## **NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA**

TAXPAYERS APPEAL

Settled by Payment of \$11,000 to Attorneys for the Taxpayers. Special to The Scranton Tribune

Towanda, Dec. 24.-The case known as the taxpayers' appeal was yesterday settled by the payment to L. M. Hall and E. Overton as attorneys for the taxpayers, the sum of \$11,000. This sum was divided equally between horace Horton and John Wolf, ex-commissioners, and Job Griffin and J. L. Ellsbree, bondsmen of ex-Commis-

sioner W. K. Green. of the judgment of \$37,178.91 against on Tuesday, December 26. Horton and Wolf, and the judgment of \$28,742.35 against Green, awarded by Judge Archbald on Sept. 6, 1899. On April 27, 1897, the then county the report of the county auditors. On tendance was large, May 15, 1897, an association of taxpayers filed an appeal against the same auditors' report. The case was heard by Judge Archbald, on Scranten, without a jury and his report filed on Sept. 6 last, found for the tax-

payers the amount given above. The agreement to settle bears date of Dec. 5, 1899, and was approved by Judge Archbald on Dec. 7. Under it the ex-commissioners and their bondsmen are to save Bradford county harmless from all claims of the architects of the new court house, Lehman and Schmitt, of Cleveland, and neither party is to file any bill of costs. The taxpayers pay the court record costs. The document is signed by the attorneys for the taxpayers, the excommissioners and bondsmen and bears a receipt for \$11,000 and the approval of County Commissioners H. M. Spalding and E. M. Pitcher.

Judge Archbald's approval reads: "The above settlement is entirely approved. The case is one very properly to be compromised. While I did not see my way to do other than I dil with it, I recognized that the judgment which I felt compelled to render was in some of its features a harsh one, and I am gratified that the taxpayers of the county by the compromise agreed to have it from

this charge." It is estimated that attorneys' fees and other expenses to be charged this fund will make it net the county about \$9,000. The claim of Lehman & Schmitt was nearly \$2,500. The original surcharge upon the commissioners by the county auditors was for \$5.818,-06. Of this amount Contractor Bradwho built the new court house, paid back \$3,530.80, leaving a balance of \$2,287,26,

#### FOREST CITY.

Special to The Scranton Tribune. Forest City, Dec. 25.-Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kennedy returned Friday from Cold Springs, Pa., where they had been attending the funeral of Mrs. Bert Gager, a niece of Mr. Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Nell are re-

joicing over the birth of a son. James Ording is home from college for the Christmas vacation.

Saturday to spend the holidays. Mrs. G. A. Shepherd is seriously ill at her home on Main street.

The grist mill near the Eric railroad station, formerly owned by Edwin Corey, has been rented by S. S. Hubbard and wil be opened and run by H. H. Finn, of Unlondale, in the near

Mrs. Elizabeth Jones,of Welsh settlement, is a guest at the home of John L. Harris, on Delaware street.

The school board has unanimously passed a resolution to establish a night school for the benefit of pupils who are unable to attend school during the regular school hours. The school will be kept open at least two hours every evening and will open January 2, 1900. The household effects of Sheriff-elect

Maxey have been shipped to Montrose. The family will remain in town at the home of Mrs. Maxey's father, Mr. Thomas Brown, until the latter part of the week. Mr. Maxey will take charge of the jail Monday, January 1, 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Maxey will be greatly missed here and the best wishes of a host of friends will follow them to their The Montrose Democrat prints the

following: "H, W. Brown, of Forest City, came over to the county seat on business Thursday and while here gave the Democrat a pleasant call. He reports Forest City as being in a wonderfully prosperous condition, and all her business men doing lots of business. The coal mines are running strong, and her board of trade is alive to the fact that much can be done for They have recently secured the location there of a silk mill by a man from Paterson, who purchased the old car shops for his purpose. Later another man was there from Paterson to look up a location for another and a larger silk mill. N. wonder things at Forest City are 'looking up.' And it's a matter of interest to our whole county.

#### SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Special to The Scranton Tribune.

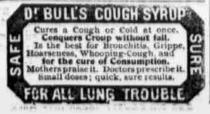
Susquehanna, Dec. 24.-Two masses were Tombucted this morning in St. John's Catholic church, with a large attendance, Rev. P. F. Broderick, the pastor, preached an able and eloquent sermon, and the reinforced choir rendered several selections in an excellent manner. There was the usual very liberal Christmas offerings.

