especially, were anxious to know the facts, and started a speedy investigation. It did WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The last day before the caucus was marked by unremitting activity on the part of the Speakership candidates and their lieutenants. At refusing to go into any deal. The claim concerning Michigan proved equally fallacious, Don Dickinson failing to get the consent of three parent that shere has been less change in the situation than on any previous day of the present week.

members of that delegation to join the Mills forces. Mr. Whiting, the senior member of the delegation, called on Judge Crisp when he heard the report to inform him that no

one has held his own unbroken through the ferce struggle of to-day, and if any decisive Mississippi, Cobb, of Alabama, and Logan changes have occurred the facts have been kept from the knowledge of the outsiders. Even at this late hour there are more than a score of members not yet absolutely pledged, and this margin of uncommitted votes tills a large changing the please of the score of members are the score of members and yet absolutely pleased, and this margin of uncommitted by the Georgian. At midnight the claims of Mills' managers had been in a great measure exploded although been in a great measure exploded, although there is unquestionably a strong revival of Mills feeling at this writing. The friends of both Crisp and Mills are claiming the election of their favorite.

WALKER'S EFFECTIVE FLEET.

Five Vessels to Be Shortly at the Comm

dor's Command. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.-Secretary Tracy has issued an order detaching the Newark from the squadron of evolution five names presented to that body for the and directing Admiral Walker to proceed at once with the Chicago, Atlanta and Ben-nington to the South Atlantic station. The order assigning Admiral Benham to the command of that station is revoked, and he has received pledges so direct and binding will probably remain in the United States

The Newark, it is expected, will be placed in Admiral Gherardi's command, as part of the North Atlantic squadron. Ad-miral Walker's command will comprise five vessels—his flagship the Chicago, the Atlanta, Bennington, Yantic and Essex, with headquarters at Montevideo. He will have an effective fleet ready for immediate service in either the South Atlantic or South

Indianapolis After a Convention. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.-Indianians in Washington neld a meeting to-night to consider the advisability of making an effort to secure the National Democratic Convention for Indianapolis. S. E. Morrs, of the In-dianapolis Sentinel, stated that the citizens would guarantee a sufficient amount of money to build a Wigwam and to otherwise properly enter-tain visitors to the convention. Resolutions to that end were passed, and before the meeting adjourned the Indiana delegation withdrew to another room, and formally indersed Lycurgus Dalton for Postmaster of

Secretary Foster Improving.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4. -Secretary Fosto walk across his room to-day. The President has called on him nearly every day since he was taken sick, and in other ways shows a deep interest in his case.

BERNHARDT has a new stage fall. Arthur Brisbane describes it and gives some other nice New York gossip in THE

A COMING CATHOLIC CONGRESS.

Its Work Is Mapped Out by the Prelates Assembled at st. Louis.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 4.-The committee having in charge the proposed work of the for the amelioration of society. Catholic Congress of 1893 have held important meetings throughout the week. Their work has been submitted to the Cardinal and Archbishops, who have approved the sug-gestions of the committee. The report pro-vides that the congress shall consist of ten general delegates from every diocese and additional delegates from every diocese and additional delegates in the proportion of five to every 25,000 of the Catholic population, these delegates to be appointed by the Bishop of the diocese. Each Catholic university, college and seminary is entitled to delegates, and the committee have the right to invite to the congress distinguished laymen of any country, creed or profession. It was determined that the main feature of the congress should be the social and economic questions embraced in the recent encyclical of Pope Leo XIII.

The questions to be considered are, first, the rights of labor and duties of capital; second, pauperism and the remedy; third, public and private charity—how to make these more effective and beneficial; fourth, beneficial workingmen's societies, and societies for young men; fifth, life insurance and pension funds for workingmen; sixth, trade combinations, and strikes; sixth, coloniza-The questions to be considered are, first, combinations and strikes; sixth, colonization; seventh, the evils of drink and the importance of minimizing the plague.

NEW CATHOLIC SEES.

Some of the Quiet Work Done at Intervals at the Kenrick Jubilee

St. Louis, Dec. 4.-While church work was not contemplated in connection with the Golden Jubilee of Archbishop Kenrick, the Archbishops and clergy generally have held secret meetings, at which calls from several sections for new sees were considered, and those who had complaints placed them before the churchmen.

