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New Reichstag Building Is Dedicated with Much Ceremony.

OPENING OF THE SESSIONS

Emperor William Presides at the Dedication of the New Reichstag--He Says That Recent Events Have Been Favorable to Peace in Europe.

By the United Press. Berlin, Dec. 5.--Emperor William, wearing a British uniform, visited the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York this morning and the two latter afterward returned His Majesty's visit an hour later. They then started for England. After their departure, Emperor William donned a Prussian uniform and prepared to open the reichstag. The radicals are furious that the monarch does not come to parliament. But His Majesty must go to the castle for the ceremony. The Emperor's address says that this shows how modest and unparliamentary plays in Germany.

"Honorable Gentlemen: In the name of my exalted allies I bid you welcome at the beginning of your constitutional work. You will transfer your labors to your new home, which, after ten years of earnest work, is now upon the point of completion, a monument of our national industry. May God's blessings rest upon the house, and may the greatest and welfare of the empire be the goal which you are called upon to work within its walls. I enter into your work with a strong interest in view of the economic and social political tasks which must be solved with your co-operation."

"Faithful to the traditions of our ancestors, my exalted allies and myself regard it as our foremost duty to the state to protect the weaker classes and to assist them in attaining higher economic and moral development. The duty of the state becomes the more imperative as the struggle for existence upon the part of certain sections of the people grows more serious. The federal governments will continue their efforts to promote feelings of content among the people by mitigating the economic and social conditions."

"But, if these efforts are to succeed, it appears necessary to oppose more effectively than hitherto the pernicious conduct of those who attempt to disturb the executive power in the fulfillment of its duty. Experience has shown that the existing legislation does not afford the means required to attain this end. It is necessary to supplement our common law and a necessary bill will be submitted to you without delay which, chiefly by extending the present penal provisions, will increase the protection of public order. I entertain the confident hope that you will lend your energetic co-operation to this serious task."

"Evils to be Remedied. His majesty next alluded to the prejudicial effect of the abuse of Boerse speculation upon national prosperity, and said that to remedy these evils a bill was being prepared which would probably be submitted during the course of the session. Continuing, the emperor said:

"The same is the case in regard to a bill which is intended to protect the trading community against competition which does not scruple to employ unfair means and which will contribute to strengthening confidence in business and commerce. In consequence of the change in the financial situation to the disadvantage of the individual states, which is the result of the imperial revenues, have lately been called upon to contribute to the imperial expenses. This oppressive state of affairs can only be partially remedied by an increase of the stamp tax and the opening of other fresh sources of revenue is indispensable. To this end a bill for the reform of the tobacco taxation will be submitted to you."

"To my lively satisfaction, confidence in the maintenance of European peace has been further strengthened during the last few years. Faithful to the spirit of alliance, we cultivate good and friendly relations with all powers. During the course of the last few months two neighboring empires have been deeply stirred by grave events. Germany has sincerely joined in the sympathy which was evinced on all sides, and which once more gave evidence of the solidarity of human feeling. The peaceful wishes, in the death of the emperor of Russia I deplore the loss of a friend and a tried co-operator in works of peace."

Emperor William's delivery of this speech was accompanied by impressive gestures. Several times he raised his voice and looked sternly around, especially at the passages in regard to the Armenian question and the revolutionists and during his pathetic reference to the late czar. His majesty afterward went to the Reichstag building in order to formally perform the ceremony of laying its cornerstone, which is combined with the dedication of the building and the formal opening of the new session of the reichstag. Immense crowds of people were gathered along the route and outside of the new building, and cheered the emperor and the German reigning princes on their way there and upon their arrival. Prince Hohenzollern, the chancellor, and Field Marshal Blumenthal, chief of the general staff of the Prussian army, who is about 84 years old, were accorded an especially warm welcome from the people.

Dedication Ceremonies. The dedication ceremonies passed off without a hitch. The scene was most brilliant. A large date had been constructed for the use of the imperial family and highly favored guests and over it was a canopy topped by the imperial crown. Beneath this canopy the emperor and empress and the German Princes were gathered. Opposite this structure were the military and other notabilities, as well as the members of the diplomatic corps.

The ceremony was a tedious affair, all the participants climbing down from the dais to the stone and giving it three taps. At the conclusion of this ceremony three "hoops" for the emperor were given, the band played the national anthem, and His Majesty and the imperial party retired to an inner chamber of the reichstag building. The crowds then gradually dispersed, while the emperor inspected the building thoroughly under the guidance of Herr Wallot, the chief architect. The absence of General Von Caprivi, the former chancellor, from today's ceremonies was much commented upon.