The Knights of Columbus have added an elegant piano to their Erin avenua

The Baptist Sunday school enjoyed tree and Christmas exercises in the Church on Saturday evening. Merchants report a heavy holiday

In the Sayre Catholic church, by the Rev. James Kilogley, on Wednesday last, Thomas J. O'Neill, of Susquehanna, and Miss Anna Laux, of Sayre, were united in marriage. John O'Nelil, brother of the bridegroom, groomsman, and Miss Eva Laux, slater of the bride, was bridesmaid. There was a large attendance at

the Christmas exercises held last even-



nue Methodist Church, Oakland side. Diamond Brothers' minstrels appear in Hogan's Opera house on Saturday

evening to a good business. Hundreds of former Susquehanna ople are "at home," to spend the holidays.

Keystone Hook and Ladder com pany. No. 1, will hold its annual ball in Hogan Opera house on Friday evenng next. Doran's full Susquehanna orchestra will furnish mucic, and Res tauranter Lanner the supper,

Prof. John A. Sophia, of Susquehanna, will conduct a fair and must-This sum was taken in settlement | cal convention in Thomson, beginning

Christmas commenced in Christ Eplasopal church at 11.20 o'clock on Saturday evening, with fuil exercises, fol- youth 1 or 2 moons ago. lowed by a free Christmas supper at commissioners filed an appeal against an early hour this morning. The at-

Newton A. Croft, tenor soloist, assisting in the services in Christ Episcopal church last evening and this

rganize a clas in dancing in Susquehanns, January

The stockholders of the First National bank will elect directors on Wednesday, January 16.

The week of prayer will be observed in the several Evangelical churches of this place, commencing January Congressman C. Fred Wright and family are spending the helidays at

their home in this place. Mrs. Trucy Adams, of Auora, Illinois, who was called here by the death of her mother, the late Mrs. Polly A. Allpaugh, returned home last

Revival meetings are being held in the North Jackson Methodist church. Prof. H. J. Hisk is spending the holldays at his home at Palantine Bridge.

A series of extra meetings are in progress in the church at Lakeside, this county. Much interest is being

There is a contention between the authorities of Thomson and District Attorney J. H. Jones, of Lackawanna county over the possession of \$10 in cests and a revolver found on the body of Davis, the Mayfield burglac. who was killed at Ararat by Landlord Mrs. Barertt, of Lakeside, Jackson,

has become totally blind from entaracts. She will go to Philadelphia and undergo an operation. The annual meeting of the Republi-

can county committee will be held in Montrose on Tuesday, January 2, for the purpose of completing the county organization or 1900, etc. Our Congressman Wright has been placed on the committee on agricul-

Forty-five tons of poultry were shipped from Mentrose this week.

#### FIRE IN PITTSTON.

Handsome Frame Building on the West Side Badly Damaged

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Pittston, Dec. 24.--A handsome new George Cavanaugh went to Scranton frame building, owned by Mr. Tyrrell, at the corner of Wyoming avenue and Third street, West Pittston, was completely gutted by fire about 10 o'clock last evening.

> The building was a three-story one, and the ground floors were occupied by J. D. Monie's grocery store and Ira az soon as you think he iz pacifide & DeWitt's meat market,

Two families reside above the stores. The inmates were in bed at the time and awoke to find their rooms filled. with smoke, and with difficulty made their way out, scantily aftired.

a good start. The framework of the awl bad building still stands, but the inside is completely ruined, with fire, water and cowboy that acktid az my presepter

smoke. The loss to the building and stock will probably reach \$7,000 or \$8,000. At tire him out & thus proov that man a late hour the fire was still on, but waz spoperier 2 the brute kreashure. the two Pitision companies, together with the West Pittston firemen on the like that 2 a dum beest & desided 2 scene, had it pretty well under control uze moral swashun but the erley eduand prevented any spreading of the kashun ov the critter wazat mutch on

#### Not a Surprise.

It will not be a surprise to any who are at ail familiar with the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, to know that people everywhere take pleasure in relating their experience in the use of that splendid medicine and in telling of the benefit they have received from it, of bad colds it has cured, of threatened attacks of pneumonta it has averted and of the children it has saved from attacks of croup and whooping cough. It is a grand, good medicine. For sale by all druggists, Matthew Bros., wholesale and retail agents.