It is fairly well understood that when Mr. O'Brien, of the Papal household, returns to Rome he will carry recommenda-tions for the establishment of new dioceses in Iowa, Nebraska and points in the north-Two new sees are urged for Iowa, one at Sioux City and the other at Des Moines. Other matters relative to church work were taken up and considered.

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portunities to buy, sell, rent or exchange. IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE. DOM PEDRO IS DEAD

The Late Emperor of Brazil Passes Away in the French Capital.

HIS DAUGHTER AT. HIS BEDSIDE. of the Life of a Courteous, Highly

Educated Gentleman. A SEETCH OF HIS CHECKERED CAREER

PARIS, Dec. 4.-Dom Pedro died here of diabetes to-night. His daughter, Princess Isabella, was at his bedside when he breathed his last.

The late Emperor of Brazil was called Dom Pedro because that was his father's official title. If the son had never become Dom Pedro he would have gone through life with the burdensome name of John Charles Leopold Salvador Biliana Francis Xavier de Paula Leocadio Michael Gabriel Raphael Gonzago. His father was of Bourbon and Braganza, and his mother was Leopoldina Carolino Josephine of Austria. He was born December 2, 1825, at Rio de Janeiro, and he became Emperor on the abdication of his father in April, 1831. He was



declared of age in July, 1840, and when 15 assamed the sovereign power. In 1841 he was crowned. Two years later he was married to the Princess Theresa Christina Maria, sister of Francis I., late King of Naples. The issue of the marriage was two princes and two princesses. The princes died young.

A Courteous and Educated Gentleman

Dom Pedro was courteous in his manner, was well educated, and spoke English, French, German, Spanish and Italian flu-ently. He was active, and if he had not disliked politics he might have been the most commanding figure in all South America. But he was not a leader, not a man of State. In the early part of his reign he was so young that he was forced to permit others to rule for him; in the later rears he seemed to prefer that all matters of ands of others.

He was a King who apparently did not like to be a King. He was on most occa-sions totally indifferent as to what was the course of political affairs. He had a dispute with England in 1862, which threatened to assume big proportions, but was finally re-ferred to the King of Belgium for arbitration. He decided in favor of Dom Pedro. Then there was a war against Paraguay, begun by Brazil and continued for five years. It ended in 1870, with the acquisition by Brazil of 1,000 miles of the territory of Paraguay. But the greatest thing with which the Emperor had to do was the attack upon the slave trade, by which he secured in 1871 a law for the gradual abolition of

Dom Pedro's Visit in the North

Dom Pedro passed several months in the United States in 1876, and he diligently studied the growth and condition of the country. The Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia attracted him, and from there he carried away many ideas which he put into practice in Brazil. With all his virtues, however, he was not revered by his subjects, and it was conceded in the last years of his reign that he was a figurehead, and that his ministers and his half-brother, the Baron de Capanema, did all the business of the throne. Of his annual state allowance of \$400 000 he

His time was almost chiefly devoted to the entertainment of those whose enter prises interested him, and when affairs of the nation came up and threatened to bother him, he would dodge them and hide in the laboratory. There was an attempt to assassinate him, July 16, 1889. As he was leaving a theater a Portuguese fired a

The revolution that ended in his being driven from Brazil began November 15, 1889. The Emperor was leaving the imperial chapel at his summer residence, at Petropolis, after the performance of mass, when a telegram from Viscount de Ouro Petro, the Imperial Prime Minister, announcing the city of Rio de Janeiro, under siege by insurgents, was handed to him. He went to the city at once. His palace was surrounded immediately by troops, and an officer of the army read to him a mani-

The Emperor held a meeting of his ministers and tried to form a new ministry. General Da Fonseca, who had been proclaimed chief of the Provisional Government, demanded that he and his family leave the country at once. The Formation leave the country at once. The Emperor ing morning for Europe with his family, which he did.

MARK TWAIN thinks Wagner should have left out all his vocal solos. Read his humorous description of the Bayreuth fes-tivals in THE DISPATCH to-morrow.

A COURSE OF ACTION CHOSEN

mocrats and Republicans on New York's Returning Board.

