

Even free traders would not mind being protected from the Duesin grippe.
The year without a remedy was 1916. We may get some this year by having a year without a winter.

SENATOR QUAY'S BILL giving \$72 per month to soldiers disabled so as to require an attendance, passed in the Senate.

The only King of Spain, who was born May 17, 1861, and was proclaimed King on the same day, is lying at the point of death.

The discussion as to where the world's fair shall be held has been commenced in Congress and will, it is said, continue all winter.

It has been loudly hinted from Washington that the Indiana Senator, Voorhees, was "drunk as usual" when he lately exhibited his nerves in the Senate.

ELDERED STATES SENATOR LAFFAN died in Rochester, N. Y., on Thursday. He was elected with Samuel Miller in 1881, when Senators Cushing and Clark resigned.

WINTER appears to be getting in its work in the West in a way that counteracts its faintness in the East. A telephone from San Francisco says that the gran from San Francisco says that the gran has fallen deeper upon the Sierras than any winter since the Union Pacific was built.

THE DEMOCRATS in the Iowa Legislature are showing their true character by arranging to make a deadlock and prevent as long as possible the election of a Speaker or of a United States Senator. Beyond demonstrating their democratic misanthropy, this action will have little effect. Senator Allison is sure of reelection.

THE DEMOCRATS of Philadelphia have called a convention to nominate a ticket for next spring. The prohibitionists are good examples of the saying, "Hope springs eternal in the human breast." They seem to be perfectly unconscious of having been buried under a majority of 40,000 last summer, when the State Legislature submitted the question to a vote of the people.

THE UNIVERSITY of Pennsylvania is about to inaugurate a new system of instruction in this country by extending the courses of lectures into neighboring Pennsylvania towns. The scheme now under consideration is essentially as follows: Professors and lecturers of the university will be sent out to establish courses of lectures on popular and advanced topics in all the larger towns and cities within 100 or 200 miles of the city. The residents of these localities will be encouraged in every way to attend; instruction will be given at a convenient time, and the effect of the plan will be to establish a score of branches of the university in all the country round.

SPEAKERS of the election of Mr. Brice, of New York, United States Senator for Ohio, the Democratic New York Herald says: Mr. Brice will go to the Senate from Ohio with the label of Democracy upon his head.

The barker of hoodlums in Ohio were able to predict in advance that Brice would be nominated for Senator on the second ballot. Their prophecy was fulfilled. They knew that the goods which had been purchased would be delivered.

The Democratic New York Herald says in nominating Gaius K. Brice for United States Senator the Democrats of the Ohio Legislature have made the best possible use of the power placed by their last victory at the last election.

The Indiana Service Pension Association has taken to Congress its annual petition with a petition signed by the associations of Indiana, Massachusetts and Kansas, asking that it be passed at once, not as a charity but as an act of justice long delayed. The bill instructs the Secretary of the Interior to have placed on the pension rolls the names of all surviving officers, soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States for a period of six days or more or who were disabled in the line of duty between March 4, 1861, and July 1, 1865. This bill was prepared nearly a year ago by the Indiana Service Pension Association, and was endorsed by the soldiers of Kansas at its State conference in October last. It has also been endorsed by the President of the Massachusetts Service Pension Association, and a strong effort will be made to have it passed by the first Congress.

The South can have peace and solve all "race problems" by treating the black man as a man, and not as a chatty. They can't solve it in any other way as easily. He is there to stay, because he has the right to do so by natural and statute law. Teach him to raise more cotton and more corn; elevate him from the low state to which the South has brought him by centuries of oppression. The generations past he has brought the head that fed the grandfathers and the great grandfathers of the South. He stayed upon the old plantation and cared for wives and children, while Southern soldiers warred against the old flag, with a desire to perpetuate the black man's servitude; and where are the instances of the wrong doing of the black race which will justify the perpetration of bloodshed, murders that are now so common? It is full time for a new second thought upon the part of the people of the South. Outside of the veriest heathens there are no such atrocities as those which have been perpetrated upon the black people of the South.

The death of the Hon. William D. Kelley, the "Father of the House" and the champion of Protection, is a national loss. Few men have served so long or accomplished so much in the House as he did. He was not an orator but was a student of commercial resources and the line of tariff duties, and for a good part of a generation was the acknowledged leader of the Republicans whenever the question of Protection was in issue.

