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CONGRESS convened on Monday last.

THE new Queen of Spain is not yet five years of age.

MR. HENDRICKS is the fifth Vice President who has died during his term of office.

THIS reform Democratic Administration contrived to increase the National debt about four and a half millions last month.

EX-U. S. SENATOR CHARLES R. BUCKALEW has been appointed reporter of the Supreme Court of this State, in place of Albert A. Outerbridge resigned.

AT a caucus of Republican Senators on Friday night General Logan was nominated by acclamation for President of the Senate, and respectfully declined the honor.

THE Republican Senatorial caucus on Saturday last nominated Senator Sherman for President *pro tem.* The thoroughly alarmed Democrats are clamorous for the "Presidential succession bill," and it will doubtless be introduced and passed early in the session.

DEMOCRATS warmly encouraged the Prohibitionists in Ohio and New York, but when prohibition was successful in Georgia, they immediately appealed to the courts to declare the law unconstitutional. What a difference it does make as to whose ox is gored!

A Connecticut Democratic Congressman has been detected in selling fourth-class postmasterships, and Postmaster General Vilas has detectives in search of the naughty statesman. What a sweet commentary on the Democratic howl to "turn the rascals out." Here is reform with a big *R*.

THE scandal mongers at Washington have started the story that Mr. Blaine is anxious to return to the Senate and that, as there is no present opportunity of electing him from Maine, he will soon remove to one of the Western States from which he will be elected. Those that are so inclined, can take as much stock in this story as they please.

ALL the Democratic and Mugwump newspapers in the country were loaded with abuse and sarcasm ready to be fired off at General Logan as soon as he was elected President of the Senate. The sickening thud with which these mighty Nimrods sat down when the gallant General declined a unanimous nomination, was felt throughout the land.

AT the late election in Atlanta, Georgia, where the principal issue was prohibition, the Bourbons corralled the colored brethren, paid their taxes and insisted on their right to vote; consequently the poll amounted to nine thousand, just about double the number of votes that these gentlemen permit to be cast at a Presidential election.

THE Ohio Democrats are not disheartened over the back-set the Circuit Court gave their attempt to steal the seats of the Senators and Representatives from Cincinnati, and have transferred their efforts to the Supreme court of the State, whose judges are of their own political stripe. Failing there, they propose to attack the Legislature, cash in hand.

THE Democrats are so badly scared by the bare possibility that Cleveland might die and a Republican President of the Senate succeed him, that they will doubtless make haste to pass the Hoar bill, which they rejected last session, fixing the line of succession down through the Cabinet. Under that bill if Cleveland should die, Secretary Bayard would succeed him as President.

NOT much in the way of valuable legislation is to be hoped from the present Congress. The gentlemen who were elected more than a year ago and have just taken their seats, will be "hustling" for re-nominations before the "springtime comes," and they will give much more attention to making themselves solid with their constituents, than to necessary legislation for the country.

COUNTY Commissioner Leonard of Schuykill county was last week convicted of violating the primary election laws, by promising patronage to secure election to office, and the Court issued an order enjoining him from performing the duties of the office. Leonard has appealed to the Supreme Court on the ground that the primary election law is unconstitutional, and we will now have an authoritative deliverance on this question from the highest legal authority in the State.

THE next State nominations are beginning to be canvassed by the politicians. It appears to be generally conceded that General Beaver will be the nominee for Governor, probably without opposition, but the names of quite a number of prominent gentlemen are mentioned in connection with the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. As W. T. Davies went down in the ruck with General Beaver in 1882, without any fault of his own, we think it would be only fair play, as well as the right thing to do, to again place him on the ticket with Beaver. Let justice be done, though the heavens fall.

SINCE the death of Mr. Hendricks, the Democrats have been mightily wrought up by the possible contingency that the President might die before the meeting of Congress, and there would be no one legally entitled to take his place. We are happy in the assurance we give our Democratic friends, that Congress has assembled, that Mr. Cleveland still lives, and that the Senate has selected John Sherman as his temporary successor in the event of his sudden taking off. Fortunately the contingency did not arise, which the Democratic House had made possible by its mulishness in refusing to adopt a bill last session, intended to prevent a state of affairs over which they have been very unhappy for the past ten days.