ALBANY, Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-The State Board of Canvassers to-day practically agreed upon a course of action. The morning session began at 11 o'clock and ended before noon. Its work was perfunctory. Secretary of State Rice announced to the lawyers for the Democratic and Republican contestants that the board had not yet heard from counsel of whom it had asked opinions as to the board's right to sit beyond the five-day limit. A recess was then taken until a realing when it was taken until evening, when it was an-nounced that the joint committee of six appointed by the Democrats and Republicans had reached an agreement whereby the board would be asked to pass the canvass of the returns in the contested election cases

and await the decisions of the courts thereon.
As it had been decided that the board had the right so to do, the agreement was approved and an adjournment was taken until to-morrow morning. All efforts will now be directed toward securing the necessary court decisions as soon as possi-

A Southern Forger Nabbed at Na hua. NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 4.-Marcellus Ridgley, of Memphis, Tenn.; was arrested here this morning on a charge of attempting to pass forged checks on the Security Trust Company, amounting to 865. The names of several well-known business men were forged. Ridgley claimed to be a worker in the Young Men's Christian Association, and put the name of the secretary on the checks. When arrested he had several forged checks with him PICKED UP IN PIECES.

Continued From First Page are of the best and surest kind. He puts his charities where they are needed. But if he heeded all the demands of the people ordinarily spoken of as cranks, he would not have a penny of his fortune at the end Dabble in November Corn, and

"I do not speak of those people as cranks. They have more of the devil in them than anything else. The devil predominates. They make the most exorbitant demands. They have no claims of any nature what-ever, but their demands are always for for tunes. The genuinely needy people and those whose misfortunes entitle them to consideration from their more fortunate orethren, are maddest in their requests.

Says Mr. Sage Is Charitable. "In fact, people charitable inclined very often either hear of the troubles of those modest ones through accident or they must be hunted out. Mr. Sage has always been charitable to just such people. I cannot say how this man happened to use the name of Rockefeller. I suppose he merely fastened on the name of Rockefeller as a pass word to obtain admittance. Neither has Mr. Sage, so he tells me, received more than the usual quota of threatening letters of late. He receives many every day and drops them He receives many every day and drops them "I used to read those sent to me, but they

became very tiresome, and now my son George reads them and destroys them. I never see them. All rich men receive suc letters and very many of them, too. One of the latest style of importunities may be in-teresting. These are begging letters in the proper sense of the word. They come from women who say they are clergyman's wives, and that their husbands need only a few thousand to complete the churches in which they are specially interested."

HOW LORD LYTTON DIED.

Proabilities as to Blowitz's Polishing Off the Death-Bed Scene.

The account which de Blowitz gives in the London Times of Lord Lytton's death may be accepted as accurate in the main. He was certainly very intimate with Lord Lytton. Many an Englishman has left the fine palace which England has built for her Ambassadors in Paris to tell with haughty Ambassadors in Paris to tell with magnifyrage how he had been kept waiting by a potbellied little newspaper man, that man being de Blowitz. There is in every human mind an inborn desire to polish off deathbed scenes. We owe to that many fine last sayings that never were said, and it is quite likely that M. de Blowitz let his imagina-tion work a little when he described Lytton not only writing poetry at the last moment but also reading a poem by Tennyson, his hereditary enemy. Whether those little touches were due to M. Blowitz's memory or imagination is unim-portant. His statement that the dead poet died in bed and while using morphia may

be accepted as true.

This de Blowitz, although not a very great newspaper man from the American point of view, is of the sort to be encouraged. In his own person he has made the newspaper man very much looked up to. Being late at Drary Lane Theater one night his box was given to Brisee Alexandre Better was given to Prince Alexander of Batten-berg and some other men with names. When de Blowitz came puffing in late terror struck into the heart of Manager Augustus Harris, since knighted, and with many bows and sighs he put the princes out and put de Blowitz in.

Die Blowitz's real name, by the way, is Opper, and we have a sort of local interest in him, as he is an uncle of the ingenious Mr. Opper who makes pictures for Puck.

