TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 1897.

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KID M'COY WINS FIGHT

Creedon Throws Up the Sponge in Fifteenth Round.

THE SPORTS WERE THERE

Battle in the Puritan Club's Arena.

The Building Is Crowded to Excess. McCoy Backers Offer 3 to 1 on Their Favorite .- Jim Corbett's Opinion Before the Battle .- Both Men were Confident at the Start.

New York, Dec. 17 .- Norman Shelby, of Rush county, Ind., better known in pugilistic circles as "Kid McCoy," is undoubtedly the middleweight champion pugilist of the world. He met Dan Creedon, of New Zealand, tonight in the arena of the Puritan Athletic club at Long Island City, and after fighting fifteen lively rounds, made the foreigner throw up the sponge and acknowledge the "Hoosler's" superiority. Long before the big event took place the frame building in which it was held was crowded to excess. Bets were freely made with McCoy the favorite at 10 to 8. The "Kid's" wonderful science and self-possession were always in evidence, and these, combined with the advantage of height and reach, enabled him to outpoint his more stockily built antagonist. From the moment the men put up their hands in the opening round, McCoy's stock began to ascend. It was "boosted" so rapidly that at the end of the sixth round Mc-Coy's backers were offering 3 to 1 on their man. "McCoy is a wonder" was the universal comment when the fight was over, and no one, even those who bet against him, begrudged him his well won laurels.

Charley White, who trained Bob Fitzsimmons for his fight with Peter Maher, and later trained Corbett for his bout with Fitzsimmons in Carson City last St. Patrick's day, was one of most interested spectators in the arena. He watched every move made by both men, and when they had left the ring, he said: "In all my ring experience I have never seen such magnificent exhibition by a middleweight as that given by McCoy to night, and if Fitzsimmons is out of the business as a middleweight, the "Hoosier" has no peer. McCoy gave an excellent illustration of the improved style of fighting inaugurated by Jack Dempsey and improved upon by Jim Corbett. In tonight's fight he was not even hurried and now the best of us are simply guessing as to how good a man the "Kid" is. He has all the physical advantages and if he takes good care of himself it will be a long time before he meets with de-

CORBETT'S OPINION.

During the preliminary bouts Jim Corbett found time to express an opinion on the outcome of the main contest. "My opinion has been all along that both men are very evenly match-I have no preference. They say that McCoy has youth, height and reach, but if I may venture an opinion I must say that age does not count and I prefer ring experience. Now draw your own conclusions from what I have said. I am perfectly satisfied that you will see an excellent exhibition of the manliest sport ex-

The ring, which was pitched in the center of the club house, was about twenty feet square, and when McCoy barned this he said: "I don't mind fighting in close quarters, but I always prefer a twenty-four foot ring. However, I am quite satisfied with anything the club has arranged, and I believe I will win tonight."

Creedon was equally satisfied, and said: "The smalln ss of the ring does not matter, I will give a good account of myself, and have no hesitation in saying that I will win."

After the two preliminary bouts had been wound up satisfactorily. Mayor J. Gleason walked up the main aiste and was received with veciferous cheers. When he reached the ringside a dozen men lifted him and put him into the square in the circle. There were loud cries for a speech, to which the mayor replied. He said, in part:

PATSY'S WELCOME. Gentlemen, I am not John L. Suilivar nor McCoy nor Creedon. I am the mayo of this city and I bid you all welcome. This is the first time I have entered the fistic arena scientifically, but I can as sure you that any person who came here tonight to see a prize fight had better go right now to the box office and get his money back. This ring will be occupied only by men the take part in bexing

IN THE RING.

The curtain taiser was a six-round affair, in which Steve Flanigan, of Philadelphia, and George Ross, of this city, met at 105 pounds. They started in at a lively pace, Ross being the aggressor and in the first round he landed a hard left on the Philadelphian's face, cutting him about the eye

badly. It was give and take in the next three rounds, both boys getting about the ring in lively style, and the fight ing was fast. In the fifth round Fianlgan landed a hard right on the and Ross bled profusely. The Philadelphian played for the body and at the end had his man pretty well worked

out. Flanigan got the decision. Jack McKeck, of New York, and Jack Ward, of Newark, N. J., fought eight rounds at til pounds. The men merely sparred a round for several seconds. In the fifth they began to warm up and in the sixth Ward landed a couple of I ministry.

good swiggs on the jaw and continued to force the fighting throughout the next two rounds. He knocked McKeck up against the ropes in the seventh, but McKeck got back at him in the last round, when he jolted Ward's jaw two or three times . The referee declared the bout a draw,

CREEDON APPEARS.