THAT was a very graceful as well as a deserved tribute to General Logan by his Republican colleagues in the Senate, when they unanimously tendered him the Presidency of that body. The Republican National Convention selected General Logan for that position, and the Republicans of the entire country ratified that selection by their votes. During the campaign which resulted in his defeat, not a single charge was urged against his personal or political purity, and in point of fact, he fell a victim to the disgraceful and treacherous warfare waged upon the head of the ticket. In tendering General Logan a nomination that was equivalent to an election, Republican Senators did their full duty to a gentleman whom their constituents had designated as their choice, and in declining the honor the General exhibited a nice delicacy and a self-sacrificing spirit, by refusing to accept a position for which he had been defeated at the polls. There is no true man in the Nation, friend or foe, whose opinion of General Logan will not be enhanced by his self-respecting conduct on this occasion.

THE funniest and the cheekiest thing that politics has brought forth for many a day, was the appeal made by the red-hot Democratic journals of the country during the past ten days, to the Republican Senators, to elect a Democrat to take the place of the dead Vice President in the Senate. Could any thing be more amusing? Spurred on by their insensate fears that Mr. Cleveland, who is enjoying most robust health, might be suddenly stricken by death, these uncompromising stalwart Democrats, who have lustily and unceasingly cheered on the decapitation of every Republican officeholder, coolly intermit their partisan crusade for a moment, to request the Republicans to lay aside partisanship and play into their hands. Nothing could be funnier or more cheeky. Did any one ever hear of a Democrat foregoing a partisan advantage that he could win or steal? We most sincerely hope that Mr. Cleveland will live out every hour of the time allotted to him as President, and many a day thereafter. We wish this for his own sake, and we wish it because we believe that the best interests of the country and of the Republican party will be subserved thereby. But, all the same, we cannot forbear laughing at the pitiful appeals of these hide-bound Democrats, who never entertained a magnanimous political sentiment in their lives, to the magnanimity of Republican Senators.

AFTER his square knock-down, as the advocate of the Democratic ticket at the late election, the editor of the *Commercial* comes up smiling, jauntily steps to the front, and again assumes control of the Republican organization of the county. After totally ignoring the amended rules of the party whereby the time and method of selecting the Chairman of the county Committee was changed, and insisting upon the defunct Committee calling a meeting and electing a Chairman, he coolly submits the following proposition as a cure for the difficulties, he imagines he has thrown in the path of the organization:

> Now, then, in order to insure peace within the party we make this proposition: Let three good, well-known Republican lawyers be chosen to investigate the claims as made by the editors of the *Herald* and THE COMMERCIAL respectively, and under the laws as enacted by the party for its government, decide what is best, or what should be done to re-organize the party and place it in the best possible condition for the campaign of 1886. We pledge ourselves to abide by their decision. We suggest as the Committe, S. U. Trent, F. J. Kooser and J. L. Pugh, Esqs., all Republicans of high honor, undoubted probity and unimpeachable loyalty. If Mr. Scull does not agree to these gentlemen acting, let him choose one, we will choose another and they can choose a third. This is the olive branch THE COMMERCIAL offers in the interests of peace and harmony. Will Somerset accept it?

How is that for cool assurance? To insure peace in the party, eh? Pshaw! The egotism of the man is titanic. Because in his imagination, he marches in and out of the party at his own sweet will, he fancies its peace is disturbed, and a trio of lawyers must be called in to arbitrate between the party and himself. "On what meat does this our Cæsar feed, that he has grown so valiant?" Whence comes the power he assumes, to bind the party by an award of arbitrators selected by himself? The gentlemen suggested are doubtless as discreet as they are learned in the law, and they would scarcely permit themselves to be used as a foil in this effort to attain notoriety. As for the HERALD, it disclaims any right to dictate to the party or bind it by its action. It speaks only the sentiments of its editors, who are simply privates in the Republican ranks, and advocates of its principles, its policy and its unity. Who made the editor of the *Commercial* a ruler in Israel, with power to say to this man go, and he goeth, and to another come, and he cometh? He hath imagined a vain thing, when he assumes to speak for one portion of the Republican party, and invites the *Herald* to imitate his assurance and folly, and speak for the other. What is this but "Bossism," pure and undefiled; the very pith and marrow of the Fetish he evoked, and howled at so frantically in the Beaver campaign? Another inquiry may not be amiss regarding this wondrous proposition to "insure peace within the party." From whence does the editor of the *Commercial* bear this "olive branch?" The last we heard of him politically, he was marching in the Democratic ranks and "whooping it up" for Philson. Whose embassador of peace is he, anyhow? We fear us much that in his frequent political gyrations he has mistaken the power to whom he fancies he is accredited, with a treaty of peace. We respectfully refer him to Mr. Hoffman, chairman of the Democratic Committee, with whom he so lately labored in sweet accord. At all events, the Republicans of this county have never delegated to us the power to control their action, and we do not prooose to assume it without warrant.