The entire list of Congressional during one century of constitutional government would be searched in vain for another statesman so thoroughly familiar with the resources, capacity, industry, pro-ounding and conservative of the country as William D. Kelley was. His power in that regard was phenomenal. Others could as clearly see and strongly present the great principles of statesmanship—although he was by no means deficient in that respect—but he was unrivaled in his power to throw light upon the practical bearings of revenue legislation. To him the tariff was not so much a great idea as a great aggregation of vital facts, with each one of which he was familiar. He knew an import should be on the dutiable or free list, as the case might be, and it subject to duty, how much it should be to answer the demands of fair protection. To such an extent did he carry this power that he accompanied to genius. The present chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Major McKinley, has remarkable powers of detailed mastery, but Judge Kelley was incomparable.

Judge Kelley's Successor. The latest intelligence from Philadelphia indicates the selection of State Senator John E. Reburn as the successor of Judge Kelley in Congress. Reburn is a lawyer and a man of wealth who has served in the House of Representatives and been senator since 1876. He was a candidate for the Republican nomination against Kelley a few years ago, but was defeated in the convention. He is about 45 years of age, handsome in person, and of pleasing address. His experience as legislator will admirably fit him to take the place of Judge Kelley.

Brice Pulls Out the Plug. COLUMBIA, O., Jan. 12.—The Senatorial contest, which has been running at fever heat for the past month in this State, closed at 11 o'clock to-night. The result was as predicted in these dispatches for several days. And was a clear, open victory for Brice. As soon as the members on the first ballot had completed their first ballot they at once adjourned to Brice, giving him 53 votes on the second ballot, 13 more than the number necessary to nominate.

Campbell's Inauguration. COLUMBIA, Jan. 13.—There were fully 30,000 strangers in the city to-day and no one the fearful gale and rapid fall in the temperature could check the exuberant spirit of the Democratic local. Military and civic organizations, accompanied by the strains of music were most frequently heard in "The Campbells Are Coming" and "Down With McKinley."

The inauguration ceremonies proper took place on the east terrace of the State House, sheltered from the wind by the high Capitol, the Supreme Court, Legislature and State offices witnessed the administration of the oath of office by Chief Justice F. J. Dickman and listened to the inaugural address.

Governor Tomaker came from a sick bed, where a serious attack of grippe struck him, to see his successor inaugurated.

Empress Augusta Buried. DEALEY, Jan. 12.—The funeral of the Empress Augusta took place at 10 o'clock at the Chapel of the Soldiers, where the remains were lying. His motto was based on the motto of the dead Empress: "Be joyful in hope, patient in adversity and steadfast in prayer." He exhorted her "not to lose her devotion to duty, her clarity and sincerity, and her love for her husband and the fatherland."

At the conclusion of the services in the chapel the funeral procession was formed and proceeded to the cemetery. Under Dean Linden, through which the procession passed, was profusely draped with mourning emblems. An immense crowd assembled to witness the procession. At the junction of the Charlestown road and Lehigh Avenue the Charlestown family in carriages accompanied the remains to Charlestown. The Fourth Grenadier Guards, of which the dead Empress was honorary Colonel, escorted the coffin.

A Gitty Girl's Poker. MONTICELLO, N. Y., Jan. 11.—The parishoners and friends of the Rev. E. C. Cowles of Leiper, Columbia county, made him the other night a "donation visit." Chief among the gifts was a purse well filled with greenbacks. The night following the donation, at about midnight, the inmates of the parsonage were aroused from sleep by a banging at the front door. The person, unsuspecting, opened the door. A big man, dressed in gray clothes, and with his face concealed by a mask, thrust into the doorway a revolver close to the pastor's head and said: "Give me all the money you've got in the house, and be quick about it."

Amazed at this greeting, the pastor began to bark from the door and to parry with the mask. The man, who was dressed in gray, threw a look at the pastor and then disappeared. The money was safe.

The Confederate Lines at Gettysburg. WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—General Bingham has introduced a bill, prepared under the direction of General Ketchikan, for the marking of the lines of the Confederate army at Gettysburg. The marking of the lines of the Union army comprises over twenty-four miles of drives and about 300 monuments upon the site of more particularly important and some in the great battle.