The new reichstag building, a monumental structure, has taken over ten years to build. On June 9, 1884, the foundation was laid by Emperor William I in the presence of nearly all the German princes and rulers. It stands on the east side of the Koenigs-Platz, a stone's throw from the Column of Victory, and covers 11,638 square meters. It has cost 25,700,000 marks to build and equip, of which 15,000,000 only were asked for under the first estimate.

WEST WOULD CAG DEBATE

He Makes a Speech in Favor of Closure Resolution.

TO STOP ENDLESS TALKING

Senator Lodge's Resolution Calling for an Investigation of the Action of United States Consul at Shanghai, Is Referred to a Committee.

By the United Press. Washington, Dec. 5.--The Turkish legislation has received the following communication in regard to the Armenian troubles: Towards the end of July last, and under the instigation of an Armenian, named Hampartoum, the men of ten Armenian villages, near Moush, formed separate bands and armed with guns, daggers, hatchets and other instruments, attacked the tribe of Dolkian, killed a few men of that tribe and afterwards fell on the tribes of Bekirah and Badikan. These bands burned alive Hadji, nephew of Emser Agha, one of the chiefs of the Bekirah tribe, and not only outraged Mussulman women of the village of Kull-Guzat, but also put them to death in an atrocious manner. Men were also tortured in a most ferocious way. Not satisfied with all these lawless and criminal proceedings the same bands burned also a few villages inhabited by Mussulmans.

Thanks, however, to the measures taken by the lawful authorities, the bands in question were dispersed and the insurgent chief, Hampartoum, as well as the priest Mighrich, of Kull-Killise, and other guilty persons, were arrested and brought before justice. The statement often published in some of the European newspapers to the effect that regular troops fired on defenseless men and women, is utterly untrue. No individual carrying no arms was killed. Twenty insurgents, having surrendered, were treated with all possible consideration and after their positions before the local authorities of Moush, were taken, they were left free. It was these twenty insurgents who indicated the place where the chief, Hampartoum and his accomplices were hiding themselves. The above facts show that among the insurgents only twenty surrendered and that, with the exception of the brigands who broke in revolt, no one else was ill-treated.

BATTILING WITH DISEASE.

Recommendations in the Annual Report of State Board of Health--Pollution of the Water Sheds.

By the United Press. Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 5.--Secretary Benjamin Lee, M. D., has submitted to Governor Pattison the annual report of the board of health. It is stated that under the new law the number of borough boards of health has now reached 417 and that much good work has been done by these boards.

The importance of collecting correctly the vital statistics of the state is commented on by the inadequacy of the force in the department of internal affairs is referred to as being the only stumbling block in the way of perfecting this work. The wisdom of establishing an emergency fund to be used in the suppression of epidemics has also been mentioned during the past year, especially during the floods of May 20.

The report urges that a liberal appropriation be made for the establishment of a thoroughly equipped chemical and bacteriological laboratory under the direction of the board.

The board's report says that the pollution of the water supplies continues to be a source of anxiety to the people of Philadelphia. Sixteen complaints have been received on this score, the principal being from Towanda, Nanticoke, Carbondale, Reading and Philadelphia. Appropriate legislation to control this great evil seems as far in the dim future as when the board first began to urge it upon the attention of our legislators. Public opinion is, however, now becoming so enlightened upon the subject that the board may safely hand over the agitation of reform in this direction to the people.

Trotting Association Decisions. By the United Press. New York, Dec. 5.--Among the decisions rendered this afternoon by the board of review of the National Trotting Association were the following: Crisp, Blot Joseph McDaniels, of Lancaster, Pa., application for reopening of racing case refused. Harry Adams, Youngstown, O., suspended.

Scarlet Fever Epidemic. By the United Press. Flemington, N. J., Dec. 5.--Scarlet fever epidemic at High Bridge, this county, which is combined with the dedication of the building and the formal opening of the new session of the reichstag. Immense crowds of people were gathered along the route and outside of the new building, and cheered the emperor and the German reigning princes on their way there and upon their arrival.

Commander Booth Very Ill. By the United Press. Chicago, Dec. 5.--The condition of Commander Ballington Booth, of the Salvation Army, has become worse during the last twenty-four hours and tonight he is reported to be dangerously ill.

STATE TOPICS CONDENSED.

The Bowmanites will erect a new church in Wilkes-Barre. Walter Leshinger has become manager of the great Oak Hill colliery, Upper Lehigh.