Dan Creedon entered the ring at 9.53. He was accompanied by Joe Choynski, Tora Tracy and Benny Murphy. Creedon was in excellent condition and looked very confident.

Five minutes later McCay jumped through the ropes. McCoy's seconds were Homer Selby (McCoy's brother). Doe Payne and Tommy West.

Very little time was lost in putting on the gloves and the men shook hands at 10.10 o'clock. McCoy's advantage in height and reach were very apparent. Croeden was four inches shorter than McCoy, but he was stockily built and every muscle was clearly developed. McCov was in excellent shape and nodded in confidence to his friends n the seats and the ring near his corner. The announcer said the men would fight 25 rounds and if at the end of the twenty-fifth round the referee, Sam Austin, could not pick a winner, the men would continue fighting until the referee could give a decision. He also sald that the contest was to decide the middle weight cham-

plenship of the world. Round I-After some light sparring Creedon jabbed a light left on the chest.
Both swung rights but missed and
clinched. McCcy led a left on the mouth
and Creedon tried a return but fell rhort. They clinched near the ropes, after which Creedon put his right on the head. Mc-Coy looked to the referee for a claim of foul and Creedon took advantage of the action and put a left swing on his adversary's face. They resumed sparring and McCoy jabbed his right and left on the body while Creedon landed a hard left

uppercut on the face.
Round 15—Creedon's eye was fixed up with a plaster and he looked anything dsome when he came from his McCoy provoking kept Jabbing his left on the stomach, occasionally varying his tactics with jubs on the face. His advantage of reach was too great a handicap for Dan. McCoy in a rush up-percut with his left and booked his right on the law, flooring Creedon in his own orner. Dan took the full limit to get up and then clinched.

Creedon was very weak when he went to his corner and was unable to respond when the gong rang for the beginning of the sixteenth round. Choynski, seeing that his man was beaten, threw up the sponge, and as he did so the spectators broke into cheers and tried to jump into the ring to hug Mc-Coy. The latter's brother threw his arms around the Kid's neck and kissed him. McCoy playfully resented this salutation with a slap on the back.

McCoy, as soon as the announcer cried "McCoy wins," jumped across the ring and shook hands with Creedon, who acknowledged his defeat good-naturedly. When Creedon left the ring he was greeted with many good wishes, but McCoy held a reception for fully ten minutes before he retired to his

WIDOWS SAIL FOR KLONDIKE.

Nearly Half a Hundred of Them to Double Cape Horn.

New York, Dec. 17.-Fifty-five we men passengers for the Klondike are on board the steamship City of Colum-Seattle by way of Cape Horn.

One of the party said that the intention was to stay three years. "It will lack of nerve. After the drop had fallbe June at least before we will reach on the 600 spectators, as if moved by a the Klendike," she continued, "As soon single impulse, rushed forward calling, shall start for the gold fields. We have surged under the gallows and packed no settled plan. We will take hold on anything that there is money in, close view. The sheriff and deputies There's more gold up there than in New York."

Mrs. Gould, who is responsible for this exodus to the land of gold, was weeks ago by swallowing pounded among the last to arrive. The majority glass, of these women fortune-seckers are husband behind, and nine are spinsters. All of them have passed the age machine and that he had been per-

They will continue under the supermakes herself responsible for them to men passengers aboard.

HIS SIN DROVE HIM TO DEATH.

A Man Who Taught Another to Steal Committed Spicide.

New York, Dec. 17 .- When Albert Sommers was arraigned in court today on the charge of embezzling from the American-European Express company, the secret of the suicide of W. H. Bishop, a trusted employe of the tion of the tragic death of Bishop it is said by the express company offica conspiracy to steal, and, finding de tection unavoidable, had killed himself

and left Sommers to take the blame, The alleged embezzlements were said o amount to over \$2,000. The specific taking was \$374.

