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#### **ECKERT CHEATS** THE GALLOWS

The Murderer of Fred Bittenbender Dies From the Effects of Morphine.

PREFERRED SUICIDE TO HANGING

The Prisoner Seemed Resigned to Fate, and His Action Was a Surprise--Physicians Try in Vain to Revive the Dying Man .- The Coroner Investigates.

Wilkes-Barre, Dec. 8—Abraham Eck-ert, who was to have been hanged here at 10 o'clock this morning for the mur-der of Frederick Bittenbender, at Nan-ticoke, took a large dose of morphine early in the morning hours in an en-deavor to cheat the gallows, and died at 11.40 at 11.40.

Last evening Eckert seemed resigned to his fate and when his wife and chil-dren and other relatives called, took a long and affectionate farewell from them, bidding them to be of good cheer, for he was resigned and patiently awaited the course of the law. After



they had gone home, he retired to his bed and apparently entered a sound slumber. The death watch who was in the cell with him stated that he seemed cheerful and bid them good night, when he retired. He slept for several hours, but about 4 o'clock this morning seemed restless and it was noticed that he was ill. The physician was sent for and as soon as he arrived, pronounced it a case of morphine poisoning.

The hanging was postponed until 3 o'clock. The phsicians tried every means known to restore the man to consciousness, but their efforts were in vain.

Several theories have been advanced as to how the condemned man secured the poison, but none of them seem very plausible. One is that it was given him by some of his relatives, but his seems hardly probable for while he was tak-ing leave of them the death watch was with him and it would have been im-possible for him to have received a with him and to have received a possible for him to have received a possible for him to have received a package from any of them. Another theory is that he has had the poison secreted about his person for several days or weeks, but his could hardly be. Probably the most plausible theory is that it has been handed him by a fellow prisoner in the jail.

THE CORONER ARRIVES.

Coroner McKee was at once notified of his death and made his appearance at the county prison an hour later. A postmortem examination was held. The stomach, liver, lungs and kidneys were removed by the prison physician and will be submitted to a chemical analy-As soon as this can be accomplished the coroner's jury will reconvene after which an investigation will be made in order to ascertain if possible where the poison came from. Eckert's son called at the prison this afternoon for the remains of his fath-

er and then took them to his late home in Nanticoke, from where his funeral will take place tomorrow Before young Eckert left the prison the warden said to him. "Somebody has supplied your father

with poison. Do you know anything "I do not," he replied, "I never for a

moment thought my father wanted to die in that way."

Where the poison came from will in all probability remain a mystery for-

STORY OF ECKERT'S CRIME. The murder for which Eckert was destined to die today was committed in Nanticoke July 6, 1895.

The man whom he killed, Fred T. Bittenbender, was a manufacturer of mining drills, and he was known all through Luzerne county. He was a school director at Nanticoke, and took a personal interest in the schools. He applied to the public interests the same principles that made his business a success. He caused the appointment of Eckert as janitor of the State street school building. Complaint was made to Bittenbender that instead of attending to his duties as janitor Eckert was tending his flower beds and cultivat-

ing his garden.

Mr. Bittenbender, with another school director, George W. Gruver, went to the school at 9 o'clock on the morning of the murder. They drove there in a carriage and inquired for Eckert. there in a carriage and inquired for Eckert. Eckert was not here and the directors, driving back to his house, found him gardening. Mr. Bittenbender called to Eckert, saying, "See here. Abe; how it it you are not at the school house doing the work for which you are paid? You are paid for that work and not for digging your garden." Eckert did not appear to be angry, but coolly said: "All right, Fred; I'll 30 down and attend to it right away." Then Mr. Bittenbender and Mr. Gruver drove away.

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It was just a quarter past twelve when Mr. Bittenbender and his fath-er and George W. Floch were driving up Main street, near the First National bank. Eckert saw them and called from the sidewalk as he raised his fin-ger: "Wait, Fred; I want to speak to you a minute."

you a minute."

