THE COUNTRY IN GENERAL

A Summary of Happenings at Home and Abroad.

THE NEWS CONDENSED A Review of What Has Transpired

of Public nterest. Berlin, Dec. 9.-The Reichstag has

passed the third reading of the bill re-pealing the law prohibiting workmen's associations.

New York, Dec. 9.—Miller and Waller still lead in the sixday bicycle race at Madison Square Garden. They have covered upward of 1,865 miles are only one lap ahead of Maya and McEachern. Attleboro, Mass., Dec. 9.-Ernest W.

Meyers, who was drum major of Gli-more's Band, of New York, during the civil war, died this morning. He was seventy years of age, and was known in all Grand Army circles throughout the State.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Mrs. C. A. Burling, mother of Mrs. William T. E. Sampson, wife of the Admiral, died at her home on Park avenue, in this city aged seventy-four years. She had been in feeble health for some time past, and her death was not unexpected

Chicago, Dec. 9.—Mayor Harrison has revoked the saloon license of Sol Van Praag, the well-known politician of this city. When Mrs. Van Praag was re-cently convicted of robbing an Oregon man and sent to the penitentiary the Mayor concluded that it was time to close the saloon.

Columbus, O., Dec. 9.—Late Thursday afternoon Peter Sells, one of the proprietors of the Sells-Forepaugh circus, and a millionaire by reason of his investments in other concerns, filed a sensational petition for divorce. In it he charges his wife, Mary A. Sells, with infidelity, extending over a period infidelity, extending over a period of

New York, Dec. 9 .- Fire in the building 577 Broadway, occupied by Speigle & Co., manufacturing chemists, de stroyed property to the amount of half a million dollars About half of this amount was on the stock and the bal-ance on the building and fixtures. The loss is only partially covered by insur-

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 9.-A' railway Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 9.—A railway train crashed into a vehicle at the Martindale avenue crossing of the Lake Eric Thursday, and W. H. Morley, the aged watchman, was so flustrated that when the next train came along he stood between the rails waving his danger signal until he was run down and crushed to death. and crushed to death.

Santiago De Chili, Dec. 9 .- The Su-Santiago De Chili, Dec. 9.—The Su-preme Court has confirmed the deci-sion of a lower court, allowing the Uni-ted States forty days, the time expiring December 25, in which to present docu-ments to prove the identity and guilt of Frederick T. Moore, arrested here on the charge of embezzling \$53,000 from the National Bank of Commerce of Boston.

Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 9.—John Schall-kopf, a talesman drawn in the trial of John Campfield, of Rushford, for the murder of Alphonse Sanden, an old French hermit, died suddenly in court while sitting in the jury box. Apoplexy is thought to have been the cause. Schallkopf, who was a well-to do contractor, was apparently in robust health. bust health.

Wabash, Ind., Dec. 9.—Early in the present year John Wysong, of Markle, died of pneumonia, and ever since the family has been supported by public charity. A month ago the eldest son, Empatt was seized with nulmoneum. Emmett, was seized with pulmonary trouble, and, though his life was saved he became violently insane. The young-est girl, Cora, aged 7, died of a bron-chial affection Saturday, and Thursday the eldest daughter, aged 17, passed

Indianapolis, Dec. 9.—Evans Woolen, secretary of the Commercial Club, has proposed to leading hotelkeepers a plan to bring the Republican national convention of next year to Indianapolis. The hotel men approved the plan, but it was decided not to make it public before Mr. Woolen should have gone to Washington and consulted with Senators Fairbanks and Hanna tors Fairbanks and Hanna.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 9.-These companies have been incorporated here. The Atlantic Iron & Steel Company, capital stock \$10,000,000. The company is empowered to mine, produce and manufacture iron and steel. The Lehigh Power Company capital \$500,000, to furnish water and construct and operate plants for furnishing electric light, heat and power. The Consumers' Tobacco Company, capital \$300,000.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 9.-Colonel Juan Austin, Tex., Dec. 9.—Colonel Juan Euochio, who went to the City of Mexico on a mission of peace from the rebellious Yaqui Indians, has completed his mission and will immediately return to the Yaqui country with the answer of President Diaz. It is understood that Diaz declines to consider the reace proposition until assured by the peace proposition until assured by the Indians that it is unanimously sanctioned by them.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Captain J. C. Ayres, United States Army, of the Ordnance Department, was killed here Friday afternoon by a fall from his bloycle, being afterward run over