TO JOIN HIS PARTNER IN CRIME. Justice Overtakes a Fugitive After

Three Years. Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 17.-Bernard Schuster, a noted this f was lodged in jail tonight, to answer charges of robery and horse stealing, crimes committed three years ago. Schuster was

a member of a gang that operated ex-

tensively in Lebanon, Lancaster and

Dauphin counties. The charges against Schuster are robbing Groof's store, in Strasburg, and stealing a horse from D. M. Witmer. One of his partners in the crimes, John Brown, is serving a long

Maher Wants to Fight.

Pittsburg, Dec. 17.—M. J. Connolly and J. Quinn have deposited \$1,000 with the porting editor of the Pittsburg Dispatch, back Peter Maher against any man i he world for the heavyweight champio The Maher people will claim to itle if the challenge is not accepted with-n a reasonable time. The defi is aimed particularly against Sharkey.

Peruvian Affairs.

Lima, via Galvaton, Dec. 17.-The efnor Pedro Montt to form a cab-Orrego Luso is now trying to construct a

MANY OFFICES ARE NOW FILLED

A Batch of Consular Appointments Annonnced.

LATE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS

W. W. Thomas of Maine for Minister to Sweeden -- Hamilton King of Michigan for Sinm .- A Number of Treasury Officers Named.

Washington, Dec. 17.-The president today sent the following nominations

State-William W. Thomas, jr., of Maine, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Sweden and Norway. Hamilton King, of Michigan, to be min-

ter resident and consul general of the nited States to Siam.

James C. McNaily, of Pennsylvania, to e secretary of legation and consul gen-ral of the United States at Hogoia, Col-

Edgar O. Achorn, of Massachusetts, to be secretary of legation of the United States at St. Petersburg, Russia, Treasury—Nathan B. Scott, of West Virginia, to be commissioner of internal

John Peterson, of Minnesota, to be collector of customs for the district of Alin-James H. Cooper, of New York, to be

assistant appraiser of merchandise in e district of Boston and Charlestown,

Edward C. Duncan, of North Carolina. o be collector of internal revenue for the courth district of North Carolina.

To be consuls of the United States: George H. Moulton, of Colorado, at George H. Moulton, of Colorado, at Demersra, British Guana; Robert P. Pooley, of New York, at St. Helena; Jouis H. Ayme, of Illines, at Guada-oupe, West Indies; W. Stanley Hellis, of Massachusetts, at Lourence Marquez, Africa; Levi S. Wilcox, of Illinois, at Hankow, Chinn; Chester Donaldson, of New York, at Managua, Nicaragua; Robt P. Skinner, of Ohto, at Marseilles, gance; Frank W. Mahin, of Iowa, at efenenberg, Bohemia; Marshai Hat-end, of New York, at Birmingham, Engand; Harlan W. Brush, of New York, at liften, Ont.; Charles W. Merroman, of becomen, at Brockville, Ont.; Daniel E. eGinley, of Wisconsin, at Athens, recer; Lemuel W. Livingston, of Flora, at Cape Halten, Halli, John C. Bill-imer, of Indiana, at Zanzibir, Zanziber; only Dexter, of Bhode Island, at Leeds,

ev. Mexico

Interior—Richard Lebert, surveyor rea-ad of Colorado. raj of Colorado. Navy-Passed Assistant Surgeon Fran-is W. F. Wilber, to be surgeon; Paymus-er George H. Griffich, to be a pay inspic-or; Assistant Naval Constructors Robert Stocker, Frank W. Hibbs and Elliot Snow, to be naval constructors.

A large number of recess appointnents were also sent to the senate.

AWFUL SCENE AT GALLOWS.

A Mob Attending the Hanging of William Carr Becomes Hysterical.

Liberty, Mo., Dec. 17.-William Carr was hanged here today for the murde of Rolle Carr, a 3-year-old child, by his bia, which sailed this afternoon for first wife, whom he drowned last October. Carr presented a pitlable sight on the gallows, showing remarkable as the ice breaks up in the Yukon we crying shricking and laughing as they close around the daugling corpse for a dispersed the hysterical mob with diffleulty.