Mr. Bittenbender drew the carriage Mr. Bittenbender drew the carriage up to the curb saying, as he drew the reins," All right Abe. What is it?"

Eckert raised his left hand on the carriage and said, "I have been thinking for the past week that you have a grudge against me, Fred, and I don't like the way you spoke to me this morning. Why did you talk to me in that way?"

"Well," said Mr. Bitenbender, "you know that you are paid to do that work, and the board expects you to do it. Now, Abe, I'll tell you right here, if you don't like the work get out at once and let some other fellow do the work."

Without the utterance of another word from either, Eckert released his hold on the carriage, stepped backward and quickly drawing a revolver from his pocket in quick succession fired three shots at Bittenbender. Bitten-

bender fell headlong out of the carriage, dead. All three bullets took effect. One passed into his head at the forehead above the right eye, another entered his cheek, and the third tore the flesh off his breast bone.

Thomas Callary and John Regan saw the murder. They took hold of Eckert and brought him over to Justice Gruver's office. Then he declared that he didn't know anything about the death of Bittenbender. He was committed to the Luzerne county jail.

THE TRIAL.

The case was called on the afternoon of September 16, 1895, before Judge Woodward, and Eckert had no attor-Woodward, and Eckert had no attorney, and the court called on several to defend him, but the attorneys all declined. Attorneys J. T. O'Neill and P. M. Thornton agreed to conduct the case. They asked for a continuance, but the court refused the motion and Eckert was tried. The next day Attorneys McGowan and Dewart appeared in the case. The trial lasted all that day and the next up to 2.45 o'clock. The evidence offered by the state was about as above given. The defendants about as above given. The defendants did not deny the crime, but pleaded insanity, and that Eckert did not know what he was doing when he killed Bit-

what he was doing when he killed Bit-tenbender.

After being out twenty-three and one-half hours the jury came into court with a verdict of guilty of murder in

with a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.
Judge Woodward, on December 16, sentenced him to be hanged. The governor set the day for May 14. April 15 he granted a respite till July 1, and on June 20 he was again respited till October 8. On September 5, the day of the execution was fixed for the fourth and last time. Another respite was asked for, but the governor yesterday gave his final refusal and decided that Eckert should have to hang. And the condemned murderer took the And the condemned murderer took the responsibility off the sheriff, and by his own hand forfeited his life to the state.

#### **OUAY TALKS BUSINESS.**

Thinks the United States Senate Is Sufficiently Supplied with Millionaire Members-Words of Warning.

Washington, Dec. 8.-The attention of Senator Quay having been called to the interview with Thomas Dolan published in a Philadelphia paper of this morning said: "My views upon the connection between business and polities were mentioned in a speech at a Republican meeting in Pittsburg a few days previous to the presidential elec-

"I am opposed to the entire scheme of the National Business Men's League as disclosed by Mr. Dolan. Its basic theory is that organized wealth shall dictate high office and so take possession of the government. It will be met as stubbornly and overthrown as disastrously as was Bryanism. Bryan invoked the masses against the classes. The promoters of this league involve a class against the masses and all other classes. No league of business men or other men based upon wealth or other foundation, can erect a governing class in this country. In the United States senate we have millionaires and business men enough to serve all legitimate purposes. Senators are needed who have no specialties but who will act without special affinities.

for the interests of the country in gross "The people most deserving of repre sentation and most in need of legislative protection are the farmers, the small store keepers, the artisans, the laborers, and I stand by them and against this so-called league. I go into the barricade with the Bourgeoise and the men in blouses. In conclusion I do not believe that ten per cent, of the business men of the country sympathize with this league. There must be less business and more principle in cur politics, else the Republican party and the country will go to wreek. The business issues are making our politics sordid and corrupt. The tremendous sums of money furnished by business men reluctantly in most instances are polluting the well springs of our national being."