Gen. Logan Declines the Nomination for President Pro Tem.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4.—The caucus of Republican Senators to agree upon a candidate for President *pro tem.* of the Senate was presided over by Senator Sherman. Senator Edmunds recalled the fact that last summer after Gen. Logan had been nominated by the Republican National Convention for Vice-President of the United States he had offered to resign his place as President of the Senate in favor of Gen. Logan, but the latter objected to the change. Senator Edmunds moved that Gen. Logan be nominated for the position now by acclamation.

Several Senators spoke briefly in favor of the nomination, and the question was taken and agreed to unanimously. Thereupon General Logan spoke as follows:

"MR. CHAIRMAN—From the depths of my heart I thank the Republican Senators for the confidence they repose in me as expressed by the nomination just tendered me by acclamation for the position of temporary presiding officer of the Senate. I not only thank them, but the people of the whole country for the desire that I should be given this very honorable position. I was, however, sir, the nominee of the Republican party for Vice-President, and voted for at the last election. I was not elected.

"For that nomination I then thanked the Republican party, and through the Senators present I again return to the Republicans of the country my grateful acknowledgments. If I thought I could better serve my constituents and my country by accepting this position. I would most unhesitatingly do so and perform the duties to the best of my ability. I do not so think, and I am sure that I can, by work necessary to be performed in committees and otherwise, do more that may be useful by remaining in my position. In fact, Mr. Chairman, the position is not to my taste, and unless I thought that I could perform the duties in a more satisfactory manner than any other Senator (which I do not) I cannot see a necessity for me to accept the chair in preference to any of my brother Senators. The Senate has at all times been presided over in a very satisfactory manner since I have had the honor to be one of its members, and doubtless will be so again by any one that may be selected. I am ready to assist in elevating any one who may be selected. And now my brother Senators, I want you to know that I fully appreciate your kindness and the great compliment paid me, but you must allow me to say that, after carefully considering the matter, I feel that I ought to decline this nomination, and now most respectfully do so."

The Organization.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—At the Republican Senatorial caucus to-day Senator Sherman was nominated for President *pro tempore* of the Senate. Senator Edmunds received votes, which were changed to Sherman before the result was announced. Senator Sherman accepted the honor. The Democratic Senators named Senator Harris, of Tennessee, for the same place.

The Democratic House caucus renominated Speaker Carlisle and all the old officers. Donalson of Tennessee, was nominated for Doorkeeper on the first ballot, and Rev. W. H. Milbern, the blind preacher of Illinois, was named for chaplain. The Republican caucus nominated Mr. Reed, of Maine, for Speaker on the first ballot. The vote was Reed, 63; Hiscock, of New York, 47, and Ryan of Kansas, 3.

The Republican caucus of both Houses to day passed resolutions looking to the early enactment of laws to regulate the electoral count and the Presidential succession.

Vice President Hendricks' Will.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—The will of the late Vice President Thomas A. Hendricks was probated this afternoon. It is in Mr. Hendricks' writing and the paper is yellow with age. It is dated August 8, 1866, and reads as follows:

"I, Thomas A. Hendricks, of Marion county, Indiana, do make this last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all wills by me at any time heretofore made. I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved wife, Elizabeth C. Hendricks, all my personal and real property of every description whatever and wherever located; also all my rights, claims, choses in action and in fee simple, to have and to hold the same to her and her heirs. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand, and, if agreable to her, I desire that she shall be executrix thereof."

The Cause of Mr. Hendrinks' Death.

BRIDGEPORT, Ill., December 3.—A prominent physician, who was Mr. Hendricks' friend and attendant for a longer period than any other physician, says that Mr. Hendricks did not die of heart paralysis. Several years ago Mr. Hendricks was stricken with paralysis from which he never fully recovered, and, as is usual in cases of partial paralysis, a clot formed that eventually reached the brain and caused death.