Carr attempted suicide about two

After the execution it became known widows. One woman leaves an invalid that a photographer had been admitted to the enclosure with a cinematograph mitted to photograph the closing incidents of the revolting tragedy. vision of Mrs. Gould after their arrival machine was in operation from the moin the Klondike, and Mrs. Gould ment Carr appeared in the enclosure until the body was cut down. When their employers. There are also 500 Carr was a prisoner in the county jail at Kansas City the same parties persuaded him to recite his story of the

rime into a phonograph Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 17,-Grady Rey-nolds and Bud Brooks were executed at Jefferson today for the murder of

M. C. Hunt, of Belton, Gn. Robbe was the motive. Brooks and Reynolds Reynolds negotiated with Hunt for the purchase of his stock of goods

Reynolds told Hunt the money was in the bank at Harmony Grove, and inempany, was disclosed. In explana- vited him to ride to that place with him. Midway, Brooks met the pair and the two committed the murder, als that Bishop had led Sommers into | robbed their victim of \$1,700 in his possession and buried the body.

The execution was remarkable in many respects. After the ride to the gallows, a distance of over half a mile, the convicted men were robed in white amount Sommers was charged with and permitted to speak to the throng of 1,000 people, who packed around the gallows enclosure. On the gallows the two men held a brief conversation, each inquiring after the other's spirit-ual condition. Among the twenty men who saw the execution were the three brothers of the murdered man.

New Paper Company.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 17.—The American Pegamoid company, paper and textian manufacturers, was incorporated reday with an authorized capital stock of £-100.00. The principal place of business in this state is Undercliff, Bergen county. The incorporators are: John R. Bartlett, Conrad N. Jordan, John T. Collins, John J. McCook, Gilbert I. Herbert, John A. Met'all, Joseph J. Byers, Thomas A. Met'all, Joseph J. Byers, Thomas A. Met McCall, Joseph J. Byers, Thomas A. M. Intyre, all of New York; Edward H. Haskell, Newton Mars.; Peter T. Austin. Brooklyn; Arthur W. Pope, Albert A. Pope, of Kostan, and Edward F. C. Young of Jersey City.

Shot by Her Husband.

New York, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Bannard Schultz, of Weehawken Heights, who was shot by her husband on Wednesday night, died today. Her husband, a wholesale tobacconist of Jersey, after shooting her, ommitted suicide. Schuitz was manne from business worry.

Colored Hoy Hanged.

Birmingham, Aia. Dec. 17.—Bud Beard, colored, aged 14 years, was hung at Car-rellton, Pickens county, at meen today, Beard assaulted the 8-year-old daughter of Ben Crocker, a farmer, in December.

NO MORE SEALSKINS.

The Bill Just Passed Congress Will Be a Blow to the Fur Industry.

Washington, Dec. 17.-It has develped that the bill relating to pelagic ealing, which has just passed both granches of congress and is before the president, contains a provision of far-reaching importance which has thus far escaped attention. This places an absolute prohibition on the further oringing of seal skins into the United States from any source whatever, As the United States is the largest mar-ket in the world for sealskins, this complete stoppage of the trade in this country will be a severe measure against the British and Canadian industries which take and cure the skins and then dispose of them largely in the

United States. When the bill was proposed it was generally supposed that its only purpose was to probibil American citizens from carrying on pelagic scaling. This feature was the only one to attract attention during the discussion. At the close of the bill, however, is a section which is not restricted to Americans, but applies to scabikins in general, "taken in the waters mentioned in this act," which includes the whole Pacific ocetin. The provision is as follows: "Section 9-That the importation into the United States by any person whatever of fur scalskins taken in waters mentioned in this act, whether raw, dressed, dried or manufactured, is hereby prohibited, and all such articles imported after this act shall take effect shall not be permitted to be exported, collector of customs for the district of Dawego, N. Y.

Alfred W. Brown, of Massachusetts, to States."

but shall be seized and destroyed by the proper officers of the United States." the proper officers of the United

Those who are thoroughly familiar with the bill say this provision is of far more importance in its effect than the prohibition against pelagic sealing by Americans.

KILLED WITH WEDDING NEAR.

Son of a Prohibitionist Gabernatorint Cundidate Meets Death.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 17.-John J. Cooper, aged about 22, in charge of the elevator in the Federal building, was fatally burt about 5 o'clock this even ing by the explosion of the acetylene plant in the basement of the building. He died shortly afterward in the hospital. He was the son of R. M. Cooper, of Cheswold, the Prohibitionist candidate for governor at the last election. He was to be married next Thursday to Miss Eva Carey, a young woman of Cheswold, and all the arrangements had been made for the wedding.

