HIGH AND LOW LIFE FETES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25 .- As al-

ways has been the custom, Christmas Day was observed at the National Capitol as a

close holiday. All the Government depart-ments were of course closed all day, as with

scarcely an exception were the stores and other business houses throughout the city. As soon as Congress adjourned last Wednes-day many members started at once for their

respective homes. Many others left town yesterday, so that with the exception of those who have their families here. Wash

ington has been temporarily deserted by the legislative branch of the Government.

Celebration at the White House,

THE tooting of a tin horn in a series of

ore or less musical notes was the signal

for the commencement of the Christmas celebration at the White House this morn-

ing shortly after 10 o'clock. When Mrs

ing shortly after 10 o'clock. When Mrs. Dimmick blew this juvenile instrument faces came smiling from every door all around her in the corridor upstairs, and soon all the members of the Presidental family had assembled in a laughing procession. At the head of it were the President and Dr. Scott, Master Benjamin and Little Mary McKee.

Glory of the Christmas Tree,

A STREAM of light shone from the li-

brary door and away in the corner of that

historic apartment glistened, like a thou-sand stars, the Christmas tree. On a table

near the tree were copies of Master Benja-min's address and the invocation to the

AN INFANT PROGIDY.

A Boy of Four Years Who Can Read the

Bible Learnedly.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

Cheltenham, in three minutes 700 words were sent to a newspaper office and cor-rectly received over a telephone wire. -At Dresden they are baking an American corn-bread that is finding much favor and is much cheaper than their ordinary bread. A pound costs a trifle over 3 cents.

-Recently between Tewkesbury and

-On a farm in the suburbs of Providence. R. I., there has been located what is claimed to be one of the largest and richest veins of granite east of the Biack Hills, if not in the entire country. -A copper rod projecting from the face

of a cliff in Saline county, Missouri, indicates that at some date in the far past, beyond the ken of man, copper mining was carried on in that vicinity on in that vicinity.

-The standing army of the Argentine Republic numbers 6 000 men, and there are

over fifty generals on the active list. This gives a general to about every hundred other warriors of all lower grades. -A Frenchman has invented a new and ingenious frictional machine. Mercury is forced by means of a pump through the pores of a piece of chamols, and electricity in considerable quantities is generated by the friction.

-Dice were invented by the Greeks. Tradition has it that Palamades, who lived at the time of the Trojan war, introduced

them into Greece, and it is certain that the Greeks imported into Rome the three most popular games. -In the new works of the Pirmus-Athens Railway station the marble head of a woman has been found, of good workmanship. It

wears a diadem, and the features are very finely carved. It is thought to belong to a headless statue found on this site in the city a little time ago. -Two farmers, neighbors and old friends named Rheaume and Morin, in the parish of

St. Marie, Beauce, Quebec, had each eight obli-dren, four sons and four daughters. Morin's four sons have married Bheaume's four daughters, and Rheaume's four sons have married the daughters of Morin. -The island of Fowkave in the Gulf of Siam has a peculiar kind of dogs. They are sleek haired and resemble fox terriers in

size and build, but are prick cared, reddish brown in color (the female being of a lighter shade), with black muzzles and dark lines on the forehead, like those sometimes seen in buildogs. -The number of water works in operation or under construction in the United States is 2,037, and the number of towns and cities supplied is 2,187. Pennsylvania has 216 works

for supplying 245 towns, white New York has 199 works for 218 towns. Massachusetts has 128, Michigan 113, California 163, and Illinois 101 works. Twenty-five cities have dupli-cate or triplicate plants. -The size of Australia is not generally appreciated. The seven colonies occupy a territory greater than that of the United States, excluding Alaska. New South Wales

alone is as large as the 13 original States, nione is as mrge as the is original states. The manin, the Bhode Island of Australia, is as large as that State, with New Jersey, New Hampshire and Massachusetts added; Victoria, the smallest colony of the continent, is equal in size to Great Britain. -There is no special ceremony connected with marriage among the Esquimanx. In some tribes the husband joins the wife's relatives and is expected to hunt and fish

for them. If he is lazy or refuses to give

that to-day would be of almost as little use in case of hostilities as the wooden vessels of 30 years ago. True, but the fact remains that those governments do possess navies ready for instant and terrible use (how instant and how terrible use (how instant and how terrible use). -Old watches of particular value include those with hogs' bristies for regulating the vibrations, egg watches, all watches with one hand, with or without ornamentations watches without balance springs, and with out regulating arrangements, those with per-forated cases, those with finely chased cases.

if the chasicg be distinct; enameled gold watches of the finest workmanship, watches of wood or ivory or with from or porcelain movements. -A traveler in Central Australia has discovered that the surface of the country has

been greatly changed by what may appear at first thought a ridiculous agency—the white ants. On plain and in thickets their nests are so numerous that it is difficult to drive among them. The clay with which the nests are built is, when comented with resinous matter, he hard as brick, and when the nests fall to pieces they form clay flats almost impervious to water and not easily cut up by traffic. -The Bongo people have an iron curency having the shape of a spade, with a

handle and an anchor-like end to it. This they call loggo colluti. The largest iron they call loggo colluti. The largest from coin circulating here are of the size and shape of a large plate, being one foot in diameter. These treasures are piled up in the warerooms of native merchants just as silver or gold bars in other lands. For ten from plates of two pounds weight each the love-lorn Bongo swain buys his inamorata of her paps. When he can't get ten of such iron plates he has to be satisfied with an ron plates he has to be satisfied elderly beauty.

... The manufacture of a new disinfectant and deordorant called Sauridon has been commenced at Marybill, Eng. It is a residual product of an uncommon kind of

dual product of an uncommon kind of blackstone shale, which is composed of animal and vegetable remains, is remarkably light, and yields a large proportion of a heavy volatile oil. The oil is extracted by distillation, and the residual product is reduced to grains of different sizes, varying from a fine powder to the size of a pen. The powder is claimed to have an instantaneous effect upon obnoxious matter, while also being tasteless and colorless and harmless to all animal life. JOKELETTS FROM JUDGE.

'Tis said, "At Christmas play and have

Agitator-I tell you this eight-hour work-

day is going to do a lot of good to the mass of employed people, By the way, Sarah, is supper ready?

Agitator's Wife-No; my eight hours was up at

"But weren't you dreadfully scared, Miss

Flypp, when the bear got his arms around you?"
asked Mr. Maddox.
"Oh, dear, no," replied Miss Flypp, "I was
once engaged to a Pittsburg young man."