WOMEN CONVICTS DIG A TUNNEL

Their Work Discovered Just in Time Prevent Their Escape from Jail. SAN. FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.-The discovery was made at the county jail to-day that two female prisoners-Jennie Hastings, who has been awaiting trial for grand larceny, and Hazel Corbett, who is serving four months for petty larceny, have been engaged in an attempt to break jail. Deputy Sheriff McCarthy's attention was drawn to a strange

noise in the prison early this morning, and when two suspicious characters were seen prowling about the jail later in the morning, a search of the cells was ordered, with the result that a hole about 18 inches square was found in the wall of the cell occupied by the prisoners named. Only the outer layer of cement remained, and this could easily have been pushed out by a hand, leaving nothing between the prisoners and freedom save a wall in the adjacent alley of

In the cell was found a sharpened spoon and a small iron bar that had been used in and a small from our that had been used in the jail kitchen as a poker. The women acknowledged they had worked a hole through the wall with these implements, and said it took six hours. Some of the bricks had been placed under the bed, while most of the debris had been rolled up in an old skirt and covered with election. old skirt and covered with clothing.

COOKING, by Octave Thanet and Ellice Serena, in THE DISPATCH to-morro Every housekeeper should read the hon

PROHIBITIONISTS SCORE A POINT. Their Measure Carried in One Branch o

the South Carolina Assembly. COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-The entire time of the House of Representatives to-day and to-night has been occupied in debate on the Childs general prohibition bill. At 10:40 o'clock P. M., the question being on a motion to strike out the enacting clause of the bill, the yeas and nays were called and the motion was rejected by a vote of 48 to 36. The further consideration of the measure was postponed until to-morrow.

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The Prohibitionists are jubilant over the result of to-night's vote, which makes it certain that unless there is a sudden change of sentiment among the members to the bill it will pass the House to-morrow. Its fate in the Senate, however, is very much in doubt, as the opposing forces there are ap-parently more evenly divided than in the House. While the Prohibitionists claim to be confident the general opinion prevails that the measure will be rejected in the upper branch of the Legislature by a small majority.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION METHODS. A Pian Now on Foot to Exhibit Them at the World's Fair.

St. Louis, Dec. 3.-Two important conferences have been held by the Catholic clergy this week relative to Catholic educa tion and a display at the World's Fair. Right Rev. John H. Spalding, Bishop of Peoria, President of the Educa-

Bishop of Peoria, President of the Educa-tional Board, stated that he could not per-form the active duties required to forward the display, and asked to be relieved. A successor was elected, but the name of the gentleman is withheld until he receives the approval of his religious superiors.

The selection of the executive officer completed the matter, so far as the hierarchy was concerned. The entire conduct of af-fairs will rest in his hands. The exhibit will have for its aim the display of methods and kind of education in Catholic schools. The committee has received assurance from the World's Fair Commission of as much

space as they will require. Active work will be begun at once. Righter Demands a New Hearing. UNIONTOWN, Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-J. W. Righter, the ex-pastor of the First M. E. Church of Brownsville, recently dismissed for grossly immoral conduct, will demand a hearing by those once his peers, the minis-ters of the conference. The trial will take place in Pittsburg soon.

Governor Campbell Still Has the Grip. COLUMBUS, Dec. 4.—Governor Campbell is still confined to his home with la grippe, but is not considered dangerously ill by his Rabbis Drs. Meyer and Siwitz, of Pittsburg, and M. Silverman, of the congregation.

Many Amateur Speculators There

ARE CAUGHT IN THE LATE CORNER.

They Dealt With a Branch Establishment of a Pittsburg Broker.

EWSY NOTES FROM NEARBY TOWNS

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. BEDFORD, Dec. 4.-For the past ten years Bedford has enjoyed the luxury of a Grain Exchange. One after another they laid down on the bulls and bears. About 18 nonths ago J. M. Campbell, the well-known broker of Second avenue, Pittsburg, opened branch office here, and was doing a good usiness for a town of this size. No doubt the bulls and bears would still e listening to the ticker had not some of

the big bull patrons of Mr. Campbell tackled November corn on the short side. They, however, attacked the tiger and fought him until the last quotation was quoted, when they discovered they were hurt badly. They henceforth squealed, and on Wednesday a bill in equity was filed and an Wednesday a bill in equity was filed and an injunction granted restraining J. M. Campbell from removing his funds from a bank where he had them deposited. The losses run all the way from \$90 by a small dealer to \$9,000 by William Hartley, the most prominent dealer on 'Change. The parties who brought the injunction have made overtures to Mr. Campbell for a compromise, all of which were refused. He intends making a fight for what he thinks is justly his,

There has been nothing that has occurred here for years that has caused such a sensa-tion. Even the school children inquire:
"What is the price of November corn?"
Mr. Campbell will most likely continue his Bedford branch.