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 11.—The Guyana Gold Mining Company, with its principal office at Marietta, O., has been incorporated in this state by A. D. Fellet and other persons of Marietta. The authorized capital stock is \$3,000,000.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 11 .- John J. Jack Newark, N. J., Dec. 11.—John J. Jackson, a manufacturing jeweller, of No 91 Mechanic street, Friday afternoon had a dispute with Christian Fleissner, a leather manufacturer, and his brother John who occupy the same building over fumes which came through the flory arto Flessner's place. There was

a scuffle, and Jackson, who was about a scuffle, and Jackson, who was about sixty years old and weighed three hun-dred pounds, fell, and died in a few minutes. The Flessners were arrested. The cause of death has not yet been learned.

Seattle, Dec. 11.-Cape Nome miners have held a series of meetings in this city and employed counsel to defeat what they say is an attempt on the part of certain corporations to wildraw in their own favor the fame Cape Nome beach digging.

Auckland, N. Z., Dec. 11.—Advices received here from Apia, Samoa, dat-ed November 28, say that the news of the German annexation of the islands, as a result of the Samoan agree-ment, was received by the natives with apparent indifference.

Philipsburg, N. J., Dec. 11.—A company, headed by Thomas A. Edison, has purchased the John W. Cline farm has purchased the John W. Cline farm at Stewartville, five miles from this place, and has secured options on a number of adjoining farms. The company has been prospecting for cement rock for several months. An excellent quality of rock has been found on and about the Cline farm.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 11.—C. M. C. Peters, in charge of the Commercial Travelers' Department of the Democratic National Committee, has begun an anti-trust campaign in this city under the auspices of the National Committee, and he has called a meeting for mittee, and he has called a meeting for next Saturday night for the organiza-tion of an Anti-Trust Commercial Travelers' Club.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11.-Jack Bennett Chicago, Ill., Dec. II.—Jack Bennett of McKeesport, Pa., gained a decision over Owen Zeigler of Philadelphia here Friday night after six rounds of the fastest kind of work. The decision was unpopular, as the majority of the spectators appeared to be of the opinion that the Philadelphian, who had forced the fighting all the way, should have had the big end of the purse.

New York, Dec. 11.—The indictment against Nelson Weeks, of Hackensack, N. J., the Sunday school superintendent charged with having caused the death of Miss Aimee Smith, at the Victor Hotel, this city, on March 8, 1897, has been dismissed by Justice Fursman. Miss Smith was a teacher in the Sunday school, very beautiful and was the organist in the church.

Greenburg, Pa., Dec. 11.—Peter Zimmerman, who is seventy-five years old, has pleaded guilty in court here to horse stealing. He acknowledged that he could not resist the impulse to steal horses and said that if he were liberated he would probably commit the same offence again. Zimmerman's attorney made a plea for mercy on the ground that the prisoner was a kleptomaniac. The court sentenced him to seventeen years' imprisonment and \$1,000 fine. Zimmerman has already spent forty years in prison for previous convictions on similar charges. convictions on similar charges

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 11.—There has been concluded in this city one of the largest baseball deals in the history of the sport. The Pittsburg Club has exchanged Chesbro, Fox, O'Brien and Madison and \$25,000 for Cunningham, Waddell, Philippi, Flahrety, Doyle, Woods, Zimmer, Lattimer, Kelley, Richey, Leach, Clarke and Wagner, of the Louisville Club, "Fred" Clarke will be made manager and captain of the Pittsburg Club, while it is understood "Barney" Dreyfus will secure an interest in the Pittsburg Club and become its president at the election to come its president at the election to