Carnegie's officials deny that his great steel mill will be moved from the Pittsburg region to Ohio.

Steven Valco, who was burned by gas at the Dorrance mine, near Wilkes-Barre, died from his injuries.

Allegedly city assessors are said to be paying 5 cents a name for signers against annexation to Pittsburg.

The Lukens Iron and Steel company, of Coatesville, has gladdened the hearts of its employees with a 19 per cent. increase in wages.

Frederick Frazer has been elected treasurer of the American Steel Casting company, Standard plant, at Chester, vice S. J. Williams, resigned.

Bishop Duke, follower of Evangelicalism, has been elected to the episcopate in the county. There were 156,000 in both factions eight months ago.

A new washery to separate the coal from the cinn banks, at Cortright, near Gilberton, to employ 150 hands, has just been completed by Madara, Hill & Co.

Pittsburg judges promise soon to decide the Amalgamated association's important injunction suit against the United States Tinned Plate association, to enforce scale wages.

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By the United Press. Washington, Dec. 5.--The feature of chief interest in the proceedings of the senate today was the short incisive speech of Mr. Vest (Dem.) in support of the closure resolution, which he had offered yesterday, but which he modified today so as to instruct the committee on rules to report before Dec. 15, a plan putting it within the power of the majority to force a vote on any pending bill, resolution or motion. Mr. Vest confessed to a change of opinion on the subject of unlimited debate and appealed to the senate to establish a closure rule if it wished to avoid public contempt and to keep abreast of the aggressive and progressive principles of the American people. His allusions to the tariff fight of last session to parliamentary black-malling by some senators and to the waste of time by others in reading or having read census reports, last year's almanacs and biographical sketches, were very pointed and somewhat amusing.

The resolution offered last Monday by Mr. Lodge (Rep.) calling on the president for information as to the surrender by the United States consul at Shanghai of two Japanese citizens, and as to the subsequent torture and death at the hands of the Chinese authorities was taken up, discussed for an hour and referred to committee on foreign relations.

Mr. Peffer's (Pop.) resolution instructing the judiciary committee to report as to the legality of the recent issue of United States bonds was, after remarks by Mr. Peffer, agreed to.

LAND BILL IN THE HOUSE.

The house this afternoon entered upon the consideration of the bill to permit railroad companies to pool their business under regulations to be established by the inter-state commerce commission.

The bill came before the house under the operations of a resolution reported by the committee on rules, making it the continuing order of business, every day, after the morning hour, until it shall have been disposed of, subject only to revenue and appropriation bills and reports from the committee on rules.

Previous to the consideration of this bill, the house passed in the morning hour, a bill to prevent the free use of timber on the public lands and to revoke all permits heretofore granted in certain states; also a senate bill making land warrants applicable to the payment of all classes of public lands.

The conference report on the bill to regulate the printing and distributing of public documents, which came over from yesterday, was finally agreed to by a vote of 136 to 95.

CIVIL SERVICE CHANGE.

It Is Likely That Storekeepers and Gaugers Will Be Classified.

By the United Press. Washington, Dec. 5.--Mr. Proctor, president of the civil service commission, had an interview with Secretary Carlisle and Assistant Secretary Curtis as to extending the civil service rules so as to embrace storekeepers and gaugers and others of the internal revenue bureau.

It was practically agreed to place storekeepers, gaugers and all clerks below the position of deputy collectors, in collectors' offices within the classified service. It is also probable, though not certain, that the 300 special agents to be appointed to collect the income tax, will be placed in the classified service. If this is done immediately, the appointments will have to be made from the list of the civil service commission. Otherwise the appointments will be made from the outside and the class of special income tax agent, placed afterward in the classified service.

LOOKS LIKE KID MURPHY.

A Young Tough Arrested in Wilmington Will Be Photographed.

By the United Press. Wilmington, Dec. 5.--Two strangers giving the names of John Callahan and James Shannon, arrested for smashing all the windows in the house of Lizzie Green, colored, and driving the inmates to the street in terror, were fined \$10 each in municipal court this morning.

Callahan bears such a strong resemblance to "Kid" Murphy, who is wanted in Chicago to answer the charge of murdering an election officer in that city, on the night of the last election, that he will be held until he can be photographed and his picture sent to Chicago for identification.

SUIT FOR INSURANCE.

Lieutenant Hambrough's Father Tries to Collect \$5,000 Pounds.