A SUSPECTED CORPORATION. Postal Authorities Overhauling the Affairs

of an Insurance Company. GREENVILLE, Dec. 4. -[Special.] - The Sandy Lake Life Insurance Company, of which S. B. Griffith, of Mercer, was recently appointed receiver, is undergoing a searching investigation. The United States Postal Department has sent out a special inspector in order to ascertain if the company has been using the mails for fraudulent purposes. This inspector has made a strict investigation at Sandy Lake, Mercer, Sharon and Greenville, and startling exposures are looked for. Over 300 letters, containing over \$1,000, which have accrued at the

Sandy Lake postoffice since a receiver was appointed, have been detained there by order of the Postmaster General. Most of these letters contain remittances from policy Just before a receiver was appointed the company transferred their business, notes and accounts to a Washington assessment company. Insurance Commissioner Luper refused to sanction the transfer, claiming it was illegal. The receiver is now trying to get back the books and notes, the latter amounting to over \$10,000, but the Washington firm seems disposed to hold them, and is already making assessments on the members. The secretary of the company is somewhere on the Pacific coast, and nothing definite can be learned about the company without the books, which they refuse to give up. Most of the directors of the company are substantial farmers and the company are substantial farmers, and there will likely be an attempt to hold them individually responsible. There are thousands of policy holders in the State, especially in this section, and many of them are old people who have paid, in hundreds of dellars.

THE COLLEGE PLAGIARISM CASE.

What One Says Who Remembers the Debate at Little Washington. ASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-The charge of plagiarism made against A. J. Russell, of Westminster College, created a good deal of comment in this old college town, where all the parties concerned are well known. An alumnus of Washington and Jefferson College, who was asked about it, said he remembered the Marquis debate very well.

"It was in 1884, and B. McCormick, of Greensburg, had the other side," said he. "R. B. Scandrett, of Allegheny, introduced Marquis to an old man who had been a member of the Legislature, and had devoted a whole lifetime to the study of Sunday legis-lation. This old man had carefully collected everything published on the subject, and thad indexed all his papers. These he gave to Marquis for use in preparing his debate, and they were invaluable to him. It is not probable that the student of Westminster was guilty of plagiarism. Perhaps Marquis gave him the benefit of the old man's researches, or perhaps he gave him a copy of his debate, which he had printed at the time for private circulation.

His Son and Partner Missing. CORRY, Dec. 4. - [Special.] - John Miller, of the firm of Miller & Doud, has disappeared, and his whereabouts are unknown. Last night he was traced as far as Buffalo. where all knowledge of him was lost. Mr. Doud, his father-in-law, with whom he was Doud, his father-in-iaw, with whom he was in an extensive meat business, trusted the entire management of affairs with Miller, and an examination of the books to-day shows he was badly involved. Miller had about \$1,000 with him when he left, and to-day the Sheriff levied on his interest in the business. He left behind him a young wife and two shildren. wife and two children.

Somerfield Has the Grip.

SOMERSET, Dec. 4.—[Special.]—With the exception of two families, residents of Somerfield, a town in the southwestern portion of this county, are greatly afflicted with the grip in its most violent form. The greater grip in its most violent form. The greater number of people there are dangerously ill with the disease, which first made its appearance about two weeks ago. It is somewhat remarkable that about one year ago, when the people in every town surrounding Somerfield for miles were suffering from the grip, the citizens of the town escaped without a single case.

Preferred Death to the Poor House. FINDLAY, Dec. 4 .- [Special.] - Joshua Gilbert committed suicide at Mt. Blanchard. this county, last night by taking morphine. The deceased was 67 years of age, and was at one time in the County Infirmary. It was proposed to send him there again. In his indignation, he remarked to one person yesterday morning that "Before I will go to that poor house again I will die and go to ..." No one seemed to have taken any pains to save him from the consequences of his rash act. of his rash act.