Who says that Christmas is played out,

That Santa Claus is dead? I'll not believe it, nor would you

For he and I will watch to-night.

If you heard what grandpa said:

good cheer, " But then the baseball player's far from gay;

Tis winter and the snow and ice appear, He has no cheer because he cannot play.

alf-past five to-day.

Dimling-The duel has had its hour. Tatling-That is too long. . . Dimling-What do you mean? Tatling-A duel requires only two seconds.

Boston Herald.

John H. McNaughton, Post. John H. McNaughton, famous in western New York as the "Poet of the Genesec," died Tuesday at the McNaughton homestead, between

Hon. A. B. Sharpe, of Carlisle, Hon. A. B. Sharpe, a leading member of

Grant, was found dead yesterday morning at Car-lisle, in his bed, of heart failure. He was well known throughout the State and leaves valuable properties to his family. He was aged 60 years. Obituary Notes, Mrs. JANE FURY, of Freeland, Pa., died Thurs-

the age of 108 years. acksonville Thursday night.

STATE TREASURER PONS, of Florida, died at CONTROLLER J. LAWRENCE GETZ, of Reading,

died in that city of the grip last night.
SIR THOMAS CHAMBERS, the Recorder of the city
of London, died Wednesday. He was born in 1814,
was knighted in 1872, and was elected Recorder in FREDERICA WARCKA, the only sister of the late

Wednesday, aged 56 years. He was rearly sever feet high and weighed about 200 nounds.

ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

ionable Function at the Pittsburg

Club, Whose Opening is Deferred -DES MOINES, Dec. 25 .- It is a prevalent be What Went on in the Parlors of the lief that all wisdom centers in the East, but since the course of empire moves westward Two Cities Yesterday. Mrs. Joshua Rhodes and the Misses wisdom has also been moving along the same track, and instead of the wisdom-of thodes, assisted by a number of friends, East, future generations may expect to hear of the wisdom of the West. Iowa has al-Club last night, which, so far as it was pos sible, was thrown open to the guests. The dance was held in the Club Theater, the ways been noted as the banner state in educational matters, but the most wonderful of her productions is a child less than six stage of which was decorated with palms and other spreading shrubs, Christmas beyears of age. Little Charlton Shade lives on a beautiful farm four miles south of ing observed by a skillful introduction of holly. The Toenge Orchestra occupied its on a beautiful farm four miles south of Lorimer, Union county, Iowa. He has a large, finely formed head, intelligent blue eyes, and a good physical development.

A few days ago he sat reading a large volume, and by requestread the One Hundrodth Psalm. Moving in a dignified and scholarly manner, he took his Bible, sat down in his chair, crossed his legs as some mature person might and read with perfect emphasis and inflection. Before he attained his fourth year he had completed the reading of the New Testament, and at five years and eight months of age he had read the entire Bible, and that day he assisted his uncle, a minister, in the services, reading from the pulpit before an audience the third chapter of Daniel. His education has been received from the teachings of his mother, and he has never attended school. He does not enjoy romping and childish sports, and in order to have him take outdoor exercises his parents take his books away and hide them.

holly. The Toenge Orchestra occupied its time honored place behind this umbrageous concealment. The only other decorations of a floral nature was a bunch of mistletoe hanging over the ddorway between the foyer and the theater; the purposes of which are self-evident. The laidies' dressing room, the foyer and the dining room were all crashed. An apartment in the second floor of the house was set aside for a gentlemen's dressing room, which, with the dining room, was the only part of the club house to which the guests were admitted. The ball was largely attended, including at it many of the Christmas visitors.

Though the Rev. Mr. Barham in his "Ingoidsby Legends" sees fit to use word "housewarming" in his lines: "A new town house obtained.

The next thing to be thought of now, Is the housewarming party," and the garrulous Mr. Penys calls upon and the garrulous Mr. Pepys calls upon it also, when he would have Betty Michell cat a cake with himself and Mra-Pepys, it has been decided by the ultra lashfonable of our city that it must be dropped from its vocabulary. When the Pittsburg Club is thissied, it will not receive a housewarming party, but there will be held in it an opening reception. And thus we are leaving our language behind us. A Doe Plunges Over a High Cliff to Escape PORT JERVIS, Dec. 25 .- The close season for deer began some weeks ago in Pike county, but although John Hess, of Shonola, killed one on Friday, it is not likely that he will be made to pay the penalty the law inflicts.

Joseph Jefferson is one of the few actors the has penetrated into the social life of Pittsburg. Not any wonder, when one con siders what an agreeable addition he is to any household. Dr. and Mrs. William H. Daly are among his sworn friends in town, and recently Mr. and Mrs. Dewees Woods have been added to the list. After a theater party on Monday night Mrs. Daly gave a breakfast for Mr. Jefferson, lifs son, Joseph Jefferson. Jr., and Mrs. Jefferson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Moorewood Ferguson and Mr. and Mrs. Wood. This was followed by a visit the evening of the same day to Stuart Robson at the Duquesne Theater. Mr. William H. Crane is another of the actors who is made very welcome in Pittsburg, and always has the privilege of the Duquesne Club during his visit. any household. Dr. and Mrs. William H.

Though cotillons have never flourished a Sewickley and patronesses thrive with but little more profit, another effort is being made this time at the Park Place Hotel, to. mnde this time at the Park Place Hotel, to hold a series of dances, of which the first has already been given. The fancy dances are comprized in the first part of the evening, the plain dances following. The next of the series is arranged for Tuesday evening, January 5, when Mr. Clarence Burns, of Washington, D. C., will probably lead the german. There is no formal committee, but among the men interested are: Mr. C. H. Swearlngen, Mr. C. W. Lake, Mr. S. H. Scovel, Mr. W. H. Schoen and Mr. Lloyd Pearson.

A contemporary sensibly takes exception to what it terms the "animal" (what ani mai) who chews tobacco in the theaters. The remedy lies with the theaters themelves, since they have equal power wit the street car companies in prohibiting the use of their property as cuspidors—though the theatters seem to preter offending the majerity of their patrons to narrowing the privilege of the brutish minority. Some day a wise woman will sue for damages and get them, and then there will be a reform.

Social Chatter THE MISSES RIDDLE, of North avenue, given evening reception on New Year's night.