#### CHECK ON INDIAN SHOWS.

Government Will Lend No More Red Men for Exhibitions.

Washington, Dec. 24 .- A new departure in the policy of the department of the interior is emphasized by unequivocal refusals which have met all recent requests for loans of Indians for exhibition purposes. Secretary Hitchcock and Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones have determined to stop the abuses of the privileges, Mr. Jones said:

"There will be no more Indians permitted to leave their reservations for wild west exhibition purposes. They cannot obtain the consent of the Indian bureau for their exhibition, save It be along the lines of showing the progress in Indian education. The day of the department's permitting Indivis to be let for wild west shows and such affairs is past. It demoralizes the Indians, many of whom would dress in citizens' clothes and otherwise conform to more civilized ways but for the dollars and cents there is in continuing in their old customs."

#### Grogan Shot by a Negro.

years of age, was shot and instantly killed on Third avenue, Elizabeth, N. J. by a negro named Frederick Davis. The murderer was not arrested. Grogan, who had been drinking heavily, quarreled with the negro in a saloon and again on the street. The negro drew a revolver and shot Grogan through the breast, killing him instantly. The sheeting was witnessed by a number of people, but no one attempted to arrest Davis, who ran



### Lightning Rod Man On an Automobile

Berleen, Dec. 12,

My Deer Mr. Editur:-

Were you 2 see the riter 2 day you wood scarce gess it waz the same hansum, debonare sitizen ov the U.S. who left Amerika in the brite Lexington ov

I am a fizzikal reck. I am no longer the helthy spesimen ov Amerikan az when last you witnest me but a broozed, mamed, cortplasterd bundel ov fracktured bones &quivvering flesh.

I hav rid in an awtomobeel! In an ungarded moment I axsepted Prof. Flood, of Binghamton, will an invitashun 2 go out with an agt. who iz selling them or rather was selling them hear in Berleen.

Ever sints I 1st red ov the awtomobeel I hav hankerd 4 a chants 2 mount 1. I no longer hanker. In fact I am ov the hankerin business awl 2 gother. 2 be kundid, I amv2 week even hanker & when "yures trooly" cant hank you kin bet enormus wads ov wellh that he iz pritty far gone.

Tho I hav never bin in a steem bote xpleshun or a rale rode reck, I hav a buckin bronko when the a 4 sed buckin bronko waz in hiz hay day & I hav awise fell off the steepil ov a Bapchurch while erectin a litning rod, az thay say in gecometry: buckin bronko iz 2 a buckin awtomobeel az a teeny, weeny mice iz 2 a rinceruss.

Wood that my powers ov deskripshun waz ekwal 2 my subject!

The Inglish langwidge iz voluminus the xtreme, in fact at both xtremes, flatter myself enuff 2 think that az a genral thing I can summon words ? xpress my meening but I konfess that

at present I am at see. Mr. Editur, did you ever dreem that you waz bein inisheatid in 2 the Masons, the Odd Polleze, the Elks & evrey other lodge by sekrit sosletys at once! & that 40,656 gotes was buttin you in 40,000 diffrent & distinkt spotz on yure Well, I hav, & woke up 5 seart 2 deth. swimmin in a cold. clauspersperashun, but if ever I due agen a sackastick grin will disport itself on my classick feetures & will chortle in my glee az 1 remarkt, in a placid tons,"Kentelmen, due yure wust, it is child's play. I hav rid in an awtomobeel!" & az 1 poor gote after anuther butz itz brainz out, brakes horn after horn & bites the dust at my feat I will state in a voise, chokt with emoshun. "4 shame, futoor bruthers, 2 mangel & assassinate theze poor innocents beests; fun iz fun but brootality z rampant. The butter in German estaurants iz stronger than theze; besides, I hav rid in an awtomobeel?"

