

The Pittsburgh Riots.

The grand jury, which has been investigating the riots of July last in this city, has made a special presentment to the court giving the result of their inquiries.

It says the grand jury have been unable to trace the proclamation calling on the State troops farther than to the authorities of the Pennsylvania railroad, and assert at the time it was issued Governor Hartranft was slumbering in his car in Utah territory.

The occupation of the round house is characterized as a lamentable mistake, and the retreat of Gen. Brinton's forces, and the fleeing of the State officials to Beaver are severely criticized.

The Pennsylvania railroad company is severely criticised for massing cars here when they knew interruption existed, and the presentment reflects severely upon the governor for refusing to give information which would have enabled them to give more precise information.

A Wife's View of Duelling.

Smith has had a scene at the club with another gentleman of a peppery disposition; blows and cards have been exchanged, a duel has been agreed upon, and he returns to break the news to his wife.

"Miserable man!" she cries in an excess of emotion, "would you go forth to fight and be brought back to me all shot full of holes and having your life blood all spilled over the carpet? What would become of me if you were killed? The light of my life would be quenched in rayless gloom, and I would be reduced to want and misery, because all the fortune belongs to you, and, as you have made no will, when you are killed all the property will go to those miserable brats of neph'."

"Hold!" cries the husband. "Do not accuse me wrongfully. I have thought of every contingency, and arranged to secure your happiness. Should I fall, all my property will become yours. See! here is my will, duly signed, sealed and delivered."

The young wife seizes it, runs over its contents with anxious eyes, puts the precious document in her pocket, and then, with the air of a Spartan matron, says—"Go! Avenge your insulted honor. Go to fight—if needs be, to fall."

A Shocking Mishap.

In Atlanta, Sunday, before day, private Smith, of Company E, Eighteenth Infantry, while returning to the barracks, perfectly sober, fell into a dry well twenty-five feet, and was empaled by a stake at the bottom. He suffered thus four-and-a-half-hours, when his cries were heard and he was pulled out by his comrades. He may possibly live, but he is ruined as a man. The stake penetrated his groin eight inches.

CINCINNATI, November 16.—A dispatch from Columbus, Ohio, states that a gang of five tramps boarded a western-bound Pan Handle train on the Indianapolis division Saturday night last, and refused to pay their fares. The conductor was shot at, but without effect, while putting them off at Hilliard's station. With the assistance of other railroad employees the tramps were all arrested and on them was found a large lot of burglars' tools.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 19.—A special dispatch states that at an early hour yesterday morning a tramp, while robbing the post office at Grafton, O., was fired upon by Charles Allen, who slept in the building. The tramp returned the fire, with probably fatal effect and then made his escape.

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