"The fact seemed to be that within the last two or three years the capacity of the private shops has increased so greatly that what is now but a very moderate business for them would have kept them running nights a short time ago. All but three of the shops from which we have comparative figures fell off this year and there were special reasons why these three should have increased their output. The total output of 15 works this year (two of which did not report last year) is 2,300. Mrs. Thomas M. Carnegie, of Homewood avenue, has issued invitations for an after-moon ten on Tuesday. MISS WOODBURN, of North avenue, gives a reception next Tuesday evening for her friend, Miss Alice Reymer. Mrs. John Craig, of Robinson street, Alle-COLONEL WATERSON seems to be a con firmed patron of the advertising columns of

gheny, will entertain the Paragon Club on Thursday evening, January 7. THE young people of the two cities repre-sented in the Alhambra cotilion danced last night at the Monongahela house,

Miss Alice Tindle was hostess at a fancy dress ball last night, in which she was aided in receiving her friends by little Miss Ha-worth and her cousin, Miss Depuy. HENRY WATTERSON is down on Speaker Crisp. If he thinks Crisp is bad he ought to have to live for awhile where David B. Hill controls the patronage.—Buffalo Express. Invitations are out for the wedding of take place at Mr. Burt's house on avenue, Allegheny, on January 6.

SANTA CLAUS' conduct to some of his most eager supporters has somewhat cooled their ardor. He cut the acquaintance of several people in town this Christmas, and in consequence they don't admire him so exceed-No one will deny that Henry Watterson is the most representative Clevelandite of the South and Southwest. Hence his prompt

The officers of the dramatic club of the Western University, which will appear in two short plays, "Early Vows" and "Chums," about the middle of January, are: C. W. Davis, manager; J. F. Griggs, Jr., secretary and treasurer: D. S. Liggett, stage manager. The performance will be given in the club theater and the University Glee and Mandolin Clubs will supply the music. That dainty, sprightly young woman otherwise called the Pennsylvania Colleg girl,insists on still more endangering the pub lie peace of mind; for not content with fasci nating the sex masculine by her Madame Hudron frocks, she has declared for the college gown and mortar board. For plungin the youth of the town into a helpless cond tion of mind she must be burned as a witer

BIG DEAL IN PINE LANDS

Houston, Tax., Dec. 25 .- The biggest deal in pine lands in the South has just been con-summated. The Boston Land Company has purchased 80,175 acres of pine lands at just purchased 89,175 acres of pine lands at \$6 an acre.

This means the extension of the Santa Fe system into Eastern Texas and Western Louisians, and opens up a market for lumber in Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis, as the Santa Fe will be one continuous line.

SHERMAN OR FORAKER. WHILE we have Shermans, let us keep

them; the Forakers can wait!-Philadelphic ALL Republicans who have their country's est welfare at heart will look to their C brethren to re-elect Senator Sherman .- N. Y.

In the Ohio Senatorial hurdle race the is ample evidence that both Sherman and Fornker have the lead. There is no chance for a dead heat, however .- Detroit Free Press. IT looks as if Sherman had the pull in the Senatorial race, in spite of the racket of the ant to the Republican than the Democratic

party .- St. Paul Globe. That the rank and file of the party are for Foraker no one questions, and that Foraker will be elected to succeed Senato. therman there is not the shadow of doubt.-Cincinnati Commercial Gazette. JOHN SHERMAN still has the inside in the race for the Ohio Senatorship, and from present indications will pass under the wire

Russell Skated on Thin Ice

New York, Dec. 25.—[Special.]—The following Pittsburgers are registered at hotels to-day: F. W. Biair, Brunswick: F. Harrop, Morton House; W. C. McAdams, Morton House; E. R. Oskin, Morton House, A. L. Reber, Astor House; M. F. Biley, Morton House; D. S. Taylor, Astor House; C. A. Terry, Windsor Hotel.

The Taxation Problem

To the Editor of The Disputch: In your recent reference to the correspondence between the New York Tax Respondence between the shop Keane, on the form Association and Bishop Keane, on the subject of taxation, you arraign the Tax
Reform Association for assuming a position
which involves a contradiction of principles. You say "the Tax Reform Association
holds that the agents of production should
not be taxed," and then proceed to the dicturn that "land should have the main burden not be taxed," and then proceed to the dic-tum that "land should bear the main burden of taxation," your contention being that land is an agent of production. In this you are right; it is the passive factor. But where did you learn that the Tax Reform Associa-tion opposed the taxation of all the agents of production? I fail to find any such sweep-ing plusse in the letter addressed to the Bishon, and I feel convinced that the mem-bers of the association are too well ac-quiduted with political economy not to make a distinction.

quainted with political economy not to make a distinction.

The effect of taxing labor and capital, the active factors of production, is to restrict production, to enhance the price of commodities, hamper industry, retard improvements and interfere with the equitable distribution of wealth. The effect of taxing the value, the passive factor, of land, is to stimulate production by causing land now held idle, or half employed, to be put to productive use, to encourage improvements, heid idle, or half employed, to be purto productive use, to encouring improvements, enlarge the opportunities for laborand capital, animate industry and promote the f.ec and natural interplay of economic forces which lend to the largest production of wentth and its widest distribution.

You say, to tax idle land and disused machinery might be a wise discrimination in the abstract, but how much revenue would ityield? The fact is that things which are true in the abstract was not so often juttle

ityleid? The fact is that things which are true in the abstract are not so often futile in a practical sonse as we imagine. Our objections to their application in practice frequently arises from their militating against some vested wrong, which we often have an interest in maintaining. To reque to your statement, let me say that the fact that machinery is disused implies that conditions have made it economically unproductive. To tax such machinery would only add a further obstacle to its use and argravate the conditions which lender it idle; and if the tax be great enough, would even cause the conditions which leader it idle; and it the tax be great enough, would even cause the owners to destroy it. Now if the term "idle" be applied to land economically unproductive—that is so situated that what it is possible for labor to produce on it is insufficient to afford the average rate of wages to such labor—to tax such land. of wages to such labor-to tax such land would only serve to keep it out of use longer than it otherwise would be. Thus it is

would only serve to keep it out of use longer than it otherwise would be. Thus it is easily seen "in the abstract" that to make such a "discrimination" would be folly. But if the land spoken of be idle—not by reason of its inability to yield enough to pay the labor that might be employed on it, but because the owner sees that there is being stored away in it a rapidly increasing value, conferred upon it by the growth of the community and its myriad expanding wants and necessities—then to tax such land becomes wise both in abstract and in practice. For it will not only yield a revenue, but it will cause the land to be put to a productive use, giving employment to labor and contributing to the satisfaction of human needs. With regard to your assumption, which you designate as a fact, that it from existing land values we should deduct the speculative element, together with improvement values, there would not be enough left to raise more than a pittance of revenue, I might say that, while you are not alone in holding that objection, an equal number of opponents of the single tax arge on the contrary, that the revenues would be seen excessive above actual needs that it would lead to widespread corruption and the widest extravagance. What seems to be nearer the truth, however, is that the matter would adjust itself to a basis that would correlate with the law of rent, which law, when clearly apprehended, enables us to perceive in the coextension of growth existing between the revenues nece sary to defray the expenses of a developing community and the value which attaches to land by reason of the growth of the community, apart from any value confered by individual owners, a natural adaptation of the one to the other.