The animal itself iz as innosent lookin a critter az you ever lookt at. It Cotto Cornessi. fust looks like an ordinery wagon with bycicle weals and the shave snipt off but in this respect he regembels the awl around the lot, up the front walk on 2 the plazza & in 2 the settin room & hees as gentel as a kitten, but jest tgot awl about buckin there is where yure kalkulashun iz dekrepid & figgers

As I sed be 4 he waz az gentil az a kitten but when you try 2 mount him he haz reecht man's estate & there iz home for the holidays. The fire started in the cellar, under no more harm in him than there iz in the grocery store, and the flames and a wild kat. There seams 2 be an insmoke soon communicated with the herited desire in the bronko 2 bar the floors above. Delay and confusion on Progress ov sivilizashun & ruin the the part of the firemen gave the flames | morels ov church goers. Yet he iz not

> The first time I rid a bronko the told me, in konfidents, that the only way 2 4ever subject the beest waz 2 I thawt it was brootal 2 due enything

> the morel swashun plan, I judge, 4 he

refused 9 be swazed.

As I sed bed he iz not awl bad the I admit that the biggest majority ov him is inklined 2 be trecherus. what I wanted 2 say is this: after you are once in the saddel you don't remane their indefinately; in fact, yure stay iz quite breef. You part company. Yure quondam (my prefrents iz 2 axsent the last sillabel) frend starts you on yare upward jerny & then leeves you; yet, while you are still in the air, so kwick duz the bronko think that he seams sorry he haz left you so bruptly & desides 2 meat you 15 way &, sooting the thawt 2 the axshun, duz There iz no dowt abowt it, he ments you. & there iz no necessity 4 the onlookers 2 inform you that sutch iz the case you will redily realize it ere the specktaters tell you about it. Then, just 2 proove he can due it more than once he repeets it add libitum (French

4 sevral more times.) 2 look at the back ov a bronke it appears 2 be a nice konfortabel seat, but abowt the 8th time you've left it & he cums up 2 meat you it begins 2 feal like a razer & along abowt the 27th ime you land it feals az the the razer was honed between times, Along about this time the everthawtful bronko, feering that it is becumming monotinus & 2 proov awlso that he iz versatil & haz other tricks up hiz leeve reers up, 1st on his hind legs and then visey versa-but why kontinue a sad tail? Suffice it 2 remark that when that bronko waz threw playing with me he had driven the crotch w my trowsers so high that the waste bands cut me under the arms. My dear editur. I hope you hav never bin rid out ov town on a rale, but if you bay I asshure you that a rale iz a lether kwisshun high back chare kompared a n saddel on a bronko.

I startid out 2 giv a diskripshun ov s ride in an awtomobeel but my fackultys ov delineashun 4sake me; the best kin say iz multiply a bronko ride by New York, Dec. 31.-Michael Gragan, 45 | 382 & add 17 & you hav a fare idee ov



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#### DUNMORE DOINGS.

Christmas Services in the Churches. Democratic Candidates for Borough Offices-Other Notes.

Yesterday, in the Methodist Episcopal church, St. Marks' Episcopal church and the First Presbyterian church, Christmas services were held, each church having distributed among their congregations printed programmes of exercises, which were carried out at both the morning and evening services. Committees had decorated the churches in an artistic manner, the emblematic symbol of Christmas, the evergreen, predeminating in the garlands and figures worked on the walls and al-

tars. The Christmas exercises of the Methodist Episcopal church will occur this evening, when the programme, as published in The Tribune, will be carried out. The exercises at the First Presbyterian church will be held tomorrow evening in the church pariors.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES.

Borough politics still continue to keep a large number of the citizens of the rough on the qui-vive regarding issues and doings of their parties. The list of aspirants for borough offices of the Re-publican party, as published exclusively in this column last week, brought the Democratic forces together and this oposing force is now making itself heard in its efforts to prepare a ticket for the coming election.