Remembered by His Fellow-Convicts. YOUNGSTOWN, Dec. 4.-[Special.]-W. E. Fitzgerald, alias Sherman, whose sentence was suspended to December 18, pending s hearing in the Supreme Court, has received \$46 sent to him by the convicts of the Jackson (Mich.) Penitentiary, where he was formerly an inmate under the name of Hanlon, and where his father is now serving time. Fitzgerald does not believe he will hang on the 18th.

McKeesport's New Hebrew Synagogue. McKeesporr, Dec. 4.-[Special.]-The first Hebrew synagogue of this city will be dedicated the first of the year. The new building has a seating capacity of 500, and

FOUND HER VOICE AGAIN.

A Case of Sudden Dumbness Which Puz zled the Physicians of Pittsburg. WEST NEWTON, Dec. 4.—[Special.]—One year ago last May a party of young society people of this place went to a festival at the Sewickley Fair Grounds, six miles from here. The night being delightfully pleasant, they were all driven there in a large open wagon. One of the gayest of the gay party was Miss Anna Dick, a very bright and pretty young lady, daughter of the late

banker, James A. Dick. Everything passed off pleasantly.

The next morning Miss Anna Dick appeared at the breakfast table minus her clear, sweet voice. She had no cold, and no trouble with her throat, except that her voice had become a faint whisper. The skill of several home physicians and sev-eral celebrities from Pittsburg was ex-hausted in an attempt to restore the unfortunate young lady's voice, but all to no

purpose.

This morning when Miss Anna came down to her breakfast both she and her family were electrified when she, in clear tones, asked for "more cakes." Her voice is completely restored. Her family and friends are delighted, and a banquet will be given in the young lady's honor in the near He Embezzied \$50,000 Before Going.

STEUBENVILLE, Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-The mit of the Keystone National Bank of Pittsburg against the fugitive Baron, I. F. Lagerfelt, to recover on a note of \$7,000 given them by Lagerfelt, and presumably indorsed by C. B. Doty, his father-in-law, a retired iron merchant of this city, was dis-missed in Common Pleas Court to-day. The bank sought to attach \$10,000 worth of stock n the Jefferson Iron Works, but this stock had been hypothecated to the Bank of Wheeling for \$4,000. The latter secured the first attachment, and this stock was sold in Wheeling a few days since for \$3,100. It was also developed that the signature of was also developed that the signature of Doty to the stock was a clever forgery. No one here, not even his wife, has heard from Lagerfelt since he fled. It is alleged that he got away with \$50,000 or over in all.

The Braddock Railway War Ended. BRADDOCK, Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-The rouble between the rival railway companies here is practically ended, and it is expected that the two cases that are to be heard before Judge Magee to-morrow, one on an injunction gotten ont by the Braddock Electric Street Railway to restrain the borough officials from interfering with their work, and the other by the borough against them from doing any work, will be discussed. A special meeting of the Council was held this morning, when an ordinance granting the Braddock and Turtle Creek Street Railway the right to extend its tracks along Coray avenue passed the first and second reading, in consideration that they allow the cars of the Braddock Electric Company to run on their tracks at the disputed point on Braddock avenue.

A Case for Humane Agent O'Brien BEAVER FALLS, Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-Some days ago complaint was made to Burgess Piper, of this place, that a family in Chippewa township, named Ferguson, were cruelly abusing a girl in their employ. The girl's father, an old soldier, is now at the Soldiers' Home at Dayton. The Burgess sent for Humane Agent O'Brien, of Pitts-burg, but in the meantime a lady from this place went to investigate the affair herself. She reported to Mr. O'Brien that the stories were false. O'Brien came and he returned to Pittsburg. Since then, however, a number of witnesses say they will testify to the charges of cruelty, and the G. A. R. here have determined to make a full investi-