The most careful and conservative esti-The most careful and conservative estimates made by such practical men of affairs as Thomas G. Shearman and others, also goes to show that the revenue to be derived from the land values of a community, or a State, are amply sufficient to defray all the expenses of Government. The figures recently employed by Mr. Shearman are those used by Mr. Edward Atkinson in an adverse argument.

J. B. Sharpe.

Petersurag December 24.

Argument.
Pirrishung, December 24.

Mast Thomas Carregie's reception next Tuesday afternoon is in honor of her daugh-ter, Mrs. Oliver Garrison Ricketson and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. William C. Carnegie.

The invitations have been issued for the afternoon reception at Pennsylvan, the town house of Mr. Christopher L. Mazee, on Tuesday evening. January 6. It will be a dual function, the afternoon affair, from 4 to 6, being succeeded by an evening party for the hostess' nieces.

Unless somebody prods him with a sharp be guided by the gallant Kentuckian Mr.

An extra rehearsal of "Messiah" will be given at the Mozart Club rooms this evening, the final one on Monday morning previous to the concert. The orchestra, the soloists, and a full chorus will be in attendance. Nearly all the seats for the concert have been taken and those desirous to attend should obtain seats at once.

in the last few days. December 20-a man was examined for admission who had not slept a wink since three weeks previously. The man does not appear sick.

His appetite is good and he has an enormously strong constitution, as is evidenced tion of mind she must be burned as a witch.

Owing to the inability of the house committee of the Pittsburg Club to cut the reception room down to fit the carpet, the formal opening must be delayed a bit longer. If the building committee do not they should know that they have the sympathy and admiration of everybody in their present responsible position, which they fill so admirably. Words of praise are being repeated every where which should keep the ears of Mr. Frew, Mr. Park and Mr. Sewell in a very glowing condition.

MR. SYLVESTER H. SCOVEL has incontinently MR. SYLVESTER H. SCOVEL has incontinently braved the dangers of a playwriter's career. He has written a play called "Mrs. Pendleton's Four-in-Hand," founded on one of Mrs. Gertrnde Franklin Atherton's stories, which is said to have a very clever plot, indeed, Mr. Scovel is a member of the Sewickley Valley Club, and exemplifies the adage "Scratch an actor and you may find a playwright." The play will be produced likely this winter by Mr. Scovel's fellow members, with the young author in an important role.

PEOPLE COMING AND GOING.

J. W. Tuigg, of Dublin, is stopping T. A. and R. J. Gillespie, the contractors, left for New York last evening. Ex-Representative S. B. Cochrane of Kittanning took dinner at the Seventh

at the Monongabela House yesterday. Clerk Statler, of the Schlosser, has resigned and will succeed W. P. Castleman behind the counter in the Monongahela house. He was formerly connected with the Mononganela, and his friends are glad to see

Col. Thomas McAdams, through baggage agent on the Pennsylvania road, returned yesterday from a short vacation spent at Atlantic City. The Colonel has been running on the road 27 years, and in that time never met with a mishap.

Pittsburgers in New York

Why a Big Navy Should Be Built. To the Editor of The Dispatch: In the talk for and against a navy it is asserted that the European governments have spent millions in building warships that to-day would be of almost as little use

stant and how terrible Italy's poverty alor

ready for instant and terrible use (how instant and how terrible Italy's poverty alone prevented her demonstrating to us last spring), while we have by comparsion none. Changes and improvements are constantly taking place in all things, navies included, and to refuse what the present offers on the ground that the future may produce something better of its kind is simply puerile.

Let us have swift cruisers, then, and powerful battle ships of the most improved pattern, and have them now. If alterations should be required, make them or entirely rebuild. Arbitration, diplomacy, the spirit of peace and good will toward all the world are excellent, no doubt, and worthy this mighty nation of ours, but let it be borne in mind that the olive branch is far more potent in the grip of the silken glove when the latter covers the steel ganntlet. Suppose Chile were England or France? Let the Bering sea dispute, the Canadian fish fuss and the case of Samoa, when the Stars and Stripes were tramped upon by German soldiers answer. In those instances we arbitrate or resort to the glib toungue of the diplomat, not from fear, perhaps our because we lack the means of showing our strength and asserting our rights and dignity as a nation, while the little South American State we want served up at once and hot with gunpowder sauce. Perhaps she deserves a thrashing, but less eagerness to give it would be better till we are in shape to bestow a similar dose on countries of larger growth. Arbitrate first, fight afterward; only pursue the same policy with all, whether weak or strong.

all, whether weak or strong JACOR HERRINGTON. SHARON, December 24. CRISP AS SANTA CLAUS.

As a Santa Claus for the Democratic party

Speaker Crisp is not a dazzling success. WE hope that Speaker Crisp will have a merrier Christmas than he has given the Democratic party,—Indianopolis Sentin It looks as if there will be no snow for Christmas. Yet the fellows who were disappointed by Speaker Crisp will find it cold

enough .- Washington Post. SPEAKER CRISP will have a merrier Christ mas than some of the Congressmen who hung up their stockings for committee places .- Chicago Inter-Ocean. SANTA CLAUS CRISP has passed around his

Christmas presents *There are some misfits, but any Congressmen who are not pleased with what they have got can exchange their assignments for anything there is left .-

DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

Thesday at the McNaughton homestar, between Avon and Caledodia, aged 62 years. He was the author of "Sweet Belle Malione," for which he also composed the music. His most ambitious work was "Onaimda," a story of Indian life in the Genesee Veilley during the last century. It was published originally in London, and the author received high praise for its merit in autograph letters from Owen Meredith, John Bright, the Princess Louise, Teunyson, and many other distinguished persons. The poet was one of the last of the old McNaughton family that settled at Caledonia 100 years ago.

the Cumberland county bar, a Grand Army man, an active Republican and closely related to General

famous Socialist agitator, Lassile, died at Vienna, iged 72 years. She was the wife of Colonel wareka. JAMES TEEL, known as the tallest man in North-ern New Jersey, died at his home at Bridgeville