Graveyard Concerns Dissolved.

HARRISBURG, Dec, 3.—On the application of Attorney General Cassidy to day, the charters of 14 of the graveyard insurance companies were dissolved. The companies were all located in the Eastern part of the State, and quit doing business long ago.

THE MORMON ALARM.

Three Thousand Troops Within Hailing Distance of Salt Lake City.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The War Department has recently received such reports from its officials in Utah regarding the very unsettled condition of affairs in that Territory growing out of the enforcement of the laws against polygamy, as to cause some uneasiness, but no alarm. The recent shooting of a Mormon by a United United States Marshal created a great deal of excitement among the Mormons, and some apprehension was felt at Salt Lake that there would be an uprising among them. A battery of artillery was recently ordered from Omaha to Fort Douglass, which is situated a few miles from Salt Lake City. This movement, however, was not particularly on account of any fear of a Mormon rebellion, but has been in contemplation for some time.

The force now at Fort Douglass consists of a full regiment of Infantry and a battery of artillery, and is now under command of General McCook. In the event of trouble in Utah all the troops in the Department of the Platte, consisting of about 3,000 men, could be concentrated at Fort Douglas in a few hours. No serious trouble, however, is apprehended by army officials.

An Omaha dispatch says: There has been no new departure of troops from Fort Omaha since yesterday, when Battery D was dispatched west on a special train. General Howard refused to state the destination of the soldiers, but it is generally conceded that they are bound for Salt Lake. The entire garrison is held in readiness for orders to march. The Tenth Cavalry (colored) stationed at Fort Robinson, is also ready to move at a moment's notice.

All is quiet at Salt Lake, and there is no probability of trouble. The precautions for the preservation of life and property are ample. The action of Governor Murray and General McCook in reporting the threatening situation here and getting authority to station troops in the city, and the ordering of reinforcements here have removed all apprehension for the present. McMurray, who was supposed to be fatally shot by Deputy Marshal Collins, is recovering.

Against Bogus Butter.

HARRISBURG, Pa., December 4.—In the court of Dauphin county to-day Judge Simonton handed down an opinion in which he holds that the act of the last Legislature prohibiting the manufacture of the product known as oleomargarine, or bogus butter, was constitutional. This was a trial case. The Court says:

"The central idea of the statute seemed to be the prevention of facilities for selling spurious or manufacturing a spurious article of butter resembling the genuine article so closely in its external appearance as to render it easy to deceive purchasers into buying that which they would not buy for the deception. If this was the purpose of the enactment, we discover nothing in its provisions which enables us in the light of the authorities to say that the Legislature, when passing the act, exceeded the power confided to this department of the Government, and unless we can say this we cannot hold the act as being anything less than valid. * * * * No one has ever doubted that the Legislature may prohibit the vending of articles injurious to the safety of society, provided it does not interfere with vested rights of property."

The case will be taken to the supreme Court by the oleomagarine manufacturers, that being the understanding when the case was tried here.

Jail-Breaking at Beaver.

BEAVER, Dec. 4.—About 1 o'clock this morning seventeen of the prisoners in the Beaver County Jail sawed their way into the jailyard, scaled the wall and escaped. "Tom" Rankin, one of the most notorious criminals in the State, did the sawing, assisted by "Lent" Hallibaugh. Rankin is wanted for numerous burglaries in this State and Ohio, and has escaped from several of the strongest jails in the country.

The others who escaped and their offenses are: James Barnes, forgery; John Johnson, horse-stealing; John Colian, attempt to kill; John Morrow, assault and battery; William L. Daubenmeyer, burglary and assault; a German named Leiber, embezzlement; Patrick Roe, highway robbery; David Redick, horse stealing, and seven minor prisoners.

Redick, becoming alarmed, returned to his cell. J. B. Ewing, a United States prisoner stood by watching the others escape, but made no effort to get away. Three others were locked up in cells and had no chance to go with the rest. Scouts are out in all directions, but none of the fugitives have been recaptured. This is the second delivery from jail inside of a month.

