

And have... plausible... robbers to have... asked for change for a \$5 bill, so as to locate the money drawer, as well as get it unlocked before they rushed in on the man in charge of the office. But they declared that Sparks' injuries were not the result of iron knuckles or a slung shot being used on him, but a bump inflicted by contact with the vault or something equally hard.

On a center table near the money drawer were over \$5,000 in envelopes for the letter carriers, yesterday being their pay day. Although it was in trays that could have been easily carried off, it was not touched.

Sparks thought this was because these envelopes were covered by a newspaper. There was a much larger amount still in the vault, which was open, and which was not touched. The detectives referred with suspicion to the door in the screen being left open at a time when the assistant cashier was alone with \$867 in his own drawer, another drawer equally full, \$5,000 on the table in envelopes and the vault accessible.

Sparks described one of the robbers as a small man with a dark coat, wearing a black muffler, and the other as a large man wearing a long black overcoat, and having a black moustache. They left the screen door open, he said, just as they found it.

Sparks was arrested last night, and shortly afterwards confessed that he got away with the money himself. He was short \$290.30, and was to settle as soon as Cashier Tucker returned from lunch, when he knew he would be caught.

While Tucker was lurching Sparks took \$583.08 from the drawer, put the \$502 in bills between the leaves of a magazine and \$81.08 in coin in an envelope, hiding both. After his confession he told where the money was, and \$583.08 was recovered.

Sparks is married and belongs to a good family. His friends will make up the shortage of \$283, but Inspector Salmon says that will not save him from prosecution.

The postoffice building adjoins Fountain Square, in the center of the city, where the streets are always crowded during the day. The fact of an alleged daylight robbery in such a locality had much to do with the local excitement.

The trouble here is not ended, notwithstanding a temporary compromise in the 119-inch mill. The temporary settlement was effected by the company agreeing to allow the men 110 tons a day, whether that amount was worked or not.

The men are inclined to kick over the traces, because they would get pay for only 110 tons, even if 115 were turned out, and it is a question whether they will accept the compromise, which gives the shermens' helpers \$1.00 a day; whereas formerly they earned between \$1 and \$5.

Aside from the trouble in the 119-inch mill, a number of the others are shut down because, the men say, not enough signatures to the scale have been secured. At Braddock, where the ore handlers are on strike, the company's ultimatum was made known, and out of 400 men present only six voted to accept it.

The Mine Workers' Journal contains an address from Secretary Patrick McBryde, of the United Mine workers, to those members of the Knights of Labor who do not approve of the recent convention at New Orleans in barring out the representatives of the miners.

He urged them to refuse to longer pay taxes to the Philadelphia machine, but take steps to elect delegates to a convention that will conduct the affairs of the K. of L. in the interests of the members, instead of the personal interests of Hayes and Sovereign.

A bold case of kidnaping occurred here yesterday. Phillip Scott, of El Reno, I. T., came to Wabash and stole his 4-year-old daughter from his divorced wife. Scott loitered about Mrs. Scott's home till the little girl appeared, when he grabbed her and ran for the Big Four train southward.

Officers are after him. Much excitement was caused by the kidnaping, and the mother of the child is frantic.

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Nevertheless his attendance at the cabinet dinner, but declined.

All the members of the cabinet were at the dinner, besides senators and representatives and others from private life. There were fifty-four guests present. The full Marine band was in attendance.

No Report on the Ricks Case. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Owing to the recent illness of Representative Bailey, chairman of the Ricks investigating committee, no report has yet been prepared for presentation to the house.

His inability to make a report makes the outcome of the proceedings at Cleveland more uncertain than before. What report the full committee will conclude to make is very uncertain. The question is likely to be decided somewhat on party lines, with the Republican members as supporters of Judge Ricks and the western and southern Democrats favoring censure or impeachment.

Extravagant Waste Alleged. NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The Atchison Protective committee, of which Theodore W. Myers is chairman, has issued a circular to stockholders of the company, soliciting contributions to a fund for the prosecution of an independent investigation of the affairs of the company.

A Father's Revenge. PINE BLUFF, Ark., Jan. 4.—George Lampkin, a meat seller, was shot on the street and killed by J. S. Reap, another meat dealer, who fired two shots into his victim. Reap gave himself up and was placed in jail.

Desperate Duel with Sabers. NICK, Jan. 4.—A desperate duel with sabers has been fought between two Italian officers, Tojani and Vergori, near the French frontier. The fight lasted an hour, at the expiration of which time Vergori was killed by a cut on the right side of the neck, which severed the carotid artery.

Stock and Produce Markets. Closing Quotations of the New York and Philadelphia Exchanges.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The stock market was characterized by weakness at the opening, which extended to almost the entire list, and some shares sold at figures below the lowest point touched during the year 1894.

General Markets. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—Flour quiet; winter superfine, \$2.10@2.20; do. extras, \$2.25@2.40; No. 2 winter family, \$2.50@2.60; Pennsylvania roller straight, \$2.60@2.75; western winter clear, \$2.50@2.70.

Live Stock Markets. NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—European cables quote American steers at 10 1/2 cts. per lb. dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 7 1/2 cts. @ 7 1/2 cts.

WEST BROOK, Conn., Jan. 4.—The tramps, members of a gang who have been robbing farmers in this section for the past two weeks, assaulted a teamster who refused to give them money.

Democratic Gains in Georgia. ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 4.—The interest in the county elections throughout Georgia was slight, and the returns are coming slowly. The result in the state shows heavy Democratic gains in all counties. Many counties which were strongly Populist in the last two elections returned to the Democratic fold.

Fugitive Found Locked in a Car. NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 4.—Theodore FINDER, of Cincinnati, was arrested in East Newark. He was found locked in a freight car, having come east to escape arrest for sandbagging a citizen and robbing him of \$1,400.

Small Demand for Locomotives. NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The Railroad Gazette says: Locomotive building has fallen off tremendously in the past year. The decrease in the number built is fully two-thirds, as compared with the previous year.

Diphtheria in an Orphan Asylum. CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 4.—Diphtheria of the most malignant type has broken out in the West Jersey Orphanage for Colored Children. Dr. Alexander McAllister, who was called to the orphanage Wednesday night, found five cases.

Charge Against a Female Physician. SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 4.—Coroner Kelly has sworn out a warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Dr. King Vail for manslaughter, in having caused the death of Mrs. Thomas J. Watkins, of this city, on whom she criminally operated, according to the dead woman's ante-mortem statement.

Family Devastated by Diphtheria. OLEY, Pa., Jan. 4.—The funeral of four children of Jacob K. Levan, of this village, who died of diphtheria, took place here. The remains of the two youngest reposed in one coffin. There were three graves. Two of the survivors who were critically ill are reported to be improving.

Premier Howell Not Seriously Ill. HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 4.—There is no foundation for the report that Sir Mackenzie Howell is seriously ill. He had a severe attack of coughing yesterday, but his condition is decidedly improved.

1894. The gross earnings in the state, based on figures in 1893, of \$1,746,854.23, per cent. The operation, however, has been successful, leaving a loss in net earnings of \$4,304,171.38, showing that production of earnings have been more than half provided for by economy in operation.

Capital stock shows an increase this year \$21,746,854.23, and the percentage of dividends declared remains the same as 1893—viz: 2.99.

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