Nor never not nor tire, And grandpa bung his stocking up With mine beside the fire. Miss Bleecker-Mr. Codling only gets 10,000 from his uncle's estate. That's no great Miss Emerson (of Boston)-No: there are no excessive vibrations in that, certainly,

Guzlav-Who's your friend? Snooper-That's honest Jim Thor Gaziny-How much did he steal? From Soak's life one a moral draws That is not hard to lose, For when he gave up Santa Claus He believed in Santa Cruz,

"It is true," said Eve to the serpent, 'that I have a very circumscribed choice in select-ing a husband, but still I have one advantage in marrying Adam.'"
"What is that?" "He can't sit up and tell me I can't cook like hi

4

A HOLIDAY TREAT. A budget of the best things going in litera-

IN TO-MORROW'S DISPATCH. One of the strong features of the issue will

Another will be the inside history of the re-

INTERVIEW WITH CARLISLE.

Lincoln and Stanton

From the pen of Colonel A. K. McClure, who was closer than any other to the two great men.

GAME OF CHEAT MOUNTAIN.

And how Pittsburgers seenred the largest preserve in the world will be described. Here are some other strong features: ADVICE FOR NEW YEAR'S, By BOR BURDETTE.

BEYOND THE CITY, BY A. CONAN DOYLE. MYTHS OF MASHONALAND, BY CAPTAIN G. WILLIAMS.

NOTABLE DEAD OF THE YEAR, BY W. G. KAUFMANN.

STORY FOR THE YOUNG. BY HARRIST PRESCOTT SPOFFORD. STYLES IN CHINAWARE.

BY ADA BACHE-CONE. A page set apart for women and another for young people. Best facilities for gather ing the news of the world. Special cable

connection with every European Capital.

A new spaper and magazine combined. THE DISPATCH TO-MORROW

Will please every reader.

MARK TWAIN'S NEW STORY JANUARY 3.

The Dispatch.

ISTABLISHED FEBRUARY 8, 1846 Vol. 4s, No. 222. - Entered at Pittsburg Postoffice covember, 1887, as second-class matter.

Business Office--Corner Smithfield and Diamond Streets. News Rooms and Publishing House 78 and So Diamond Street, in

New Dispatch Building.

ASTERN ADVERTISING OFFICE ROOM 78, MIRTINE BUILDING, NEW YORK, where comoreign advertisers appreciate the convenience, one advertisers and friends of THE DISPATCH, hale in New York, are also made welcome.

THE DISPATCH is regularly on rule of Brentono's. Point Synary. Not York, and 27 Are de l'Opera, mais. France, micro mayone scho has been disap-ciated of a holel wave stand can obtain it. TERMS OF THE DISPATCH.

POSTAGE FREE IN THE UNITED STATES

TAILY DISPATCH, including Sunday, 1 year., 10 00 Daily Despatch, including Sanday, 1 m'th. 80 SUNDAY DESPATCH, One Year. 250 WEEKLY DESPATCH, One Year. 125

THE DAILY DISPATCH is delivered by carriers at

cents per week. PITTSRURG, SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 480. In an interview elsewhere the theory of the traction roads that they can do no better about furnishing comfortable as well as rapid transit is reduced sharply to its logical conclusions. Those conclusions are that great as the boon of rapid transit has been, the present agencies will simply

cannot give better seating capacity than they are now doing. It is ridiculous to expect that half the passengers will be content to go on hanging to straps or crowding the platforms for all time through a four, five or six mile ride. That is all right during an emergency, but it would never do to contemplate it as the permanent idea of the standard of comfort and safety in travel. Chief Brown puts the case quite uniquely when he says: "The trouble is there are too many people"-but that is a trouble that will grow as the city grows; so that unless the traction lines take the more obvious view that "the trouble is there are not enough cars," their inability to meet the demands for rapid and comfortable

transit will only be the more pointedly illustrated as time passes. It may be, as the managers say, they can do no better; but if they cannot the question of elevated roads to help them out will quickly come to the foreground. Meanwhile it would be well for Councils

to give attention to the subject.

A FULL EXPLANATION. A couple of years ago there was a decided agitation among Western farmers and cattle raisers with regard to the grip the "Big Four' of Chicago had upon the live stock and packing trade. It did not bring out material results, because the complainants were very much at sea as to what was really the nature of the trouble. THE DISPATCH pointed out at the time that the only thing which could prevent competition in the handling of live stock and the consequent reduction of the charges of middlemen to reasonable figures were discriminations in railway and stock yard charges. But after emphatic denials of such discriminations the matter died out, and the great Chicago firms kept

on their triumphant way. Recent disclosures have shown the exact value of those denials and made clear the source of the strength of these firms. The prompt disappearance of officials of the railway pool, when summoned before the United States Grand Jury at Omaha to testify with regard to violating the inter-State commerce law, is sufficient evidence to onvince the public that preferential rates in freights is one reason why these firms are able to control the live stock markets. The case is completed by the publication in Chicago of a contract between the three principal firms and the Union Stock Yards. Here we find that the great packers get a million dollars each to give up a competing stock vards enterprise which they started as a lever to act on the stock yards company and through it on the railroads; that they con-

business within 200 miles of Chicago

nish to the stock yards traffic aggregating at least \$2,000,000 in the next six years. As a consideration for this-which does not appear in the published contract-Mr. S. W. Allerton, who is in a position to know, states that they are to receive discriminations and drawbacks which will

enable them to do business at a profit, while outside firms can make nothing. With these facts before the public the rise of a few to egregious wealth and controlling position needs no further explanation. The corporate claim that combination prevents discrimination in such things is also sufficiently ventilated by the fact that these practices were supported by the railway combination organized "to enforce the inter-State commerce law" as clearly as the old "eveners" discrimination in the pooling era, by which these firms were started on the road to great fortune.

HILL'S DEFIANCE OF LAW. When THE DISPATCH, long before the announcement of Governor Hill's determination to hang on to the New York Governorship, pointed out the probability that he would keep Jones out of the place the conclusion was based on the obvious desire to exclude a dissatisfied Democrat from the inside of the State administration. Events have proved, however, that there was a more positive function for Hill to exercise. It was that of exhibiting

ting the law and courts at defiance in the interest of seating illegal representatives of his party in the State Legislature. Everyone who knew Hill recognized that in his mind partisan success would be placed above honesty or respect for the laws. But the length to which he has gone in defying the laws and the decisions of the courts is more than the public was prepared for, even from Hill. It is already on record that in each of the cases where the returns were manipulated in carrying out Hill's scheme to seat Democratic Legislators the courts have decided against him. Both Demeratic and Republican judges have agreed in their interpretation of the law; but that makes no difference, He has removed two county clerks for carrying out the order of the courts, and has capped the climax of his defiance of judicial decisions by pardoning Thomas J.