A Drunken Actor's Fata! Deed PARKERSBURG, Dec. 4.-[Special.]-Tonight at the Academy of Music, during the rendition of "One of the Finest," John Mormer, of this city, and well known in dra matic circles, while in an intoxicated condition staggered to the foot of the stairs, and, pulling a revolver, fired directly into a pulling a revolver, nred directly into a crowd of boys standing at the door. Harry Reynolds fell to the ground, shot in the groin, the wound being probably fatal. Mor-timer is in jail, and the preliminary hearing will be postponed until the result of young Reynolds' injuries are learned. Mortimer

is married, and a Yale graduate. The K, of L. Against the New Union. SCOTTDALE, Dec. 4.—[Special.]—The Federated Brotherhood of Coke Workers held another meeting to-day and completed their organization by electing an Executive Committee and Advisory Board. Two additional locals joined the organization today and applications for several others were received. The Knights of Labor, through the leadership of Peter Wise, are out against the new union. Considerable ani-mosity is being engendered between the two factions.

War Declared Against Sheep-Killing Curs. BEAVER FALLS, Dec. 4 .- [Special.]-The farmers of New Sewickley township have been suffering lately from the depredations of sheep-killing dogs, a number of valuable animals having been lost. Yesterday Wilson Wright went to the field to drive in his flock of 30 imported sheep, and found all of them either killed or so badly mangled by dogs that they will die. Farmers are organizing, and propose a wholesale slaughter of all the dogs in the neighborhood.

Sold Stones for Apples.

JOHNSTOWN, Dec. 4.- [Special.]-To-day farmer drove into town and hawked a lot of fine apples very cheap. After his stock of a dozen barrels had been purchased by the wives of workingmen, the farmer hastily drove away. The women discov-ered the barrels were filled with stones and rubbish, there being only a few apples in each barrel. The man will be prosecuted. Tri-State Brevities

THE Sheriff has levied on the Williamsburg. Broom factory. Liabilities, \$5,000. A TERRIFIC rain and wind storm did dam age in the Cumberland Valley yesterday. A NEW Presbyterian Church, with 125 members, has been organized at Greens-An old man named Martin Faulk com-

mitted suicide near Girard, O., yesterday by sitting on a railroad track and allowing a train to run over him. CHARLES CUNNINGHAM, the young son of a Uniontown Baptist preacher, is under bail charged with robbing R. S. McCrum's store at Ohio Pyle, and other thefts. Two children of Marshal Winner, of Latrobe, were probably fatally scalded while at play Thursday. The cook stove was upset, and two kettles of boiling water fell upon them.

MISS TILLIE SMITH, of Barberton, O., wen to Youngstown to be married to P. S. Brown at that place. She secured \$100 from .him, and left before the marriage ceremony could be performed. MRS. AGNES LAWRENCE, who is engaged in

MRS. AGNES LAWRENCE, who is gauged in missionary work, has been found dead, with her clothes torn from her body, on a mountain side, near Mahony City. There are evidences of a severe struggle where her body lay. A Pole, named Kervis, who claims insurance money on her life, is under police surveillance. A pocketbook on the woman's person, containing \$16, was left untouched. A 13-YEAR-OLD son of Tucker Hunt, a Baltimore and Ohio conductor at Uniontown, took \$500 from his father's bureau drawer, and at once began to spend it right and left and distribute it among his chums, after which he and another boy drove to Little-Washington. When his father returned from his regular run he started in pursuit, and gathered up as much of the money as he was able.

GARNER, the monkey sharp, tells all physicians. Quite a number of telegrams of inquiry have been received, caused by exaggerated reports of his condition.

will cost, when finished, about \$15,000. Rabbi Klein, of New York, will be present at the dedication, and will be assisted by PATCH to-indrow. ALL IN ONE WRECK

Girl Yet in Her Teens Carries Off a Re-A Collision of Four Separate Trains CHICAGO, Dec. 4.-Miss Alice Rideout, of San Francisco, was to-day awarded first

Brings Death and Ruin. FIRE ADDS TO THE DEADLY WORK.

or in the Shock.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Dec. 4.-The worst

wreck the New England road ever experi-

men has gone to the scene, as also a special

train with physicians from Boston. The

Long Island express was passing on the other track at the time, and all three trains

were piled up. The engineer of the Boston

train, Tabor, and his fireman was killed.