A Great Sale of Grant's Book.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—At five o'clock this morning the first volume of General Grant's memoirs was put on the market, and at the close of business to-night two hundred thousand books had been delivered to the trade. This does not include the thousands of copies that for two weeks past have been shipped to agents under their promise not to sell them until to day. Publisher Webster says that it is the largest sale of a book ever printed. It was announced that the first edition would comprise 325,000 books, but probably 400,000 will be published. Thirty-seven presses in six printing houses were going all day issuing the book, but to-morrow the printing will stop to enable the eight binders to catch up. Nearly 650,000 first volumes have been sold by subscription. Mrs. Grant's profits on the subscriptions already taken will be $508,000. The book was circulated yesterday in England and Germany. In London it received flattering notices in the newspapers. France and Italy will have the book next. The second volume which is larger than than the first, will be ready in March.

Found in the Woods Frozen to Death

ALTOONA, Dec, 1.—On Monday November 23, a man named Adams, a resident of Cambria County, went hunting, taking with him a 13-year-old son. At a point near this city the father started the boy back home and proceeded to Altoona. Adams reached his home two days later and was surprised to find that the boy had not returned. Next morning searching parties started to hunt for the lad, and this morning, after five days' search, they found his lifeless body in the woods, four miles from his house, having been frozen to death.

Blown up by Gas.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 4.—This afternoon about four o'clock a natural gas explosion, with fatal results and destroying much property, occurred at 545 Grant street, in the cellar of a house occupied by Mrs. J. Meehan. Almost at the same time similar explosions, accompanied by tremendous reports, occurred in the adjoining cellars of Louis Favilla, a fruit dealer, and J. J. Flannery's livery stable and undertaking rooms. There is a six inch main running along Grant street, but no connections with the houses in that square. The gas probably escaped from the main and found its way to the adjoining cellars.

Shortly after 4 o'clock Katie Griffin, a domestic in the employ of Mrs. Meehan, started for the cellar for coal, taking with her a lighted lamp. At the cellar door she requested Mrs. Phipps, who was in the room, to hold the lamp. No sooner had she opened the door than the gas rushed out and ignited from the lamp. A terriffc explosion ensued, followed in quick succession by explosions in the cellar of Flannery and Favilla. The noise was heard squares away and created the utmost excitement. Sheets of flames burst from the windows, doors and sides of the wrecked houses. From within were heard the screams of terrified women and children. Several men forced their way through the fire into Mrs. Meehan's house, where a terrible sight met their gaze.

Prone on the floor, with every vestige of clothes burned from her body, was lying Katie Griffin, bleeding from a deep gash in her side. Near her was Mrs. Phipps, wrapped in flames. Both women were picked up and carried quickly from the burning building. It was found that Kate Griffin was burned beyond hopes of recovery. She was removed to the Homœpathic Hospital, where she is now lying unconscious. Mrs. Phipps was severely burned, but her injuries are not considered fatal. On the upper floors of Mrs. Meehan's house there were eight women and children and in Flannery's Mrs. Flannery and two babies. In Favilla's there was Mrs. Favilla and her nephew, J. P. Case. The fire spread so rapidly that they were rescued with difficulty. All were finally taken out uninjured, except Mrs Favilla and young Case, who were quite severely hurt from the falling debris.

Meanwhile the flames had gained such headway that they could not be controlled and Flannery's three-story brick building was completely destroyed. The other houses were not entirely burned, but they were so badly wrecked by the concussion that they will have to be torn down.

Disgraceful Scene in a Church.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 2.—The troubles at St. Albert's Catholic Church were resumed this morning when Fathers Dombrowski and Jawerski, the newly appointed pastors, attempted to read the morning masses. A crowd of 1000 Polish women and a number of men were in the church, and the services were interrupted by yells and the brandishing of fists, and a number of the women tried to get at the altar to remove the priests. Policemen were stationed at the heads of the aisles and prevented any progress toward the altar. One woman Lizzie Jewandowski, climbed over the pews and succeeded in getting within the sanctuary, where she prayed and yelled by turns in Polish. Father Jaworski came forward to speak to the people, but eager hands clutched him and tore his habit off. At this time there were thirty policemen in and about the edifice, and conflicts between them and the people were many. Fathers Dombrowski and Jaworski were pelted with mud while crossing the street on their return to their seminary opposite the church. The police cleared the street, but the crowd closed in, making it impossible to prevent the assault. The new priest officiated this morning at a funeral. Father Kolasinski, the deposed priest, still holds out in the rectory of the church, but Bishop Borgess has given him notice to surrender the rectory to the new pastors by to-morrow night. He still leads the people, but counsels moderation, fearing they may go too far. The Bishop has ordered that the church be closed.