John K. Pollard, of Ohio, to be consul | Cooper went in the basement to put cheral of the United States at Mon- carbide in the generator. A moment later there was a terrific explosion that caused the posteffice clerks and other employes to rush pell-mell into the street. The lights in all parts of the building went out

Letter Carrier George Sasse entered the cellar to rescue Cooper, but a secand exidesion occurred, sending Sasse sprawling on the floor. Several other men were knocked down. Sasse was, to the court-yard. His skull had been erneked by the clamp cap of the hopper that had been blown from the top of the generator,

WOMER WITH THE COMBINE.

Son to Continue Father's Political Battles.

Lebanon, Pa., Dec. 17.—The Citizens' Republican league has directed an inquiry as to the anti-Quay sentiment in this county, and an investigation of Congressman Olmsted's record. The league re-elected John R. Fertig president, who at once appointed George B, Womer chairman of the executive committee. Womer is the son of the late Congressman Hon. E. M. Womer, and expected to succeed his father as the

ocal political leader. Friends of Mr. Womer claim that he can hold all his father's friends and ollowers, beside attracting to himself a strong element among the younger men. So strong is the feeling against Quay that some of the more radical of the Womer element are advising a centest at the primaries for congressional conferces, a proposition not regarded very favorably by Womer him-

The battle has already begun through the registration of E. E. McCurdy as a candidate for district attorney. Mc Curdy is General Gobin's law partner and is the Womer standard-bearer.

SLAVER OF TERRISS.

The Motive For the Crime Found in Letters.

London, Dec. 17 .- Richard Arthur killed Actor William Terriss, was ar- schools. A member of the family of raigned at Bow street police court tolay and remanded until next Wednes-A number of witnesses testified to the facts as contained in the dispatches. A letter found on the prisner was from Manager Latham, of the Adelphi theatre, regretting that he | trict Attorney John B. Williams. could not offer a part in "Secret Ser-

vice" to Prince. This is expected to furnish a motive or the crime. There were also letters from the Prince of Wales and other members of the royal family and Mr. Gladstone, thanking him for birthday

Small Shanty Burned. A small shanty, presumably a tool-

ouse, located near the Eric and Wyoming Valley railroad tracks at No. 5, caught fire about 2 o'clock this morning and burned down. No cause could be assigned to the origin of the fire,

South Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 17.—David ambert, aged 42. was murdered tonight at his home in Welton by two robbers whom he had surprised in the house. They had previously bound, gagged and chloro-formed Mrs. Lambert. After the murder they took Mr. Lambert's team and esaped. The team was later found near he depot here and it is believed that the murderers took a late train to New York

Boinny Guilty. Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 17.-Charles A. Boinay, who has been on trial for two weeks in the Fairfield county superior

Britannie, New York, for Naples,

court, charged with mutder in the first degree, was found guilty touight and he will be brought before the court next wife and two children. Puesday for sentence. Steamship Arrivals. New York, Dec. 17 .- Cleared: La Gasogne, Havre; Umbria, Liverpool; Ems. Jenos, Naples, etc. Marseilles-Arrived;

CARL SCHURZ IS RE-ELECTED

Made President of the National Civil Service Reform League.

HE IS CHOSEN BY ACCLAMATION

Other Officers Elected at the Meeting in Cincinnati Yesterday -- Resolutions Adopted Renewing Support of Civil Service Reform -- Report of the Treasurer.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 17,-The National Civil Service Reform league today reelected Carl Schurz president by acclamation. The remainder of the offiers selected are as follows:

Vice presidents-Charles Francis Adams, Roston; Henry Hitchcock, St. Louis: Henry Charles Lea, Philadelphia; Augustus R. MacDonough, New York: Franklin MacVeagh, Chicago: . Hall Pleasants, Baltimore; Rt. Rev. Henry C. Potter, New York: William Potts, New York: Rt. Rev. P. J. Ryan, Philadelphia, Secretary-George Mc-Aneny, New York, Treasurer-A. S. Frissell, New York. Executive committee-Carl Schurz, New York, chairman; Moorfield Storey and Richard Henry Dana, Boston; Sherman S. Rogers, Buffalo: William A. Aiken, Norwich; Edward M. Shepard and Willlam G. Low, Brooklyn; Charles J. Bonaparte, Ealtimore; Eccrett P. Wheeler, Silas W. Burt, Edward Carey, Charles Collins, Richard Watson Gilder, William C. Potts and Dorman B. Laton, New York; Morrill Wyman, Jr., Cambridge; William Dudley Foulke, Richmond, Ind.: Lucius II, Swift, Indiananglis; Herbert Welsh and Charles Richardson, Philadelphia; John W.

