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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24,18;4.

A POLICY AT LAST.

From the Pittsburgh Telegroph. Undoubtedly one cause of the Repub. lican reverses last fall was that the party went before the country without any policy on the financial question. While most of the Eastern Republicans favored the earliest possible resumption of specie payments, and were especially earnest in opposing any further inflation of the currency, Western and Southern Republicans in Congress took an opposite view. The position of the administration was well understood to be in favor of decsive measures to bring division of opinion prevented anything like a united front by the party on the question uppermost in men's miads, and became the most important and influential of the causes that contributed and November. With the reassembling of Congress, an effort was made by bill that would command the united they uttered at the hotel. support of the party in Coagress, as well as meet the approval of the people at large. The Committee of eleven Republican Senators to whom the duty was confided of preparing such a bill represented every phase of financial opinion Resumption was represented by Sherman, of Ohio Edmunds of Vermont, Sargent of California, Conkling, and Morrill, of Maine, while the inflationists had on the Committee such champions of their theory as Morton, Ferry of Michigan and Logan. This was not very promising material, considering the way these Senators fought each other last session, from which to expect a harmonious conclusion; but it appears that they have reached it, and on Saturday the Committee reported to a full Senate caccus, with their upanimous recommendation, a Republican finance policy, embodied in a bill the leading features of which are as follows;

First-Free banking, to be open to all individuals and associations, without limitation or capital.

Second-The retiring of an amount of greenbacks equal to eighty per cent. of the amount of new national notes issued until the greenback circulation shall be reduced to \$300,000,000, after nor contraction of the currency, as about twenty per cent. is now required as bank Brunt requested his son to go around reserves.]

Third-The withdrawal and destruction of fractional currency and the substitution of silver coin, the arrangement to go into effect as soon as practicable. under direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, who is authorized to use sur. plus money for supplying silver coiu, and, if this is not sufficient, to sell the requisite amount of bonds of the new series to obtain funds for that purpose.

Fourth-The removing of the cost for the coinage of gold at the several mints.

Fifth-The resumption of specie payments to commence on the first day of January, 1879. The Secretary is authorized to use the surplus specie in the Treasury, but, if that is not sufficient, to sell bonds in order to obtain gold to pay Treasury notes. But this last provision does not, like the others, go into immsdiate effect. The Legal Tender act remains undisturbed.

This bill was agreed to by the caucus with only four dissenting votes, and will be reported to the Senate to-day. It will undoubtedly pass that body, and very likely the House, and in that event there is no doubt it will meet the approval of the President, as it is in conformity with the general topor of the recommendations of his late message.

The only immediate result of the bill will be the withdrawal of the abominable postal surrency and the substitution of silver coin. This is believed to be perfectly feasible even in the present condition of the finances. The Government is able to purchase and coin silver at a profit, and the substitution can be made at an early date. The estimate of the Director of the Mint shows a gain of specie coin and builion in the county in the last two years of about thirty millions of dollars. This, in connection with an annual pooduction of about seventy million dollars of precious metals affords encourag ement that the stock of coin may with favorable legislation, be accumulated to an extent sufficient to enable the resumption of specie payments to be undertaken and maintained by the time indicated in the bill the first day of January, 1879.

Manchester, N. H., December 15 .-To-day is the coldest of the season, The themometor is from ten to twenty degrees below zero. Reports from different parts of the State say that the and a couple of the hired men, with and forty miles, and at 12:15 he had cold is intense. At some places the myself, went over to the Judge's house. completed four hundred and forty-eight went over to the Judge's house. We saw a light in it, and I told my son miles.

THE ALLEGED ABDUCTORS SHOT DOWN WHILE and saw two men. I went back and CONVESSES TO ADDUCTING CHARLEY BOSS.