By the United Press. London, Dec. 5.--Major Hambrough, father of Lieutenant Hambrough, for whose murder Alfred John Monson was tried in Edinburgh last year, the trial resulting in the discharge of the prisoner on the verdict of "not proven" some time since instituted a suit against the Mutual Life Insurance company to recover 5,000 pounds on his son's life.

The jury in the case this afternoon returned a verdict for the defendants.

HOW A DEAD MAN VOTED.

Queer Story of Election in the "Moon-shiners" Whiskey Districts.

By the United Press. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 5.--A gentleman from Cleveland county, N. C., tells a queer story of how a dead man voted in his county at the recent election. The vote of No. 11 township was thrown out for irregularities. It seems that three men who were sick and unable to go to the polls in person, and three others "moonshiners," who were dodging the internal revenue officers, sent their ballots in sealed envelopes to the pollsters. The envelopes were

NEWS FROM EASTERN WAR

Rumor Afloat That an Armistice Has Been Arranged.

CHINA DREADS THE WINTER

Reported Terms of Peace Under Negotiation--Progress of Marshal Yamagata's Troops--Governor of Kin Chow Degraded--Li Hung Still in Office.

By the United Press. Shanghai, Dec. 5.--It is rumored here that a ten days' armistice has been arranged between China and Japan, and that the terms of peace, which are still under negotiation, are to include an indemnity and the formation of a buffer state consisting of the country now held by the Japanese.

China now fears the winter more than Japan, as the supplies of rice have been kept back too long. Hiroshima, Dec. 5.--A dispatch from Field Marshal Yamagata, dated Antong, Dec. 3, says that the Japanese scouting party sent in the direction of Ling-Shan-Kwan engaged the Chinese outposts on the summit of Moten-Ling on Nov. 15. Only one Japanese soldier was killed and three were wounded. The party was afterward reinforced and occupied a position at Sokoku, where it was attacked by the enemy in large force. More than forty Japanese were killed in this engagement. A company of infantry sent to reconnoiter Kwan-Tien and Sushan was attacked by a large force of Chinese on Nov. 20, at Taskow, and was compelled to retreat with the loss of several killed.

The detachments under General Tachibana and Colonel Nisayama have reached their destinations after meeting the Japanese authorities there having refused to allow them on board the steamer to land. The officials at Laku stated to the Red Cross representatives who had the misfortune to be wounded received the same treatment that was accorded to the wounded Japanese.

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CHINESE WOUNDED ARE CARED FOR.

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LI HUNG CHANG, IT IS ANNOUNCED, RETAINS HIS VICE REGAL POWER.

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EX-SPEAKER GROW OBJECTS.

Will Not Allow President's Message Resolution to Pass Unanimously.

By the United Press. Washington, Dec. 5.--Just before the house adjourned this afternoon Mr. W. L. Wilson (Dem. W. Va.), chairman of the committee on ways and means, asked unanimous consent for immediate consideration of a resolution discharging the committee of the whole house on the state of the union from further consideration of the president's message and referring the various paragraphs of that document to the appropriate committees having in charge the subject matters discussed.

By ex-Speaker Grow, congressman-at-large from Pennsylvania, interposed an inquiry to the speaker. "If this resolution is agreed to," he asked, "will it remove from the committee of the whole the president's message of disapproval?" On being informed by Speaker Crisp that it would be the effect of the passage of the resolution, Mr. Grow said "Then I object," and the resolution went over.

BRITTLER COMPETITION.

Striking Glass Workers Will Operate Against the United States Company.

By the United Press. Pittsburg, Dec. 5.--The striking flint glass workers, associated with the South Side business men, propose to erect a purchase of new glass plants which will be operated against the United States Glass company.

GRAND LODGE MASONS.

Result of Yesterday's Annual Election of State Officers.

By the United Press. Philadelphia, Dec. 5.--At the annual grand communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, held at Masonic temple today, the following officers were elected:

Matthias H. Henderson, R. W. grand master; William J. Kelly, R. W. D. grand master; Henry W. Williams, R. W. S. G. warden; George E. Wagner, R. W. J. G. warden; Thomas R. Patton, R. W. G. treasurer, and Michael Nisbet, R. W. G. secretary.

FOR BOOKS WITH GERMS.

Wilkes-Barre Officials to Cremate Diphtheritic Prints.

By the United Press. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 5.--The school officials of Wilkes-Barre will burn all school books found in homes where there is diphtheria.

Dr. W. G. Weaver, a member of the board of control, says the book is a good carrier of the disease.