#### DINNER FOR HANNA.

The Republican Leader Is Honored

by the Congressional Committee. Washington, Dec. 8.-Mark A. Hanna was the guest of honor at a dinner giv en at the Metropolitan club tonigh by the Republican congressional com-mittee. The spacious dining room was tastefully decorated with ferns, palms,

and creeping ivy.

Covers were laid for fifty and aside from 37 members of the congressional committee present there were: Mark A. Hanna, General Horace Porter, of A. Hanna, General Horace Porter, of New York; General W. M. Osborne, of New York; Hon. H. C. Payne, of Wis-consin; Senator Thurston, of Nebras-ka; Senator Shoup, of Idaho; Senator Mitchell, of Oregon; W. B. Plunkets, of Massachusetts; Judge Long, of Florida: Mr. Wimberly, of Louisiana; Mr. Boyd, of North Carolina, and Mr. Dawss, of Illinois; Representative Roy. Dawes, of Illinois; Representative Bou-

telle, of Maine.

The menu was most elaborate and the The menu was most elaborate and the guests lingered over it from 7 to 10 o'clock. When the cigars were brought in, Hon. J. W. Babcock, chairman of the committee, introduced Mr. Hanna in a short speech.

Mr Hanna responded with much feeling and complimented the committee on its effective work.

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Other addresses were made by Messrs. Payne, Osborna, Thurston, Mitchell, Soup and others.

#### Big Bicycle Race.

New York, Dec. 8.—The second twentyfour hours of the six day international
bicycle race at Madison Square garden
was completed six minutes after midnight
tonight. Teddy Hale, the Irish champion,
still holds the lead which he acquired at
8 o'clock. The score at midnight (fortyeight hours) was: Hale, 770; Rice, 748;
Schock, 714; Forster, 701; Moore, 673; Reading, 701; Taylor, 683; Pierce, 672; Smith, 686;
Elkes, 505; Glick, 599; Maddox, 618; Ashinger, 625; Cassidy, 578; Gannon, 559; McLeod, 472.

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—The passenger department of the Pennsylvania railroad is being besieged with applications for sleeping cars to be side tracked at Washington during the inauguration of President McKinley. So far applications for 250 sleepers have been received, many of them coming from the west.

Enrihquake at Dunbar.

#### **NEWS FROM THE** ISLE OF UNREST

Insurgent Troops are Dislodged in the Vicinity of Punta Brava.

A TALE OF SPANISH BRUTALITY

Six Orphans Arrive in New York From Cuba -- Senor Thomas Estrada Pal ma's Opinion of Cleveland's Message -- A Document Depressive to

Havana, Dec. 8.—Major Cirujuda, having received information that a force of rebels had arrived in the vicinforce of rebels had arrived in the vicinity of Punta Brava, into the Havana province, started with his command in the direction in which the rebels were believed to be. The Spanish troops met the main body of the incurgents, 2,000 strong, at San Pedro, and engaged them in battle. The insurgents entrenched themselves behind stone fences, where they held their positions until nightfall, when they were dislodged and compelled to retire.

The Spaniards then returned to Punta Brava. They lost in the fight three privates killed and three lieutenants and twenty-eight privates wounded.

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Over forty of the rebels were left dead
upon the field.
New York, Dec. 8.—Six children of
the name of Valves arrived from Havana this morning by the steamer Orizeba. They were sent here by the Cuban insurgents. Three are boys and three are gits. Their ages range from two years to ten years. They were met by an aged Brooklyn couple, who are

relatives.

The father of the children, a planter, resided near Nuentas, Cuba. On November 17 he was arrested as a spy and after a short trial condemned to death. The Spanish officers agreed to permit Mrs. Velves to witness the execution. While she was on her way to the military camp the Spanish soldiers hurried him off. When she arrived at the scene of the execution and saw the lifeless body of her husband she swooned. The Spanish soldiers let her lie where she fell for several hours before they removed her to a near-by fore they removed her to a near-by tent. She died shortly after. The in-surgents heard the story, sought out the children and sent them here. Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 8.—A despatch from Havana states that Antonio Ma-

It is reported according to the spatch that Captain General Weyler has been wounded at the front. All news from the scene of the en-gagement is suppressed by the officials at the Palace.