The following names have been mentioned by the Democratic committee for the various offices: Burgess, Martin Doiphin, C. P. Savage, Victor Burschell, E. W. Osterhout, A. T. Irwin, W. C. Burke, Bernard Sweeney and Philip Lyden; tax flector, Peter Reilly, P. W. Manley, W. Purcell. Peter Murray, Louis Engle, and John Flannelly; street commissioner, Veto Girado, John Wagner, Leonard Ebheart, John Rice, James Dwyer, John McDade, Michael Cunnion, George Jackson and John Bianch; treasurer, Owen Costello, Frank Swartz, Frank Morgan, Thomas Golden, Michael Boland, P. C. Langan, Harry Dairimple and August Wahlers; school directors, James Young. Michael Glynn, P. H. Mangan, John Swift, John Devine, James Brenson, M. Murray, W. J. Costello, John Boland, W. Gallagher, John Finnerty, James Ginley and John Carney; council, Philip Wagner, John Coleman, Michael Lyden, Edward Duffy, M. A. Taylor, Martin Walsh, Charles Wentzel, Joseph Frearer, James Mack, William Hall, Edward Conway, M. J. O'Boyle, Patrick O'Donnell, Frank Williams and Joseph Lally; auditor, John Cooney, Thomas English, M. J. Scanlon, Frank Bingham, John Brogan

#### UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Letters remaining unclaimed during the period ending Dec. 23, 1899. Persons calling these letters will please give date of list and say "advertised": B. F. Bates, Mrs. Martin Crane, John Harper, 203 Blakely street; Mrs. Mary Lavelle, Swartz G. Morgan, Michael Mosilio, Anna Rankin, Brook street; Charles Reynolds, W. L. Tigue, Mrs. Martin Van Buskirk,

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

the children of the Sunbuckin bronko. You kin leed a bronko day school of the Presbyterian will meet at the church, where presents to be do-nated to the poor, will be received. The cause is a worthy one and especial no-tice should be made of this opportunity

to help the destitute.

A. Clinton Bryden, a student at Wyoming seminary, is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents on North Blakely street.

Dayton Ellis, of Syracuse university, is

Philadelphia Stock Market. Philadelphia, Dec. 21.-Receipts for the week: Reeves, L.S.T. sheep, 6.887; hoge, 5.354. Beef cattle—Receipts light, demend light; prices advanced a fraction, Extra, 6.65,e.; good, 55,255,e.; medium, 5a 51,c.; common, 4,445,c. Sheep—in light demand, but firmly held; extra, 4,245,c.; good, 344'4c.; medium, 22,93'4c.; common, 2324c.; lambs, 12,35'4c. Hogs sold at 64 64 65c. for best western, and 55-25c. for others. Fat cows in fair demand at 25-25 3'4c. Thin cows—Dull, at \$348. Veal calves—Active, at 42,38c.; milch cows. calves—Active, at 45a8c.; milch cows, stendy at \$35a5e. Dressed beeves—Firm, at

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

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Buffalo, Dec. 24.—Spring wheat—Dull;
No. 1 hard. 764e.; No. 1 northern. 744e.;
No. 2 northern. 714e. Winter wheat—
Strongly held; No. 2 red. 72e.; No. 1 white,
Tie. Corn—Steady; No. 3 yellow, 254e.;
No. 4 do., 35c.; No. 3 corn, 345e.; No. 4 corn, 345e. Oats—Steady; No. 2 white,
254a29e.; No. 3 white, 254e.; No. 4 do.,
274e.; No. 2 mixed, 264e.; No. 3 mixed,
264e. Rye—Dull; No. 1 in store, 28e.;
No. 2 do., 38e. Flour—Steady.

#### New York Live Stock.

New York, Dec. 21.-Beeves-Half a car New York, Dec. 22.—Beeves—Half a car of cows sold at \$2.50; no other trading, feeling firm. Calves—Almost nominal, feeling weak; @ calves ursold. Sheep and Lambs—Trade very light, sheep not wanted; lambs, steady; prime state lambs sold at \$.75; no Canada lambs. Hogs—Nominally firm.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

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Chicago. Dec. 23.—Cattle — Good to choice, fat cattle advanced about 25c. during the week, closing steady and strong for all classes; good to choice, \$2.00a.5.75; peor to medium, \$4.35a.5.45; mixed stockers, \$3.10a.5.86; selected feeders, \$4.25a.4.96; good to choice cows. \$3.29a.4.56; heifers, \$3.25a.5; canuers, \$2.25a.4.65; builts, \$2.65a.4.56; caives, \$4a.7; fed Texas beeves, \$4.40a.5.25. Hogs—Strong, active market; mixed and butchers, \$3.36a.4.26; good to choice heavy, \$4.65a.4.26; rough heavy, \$3.90a.4; light \$2.85a.4.125; built of sales, \$4.60a.4.15. Sheep—Steady to weak; native wethers, \$4.10a.4.60; western lambs, \$4.80a.5.50. Heccipts—Cattle, 300 head; hogs, 2.900 head; sheep, 2000 head.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