HEARD OVER THE CABLE.

By the United Press. The Nicaraguan envoy to Great Britain requests the appointment of a minister instead of a consul to that country in order to meet the decrease of revenue and increase of expenditure, France will raise the succession taxes \$5,000,000.

The London Times, which was at first skeptical as to the reports of the Armenian massacre, now admits that the worst stories are true.

WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, fair; variable winds; becoming south.

KILLED BY FRIGHT.

Singular Death of Mrs. Ann Mullaney, of Carbondale.

By the United Press. Carbondale, Dec. 5.--When the engineer of the Saratoga express arrived at Seventh Avenue station at 6.22 a. m. this morning, he reported to Agent George Benton that he thought he had struck some one at the crossing, as he saw a dark form lying beside the track as he whirled by. Mr. Benton and several employes hastened back and found the inanimate body of Mrs. Ann Mullaney, an aged lady who resides on Brooklyn street. The remains were carried to the station and soon after were removed to her home, Mrs. Mullaney was on her way to early mass in St. Rose church when the accident occurred.

The probability is that the engine touched her slightly and this with the fright of the moment caused instant death, as her body showed no marks of struggle. She had a complaint of the lungs, but she was not ill. She ceased to be a native of Ireland and was 65 years of age. She is survived by four children, John, Michael and Mary Mullaney, of this city, and Thomas J., of Binghamton. Funeral will be held on Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

HAINES' THRILLING YARN.

Claims That Threats Have Been Made Against His Life Unless He Will Confess That He Is a Bigamist.

By the United Press. Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 5.--Morris Haines, the installment salesman, arrested on last Sunday, charged with bigamy upon the complaint of Mrs. Katharine Haines, of Philadelphia, while he was living with his second wife here, made a sensational statement today. He says a man had called to see him at the jail today and told him that if he did not admit he was a bigamist and the lawful husband of the complainant, he would be killed within a month. Haines also claimed that wife No. 1 had called and had told him that she would not let him do it if he would only admit the charge of bigamy so that she could obtain a legal divorce.

He denied his marriage to wife No. 1 and said the whole affair was a plot to injure him. The Philadelphia wife claims to have ample proof of his marriage to Haines, but emphatically denies any knowledge of the visit or threat of any one against Haines. The formal examination will be held in the police court tomorrow.

BURT REWARD MONEY.

The Cash Is Divided Among the "Old Sleuths" on the Case.

By the United Press. Doylestown, Pa., Dec. 5.--The arbitrators in the Wallace Burt reward case today divided the \$1,000 offered by the county commissioners for the capture of the murderer of the aged Rightly couple.

Gerber Ganges, the colored man who discovered Burt in the woods at Morrisville, was awarded \$485. The balance was distributed as follows: William H. Antoin, of the Philadelphia Record, \$104; Fred Epelheimer, of the Philadelphia Inquirer, \$145.50; and Charles Humphries, \$145.50.

GERMANY WARNS FRANCE.

Severance of Diplomatic Relations Threatened.

By the United Press. Berlin, Dec. 5.--Count von Munster, the German ambassador in Paris, has threatened the French government with a rupture of diplomatic relations, according to the Berlin Post.

This is the result of the recent charges made in the Paris papers that the attaches of the German embassy were carrying on an organized campaign of espionage in regard to French military and naval affairs.

TO LICENSE "JAG" DRUGGISTS.

By the United Press. Richmond, Va., Dec. 5.--The American Bottlers' Protective association at its session today adopted a form of bill to be presented to the state legislature to compel all dealers in retail preparations to pay a state license for the transaction for such business.

A POTTERY PLANT FIRED.

By the United Press. Trenton, N. J., Dec. 5.--The plant of the Egyptian Pottery company was partially destroyed by fire this afternoon. The flames were due to overheated kiln. Loss, \$15,000; fully insured.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

Leaking gas smothered W. H. Morrow, a Boston insurance man, in his office. By the fall of a stage scaffold in a Memphis theater seven men were hurt, two probably fatally.

For criminal assault on a little girl, Timothy O'Connell, an ex-clergyman, of New York, was sent to prison for a year.

As the result of a feud between Seminoles and settlers, five Indians were murdered in their cabin, near Santa Rosa, Tex., were murdered by outbreaks in ambush.

By the second dynamite explosion in a Huntington (Ind.) sewer, Henry Bain and Frederick Stalder were fatally injured.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

Mr. Bland is still hopeful of some free silver legislation. Rear Admiral Walker has been elected president of the Lighthouse board.