Welsh, who was sent to prison for running off with returns he was ordered to deliver to inspectors of election for correction. In this act Hill has completed the practical declaration that neither law, judicial authority nor honesty avail anything against his partisan determination to steal an elec-tion. A party organization in which such men as Hill and Gorman are supreme, is

one that honest and law-abiding citizens should carefully separate themselves from.

THE TROUBLE WITH INGALLS. Amusement and instruction mingle in the announcements from political sources East and West that if ex-Senator Ingalls had not, as one statement of the case puts it, been guilty of "cowardly desertion of his party principles," no one else would have been considered in the appointment of a successor to Plumb. But as Ingalls turned his back on his party the Governor of Kansas declares he is shut out of the

competition. This is especially interesting because the alleged "cowardly desertion" consisted in a single speech by Senator Ingalls at the close of his term, in which he expressed grave doubts as to a policy of legislation and administration which builds up great fortunes in the hands of the few at the cost of the masses. The fact that this was clearly a case of deathbed repentance, and that Ingalls has since flopped back very nearly into line, does not condone his sin with his Republican consure Rut such a criticism is able in its allegation that the policy of 125 creating millionaires by legislative and corporate favors-which Ingalis tardily and weakly antagonized-rests on party

principles. If this were true the fact would be a good deal more severe on the Republican party than on Ingalls. Such talk is all the more striking by its contrast with the laudations which the same party organs are giving to the memory of the dead Senator Plumb. The fact is that Plumb went miles further out of the party lines than Ingalls did. He opposed the McKinley bill in a speech and voted against it on final passage, while Ingalls carried it through. Had Ingalls demonstrate themselves inadequate if they gone the same length to catch the tide of

public unrest he might have been Senator to-day; but the McKinley bill would probably not have passed. These facts show that the real trouble with Ingalls is that of all men who have suffered defeat. Politicians cherish neither hopes from nor mercy for a politi-

cal lame duck. WILL NOT GO BACKWARD. The persistent antagonism of certain

classes of Democracy to the financial system created by the war administration is illustrated by the introduction by Senator Harris, of Tennessee, within two weeks of the opening of Congress, of a bill "to repeal all laws discriminating against the circulation of State banks." As there are no discriminating laws against the circulation of State banks, but simply a law laying a tax which prohibits all such circulation, the Senator's purpose is evidently to restore the old state of bank inflation, when a man who had a dollar bill in one State did not know what it might be worth in another. If it would not be an equal discrimination to enact that all State bank bills should be of a color, shape and texture radically different from the national currency, such a proviso would render Senator Harris' proposition comparatively innocuous. It might even, if it were not for the principle of the thing, be worth while to pass his bill,

in order to have a practical demonstration of the way in which people would refuse to be imposed on by payments in uncertain State bank paper. Senator Harris makes the mistake comnron to the Bourbon class of supposing that the wheel of progress can make revolutions backward. The people of the United States will never return to the fluctuating and local State bank after a quarter-century's experience of a paper

issue national in its standing and assured in its value. A COMPANION PICTURE, If that fellow feeling which makes us wondrous kind has its influence on communities. Allegheny county's affections should flow out toward Berks county Both have had recent discoveries concern ing the management of their jails which should make them feel like brothers in

misfortune. So far as the face of the returns indicate Berks county had a more flagrant case of entirely rotten jail management than Allegheny county; but, then, Berks had the advantage, or disadvantage-as you look at it-of an investigation in open court, in which all the details were brought out for the edification of the public. tract not to engage in any stock yards While some of the Allegheny jail subordinates were reported to cast the eye of ing Governor Hill."

the Berks jail was shown to have enjoyed their society in the cup which both cheers and inebriates. If any notorious convicts did not walk out of the Berks prison it

residence to quit. Allegheny and Berks also share the joy of having cleaned out the old fail management and put in new men. If they will both profit by the lesson of the necessity of constant inspection to prevent the growth of abuses and detect inefficiency, they will be making the best use of the

SPEAKING of Secretary Warmcastle's removal the Philadelphia Press remarks; "It has been a common thing in this State for those holding trusts of this character to retain the money which comes in for their own imporary advantage, and if ultimately paid up, there is usually no fuss made about it." Here is an intimation that the removed office-holder retained Government funds for his 'own personal advantage." The Press should give its authority for this grave variation of the statements, which have not been contra dicted by the administration, that his offense consisted of making a deposit of \$10,000 ex-

actly one day late. THE idea of suing the managers of theaters for the inability to witness the play caused by the presence of the over-shadowing bat is spreading rapidly. But it is doubtful if little things like suits for mages will reform the feminine idea of millinery. The only way to convince the a partisan and demagogue Governor setfemale mind is to impress on it that no woman of any fashionable or social stand-

ing ever wears a big hat in the theater. WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON seems to labor under the erroneous impression that the purpose of the fashionable universities is to teach students to become intelligen and valuable citizens. Mr. Garrison at his time of life should have a clear idea of the vital difference between what is and what

ought to be. WITH Holman as Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, Chicago will do wisely by planning her fair on the agreed scale of the money she can raise for the purpose from her own resources.

"IT is hardly to be expected," says the St. Louis Globe Democrat, "that Governor Humphrey, of Kansas, will appoint any man to the Senatorial vacancy who was defeated as a candidate for office in the last general ection." Probably not. But if the men so defeated should happen to be those best qualified for the place, does not this re-markable principle of selection furnish a decidedly adverse commentary on the in-telligence of prevailing political influences?