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11.—Members of the faculty of the University of Chichicago, III., Dec. II.—Members of the faculty of the University of Chicago are struggling with the problem of how to discipline the rioters of last Friday without injuring some important features of the university life. The number of students implicated is so large that a wholesale suspension would play havoc with musical and athletic clubs, nearly empty some of the fratenity houses, and endanger the success of social and musical events that have been planned. The faculty finds it hard, moreover, to discriminate between the different degrees of guilt. It was rumored that Professor Laughlin would resign if no punishment was meted out to the offenders, but the professor denies he ever had any such intention.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 12.—After twenty-four hours search of the ruins of the burned hosiery mill of Nolde & Horst, no more bodies have been found. missing, it is thought, have all been accounted for, and no more deaths are reported among the sixty injured girls, although several of these are in a dangerous condition. The last reports dangerous condition. The last reports of the State Factory Inspector and State Insurance Inspectors speak very highly of the condition of the factory, the fire escapes, doorways, and stair-

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 12.—The Grand Jury, in the United States Court, has returned indictments against William M. Shockley, the county jailer, and his son. Harry Shockley, who are charged with "voluntarily and negligently" permitting a federal prisoner, Captain T. C. Jobe, to escape from jail. Father and son were arrested and held in \$500 bail each. Captain Jobe was himself indicted for using the government envelopes for private correspondence and forging an order for transportation of recruits to Manila.

THE NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, Dec. 12.—The depressi continued in the market to-day. F the first few minutes the transactions were tremendous. Sugar lost three points and tobacco a point. Other shares showed small declines. Cash prices for staples:

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Corn, No. 2 mixed, .40½.
Oats, No. 2 mixed, .20½.
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Cotton, middling, .07 1-16.
Coffee, No. 7 Rio, .06¾.
Sugar, granulated, 5.18.
Molasses, O. K. prime, .36.
Beet, family, 12.75.
Beet, hams, 23.75.
Tallow, prime, .04¾.
Pork, mess, 9.75. Tailow, prine, .0.78.
Pork, mess, 9.75.
Hogs, dressed, 160 lb., .05%.
Lard, prime, 5.05.
Iron, Northern No. 1 foundry, 23.00.
Butter, Western creamery, .27. AS OTHERS SEE IT.

The keen interest manifested by the industrial and commercial world in the subject of a faithful enforcement of the Tariff law like from the standpoint of revenue collection, fairness as between importers and Protection to competing domestic producers is shown in two articles, news and editorial, in the Providence (R. I.) "News" of May 12. This ably conducted newspaper, published in one of the busiest industrial centers of the United States, sees in this question of systematic undervaluation a matter of vital concern far beyond the business circles immediately interested at the chief port of entry, far beyond local party politics organizations or cliques. It sees that upon upon the outcome of this fierce struggle depends much more than the direct issue between importers who seek to evade and officials earnestly engaged in trying to thwart the evasion of the Tariff law.

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In the days of Daniel Manning, Secretary of the Treasury in the first administration of Grover Cleveland, the gross sum of money lost by the Government each year as the result of undervaluation at the port of New York was estimated by that able executive officer at the enormous sum of \$40,000,000. Whether this huge scale of robbery was maintained during President Cleveland's second term there is no means of positive information now at hand; but there is smal reason to infer that it had greatly diminished, much less wholly disappeared, in the period of 18563-97. Certain it is that undervaluation has

Certain it is that undervaluation has Certain it is that undervaluation has for many years been the source of much scandal and the cause of vast losses to the Government revenues. When to these elements in the case are added the serious disadvantages resulting to importers making honest valuations and to home manufacturers who through the undervaluation of competing foreign commodities were deprived of the measure of Protection guaranteed to them in the Tariff schedules, the sum total of the undervaluaguaranteed to them in the Faria schedules, the sum total of the undervalua-tion evil reaches tremendous propor-tions. It is, therefore, not difficult to understand why many reputable news-papers in various parts of the country should treat the subsect as of the first importance from a national point of view.