Chairman Sayers hopes to have all the appropriation bills reported before the holiday recess.

The scientific and technical force of the geological survey is to be included in the classified civil service.

The sentence of Lieutenant C. F. Norton, for running the cruiser Adams aground on the Pribilof Islands, in Berg Sea, has been cut down by Secretary Herbert to six months' suspension and loss of numbers.

FAMILY'S TERRIFIC TRAMP.

Husband, Wife and Five Young Children Walk 375 Miles.

EASTERN LEAGUE MEETING.

Delegates Meet at the Fifth Avenue Hotel and Discuss the Situation--Two Vacancies Next Season.

By the United Press. New York, Dec. 5.--The annual convention of the Eastern League opened at 12 o'clock today at the Fifth Avenue hotel. The delegates in attendance are: Buffalo, James Franklin; Providence, W. H. Draper, E. A. Johnson; Erie, Charles H. Morton; Syracuse, George N. Kuntzsch; Wilkes-Barre, E. Bogart, L. W. Long; Scranton, W. L. Jettis, J. A. Swasey; Springfield, Charles T. Shean and Thomas E. Burns.

The board of directors remained in session until 2:45 o'clock, when they adjourned. The chief business considered was as to the position in which Scranton now stands. Last year Troy resigned from the league and there were a number of bids for its franchise. Though other towns bid a higher amount than Troy, Scranton was awarded the franchise for the remainder of the season for the sum of \$500. Only half that amount was paid and the question which arose was as to whether the Scranton club should be compelled to pay it now, as in the case of a club substituting another during the playing season it does not acquire a new franchise. Each club at the commencement of the season put up a credit of \$250, and this amount was presumably kept back by the Scranton club until was decided whether Scranton would be awarded Troy's franchise. After very considerable discussion the subject was referred to the general meeting of delegates. The championship of the season was awarded to Providence, the other clubs standing in the order named: Syracuse, Erie, Springfield, Buffalo, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and Yonkers.

The Yonkers club was dropped from the league. There being one, with a possibility of two more vacancies, in the league, applications were received from Scranton, Rochester, Paterson, Bridgeport, Reading, Fall River and Toronto. It is expected that a representative from Newark, N. J., will be present at the meeting tomorrow to argue in favor of that city being admitted to the league. There is a disposition on the part of the league to purchase the Erie club and allow the club to retire. If this move is carried through it will make three vacancies in the league, the other two being Scranton and Yonkers.

Victoria, Who Was Rosina's Eldest Sister, Dies in England.

By the United Press. London, Dec. 5.--Victoria Vokes, who died yesterday, was the eldest and last member of the famous Vokes family of actors and actresses--Victoria, Frederick, Jessie, Fawdon and Rosina. Fawdon took the name of Vokes, the rest were brothers and sisters. Victoria went on the boards at the age of two years. The family made their debut in London in 1808 under the name of the Vokes. Children of the family came to America in 1872, and opened at the Union Square theater, scoring an immediate success. Fred died in London about 1882, and Jessie shortly after. In 1890 Victoria was called to London by her father's illness. He died shortly after and Victoria retired from the stage. She had since resided in Devonshire. Rosina died in January last.

Victoria Vokes was a charming actress and had an attractive and mirthful face.

Will Force Ingalls to Run.

By the United Press. Topeka, Kan., Dec. 5.--Cyrus Leland, Jr., chairman of the Republican state central committee and member of the national committee, today announced himself as a candidate for United States senator to succeed John Martin. The result will be for take part in the contest, and possibly become a candidate, as Leland's election would make his election two years hence impossible.

Guyed His Negro Bride.

By the United Press. Paris, Ky., Dec. 5.--Jack Howerton, a son of a prominent white person, arrived today with his negro bride, to whom he was married at Cincinnati yesterday. The depot was crowded and the saying was incessant. Becoming enraged he shot into the crowd, wounding Ed Coulman, a bystander. He was overpowered and rushed to jail.

Hospital for the Insane.

By the United Press. Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 5.--The state board of charities at its session today agreed to recommend to the legislature the building of another hospital for the insane in western Pennsylvania. It was also decided that the homeopathic school of medicine have charge of the treatment in one state hospital.

Played with a Bull Dog Revolver.

By the United Press. Hazleton, Pa., Dec. 5.--Three-year-old Willie Lebro was shot dead by his 6-year-old brother, Edward, at their home today. The children were playing with a building revolver when it accidentally exploded in the elder boys