Ela, Chicago, The report of the treasurer, A. S. Frissell, of New York, showed receipts, \$4,254.95; disbursements, \$3,878.82; balance on hand, \$376.13.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Resolutions were adopted urging supsimeing any attempt by Republican ngressmen to repeal it or embarrass its administration as shameful breaches of the pledge made at the last national convention and declaring fur-

The league renews its previous declarations in favor of the repeal of the law prescribing four years' terms for many federal offices, the extension of the merit system to the consular service, and the municipal civil service of did the system of appointment and re- last year's, in two weeks 6.326.894 bumerit system was introduced; on the contrary, the protection with an asafforded to public servants should en- snels, against 5,449,181 last year. dent persons to provide out of their current earnings for the ordinary con-

tingencies and infirmity of old age." At the afternoon session there was a large attendance. "The municipal situation in Ohio," was presented by Judge Rufus B. Smith, of the superior court of Cincinnati. He said: large cities of Ohio constitute no exeption in bad municipal government.

They are no better and they are no worse, The paper on "The Democratic Party and Civil Service Reform," by Hon. Moorfield Story, of Boston, was read Charles Warren, secretary of the Massachusetts Reform club, in the ab-

ence of Mr. Story. Mr. Story's paper reviews the history if the agitation of civil service reform down to the passage of the Pendleton bill, and declares "it was a Democrat was a Democratic victory which peruaded congress to pass the bill." The league adjourned to meet in Bos-

BEATTY ATTEMPTS TO ESCAPE. Bold Plot to Get the Forger Out of

ton next December.

Jail is Thwarted. Stroudsburg, Pa., Dec. 17,-Bold but insuccessful plans to escape from Jall were made by T. Charley Beatty, the once prominent Chicago lawyer, former supreme secretary of the A. P. A., Prince, who last night stabbed and and ex-principal of Coldwater, Mich., Sheriff Learn overheard a talk between Beatty and his jail companion, Harry Howard, and upon investigation letters were found that were written in jail by Beatty to Howard. The latter afterward confessed the plot to Dis-

Bactty was recently sent-need to fifteen months in the Eastern penitentiary for forging a draft and will be taken to Philadelphia early next week. The plot to escape was to have Mrs. Howard visit the jail with saws.

SAD FATALITY AT PITTSTON.

First Day in the Mines is His Last on Earth.

special to the Scrutton Tribune,

Pittston, Dec. 17.-Thomas Cumyard, of West Pittston, aged 30 years, was aught between a car and a prop in the Clear Spring colliery, this morning at 11.30 o'clock, and was squeezed so badly that he died two hours later at the Pittston hospital.

It was the first day that he ever orked in or around the mines. Only two weeks ago he buried his wife. Wounded by a Confidence Man.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 17.—During a dis-cute at the Exchange hotel today, James Thiney, a widely known confidence man, ot and mortally wounded William Mc Shot and mortally wounded William Mc-Napara, of this place. The builtet passed through one of his victim's lungs. Before Chainey had run a block to escape be fell into a ditch and fractured nis right leg. McNamara is 25 years old and has

Died From Scalds.

Lancaster, Dec. 17.—Irwin Ditzler, the year-old son of Harrison Ditzler, at Varwick, died today from scalds re-sived by Allia. ceived by falling into a bucket of boiling

CASE OF MURDERER HILL.

Attorneys Still Trying to Save His Neck by Technicalities.

Pittsburg, Dec. 17,-Clerk A. C. Heron, of the clerk of the courts office empleted during the day two certified copies of the record in the case against Philip Hill, who, on Dec. 8 last caped hanging because his attorney appealed the case to the Supreme court. less than an hour before the time set

for the hanging. The attorneys have decided upor their line of action and will go into the Supreme court upon the merits of their case, just as though Hill had not een saved from the gallows at a

critical moment. When the case is called before the Supreme court, Assistant District Atterney John S. Robb will probably ask the court to quash the appeal, on the grounds that the date of execution was set and that it did not act as a super sedean because neither a Supreme ourt nor a lower court judge signed the appeal.