The cars almost immediately took fire and

doctors have been summoned from nearby

points. The wreck knocked down tele

complete news from coming in.

trains were piled up together.

reported many killed.

also in motion.

graph poles, thus preventing for a time

How the Disaster Happened,

The disaster was the result of a collision

of the Southbridge freight with an east-

bound freight going over the westbound track. The Long Island express was passing

on the other track at the time, and all three

East Thompson is about 55 miles from

Boston. All the Boston hospitals have been

notified by the New England road to hold

themselves in readiness to accommodate a number of victims of the wreck. The road

Assistant General Superintendent Grant,

of the New York and New England Rail-

road, says of the accident: "All we know

up to the present is that the boat train ran

into an east-bound freight, and the Long

Island express ran into both before it could

be flagged. The only thing I can attribute

the accident to is that an unusually dense

fog must have so obscured objects ahead

that when the engineer of the fast train dis-covered the freight the distance was too

smail in which to stop his train. When the boat train ran into the freight the latter was

Four Trains in the Wreck

The cause of the wreck is given as follows:

The engine of the South Bridge special was

doing some switching on the westbound track, when the night freight train, east-

bound, Conductor Dorman, crashed into it. Dorman received orders at Putnam to run

on the westbound track until he reached East Douglas, and then cross over.

A number of heavily loaded cars were thrown onto the east-bound track by the shock, and before and fiagman could be sent out the Long Island express train, bound east, came crashing into destruction. The catastrophe was further increased by the

boat express, which followed in the wake of the Long Island, the engine of which plunged into the rear end of the latter, sect-tering destruction on all sides.

It is believed that more persons are in

jured than those announced. Engineer

blocked.

cornice and pediment of the Woman's World's Fair building. The reward carries with it the contract for the Seven Persons Meet Instant Death by Fire execution of full-sized models of the groups LAYING THE BLAME ON THE DENSE FOG

execution of full-sized models of the groups at a price from \$1,500 to \$2,500 for each of the two smaller designs, and from \$2,000 to \$3,200 for the great 40-foot panel. The finish of the models, as dictated by Chief Burnham, will determine the total cost of the work. The successful competitor is not yet out of her teens, and is described as a petite blonde, serious, dignified and quite pretty. She has made modeling and sculpture a study from childhood, and has executed a number of designs that gave promise of more enced occurred at East Thompson, Conn., this morning. The steamboat train bound east and two hours late, ran into a freight ber of designs that gave promise of more than ordinary ability. One of the most successful of these was a bust of President Harrison, for the Union League Club, of train at a crossing and five person were killed outright. Another was burned to death in the smoker, which took fire, and San Francisco. several others were seriously injured, in-Miss Rideout's last success is the more recluding at least one fatality. The passenger markable that a number of older and exengineer is among the killed. All traffic is perienced sculptors were among her com-petitors, but her designs were so far in ad-A wrecking train from Norwood with 100

MISS RIDEOUT A PRIZE WINNER.

ward for Sculpture.

prize in the competition of women sculptors

for the finest designs of groups for the attic

vance of all others, both in conception and treatment, that the committee which made he award was unanimous in its decision The award was unanimous in its decision.

The three groups represent, respectively,
"Woman's Virtue," "Woman as the Spirit
of Civilization," and "Woman's Place in
History." The figures are 5 feet at the
base, and the central figures are 10 feet

EVIL RESULTS OF BAD WHISKY. Charles Seaton's Temperance Lecture De-

livered From the Gallows. Mr. VERNON, Mo., Dec. 4 .- Charles M.

Seaton was banged in the jail yard at 10 o'clock this morning for the murder of Lewis Channel at Joplin, Mo., July 5, 1889. Seaton retired about 11 o'clock last night, worried and nervous. He slept well, however, and awoke much refreshed. Early this morning he was-dressed in a new suit. At 10 o'clock the death warrant was read to him, to which he listened quietly. Then, bidding all the prisoners within hearing goodby, he walked firmly to the gallows.

firmly to the gallows.

Seaton spoke to those present, warning them of the results of bad whisky. The black cap was adjusted, his legs and arms strapped, and the noose placed in position. At 10:10 o'clock the trap was sprung and at 10:25 Seaton was pronounced dead. The condemned man made no confession.

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