DEPRESSIVE TO SPAIN.

New York, Dec. 8—Senor Thomas Estrada Palma, delegate of the Cuban republic in the United States, gave out a statement today regarding the reference by President Cleveland to Cuba in his annual message to congress, Senor Palma in his statement says:

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I think, that the message, generally speaking, is in a great measure very depressive to Spain as an independent nation. It supports the Cubans in their distrust of any promise whatsoever that the Spanish government can make to them, and pledges the guaranty of the United States as a security for any agreement which Spain may enter upon with Cuba. As to the inference contained in the message that the Cuban government has now given up all attempts to exercise its functions, I shall only mention the fact to prove the contrary, that immediately after the capture of Guaimaro by General Garcia, President Cisneros and his cabinet proceeded to the town and there issued and enforced various decrees, some of which related to the treatment of prisoners and to further military operations. This fact proves beyond any doubt that the civil government of the republic of Cuba commands the respect and obedience of the military authorities. It is idle talking to speak of autonomy to the Cuban people. They have framed a constitution for a sovereign nation; they have bravely fought for about two years to maintain that indicated in ing to speak of autonomy to the Cuban people. They have framed a constitution for a sovereign nation; they have bravely fought for about two years to maintain their independence, shed their blood in torrents, lost their dearest relatives and friends and forfeited their possessions to that just and noble end. Cuba has decided to get rid forever of the Spanish rule, and her people count neither their enemies nor the many patriots who daily succumb in the struggle. They go on, confident in the justice of their course, the firmness of their resolution and the protection of God. They realize, of course, that they are in the very center of free America, left alone to themselves, without a hand outstretched to them, but far from being discouraged, they feel convinced of their ultimate success.

#### MACEO REPORTED DEAD.

For the Sixth Time the Spanish Government is Cheered by News of the Death of the Leader.

Madrid, Dec. 8.—The Havana corres-condent of the Imparcial has sent a despatch to that paper which has caused rejoicing among the people of this city, who take it for granted that the statements made are true. The corres-pondent's claim that he has personally made an investigation of reports cur-rent in Havana of the death of Antonio Maceo, second in command of the rebel army, and the son of Maximo Gomez, the rebel commander-in-chief, and

found them to be true.

It has already been officially announced about six times that Antonio Maceo had been killed, and there have been rumors innumerable to the same effect. Heretofore it has been the custom of the Spanish officials in Havana to announce the death of Maceo whenever he defcated the Spaniards either in

strategy or open battle.

Havana, Dec. 8.—There was found among the dead rebels the body of a well dressed man, on which there were documents which lead to the belief that the dead man was the son of Maximo Gomez. Among the papers found was one on which, written with a lead pencil, was a confession that the writer had .committed suicide rather than abandon the body of Antonio Maceo. The war diary of Maceo was also found. In it there is an entry which says the rebels crossed the trocha on

December 4. It is concluded from these circum-stances that Maceo was killed in the engagement with Major Cirujedas' command. The news of his death has caused the greatest kind of a sensacaused the greatest kind of a sensa-tion in Havana. The loyalists are jub-ilant, believing that by the killing of Maceo a blow has been struck at the re-bellion that will result in its speedy suppression. The rebel sympathizers, though they dare not give public ex-pression to their views, apparently feel very despondent over the loss of the rebel leader, though a considerable number of them place little reliance number of them place little reliance on the truth of the news.

Steamship Arrivats. New York, Dec. 8.—Arrived: Edam, from Amsterdam. Salled: Trave, for Bremen. Arrived out: Teutonic, at Queenstown (last night's report an error); State of Nebraska, at Glasgow.