Flood Commission Money. PETERSBURG, Va., Jan. 10.—Another meeting of the Johnstown Flood Commission will be held on Thursday night to ascertain the cost of the distribution of the last \$1,000,000. The commission is rapidly winding up its affairs.

Mr. James B. Scott said yesterday that when the present distribution will have been made there still remains several hundred thousand dollars, and the Commission has decided to make a final distribution of it. Mr. Scott said that applications had been made by some of the afflicted towns for some of the money to do certain things. Johnstown in particular has not applied, and it is possible the funds remaining will be scattered in the flooded districts at places where it will do the most good.

Death in a Gale. WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The Signal Corps station at Cairo, Ill., reports under date of January 13 as follows: "Eleven persons were killed, fifty wounded, and seventy horses destroyed by a tornado which struck Cairo, Ill., last night. It is the county seat of Hickman County, one of the extreme western tier of Kentucky counties. The place is situated on the Illinois Central road, about twenty miles from Cairo, Illinois, and eight miles from Hickman, Ky. It has about fifteen hundred inhabitants."

Wants New Crown Trial. CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—Late this afternoon Alton was for a new trial in the case of Coughlin, Burke, O'Sullivan and Kinn, convicted of the murder of Dr. Croghan. The motion was filed to-day in accordance with the order of Judge McConnell, before whom the arguments will be made on Monday.

The motion assigns thirty-nine causes of error in the ruling of Judge McConnell during the trial of the case. The grounds of alleged error embrace every point contested by the attorneys for the defense, and range from an objection to the Court's overruling the motion to quash the indictments to the admission of evidence which, since the trial, discovered new defenses, which entitle the case to a new trial.

Randall Improving. WASHINGTON, January 13.—Albert W. Fletcher, who for years was one of Mr. Randall's chief lieutenants, but who is now succeeded by Secretary Whitney's appointment in New York, is here with the World's Fair people.

Yesterday he called on Mr. Randall, at his residence on Capitol Hill, and found him making his lunch of beef steak and other solid food. Mr. Randall remarked on the old friend: "I have a better appetite than you have."

Mr. Fletcher said he was surprised at the improvement, and expects the ex-Speaker to be in his seat by the House within two weeks. The doctors have had a consultation and agreed that Mr. Randall had nothing to fear from cancer or any other incurable disease.

Lynched for Burglary. CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 11.—A colored man, charged with burglary, was taken from a party Sheriff Ben Robbin, in Baker's County, Ga., on Tuesday night, while on the way to jail, and was shot to death by the road side when he was tied to a tree. The shooting was done by masked men, supposed to be white. Ever after has been made a law of the lynching law, and this is not impossible to get complete information.

WILLIAM O. KELLEY DEAD. The Father of the House Passes Away at Washington. WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Judge William D. Kelley, the "Father of the House" and the champion of Protection, passed away at Washington, leaving a large family, his last day being 63 years of age. He was surrounded by his immediate relatives, Mrs. Harriet M. Kelley, his wife, and his two sons, William D. Kelley, Jr., and Albert H. Kelley. The body of the deceased was held in state in the Senate Chamber until Friday, when it was placed in the vault of the National Capitol.

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There was a good sport in the Senate on Wednesday afternoon. Senator Voorhees, having recovered from the cholera which he received two years ago at the hands of Senator Lagola, opened his mouth and spoke of the importance of preserving the purity of the coinage.

Senator McKim, in the course of a speech, made the request that the report of this resolution had been advertised, and the galleries were crowded. Among the distinguished Democrats present were ex-Senator Black, Judge Thomas and ex-Senator McDonald, and from the House came all of the Democratic representatives from Indiana to do honor to the Tall Speaker of the Wabash.

The result was not exactly what this devotedly expected. The Indiana made a speech, in which he used the term "blockade" in a way which was not intended by the Senator, and the speaker stopped to add to the effectiveness of his peroration. But the real fun came when he sat down. This time it was Edmund instead of Quay, and he made a speech which was not intended by the Senator, and the speaker stopped to add to the effectiveness of his peroration. But the real fun came when he sat down. This time it was Edmund instead of Quay, and he made a speech which was not intended by the Senator, and the speaker stopped to add to the effectiveness of his peroration.