Robbery of a Private Bank.

FREEDOM, Pa., Dec. 4.—The residents of this place were startled by a loud explosion at 2 o'clock this morning. Several rushed out into the streets to ascertain the cause. William Bashore, in passing P. Bentel's bank, saw a man running out of the building. He shouted an alarm and started after him. The fleeing burglars turned and fired several shots at him, none of which took effect. Bashore turned about and ran home. The four doors to the immense safe in the bank had been blown from their fastenings and between $7,000 and $8,000 in cash and $1,150 in Government bonds were missing. A number of valuable papers and notes were part ly destroyed by the explosion. Considerable money and a large package of bonds were left in the safe. An entrance to the building had been effected by forcing the front doors. Detectives are in pursuit of the burglars. The bank will resume business to-morrow and depositors will lose nothing.

Judge White Summoned as a Witness

INDIANA, Dec. 3.—Notwithstanding the fact that courts meets on Monday next, the Derr boys keep up the open sale of liquor. The hotel is practically closed, but the bar is wide open and four barrels of whisky were put in the cellar yesterday, and the brewery wagon makes frequent visits. To-day Judge White was summoned to appear as a witness in the trial of the case on behalf of the Derrs. The counsel for the Derrs expect by that movement to incapacitate Judge White from trying the cases, and compel him to certify them to another judge at a special court. If this succeeds the trials may not come up for months.

A Battle With Would be Lynchers.

GREENVILLE, Texas, Dec. 6.—Last night after 12 o'clock a mob of mounted men rode into town and attacked the jail, demanding the surrender of Henry Shamberger, charged with the murder of Miss Annie Smith. The jailer alarmed the citizens, who gathered and drove the mob back. About twenty shots were exchanged and it is believed that at least three of the attacking party were badly wounded, judging from the bloody trail. Another attacked is feared.

The Murderous Apaches.

DEMNING, N. M., Dec. 3.—The two Wright brothers, living at San Jose, on the Gila river, were killed by Apache Indians on Tuesday night, near Solomonsville, Arizona. Their bodies were found by a stage driver on his way to Fort Thomas yesterday morning. Ben Crawford, the Sheriff of Graham county, Arizona, and two others are also killed. On Tuesday the hostiles were in the neighborhood of Duncan. They attacked section men at work on the railroad, but the men escaped. Two cattlemen are reported to have been killed near Duncan yesterday. Militia from Clifton and a party of citizens from Duncan are in hot pursuit. Militia from Lordsburg started out last night. The Indians are headed for the Chiricahua Mountains. The Indians are divided into bands of fifteen to twenty.

The killing of Sheriff Crawford has created the wildest excitement. Men, women and children are fleeing in all directions and couriers are being sent out to warn settlers. The bodies of the Wright brothers were horribly mangled. The Indians reached the Coronada ranche, on the Gila river, at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. At that place they killed two cattle men, one of whom was named Dick Mais. The name of the other is unknown.

How King Theebaw Surrendered.

LONDON, December 7.—The following additional details of the surrender of King Theebaw were received here to-day: On Saturday last General Prendergast, commanding the British expeditionary force, at the head of a brigade of troops, marched into Mandalay. King Theebaw at once received Colonel Sladen, who accompanied the expeditionary force as civil commissioner, at the palace with the usual eastern formulas. The king was much affected and frightened. He said he hoped the British would spare his life; that he wished to abdicate, and would remain in any house allotted to him by the British Government. King Theebaw claimed that his Ministers had deceived him in regard to the situation of affairs; that he was ignorant of what was occurring outside of Mandalay; that he was almost a prisoner in his palace; that he feared assassins would slay him if he left the palace, and he would surrender to the British authorities. Colonel Sladen advised his Hajesty to plead with Lord Dufferin, the Viceroy of India, at Calcutta. On Sunday King Theebaw surrendered in the presence of the Ministers and embarked for Calcutta under guard. The French Consul accompanied his Majesty. The Burmese appear to be well disposed toward the British.