East Buffalo, Dec. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 6 cars sale: mostly Canadas; market steady for good grades, others easy, yeals. 25.5047.50. Hogs—Receipts, 15 cars veals, \$5.50a7.50. Hogs—Receipts, 15 cars sale; market active, stronger with most advance for good grades; Yorkers light to choice, \$4.25a4.45; pigs, \$4.15a4.20; mixed packers, \$4.25a4.40; mediums and heavy, \$4.00; roughs, \$5.30a3.50. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 14 cars; market stronger; best lambs, \$5.54a7.50; culls to good, \$4.25a4.50; mixed, \$3.55a4.15; others, \$2a2.50; wethers, \$4.25a4.00.

East Liberty Cattle.

East Liberty Dec. 21.—Cuttle—Steady; extra, \$5.75a8.15; good, \$5a5.30; common, \$5a1.50. Hogs—Steady; prime mediums, \$4.25a4.275; prime heavy, \$4.20a4.25; best Yorkers, \$4.20a4.25; light Yorkers, \$4.10a4.29; pigs, \$4a4.16; roughs, \$2.75a3.75. Sheep—Steady; choice wethers, \$4.0a4.40; common, \$1.50a2.50; choice lambs, \$5.30a5.40; common to good, \$4a5.25; yeal calves, \$7a7.25.

Oil Market. Oil City, Dec. 23.—Credit balances. \$1.66; certificates, no bids, no sales; runs. \$7,-412 barrels; average. \$5.739 barrels; ship-ments, \$1,480 barrels; average, 75.412 bar-

## THE MARKETS.

Wall Street Review. New York, Dec. 12.-The first transac-

tions on the Stock exchange today dis-closed how much of yesterday's weakness must be attributed to selling for short account. The rush to cover short contracts carried prices up without regard to fractions in the specialties which had been the mark of attack yesterday. Sugar, Metropolitan, Tobacco, Brooklyn Transit and People's Gas jumped from 314 to 5 points on sales. The same buoyant tendency was shown in the Internationally listed railroad stocks. London had lifted these shares steady before the opening hour but they bounded above the London parity to a level from 1 to 2 points above last night's close here. The urgency of the demand from the bears constituted a miniature panic. Their short selling yesterday was based on an assumption that the periodical settlement in the mines department of London Stock exchange which began today would dislose so weak a position there that a panic would be likely to result. On the contrary, the earliest news from London showed that the settlement in London was proceeding easily and in an orderly manner, sentiment there being much en-couraged by the shipments of gold from New York. Rumors of financial entan-glement and forced liquidation pursued a rominent figure in the financial world all day yesterday. Today, on the contrary it was affirmed that the \$10,000,000 in gov-ernment bonds had been placed as additional security for the loans of this man of wealth and that his difficulties were ended. The professional traders accepted the one rumor with the same credence as they had the other and put in a lively two hours trying to buy stocks to save themselves loss. Interpretations of the bank statement were decidedly confused and the market ran off on realizing. It did not get back to the top but hardened again materially and closed strong. The cash increase shown by the statement of \$2,752,500 came as a surprise, in view of the gold shipments and the drain to Boston. It is an evidence of the hidden resources brought out in such a crisis as that of the past week. The item of leans can hardly be an accurate reflection of the net result of the drastic contraction of the week. The smallness of the decrease, \$2.094,000, must be due to the average system of computations. Total sales, \$354,700 shares.

What happened in Wall street this week had been a long time brewing. Any one of half a dozen or more causes might be cited, but many of them or all of them combined were more properly but the scurces brought out in such a crisis as