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Show All Over the West. KANSAS CITY, Jan. 12.—A severe blizzard rages to-night in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. Dispatches from points in Kansas say that the storm is by far the worst of the season, and some points report that it is the most severe ever experienced. The blizzard, which set in at 10 o'clock, has blown steadily and without a moment's respite throughout the day and most of the night.

Far-western points in Kansas report that the storm is even more severe than that which struck about 11 o'clock. The results of the blizzard are that the snow has fallen eight inches on the level, but the strong winds drifted it badly, and many trains on the railroads have been abandoned or greatly delayed.

At Kansas City, the snow has drifted in places as high as the one-story houses, completely blocking the highways and railroads. At Wichita the snow is reported as 13 inches deep and 12 feet high. All trains have been suspended. The roads on Rock Island and Missouri Pacific have been abandoned, more, however, in anticipation of the effects of the storm than an actual report. Reports from the west indicate that the snow has been very heavy and deep throughout the city and surrounding country, and railroad traffic is entirely suspended.

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Pratt Near a Lynching. PERRYVILLE, Pa., Jan. 12.—For the past few days several of the men who were out with the wretches have been working in the mines at Watson. Among them were two Italians who have been beaten up by their countrymen at Watson, and were severely injured. The subjects of great contempt, owing to the strong guard kept around them by the Pinkerton detectives they were not allowed until yesterday when they were taken to an Italian store to buy warm goods. While the man who had been beaten up was slipping out, the door and inform their striking brethren where they were. The storekeeper in the meantime kept them engaged in conversation. He went and made them prisoners. Threats of lynching were freely indulged in, but the timely interference of the miners' agents, Messrs. Quinlan and Wilson, probably saved them from being roughly handled by the crowd.

No riotous took place on Saturday or Sunday, on account of the illness of the sheriff, who is suffering from a gripe.

The Big Cotton Distillery Burns. COATS, Ill., Jan. 12.—Fire broke out this afternoon in the big cotton distillery built by the Big Cotton distillery back of the beer still, and before it could be brought under control seven copper stills and apparatuses were burned together with 100,000 gallons of untaxed spirits, valued at \$150,000. The damage to the distillery is about \$100,000.

The distillery had a capacity of 10,000 bushels of corn per day. The still cost \$50,000 to build, and was the largest in the world. It was running at half capacity, and was a trust house. The loss is covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is a mystery. This is the busy season, and the house will be idle for three or four months. The loss of business will be several hundred thousand dollars.

A Ball of Fire. For some months a ball of fire has been appearing in a field near the residence of Robert Carman, a farmer, who lives about three miles east of Camsburg, Washington county, on the National Road.

It appears as a ball, which disappears the way of its nature, will be the way, as that it is caused by a swamp. The most responsible man in Ansel Township vouch for the truth of the above, among them Dr. A. C. Strator, Robert Carman, Frank C. Strator, Nelson Cook and E. H. Ames. It is only seen on certain nights and appears from 7 to 11 o'clock, and each of the above named gentlemen assert that they have seen it at different times.

Fatal Dispute Over Land. OTAWA, January 13.—During a dispute at Springfield, Iowa, between Frank Mason and a Mr. Sprague, concerning a vacant piece of ground, Mason threatened to put Mr. Sprague off the land. Mr. Sprague, who had been cutting wood and had an ax in his hand, told Mason to keep back, but Mason sprang forward, and they clashed.

During the struggle, the ax fell out of Sprague's hand and he picked it up. Mr. Mason's son, who was the rescue, was getting the worst of it, went to the father, who was young Sprague, with one blow of his ax cut open the back of the skull of young Mason. He then advanced on the other couple and at last Mason, seeing, whom he put from the back of the head across through the jaw and with a second blow broke his arm. Young Mason is in a dangerous condition, but the old man will recover.

The Star of Bethlehem. VIENNA, Jan. 13.—The Star of Bethlehem is again to be visible this year, being its seventh appearance since the birth of Christ. It comes once in 345 years, and is of wondrous brillian