### SENATORIAL POSSIBILITIES.



EX-LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR LOUIS A. WATRES.

Colonel Louis A. Watres was born April ing. in 1882, solicitor for that county. In 21, 1851, at Mount Vernon, Luzerne county, the latter year he was elected to the state his parents being among the early settlers senate and four years later received a rein Lackawanna valley. As a boy he worked in the coal mines, but later, at regiment. National Guard of Pennsylvanical Company A. He was a strict pied positions of trust and at the same time studied law, being admitted to the Lackawanna county bar in 1878 and becom-

#### ECKEL'S REPORT.

He Has Considerable to Say In Regard to Financial Stringency and Makes Suggestions.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Hon. James H. Eckels, comptroller of the currency has considerable to say in his annual re-port about financial stringency and ceo has crossed the trocha with a large congestion and he makes remedial sug-gestions of interest. Amendments to the national bank act, looking to giving relief are proposed by the comp-troller. In propsing remedial legisla-tion Mr. Eckels says:

tion Mr. Eckels says:

It is respectfully submitted that legislation by congress based upon safe and prudent lines having in view the gradual payment and cancellation of the credit currency now maintained by the government and the issuance hereafter of all of such currency through the banks, with full responsibility therefore placed upon them, should be had at the very earliest practical moment. The results which would follow such enactments would be beneficial, and neither would monopoly be created nor favor shown thereby.

An exhaustive and interesting analy-

vor shown thereby.

An exhaustive and interesting analysis is presented in the report of returns received from banks as to the extent to which the use of instruments of credit enter into the settlement of wholesale and retail transactions in daily life. The conclusion drawn from these returns is that 67.4 per cent. of the retail trade of the country is trans-acted by means of credit paper; that 95.3 per cent. of the wholesale trade is so carried on; 95.1 per cent, of the business other than mercantile and 92.5 per cent, of all business.

#### LONDON COMMENTS.

Pall Mall Gazette Thinks Cleveland Has Left a Task for McKinley.

London, Dec. 8.—Commenting on the nessage of President Cleveland to the United States congress the Pall Mall Gazette says that, with regard to Cuba, the message will not please either the insurgents or the Spanish government; but there is nothing in the document

to displease Great Britain.

The Globe sees the usual amount of "Monroeism" in the message and says it believes that the incoming president will not be thankful to Mr. Cleveland for leaving to him the work of bullying

Berlin, Dec. 8.-The Cologne Gazette expresses hope that the proposals made by President Cleveland will be approv-ed by the Spanish government before a change in the United States adminis-tration shall take place, and adds that in is possible that the United States and Spain will reach an agreement which will pacify Cuba. The paper further says the president's suggestions in no way tend to lessen Spain's hon-

Death of a Veteran. New York, Dec. 8.—Nathan Webb, who participated in the war in 1812 as a water carrier to a regiment and who was a veteran of the civil war, died in this city this morning. He was 169 years old on Dec. 3. He was born in Delaware county, New York. He has always been strong and hearty, and up to last Sunday was in perfect health. On that day he was seized with a stomach trouble which resulted in his death.

The Corn Crop of 1896. New York, Dec. 8.—The 1896 crop of corn, now practically secured, is placed at 2,20,000,000 bushels, according to the December report of the American Agriculturist. While the crop is the largest ever grown, the amount of merchantable corn is probably less than any produced last year, owing to its poor quality.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today: Light Showers; Clearing by Night. Murderer Eckert Cheats the Gallows. General Weyler Reported Wounded in Battle with the Cubans, A Senatorial Possibility. Senator Quay's Warning Words. General Maceo Again Alleged to Be

Doings of Congress. Whitney's Weekly News Budget, Wall Street Review and Markets.

(Local)-Farmer's Alliance in Session Criminal Court Proceedings.

Editorial. Casual Mention. (Local)—Convention of Health Boards Whist Match Won by Local Players.