A Great Saw-Mill Burned.

BAY CITY, Mich., Dec. 3.—At 11 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the cupalo of the fire room of the McGraw saw-mill, owned by Birdsale & Barker. The wind was blowing lightly from the west and carried the flames to the main building, which soon became a mass of seething flames. The firemen saw that the mill must be consumed, and directed their attention to keeping the fire from spreading, and by strenuous efforts confined the conflagration to the mill proper and the adjoining tramways. At 1 o'clock the mill was in ruins.

It was located at the extreme south end of the city, and was the largest on the Saginaw River. At the time of its erection in 1873 it was the largest concern of the kind in the world. It had an annual capacity of 40,000,000 feet of lumber, besides lath, staves, headings, and shingles. Mr. Birdsale places the loss at $150,000, on which there is an insurance of $100,000, distributed in various companies. It employed 150 men. It is not known whether it will be rebuilt.

A Stain on his Courage

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 4.—The ultra-Democratic papers severely condemn President Cleveland's failure to attend the Vice President's funeral. The *States* (official State organ) says the people regard the President's action with disgust, and that even the President's death would not be such a calamity as the setting of a precedent that the President fears to go among the people, or that his life is worth more than that of any other citizen.

The *Chronicle* (official city organ) says the President's action casts a slur upon the whole people of the country. The act is a stain on his courage and a blot upon American manhood. It stamps him as unfit for the high trust and honor of the Presidency. The article concludes: "The same cowardly thought must have animated him when he refused to visit this city."

Mangled by the Cars.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 2.—A collision between two freight trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, a mile east of this place, occurred this afternoon. John Rider, conductor of one of the trains and a resident of this place, was instantly killed by being caught between the engine and tender. His head was mashed to a jelly and both legs were cut off. He leaves a wife and three little children. Frank Snyder, an unmarried man, residing at Piedmont, W. Va., was on one of the engines. He met his death by scalding. I. O. Reynolds, of Johnstown, Pa., had both feet and legs horribly mangled and it is feared he will not recover. Charlie Cowan, Frank Dean, and James Morris, were also badly hurt, though none of their injuries will prove fatal.

The operator here was supposed at first to have been the cause of the accident, but a preliminary examination by some of the officers of the road relieves him from blame. As matters now look the fault will rest upon the Pittsburg dispatcher, Mr. Ellsworth. An inquest will be held to-morrow evening, when a thorough investigation will be made.

Murdering a Witness to Silence Him.

WAYNESBORO, Ga., Dec. 3.—William Hankerson mysteriously disappeared several days ago. He was an important witness against William Garvin in a case of hog-stealing. This fact coupled with other circumstances, caused the arrest and confinement of Garvin under a charge of murder. No trace of the body could be discovered, and some began to doubt that he was guilty. To-day, however, the body of Hankerson, chained and weighted, with a sack tied over the head, was found in the Savannah river. The body showed that he had been murdered, and now no one doubts but that Garvin killed him to get clear of his evidence on the hog-stealing case. Garvin's case was continued

Towboat Blown up by Gas.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 2.—At about six o'clock last evening the towboat Iron City, in running down the Allegheny River, was swung on to the bar at the head of Herr's Island, where she went badly aground just over the main pipe of the Philadelphia Natural Gas Company. All the evening and up to the time of the explosion unsuccessful attempts were made to back off the vessel into deeper water, and at 2 o'clock this morning a terrific explosion occurred. Pieces of the vessel were blown from the middle of the river, where the boat grounded, to the Alleghany shore, 500 yards away. The boat burned to the water's edge, and is a total loss.

The crew, seven in number, were blown into the river, and George Ashton, the engineer, was instantly killed. His remains were removed to his home.

Within a few moments after the explosion the river banks and the island were crowded with people. the few skiffs that could be procured were at once filled with eager crews of rescurers, who hastened to the scene of the disaster. The survivors were taken to the Alleghany shore, where all that was possible was done for them.

The accident was caused by natural gas. The boat struck the gas-main and broke it, and the gas took fire from the furnace, causing the explosion.

The Iron City was built in this city eleven years ago, and was 135 feet long and 25 wide. Her original cost was about $16,000.

Twenty-Two Indians Killed.