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For the sake of honesty in business relations, fidelity to efficial obligations, justice to the lawful demands of the Federal Treasury, and fairness to the immense and far reaching interests in whose behalf the Dingley Tariff was enacted, the whole country will concur in the sentiment of the Providence "News" when it says:

"In spite of the organized aggressiveness of rich and influential importers who have been accustomed to having their own way in the appraiser's office so long that the idea of being thwarted now enrages them, the purifying methods that have recently held sway in that branch of the customs service have already put several plugs in the way of that leak of \$44,000,000. Of course, outraged selfish interests, guided by shrewd lawyers, are trying the issues, thereby fooling public sentiment and hoodwinking the administration. But it would be a plty if they should succeed."

COMFORT FOR THE ANTIPODES

likely to believe.

The Memphis "Appeal" falls into the error of supposing that Edward Atkinson, is a Projectionist. On the centrary as the Minneapolis "Journal" points out, "Mr. Atkinson has been an out and out Free-Trader thirty years and has been a thorn in the flesh of the manufacturers who constitute the Home Market Club eyer since it was organized. Mr. Atkinson's invention of the coal oil stove and the recipes for meals for six or seven persons gosting 15 cents were discovered in the interest of Free-Trade to the end that by cheap living the United States could compete with Europe without a Protective Tariff. As Protectionists we cannot have Mr. Atkinson charged to us now."

The "Tribune" does not believe that it would be good policy for the Republican party to reserve itself on the Tariff in the hope of thereby throttling a few trusts. If it is to tackle the trast problem, let it adopt a thorough and #ot a partial remedy.—Minneapolis "Tribune."

Roger Q. Mills used to be as talky a free-silverite and Free-Trader as William J. Bryan is, but since he struck oil he has not gone around saying there is no prosperity in the United States.—Rochester (N. Y.) "Democrat and Chronicle."

Orphans' Court Sale OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

Estate of WALTER SPENCER,

By virtue of an Order of the Orphans' Court of Sullivan County, there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House in Laporte Borough, Sullivan County, Pa.,

SATURDAY, the 16th day of Dec., 1899

at 1 o'clock p. m., the following describe real estate, viz: Lot No. 1.

All that certain piece or parcel of land, situated, lying and being in the Boro, of Laporte, County of Sullivan and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at the intersection of the west line of Muncy street with the north line of Cherry street; thence north along Muncy street one hundred and four feet to lot No. 48; thence west along said lot two hundred and sixty feet to Blackberry Alley, thence south along Blackberry Alley, one hundred and four feet to the north line of Cherry street; thence east along Cherry street two hundred and sixty feet to the place of beginning; containing ninety-nine and threetenths perches of land, and being lots No. 49 and 50 of the allotment of the Borough of Laporte. The same being improved and having thereon erected a two story frame dwelling house and large barn, and being well watered. There also being a fine orchard growing on the above described lots.

Lot No. 2.

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Borough, County and State aforesaid, bounded and described as tol lows, viz: Beginning at a corner at the intersection of the west side of Beech St., with the north side of Main street, thence along the west side of formerly Beech St., (since abandoned) north two hundred and vity feet to the south side of Strawberry. (since abandoned) north two hundred and sixty feet to the south side of Strawberry Alley; thence along the south side of said Alley, west two hundred and thirty feet to the intersection of Mill Alley; thence along east side of Mill Alley, south two hundred and sixty feet to the north side of Main St.; thence along the north side of Main St. east two hundred and thirty feet to the place of beginning; containing one acre and sixty perches of land, strict measure, be the same more or less. Said land being improved and suitable for building purposes. building purposes.

Lot No. 3.

All that certain piece or parcel of land in the Borough, County and State aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a point on Main St., being the South-west corner of lot formerly owned by Jasper Clark and upon which he built his blacksmith shop; thence along north side of Main St., west ninety-nine. he built his blacksmith shop; thence along north side of Main St., west ninety-nine feet to Spring Alley; thence along east line of Spring Alley, north two hundred and sixty feet to Strawberry Alley; thence along south side of Strawberry Alley; east ninety-nine feet to a post; thence south, two hundred and sixty feet to the place of beginning; containing twenty-five thousand seven hundred and fifty square feet, be the same more or less. The same being improved, and being in a good state

Comfort for the antipodes.