BUSINESS IS LARGE.

Payments Through Banks are Greater Than in the Year 1892 -- Produciions Eclipse Past Records. New York, Dec. 17.-R. G. Dun &

in its issue tomorrow: Close to its annual holiday halt, the business of the year is surprisingly large. Payments through banks are again 2.5 per cent, larger than in 1892. beretofors the year of greatest erity, the production of iron and woolos and boots and shoes, is larger than

o,'s weekly review of trade will say

ever before, exports ecliuse all past records, and failures for the two weeks have been the smallest in five years, Treasury receipts show steady increase for the first half of December over previous months, both n customs and internal revenue and heavy payments to government on Union Pacific account caused but slight ctremmency in money markets with preparation for large cancellation of bonds. The news of the week is the rise of merchandise exports in Novemher to \$116.630.200, the excess of "Xort of the civil service law and de- ports in four months being \$229.212.401, while in half of December exports are nearly as large and imports \$2,500,000 smaller than last year, when the excess of exports was \$58,205,366, Probably all records are surpassed by exports for this year, which have been \$974,600,000 in eleven months, and the excess over imports in five months has

probably exceeded \$289,000,000. Wheat is just now the backbone of foreign relations, the Atlantic exports in two weeks have been, flour includthe district of Columbia, and the con- ed 7,880,942 bushels, against 5,413,677 solidation of outlying with central last year, while receipts rose to 12.ostofliers. It expressly disclatins any 066,122 bushels, against 6,625,382 last dysency of civil service pensions as a year. The price gained a fraction in part of the merit system, which con- spite of the speculative decline in Chitemplates such pensions no more than cago. Corn exports continue to exceed moval by favor, prevailing before the shels, against 5.074,626 last year, which in a particularly significant feature. The price rose but a fraction, and resured tenure and desiring efficiency ceipts in two weeks were 8.023,001 buable them by the exercise of frugality cotton manufacture is in difficulty, due and forethought displayed by all pru- to production last year far in excess of demand, and to partial transfer of the demand to southern mills. While domestic and export sales have been large they are behind a production exceeding that of the best previous years northern and southern included, and the effort to straighten things by a reduction of wages, presumably involved a strike and reduction of output. Goods are generally weak and the range of prices is now the lowest ever known. the reduction in bleached goods, prints and wide sheetings having caused considerable increase in the demand.

The demand for woolen goods is increasing, and some mills are in the market providing for a greater production, though most are still waiting, and the wool market is remarkably dull, sales at the three chief points being 15,307,100 pounds against 18,100,-500 last year, 17,179,110 in 1895, and 16,who led the contest: he was supported by the leaders of his party and it to be held without change, manufacto be held without change, manufacturers are hunting for bargains and foreign wool in considerable quantity

le coming this way, Failures for the week have been 328. in the United States against 387 last

year, and 28 in Canada against 41 last

William Johnson Hanged. Covington, Tenn., Doc. 17.-William ohnson, who murdered Farmer William oyd on August 5 last, died on the scafold this afternoon. The condemned man walked quietly from his cell to the scat-fold, made a full confession, and died with a smile on his tips. Company R. Na-tional guard, state of Tennessee, was present to protect the prisoner, as there and been threats of lynching, but the soldiers were not needed.

Arsenal Keeper Resigns.

Harrisburg, Dec. 17. -Major J. W. Nes-oit, the newly appointed United States sension agent at Pittsburg, today agned as keeper of the state arsenal. resignation was accepted and he left for his new post. Lieutemant William F. Richardson, of Mahanoy City, foreman at the arsenal, was placed in temporary arge and will be promoted to keeper on return of Governor Hastings from

Hot Spring, Va. THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today:

Showers, Followed by Fair. General-Creedon Meets His Waterloo in the Prize Ring Congressional Doings.

The President Makes Many Appointments. Schurz Re-elected President of the Municipal Reform League. Local-Mrs. Amerman Success as

Local-Social and Personal, Saucy Bess' Comments. Local-Legality of the Board of Con-

Van Horn Argument for a New Trial.

Local-Alderman Millar Would Like to the death of a brother of a Juror. The Know Where He Is At. Violent Death of a Montrose Boy.