Tunkhannock in the Revolution, Trial List for January Court,

7 Suburban Happenings. 8 The Game of Whist. 9 Interesting Welsh Letter.

10 (Story)-"Puss-in-Boots." 11 Where Spain Sends Her Cuban Con-victs. Brougham's Jokes.

THE PERSON NAMED IN

12 News Up and Down the Valley,

#### STATE GRANGE MEETING.

Large Gathering of Patrons of Husbandry at Altoona-Address by State Master Leonard Rhone.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 8.—The State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, met in this city this afternoon, with a thous-and delegates, representing membership in the state of sixty thousand in attendance. Hon. Leonard Rhone, master of the state grange, presided. The afternoon session was largely tak-en up in receiving the credentials of delegates arranging a programme for the remainder of the week and in the de-livery of the annual address by Leonard Rhone. nard Rhone.

In his address Mr. Rhone spoke of the progress in grange work and the large increase in membership, there being organized during the year nineteen new granges with three hundred and sixty charter members and 1318 being initiated. Discussed the excellent financial condition of the order advistor.

ancial condition of the order, advising no change in the law for collecting rev-cnues; advocated the teaching of prac-tical agriculture in agricultural schools and colleges; referred to national leg-islation that benefits the farmer; urged the importance of pressing before the coming session of the state legislature the passage of the "tax conference revenue bill"; called atention to the in-equitable method of distributing the public school appropriation and sug gests that a bill be prepared and pre sented to the state legislature providing a just distribution of the appropri-ation; suggests a division of the school term into a winter term of five month and a summer term of two months; of the satisfactory progress and valuable work done by the agricultural depart-ment in the dissemination of useful knowledge among the agricultural class, and referred to the appointment of men to positions in the national deor men to positions in the national de-partment of agriculture who make di-rect war on agricultural organizations. At this evening's session the reports of J. C. McClure, of Westmoreland county; Lecturer W. F. Hill, of Craw-ford county; Steward J. P. Whipple, of Bradford county, and Assistant Stew-ard E. J. Tuttle, of Tloga county, were

read. A strong effort will be made to secure Worthy Master Rhone's re-election. He has held the position for twenty years, and it is thought will be retired at this

#### WANTS \$10,000 OR A HUSBAND.

Indiana Woman Sues Her Former Liege for Breach of Promise.

of promise against her former husband, Frederick Hiberly, a retired farmer, who is wealthy.

They were married a year ago, and soon after divorced, the wife taking the name of a former husband. He is 55 years of age, and she 25. Some months ago they were reconciled, and she alleges in her complaint that he promised to marry her again, but now

refuses to do so.

She asks for \$10,000 damages. They came here from Vermillon county, when they were first married.

#### MILLS IS IN HASTE.

He Suggests That the United States Seize Cuba at Ouce. Washington, Dec. 8.—Senator Mills, of Texas, will tomorrow introduce the following resolution in the senate.

Resolved. By the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled that the president of the United States is hereby directed to take possession of the island of Cuba with the military and naval forces of the United States and hold the same until the people of Cuba can organize a government deriving its powers from the consent of the governed and arm and equip such military and naval forces as may be necessary to secure them against foreign invasion.

#### STEEL POOL MAY DISSOLVE. Bellaire Company Withdraws From the Combination.

New York, Dec. 8.—The special cor-respondent of the Metal exchange at Pittsburg yesterday telegraphed that the Bellaire Steel company, of Bel Ohlo, had withdrawn from the

al of the concern meant the dissolu-

tion of the pool.

That dispatch was confirmed today from Chicago. Herald's Weather Forceast.

New York, Dec. 9.—In the Middle states today, cloudy to partly cloudy and slightly cooler weather will prevail with rain or snow and fresh to brisk variable winds, southeasterly to westerly, and possibly high on the coast, followed by clearing in the western district and probably on the coast in the evening. On Thursday, fair, cooler weather and fresh to light northwesterly and northerly winds,

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