[From the New York Tribune] On Sunday night 13 inst. at about 9 o'clock two rough-looking men stepped into Winant's Hotel at Bay Ridge, a little village on Long Island, and called for liquor. They came ashore from a small black sloop, and after drinking. several times, left the hotel. The elder was a man of about five feet six inches in height, with light bair, and side whiskers and mustache. This was William Mosier, a bold river thief, well known to the police of this city. His companion was also a thief a man about the same height as himself, with red hair and a luxuriant red mustache. This man was known to the police as about a return to a specie basis. This Joseph Douglass. He appeared to be about 28 years of age, while Mosier seemed to be at least 45. Their appearance attracted no attention, and although while at the hotel they conversed in subdued tones, there was nothing to the political reverses in October in their manner which aroused suspicion. While drinking they seemed in the best of humor. "Here's luck!" said the Republican Senators to bring about a elder of of the two, and his companion the miserable wretch was gasping for on this financial question, and frame a it." These were the last words that

better understanding, arrange differences answered, "Here's that we may have breath, and said: "It serves you right. About a mile from Fort Hamilton been a very wicked fellow, I know. stands the modest looking summer resi. The girl curled her lip and made no dence of Judge Van Brunt, of the New reply. For over two hours, without York Court of Common Pleas. The priest or physician, the miserable fellow house is not occupied during the winter. | was left to die upon the cold, wet ground Adjoining it is the residence of Holmes Mr. Van Brunt asked him if he had Van Brunt, brother of the Judge and anything to say, and told him that he the two houses are connected by a burg- must die. Douglass replied that he was lar alarm. On Saturday night, Mr. a single man, and that Mosier, his dead Van Brunt and his son William were at companion, was a married man and had home. At about 2 o'clock yesterday five children. He stated to Theodore morning, Mr. Van Brunt was aroused Bergen that he had helped to steal from slumber by the sound of the bur- Charley Ross, and that he was in the glar alarm. He immediately called for buggy with Mosier when the boy was his son, and the young man, upon being taken away. "Mosier knows all about informed of what had taken place, rushed out of the house, armed with a pistol, and ran over to the Judge's restricted." His last words were: "Mosier dence. Upon approaching the house he lives in Philadelphia, and he knows saw lights moving from room to room, where the boy is You'll find \$70 in Without stopping to make further inves. my pocket. All I ask of you is to give tigation, he ran back to his father's me a decent burial. I've got a brother house and informed him that burglars and sister living, but I haven't seen them were at work in the Judge's residence. In over ten years. Give me a decent Mr. Van Bruot, although suffering se. burial. That's all I ask." verely from an attack of rheumatism. Charley Ross Abductors Positively Identified. sprang from his bed, Jressed very hastily and seized a double-barrel shot-gun. In the meantime his son called at the house of his father's employees, Wilham Scott and Herman Frank, and acquainted them with the fact that Judge Van Brunt's house was being robbed.

In a very few minutes Holmes Van Brunt, his son, and the hired men were on their way to the Judge's house. They proceeded carefully, and upon arriving at the mausion stationed themselves which no reduction of greenbacks is to where they could shoot the burglars take place. [It is claimed that by this | the moment they left the bouse. For provision there will be neither expansion | nearly an hour they stood there watchng the burglars as they moved from room to room. Finally Mr. Van

ceeded only a short distance before he

received a shot from Mr Van Brunt's

son. The man who received the first

and struck the burglar a terrible blow

man fell with the words, "I'm through"

His companion fell about 15 yards

from the house, and was writhing in

agony, when Mr. Van Brunt stepped to

his side. This was Joseph Douglass;

his dead companion was William Mosier

Douglass was in excruciating agony

when Mr. Van Brunt asked him if he

the entrails protruded, and his right

years of age, noted in his neighborhood

for strength and courage. His son is a

modest young man of 25. The old

gentleman told the tragedy as follows:

"I heard the alarm bell this morning at

about 2 o'clock, and I sent for my son

immediately. He took a lantern and

ran over to the Judge's house, where he

saw a light. Soon afterward he came

half before he died.

and open the back door. The son obeyed, but the nument he opened the door the burglars blew out their lights. They knew for the first time that they were in danger. Presently foot-steps on

the stairs were heard, and then two men by subscription in Philadelphia for the emerged from the cellar. "Stop and erection of a mammoth hotel, to be comsurrender or I'll shoot," shouted Mr. pleted in time for the centennial.

shots. Taking quick aim at the nearest president of the Baltimore and Ohio man, Mr. Van Brunt fired. The fellow roilroad, and his salary fixed at \$4 000 sbricked from pain and ran off. His per year. companion was by his side, and had pro-