Local-West Side and Saburban, Lackawanna County Happenings, Religious News of the Week.

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1 Sunday-School Lesson for Tomorrow. Status of Affairs in Ireland Today, Neighboring County News. Financial and Commercial.

THE DEBATE SPIRITED

Use of Alcohol is Discussed in the Senate.

DIVERGENCE OF OPINION

Bill Passed for the Relief of the Klondikers.

Senator Stewart Brings Extracts to Sustain His Assertions Made Agninst the Administration. House Completes the Consideration of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation Bill. A Financial Discussion Awakened.

Washington, Dec. 17 - A spirited deate was precipitated in the senate today by the submission by Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, of the report of the special joint committee of the senate and house appointed to investigate the use of alcohol in the arts. It developed that a wide divergence of opinion exists among senators as to the practicability from the point of view of government revenue of r ducing the present tax upon alcohol used in the arts. The eport will be further considered when printed. A joint resolution accepting the invitation of Norway to participate in an international Asheries position next year was passed. Under a special order 128 private pension bills were passed. The session closed with exercises in memory of the late Wil-

liam Steele Holman, of Indiana. The senate passed a bill for the re-Her of the Klondike miners, which went through the house yesterday. During the debate on the alcohol question, Mr. Stewart (Nev.) rose to a question of personal privilege to reply to a charge, which he said had been made against him by Mr. Chandler. He referred to the assertion of the New Hampshire senator that he (Stew-art) had misrepresented the militude of the administration on the financial question. He had extracts read from the statement made yesterday by Secretary Cage before the house committee on banking and currency to show that the administration was o the gold standard. He contended that this statement fully confirmed all that he had said, and further that it manifested a determination to place the control of the currency in the hands of the banks giving them all the advantages and exacting from them no security. The senate ad-

journed until tomorrow.

IN THE HOUSE. The house today completed the conaderation of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, exceptmg to paragraph relating to the civil service. By agreement the debate on this latter paragraph will go over until after the holidays. Two amendments of some importance were adopted. The bill as reported abolishes the assay office at Deadwood, S. D., and the mints at Carson City, Nev., and New Orleans, La. Today the representatives from the two former states made a vigorous and successful fight to continue the appropriations for Deadwood and Carson City, The house

miners in the upper Yukon to conference on proposed amendments. The speaker announced the appointnent of Messrs, Hitt (Rep., III.), Adams Rep., Pa.) and Wheeler (Dem., Ala.) regents of the Smithsonian institute. The debate on the appropriation bill drifted into a financial discussion. Mesars, Newlands, Bland, Cox. Bings ham, Dockery and others took part.

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cetary Gage's testimony before the banking and currency committee as a frank statement of the position of the administration. He had avowed his adherence to the gold standard as against bimetallism and his whole bill was designed to uphold and perpetuate that standard. This completed the consideration of the bill with the exception of the par-

Mr. Cox (Dem., Tenn.) spoke of Sec-

when full debate would be allowed. This was agreed to and the committee rose. At 4 50 p. m. the house adjourned.

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Mr. Pingham asked that this question

go over until after the holiday recess

Attempt at Train Wreck. Chicago, Dec. 17.—An unsuccessful st-empt to wreck the fast mail train from New Orleans to Chicago on the Bliness Central was made last hight near Alma, Six pieces of fish plate from four feet load were placed across the track at a place where the embankment is very steep. The train struck them widle running at a race of fifty-five miles an hour, one of the plates being out completely in two. For-tunately the engine did not leave the track. The motive was presumably rob-

Prosecutor Intexicated.

Lancaster, Dec. 17.—Chartes R. Grubb, the well known from master, failed to ap-pear before Judge Brubeker testay to prosecute William Liebold, a messinger boy, formerly employed by him, charged with forging checks to the amount of 51.— 25. The court was informed that Grubb 215. The court was infermed that Grubb was intexicated. The sheriff found him at home, but unable to move him, is keepng guard and hopes to have him in con-

dition to appear tomorrow. Rateliffe Case Postponed.

hearing will be resumed on Monday next. The Herald's Weather Porceast.

New York, Dec. 18.—La tuo midilia states and New England, today, clear, much colder weather will prevail, with fresh northwesterly winds becoming high off the coast followed by a "cold wave" and minimum temperature of about 29 degrees in the Delaware valley tonight,