THE Bank of Spain wishes to purchase ten million dollars in gold. This is the opportunity for the silver magnates to convince the Spanish financiers that they can do as well or better by purchasing \$7,500,0:0 worth of silver, getting it coined into ten million silver dollars, and making an alleged \$2,500,000 profit on the transaction. *

A WHITE PLAINS, New York, jury

promptly found E. W. Field insane, the other day. This is rough on the Wall street

operators who have been rivaling Field's practices for years. Perhaps the White Plains view is that Field is insane because MR. CLEVELAND seems to be setting up

descent that makes him a representative at once of the Puritans, the Knickerbockers and the original Jerseymen. A STRIKING illustration of the foundation on which fame is created, is presented by the fact that although Jerome I. Case, of Milwaukee, who died recently, built up several great industries in his city, he was noted throughout the nation only because he was the owner of a great trotting horse for which he paid the neat sum of \$27,500. The contemplation of this fact is likely to give the thoughtful some very healthy

publicly declares that crime has increased 25 per cent in the population, it begins to time for the great figures in society and commerce to set for the masses the example o honesty and respect to the laws.

ideas on the exact value of fame.

manifest. But one principle seems to be prominent in the assignment of Democrats on the House Committees, and that is vo

THE "green yule" has become a fact: but the latter part of the proverb can be defeated by discretion and care. MR WERSTER FLANAGAN, Collector of Customs at El Paso, is at Washington with proposal to increase the efficiency of his mense line of frontier to protect against smuggiers; and as his Mexican confrere on the other side of the border-has 1,800 subor dinates, Flanagan thinks he out to have an equal force. He is not likely to get them,

but he will leave in Washingto doubted reputation of a man who knows what he is there for. COUNT TOLSTOI is varying his work for the relief of the starving Russian peasantry by denouncing railroads as disturbers of mercial equilibrium and impoverishers of the common people. The Count must

have been getting up material for a realistic plan of running railroads. SUNSPOTS have broken out to a violent degree in the columns of the esteemed

Rochester Democrat and Chronicle. As a re-sult we are justified in expecting a decided period of either storms or pleasant weather. LET us hope that the new Cabinet Chile is to have as a Christmas present will bring

her also the gift of peace.

IN EXALTED POSITIONS. MR. HOWELLS is to get \$17,000 a year for editing the Cosmopoli SPEAKER CRISP has gone to Americus, Ga., to spend the holidays. JOHN ROCKEFELLER'S son-in-law, C. R. Strong, has been appointed to the Chair of Psychology at the University of Chicago. SENATOR C. N. FELTON, of California,

s the richest of the new Senators. He has

\$1,000,000 to every three of Senator Stanford.

EX-GOVERNOR SAMUEL J. KIRKWOOD.

of Iowa, also ex-Secretary of the Interior, is now 78 years of age, but is hale and hearty. MRS. A. T. STEWART spent \$500 per pair for lace curtains, and the residence of Robert Garrett, of Baltimore, boasts curtains that cost \$200 a yard. GEORGE VANDERBILT is building a place

at Asheville, N. C, which will cost from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000. The basement walls are from 12 to 15 feet thick. GOVERNOR RUSSELL'S fondness for spot is most catholic, ranging from whist and billiards, at which he plays an intelligent game, to horseback riding and football. GENERAL W. B. TALIAFERRO, now a candidate for a Virginia judgeship, was in Congress 40 years ago, and 28 years of age was a Major of volunteers uuring the Mexi-

DR. F. W. LORING, now in Florence

was a major in the Federal Army during the

an War.

Red River expedition, but afterward transformed his sword into a mali stick and has become an artist of continental repute. GOVERNOR HILL will furnish a remarkable article on "The Pardoning Power" to one of the January magazines. It will not be followed by another article from the pen of Lieutenant Governor Jones on "Pard

Two or three hundred yards this side of Shobola station the truck runs at the foot of a precipice 75 feet high. On Friday, as Hess was walking along the track toward that high ledge of rocks, he saw a deer suddenly appear on the top, pause for a instant, and then leap from the precipice.

The rash animal kept his equilibrium in the air until he had almost reached the

OUTPUT OF LOCOMOTIVES.

Over Two Thousand Were Built in the

United States During the Year.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 .- The Railroad Gazette,

in its issue to-day, says: "From the returns of locomotive building by the private shops

-that is, all other than railroad shops-that

we have received up to this date, the output is less than it was last year. We can com-

pare the product of but 13 works in the two years, but these include all of the large

works. These show 2,123 engines built in

1891 against 2,240 in 1890, a falling off of a lit-tic less than 2 per cent. This is better than we had anticipated from the current reports, which have generally been that the shops

ere slack.
"The fact seemed to be that within the last

WATTERSON'S LETTER.

the Associated Press .- Washington Post.

HENRY WATTERSON will be called a Mug

on kicking against the Southern Speaker .-

riumph of the Hill-Gorman wing of the

Democratic party a notice that he won't be

allowed to write the Democratic platform

denunciation of Crisp's factional appoint-

ments, acceptance of the challenge and

warning as to the result of the contest, must

e taken as significant of the attitude of the

ANGER improves Mr. Henry Watterson

stick or some Democratic leader neglects to

Watterson becomes careless and indifferent

But of course we know what alls Mr. Wat

terson. He was not consulted .- Philadelphi

HAS NOT SLEPT FOR WEEKS

Strange Case Strays Into a Cincinn

Physician's Hands.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 25 .- The hospital physi

cians are on tiptoe of expectation awaiting

which has been brought to their attention

developments in a new and interest

Cleveland forces throughout the country .-

Peoria Transcript.

dence Journal.

LEAPED TO ITS DEATH.

the Hounds.

Hess is a track walker on the Eric Railway

min's address and the invocation to the Christ-child, both the inspiration of the children's governess. These were handed about, and while the little ones spoke in German, their audience was just as appreciative as if every word was understood. After this formal part of the programme everybody had a chance to inspect the gifts. The children found their toys of all sorts and kinds, arranged around on the floor under the tree. One side, devoted to Mary's gifts, had a full set of baby doll furniture, with baby dolls, lady dolls and boy dolls, a piano, a kitchen outfit, and a quantity of other feminine necessities in the world of babydom, while Benjamin had a steam engine, a couple of trains of cars, a full suit of armor, books, pictures, and all manner of things to tickle a boyish fancy. The rash animal kept his equilibrium in the air until he had almost reached the ground below, when it turned and fell on its side. The deer had scarcely struck the ground, where it hay crushed and stunned, when half a dozen yelping hounds appeared on the ledge. Their presence explained the deer's leap. Pressed by the hounds, it had preferred the dreadful plunge to being torn to pieces by the blood-thirsty dogs. Hess ran to the deer. It was alive, but helpless, and one hind leg was broken and one side crushed. Survival being ont of the question, Hess cut its throat. The deer was a 2-year-old doe, in prime condition, and Hess sold it to Butcher Wollner of this place, in whose shop it is now on exhibition. It weighed 150 pounds. Holiday Presents From Everywhere. On a table nearby were Mrs. Harrison's gifts, and all the members of her family, as well as many prominent people all over the country, were represented by valuable tokens. Three or four other tables held presents for the President, Mrs. McKee, Dr. cott, Mrs. Dimmick, Lieutenant and Mrs. Parker, Mr. Halford, Miss Sanger, and all

Parker, Mr. Halford, Miss Sanger, and all the household retinue.