be cited, but many of them or all of them combined were more properly but the culmination of a long series of causes which precipitated the event. The whole may be summed up in the term overspeculation. Amongst professional speculators there is a process expressively termed "pyramiding." Money is borrowed with which to buy on a margin. When the price of the purchase rises the sivance is reckoned as profit and is invested in more purchases. The profits thus reinvested help to advance the price and the paper profits thus mount up to thus reinvested help to advance the price and the paper profits thus mount up to enormous preportions. But the demand which has thus advanced prices is a purely fictitious one. The pyramid thus created is an inverted one, and it topples over when an attempt is made to sell to realize. The capitalists do not call their operations "pyramiding," but the persistent inflation in values of securities which went on for months had much the same effect. It has been long evident that any large selling to realize would depress the market and some very wealthy combinations have persistently held their stocks and ignored the symptoms of coming stringency in the money market with an obstinate optimism remarket with an obstinate optimism regarding the replenishment of the mones supply which results have not justified Capitalists and bankers who had under written the securities of many of the new industrial fluctuations found the marks taken from them and prices of the securities dropping below the underwriting price. With this burden some load to protect the growing stringency of money threw an avalanche of all classes of se curities on the market to obtain need funds. It was such a realizing moveme on a large scale that it had long be sought to avoid as the market was in condition to stand it. But once started and the bears fully understanding the weakness, of the conditions and offer-ing prices down with reckless boldness, the fabric began to crumble and seemed tottering toward ruin on Monday when the associated banks of New York by concerted action offered \$10,00,000 in loans and broke the money rate which had jumped to half per cent, a day, equiva-ient to 186 per cent, per annum, in the frantic bidding of the hard pressed holders. With the easing of the money rate the panic was checked and the price re-duced to some sort of order. The mar-ket, however, continued feverish all through the week under constant liquidartant stocks lower than the low price

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| 1  | STOCKS. I  | hid. | Ank |
| Я  | First National Bank                                      | 800  |     |
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| 'n | Conunton Packing Co. Marie                               | 111  |     |
|    | whited Matterial Battle                                  | 425  |     |
|    | Talena Tana & Dis. Balls                                 | 200  | 1.6 |
| ١  | Economy Light, H. & P. Co                                | 85   | 7   |
|    | Scranton III., H. & P. Co<br>Lacks. Trust & Safe Dep Co. | 150  |     |
| H  | Seranton Paint Co  |      | 1   |
|    | Clark & Snover Co., Com                                  | 400  |     |
|    | Clark & Snover Co., Pr.                                  | 125  |     |
|    | Ser Iron Fence & Mfg. Co                                 | ***  | i   |
|    | Scrapton Axie Works                                      | ***  | î   |
|    | Looks Dairy Co., Pr.                                     | 400  |     |
|    | Co. Savings Bank & Trust Co                              | 250  |     |
|    | Standard Drilling Co                                     | 0.00 |     |
|    | Scranton Pass. Rallway, first                            |      |     |
|    | mortgage, due 1920                                       | 115  |     |
|    | People's Street Railway, first                           |      |     |
|    | mortgage, due 1918                                       | 115  |     |
|    | People's Street Rallway, Gen-<br>eral mortgage, due 1921 | 115  |     |
|    | Dickson Manufacturing Co                                 |      | i   |
| ï  | Lacka. Township School 5%                                | 1.14 |     |
| ì  | City of Scranton St. Imp. 8%                             | 111  | - 1 |
| ä  | Mt. Vernon Coal Co                                       | 755  | - 7 |
| e  | Scranton Axle Works                                      |      |     |
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Chicago, Dec. 23.—The holiday dullness was upon the market today; May wheat close by under yesterday; May corn be, and May eats by depressed. Provisions closed easy, May pork fartie, lower. Cash quotations were as follows: Floor-Steady; whiter patents. 5.40a.3.50; straights, 5.3a.29; clears, 22.56a.3.5; spring specials, \$2.9a.3; bakers, \$1.90a.2.5; straights, \$2.9a.3; bakers, \$1.90a.2.5; low grade, \$1.3a.1.30; No. 3 spring wheat 61.64b.; No. 2 red. 674.a6a.; No. 2 corn, 3.64 a.3te; No. 2 red. 674.a6a.; No. 2 corn, 3.64 a.3te; No. 2 yellow corn, 31a.114.c.; No. 2 outs, 225a.25c.; No. 2 white, 25a.25c.; No. 3 do., 244.a25c.; No. 2 that seed and northwest, \$1.49b.; prime timothy seed, \$2.3c. accepts a factor of the prime timothy seed, \$2.5c.; short clear, \$1.5a.5.5c; whiskey, on basis of high wines, \$1.53b. Chicago, Dec. 23.-The holiday duline





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