DEMING, N. M, December 2.—Renegades visited the reservation and attempted to get the remainder of the Indians to join them and their efforts resulted in a fight, in which twenty-oue reservation Indians and one hostile were killed, General Sheridan and his staff left for the East yesterday.

TUCSON, Arizona, December 2.—Official news has been received here that a party of Indians, under the leadership of Josanie, brother of Chihuahua, was seen in the vicinity of Fort Apache on November 23. The next day one of their number was killed in an attack upon a camp of White Mountain Indians, eight miles southwest of Fort Apache. The day following they attacked another camp of White Mountain Indians, about twenty miles south of Fort Apache. In these two attacks they killed eleven women, four children and five men and boys. It is reported here that fifty Indians have left the reservation and are heading for Santa Pita. The settlers in the valley and the soldiers camped in the Harshaw Mountains have been notified.

Thirty Miles of Flame.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 6.—During the high winds Friday, a prairie fire broke out seven miles north of this place which swept over an area of about thirty miles, destroying 1,000 stacks of hay and grain and numbers of sheep, hogs and cattle sheds. It is not stated how far east the fire extended. Further and more definite reports of prairie fires in Silver Lake township, this county, on Friday, bring advices of terrible loss to property, but the amount cannot be estimated. On Edward's ranch 5,900 tons of hay were burned.

Johnson & Williams lost 500 tons of hay, besides fences, sheds and crops. Patrick McNeery was entirely burned out, losing everything but the clothing on his family. An Edward county man was fatally burned, and John Leeper and John Berry were not expected to live. The fire is supposed to have originated on the Pottawatomie Indian reserve. It will be several days before the full loss can be given.

A Teacher Accused of Cruelty.

NANTICOKE, Dec. 3.—A young schoolmaster named Traher, at Numida, a small village in Roaring Brook Township, Columbia county, is charged with punishing talkative pupils by gagging them with corncobs and making them stand on the floor. It is said that when a child of Farmer George Snyder thus treated, was relieved the cob was covered with blood, and the little one was so exhausted as to require assistance on the way home. Snyder went in search of Traher, but the young man had disappeared. The school directors will investigate the case.

The Storm's Great Fury.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Last night's storm was very severe throughout the trans-Mississippi region, reaching as far south as New Mexico. At Omaha the wind unroofed about 50 houses. Considerable damage was also sustained at Wichita. A great many walls, chimneys, signs, etc., were blown down in St. Louis. A number of lake vessels were driven ashore, and it is feared many lives were lost. At St. Paul the mercury marked zero at 6 P. M. At this point all trains were delayed from 30 minutes to one hour. Two men were frozen to death.

Four Husbands, One Wife.

DES MOLNES, Iowa, December 2.—Walter L. Wilson, a respectable farmer, and Mrs. Catharine Skiles, alias Catharine Lone were married on Monday. Yesterday J. S. Skiles, the husband of the woman, arrived from Denver and had her arrested, alleging that she had eloped from him three months ago with one Johnson. To-day two more men, one from St. Louis, put in an appearance and each asserted that he had married the woman and that after living with him a few months she disappeared. Wilson says that he retires from the contest.

A Wire Mill and Iron Works Burned.

DETROIT, Dec. 3.—This morning about 6 o'clock fire broke out in the Barnum Wire and Iron Works, this city, almost completely destroying that building and thirty dwelling houses adjoining. The fire started in the stock room on the second floor, but the cause is unknown.

The building was valued at $112,000, the stock at $115,000, and the machinery at $50,000. Two hundred men are thrown out of employment

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"I have advised my daughter to try it, and she is going to do so." He further says:—"I called on you about six weeks ago sick with bilious disease. You gave me a bottle of Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy and it set me all right. I want more of it." Thus writes a man who lives in Lubec, Me., to the proprietor. We are sure of hearing favorably from the lady, for this preparation is exactly suited to the troubles from which women so often suffer. Also for little children.

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LIST OF CAUSES.

Following is the List of Causes set for trial at December Term of Court, beginning Monday, December 14, 1885:

FIRST WEEK.

Jonathan Pourbaugh vs. Simon Snyder.
S. Philson & Co. vs. C. L. Baltzer.
Samuel J. Bingler vs. Wm. C. Livengood.
Harriet M. Hartman vs. Chas. J. Harrison.
Daniel S. Saylor vs. Uriah H. Saylor.