Grain Inspection department bere, shot continued his flight through the vard until he came within range of Her-

man Frank's fowling piece. As he did so he was shot in the back, and fell. The other fellow driven to desperation turning upon young Van Brunt, pistol persons divorced by Young are seeking in hand, and aiming at his heart fired. redress in the District Courts. He missed his aim. "Stand, or I'll kill

you," shouted the young man, but the burglar leveled his pistol again. Mr. VanBruot grasped his gun by the stock upon the arm. The stock flew off, and the plucky young fellow drew a revolver and fired twice at the thief, while the on the first of January next, even at the ruffian was aiming at his head. The peril of their lives and advising other parishess to take similar action. upon his lips. In a few moments he

commanding all disorderly and turbulent persons in Warren county, Mississippi, to disperse and retire peaceably to their abodes within five daty, and refrain from forcible resistance to the laws, and submit themselves to the lawful anthority of said county and State.

had anything to say. From his abdomen

in each. Inglis, one of the foremost physicians of Michigan, died last evening of disease communicated by contact with a discased corpse at the hospital last week.

Newark, N. J., December 19 .- Weston was on the track again at five o'clock this morning, and started on his four back considerably excited, and said fundred and twenty-sixth mile in good there were burglars around. I dressed condition and excellent spitits. At condition and excellent spitits. At myself and got a gun. Then my son, 9:10 he had completed four hundred THE ELK ADVOCATE.

thought we would better wait on the outside, and we did for an hour. I got tired there, and took a look in the house

ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT BURGLARY-ONE told my son we had got to go for them. I requested him to open the back door and be did. Then we heard the burglars coming down stairs. They went down in the cellar and came out through the cellar door. As they did, I shouted, 'Stand, or I'll fire.' They fired two shots, and then I shot the man nearest to me. Then I gave it to his companion, and he yelled. They both got away a little space before they dropped. The young man died at about half-past five

to go in. He was a little nervous, and

'clock." By order of Coroner Jones the bodies were removed to the morgue in Brooklyn Mosier was found to have been shot twice through the back, and Douglass was shot through the right side, the charge making its way into the abdomen and inflicting a fearful wound. The sloop owned by the burglars was searched but the authorities state that no papers of interest were found.

The Dying Burglar's Confession

DOUGLASS AND MOSIER THE ABDUC-TORS OF CHARLEY ROSS-A GHASTLY DEATH BED SCENE-THE BURGLARS IDENTIFIED BY A DETECTIVE.

While Douglass was dying a crewd of anfeeling rustics gathered around him and coarsely speculated upon the approach of death. A servant girl, rough and uncouth, stepped to his side while It's just good for you." Douglass turned an appealing glance upon her, and with an effort replied: "Oh, Madam, I've

Philadelphia, December 15 - The following dispatch was received in this

city this evening. New York December 15,-To Jones Chief of Police, Philadelphia: Walter Ross identifies both the dead men positively. The other witness one of

WM. R HEINS Capt. Detective Police of Philadelphia The witness mentioned is Peter Calihan, who is employed in the residence adjoining that of Mr. Ross. It will be remembered that he saw one of the kidnappers in the neighborhood of the house before the abduction took place-

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Van Brunt. His answer was two pistol John W. Garrett has been re-elected

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Salt Lake City, December 12 -A Mormom Justice of the Peace, decided in a civil action that divorces granted by Brigham Young are valid. Many

New Orleans, December 15 .- The citizens of Caddo Parish have held a mass meeting, and denounced the returning board as conspirators to defraud the rights of the people at the ballot box; proclaiming their fixed purpose to install the respective officers elected

Washington, December 21 .- The President has issued a proclamation

Detroit, December 18 .- One year ago side presented a hideous appearance. Mary Robinson, of Ypsilanti, was His first ery was for liquor. "For the drowned within a month after obtaining love of God," he mound "give me a fifteen thousand deliars insurance on her drink of whiskey, quick, quick, quick." life. The Insurance Company contest The liquor was brought him, but as the claims on the ground that she obsoon as he touched it with his lips he tained the insurance in favor of her pushed it away, and cried for water. He husband with a view of suicide, thus derolled upon the wet ground and placed frauding the companies. The case was his hands upon his ghastly wounds, as before the courts for the past few days, if to stop the flow of blood which and yesterday was continued till Jangathered in pools around him. He lay uary. The companies in which the inthere slowly dying, but clinging to life surance was effected, were in the New until the end. It was two hours and a York Mutual and Home, New York, Michigan, of Detroit Five thousand Mr. Van Brunt is a man about 50

Detroit, Cecember 19 .- Dr. Richard

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