The President yesterday presented to each employe of the house an order for a turkey or a pair of gloves. Mrs. Harrison added to this by a personal gift.

Russell Harrison came on from New York this morning, and was at the White House in time to eat breakfast with his parents. Mr. McKee arrived later in the day. The Day in Cabinet Circles. MRS. MARY MORTON had her Christmas tree par.y last evening. To-day the Vice President and Mrs. Morton ate dinner with their five daughters and a few friends. Secretary Blaine and Mrs. Blaine had a Secretary Blaine and Mrs. Blaine had a late dinner, at which were present Miss Hattie Blaine, James G. Blaine, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Damrosch.
Secretary Elkins spent his Christmas with his family at Elkins, W. Va.
Secretary Tracy Mrs. Wilmerding and Miss Alice Wilmerding formed a quiet family party at their residence on K street. Segretary Noble and his wife had as their only guests the Misses Haistend, sisters of Mrs. Noble.
Secretary, Mrs. and Miss Foster spent the

Mrs. Noble.
Secretary, Mrs. and Miss Foster spent the day quietly. They dined together for the first time since the Secretary's illness.
Secretary and Mrs. Rusk had the principal officers of the Agricultural Department at dinner with them to-night.
Attorney General and Mrs. Miller, their two daughters and their son had an old-fashioned Indiana Christmas dinner all together. gether. Postmaster General Wanamaker celebrated Christmas at Lindenhurst, his country place near Philadelphia, with members of his family.

New York's Poor Children Surprised A NEW YORK special says: At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon by Ollie Teall's own wasch he forgave Dr. Rainsford for all the things that clergyman has said and done against the Christmas Society. The last danger which Dr. Rainsford so gloriously forecast had passed, and the success of the mterprise was a certainty. Fifteen thousents in their arms and candy staining their ents in their arms and candy staining their mouths. There had been no panie, no disorder, so Ollie forgave Dr. Bainsford and fell to pitving him.

It was 10 o'clock in the morning before the 100 men and women under Ollie's superintendence had done the last thing necessary to the proper reception of the 20,000 and more guests which soon filled the big Madison Square Garden. It was a happy crowd, too, with a look of expectation and of hope in all eyes. Thousands of them had never been out of the tenement room and the crooked streets. Many, no doubt, had never before ventured down the dark, crooked stairways, and had observed the world only from those fire escapes stuffed with the flotsam and jetsam that is pushed outdoors to give room for human beings. In each hand, thin or fat, grimy or partly cleaned in honor of the occasion, was clutched a ticket—one of those tickets of many colors which Ollie Teal had sent out from the office where he has been sitting with his pretty typewriters for the last month. When Ollie sent out the tickets they were fresh and clean and altogether lovely. As, they were seen in the hands of the children to-day they were solled and crumpled. It looked as though some children had gone to bed with their tickets and hadn't allowed them to get out of their clutch for several days. None were sent away empty handed, and to thousands of poor children this Christmas will ever remain a red-letter day in their memory. IT may be like sarcasm to talk of principle where the influence of Gorman is so

FERAKS OF A CALLA.

t Rehaves in a Strange Manner Upon ti Death of Two Wives. HARTFORD, CONN., Dec. 25 .- In the family of sectiont Valley, is a very strange calla Hig of whom are now dead. His second wife of whom are now dead. His second wife died a few days ago. The calla has been in his home for a great many years, and this, in Mr. Searles words, is what it has done:
"The day that my first wife died there was a handsome blossom on the lily. That was over 20 years ago, and on the day that she was buried the blossom suddenly withered and died. In all the 20 years since there have been no blossoms on the plant, but on have been no blossoms on the plant, but on

have been no blossoms on the plant, but or the day my second wife died a rich, fine but appeared on the calla, and on the day of he burial it bloomed out beautifully."

TUNNELING UNDER NIAGARA Over Twenty-Four Hundred Feet of Sol Rock Has Been Dug Out. NIAGARA FALLS, Dec. 25,-The headin tarted from the portal and west from shaft No. 1 of the tunnel work met this afternoon No. 1 of the tunnel work met this afternoon. The distance excavated through solid rock, 200 feet beneath the surface, is 2.490 feet.

The time that has clapsed since the first sod was turned is 1 year, 2 months and 20 days, and since the first heading was started it is 8 months and 20 days. Other headings are expected to meet on January 26, 1892. The total number of feet of the first section of the tunnel excavated is about 6,000. It is expected that by February a start at lining the hole will be made.

Tramps Cannot Now Get More Than Thei Noses Over the Threshold. New York, Dec. 25.—Patent chains now hold the doors of Russell Sage's Firth avenue mansion. Without removing the chains the doors cannot be opened more chains the doors cannot be opened more than three inches. Through an opening of that size a serving maid to-day said Mr. Sage could not be seen by any one.

Two minutes later Mr. Sage walked down the broad steps, preceded by a detective. He entered his carriage, and the footman, closing the door with a bang, took his place beside the coachman on the box, and the boxes in including the took his place.

Chicago Tribune.] It must be a severe strain on a man lik Senator Peffer to carry the entire burden o representing Kansas in the United States

senate. He ought not to be compelled to de The Secretary's Eyes Are Open.

Peffer Carries a Big Burden.

New York Recorder. If there is to be a row with Chile one thing is certain—the Secretary of the Navy will be found to have both eyes very wide open.

His appetite is good and he has an enormously strong constitution, as is evidenced by the fact that he has not broken down under the strain of his long waking. John P. Roberts, the sleepless man, is a wealthy farmer from Adams township, and he is 43 years old. Several months ago, after a severe strain of work, he began to notice his loss of sleep, and his affliction at last became so bad that his friends decided that it was best for him to come to this city for medical treatment.

Over Eighty Thousand Acres Bought to Texas by a Boston Firm.

SAGE CHAINS HIS DOORS.

horses jingled their chains up the ave

Washington Post. 1 The Russell Presidental boom met the fate of all youngsters who skate on thin ice.

Avenue yesterday. George W. Adams of Meadville, J. R. Carey and wife, of Salem, and J. B. Henderson of Martin's Ferry, were registered

on easy winner. The meteorological condi have to be exceedingly frigid when this genial old statesman "gets left."-In