The Melbourne "Age" of March 13, 1899, prints an extended leter from its New York correspondent in which the great facts of American trade, commerce and industry are set forth in a manner calculated to carry much aid, comfort and encouragemit to the Protectionist party of Australia. The letter closes as follows:

"Americans are now waiting to hear what the disciples of Cobden will say as to the effect of Protection in checking a nation's prosperity. The Dingley Tariff is in full and effective operation. Foreign goods are largely excluded from American markets, yet the bars that shut these gates against the products of European mills are not closing our gates of commerce so tightly but that American goods can get out and reach the markets of every country in Europe. Every Free Trade theory has been smashed into a cocked hat by the experience of the United States in the year 1898, and, if present indications can be relied upon, the year 1899, bids fair to break into smithereens any remaining fragments that may exist of the Odden barn. It must, for the present at least, be given over to the spiders and their cobwebs.

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Lot No. 8.

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated, lying and being in the Township of Laporte. Gounty of Sullivan and State of Penna., bounded and described as follows: Beginning at south-east corner of lot sold John W. Grover now belonging to Wm. M.Post, thence along east line of said lot north one hundred and forty-two parches to a corner; thence east fifty perpendictions. said lot north one hundred and forty-two perches to a corner; thence east fifty perches to a corner; thence act they perches to a corner; thence east fifty perches to a corner; thence east fifty perches to a corner; thence south one hundred and seventy perches to the new road as laid out but not cut out, running west from Main St. of the Borough of Laporte, thence west one hundred perches to the place of beginning; containing Ninety-seven acres and Eighty perches, strict measure be the same more or less, and being parts of Samuel Pleasants and Ann F. Pleasants warrants. (Excepting from the above bescribed tracts of land the following conveyances, viz: Twenty-five the above bescribed tracts of land the fol-lowing conveyances, viz: Twenty-five acres conveyed to Anna G. Hill by deed dated June 2, 1877. See Deed book 12, page 172. Also reserving and excepting

from said lot Thirty-eight acres and twenty perches of land conveyed to Catharine Nolan by deed dated April 10, 1869. See Deed book 11, page 429. Also reserving and excepting from said above described lands Eight acres and one hundred and ten perches of land conveyed to J. A. Jordan by deed dated January 16, 1893. See Deed book 22, page 177.)

Lot No. 9.

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All that certain lot of land situated in the Township of Laporte, County of Sullivan and State of Penna., bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a corner in warrant line of Joseph Keyser warrant, thence north fifty-eight degrees west, one hundred and forty-one perches to corner; thence south thirty-one degrees west, twenty perches to corner; thence north fifty-eight degrees west one hundred and forty-one and five-tenths perches to corner; thence north thirty-one degrees east, ten and two-tenths perches to corner thence south fifty-eight degrees east, nine perches to corner; thence north thirty-one degrees county fifty-eight degrees east, eighty-six and seven-tenths perches to corner of John Collins' lot; thence along line of John Collins' lot; thence along line of John Collins and Francis McDonald, south fifty-eight degrees east, two hundred and seventy-one perches and thence sonth thirty-two degrees west, seventy-four perches to the place of beginning; containing One Hundred and Forty-five Acres strict measure, be the same more or less, and being parts of the Jeremiah Jackson and John Quirk warrants.

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All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land lying and being in the Township of Laporte, County of Sullivan and State of Penna., bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at south-east corner of lot conveyed to John W. Grover now belong in to James McFarlane, thence along his line west, sixty perches to corner of lot late Peter E. Armstrong; thence along line of the same one hundred and six and two-third perches to a corner to be made in line of said Armstrong lot; thence east sixty perches to a corner to be made in line of Bernard Westerman land; thence along same one hundred and six and two-thirds perches to place of beginning; containing Forty Acres strict measure, be the same more or less. Being parts of Thos. Franklin, Joseph Hulings and Samuel Pleasants warrants.

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