

BANK PRESIDENT IN TROUBLE

CHARLES COLE, OF THE GLOBE BANK, BOSTON, ARRESTED

In California for Embezzlement of Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars - He Says He is Innocent and Will Return to Answer All Charges.

Los Angeles, California, Dec. 23.-Chas. H. Cole, formerly president of the Globe National Bank of Boston, is under federal surveillance at a hotel in this city.

Yesterday United States District Attorney Flint received a letter from the United States district attorney at Boston, asking that Cole be taken into custody upon a charge of misappropriation of the funds of the Globe National Bank, now in the hands of a receiver.

Mr. Cole's son accompanied Cole home to his father's stopping place at Rendon where Mr. Cole was informed that the Boston authorities had requested his detention.

Mr. Cole stated that during his long incumbency as president of the Globe National Bank there had been overruns, but these had made good from his personal property and this he would demonstrate.

Mr. Cole's son seemed astonished at the accusation and declared that he knew nothing concerning his father's affairs and was not authorized to speak for him, saying that the only foundation he could offer for the bringing of his father into the case was that the securities had been advanced to cover the overruns had been rendered insufficient by reason of stock fluctuations.

Boston, Dec. 23.-The trend of affairs connected with the closing of the Globe National Bank in this city for the first time developed a criminal aspect through the arrest today in a distant city of the bank's former president, Mr. Charles H. Cole.

The charge against Mr. Cole is the old one of overruns and overloads, many to himself, and the acquittal of Mr. Wing, the receiver of the bank ordering the arrest, while considerable of a shock to the friends of the former president, was not a surprise to those who have been watching the course of events and who were acquainted with the affairs of the bank.

A warrant was sworn out on the day in this city and despatched this evening to Los Angeles.

In the meantime the brokers and business men in the city are congratulating themselves that the week is over and that the worst probably is known. Just how the affairs in the Globe bank were allowed to reach such a stage is probably known to but few outside the former president, but it is practically agreed that it was a gigantic speculation in copper's stocks in which Mr. Cole became so much involved that the bank's money and credit were used until it was well nigh exhausted.

The inevitable result followed, and that the closing of the bank was delayed for over a month and during the last week was bolstered up by clearing the house which paid its indebtedness to the extent of many millions. The fact that the bank was in difficulty, but yet kept open through the aid of the clearing house enabled its depositors to withdraw their accounts and a very large number did so during the early part of the week but the city of Boston, which through Mr. Cole's influence when sinking fund commissioner, had placed nearly \$600,000 in the bank, failed to take the hint, with the result that that amount will be tied up for some time to come.

Halifax, Dec. 22.-The mystery as to the identity of the woman whose body was found in the water on the Bay road Tuesday evening has been cleared up. The remains have been identified as those of Mrs. Roach, of St. Margaret's Bay. She was for some time an inmate of Middlemore house, at Rockingham, which she left a few months ago stating she intended to visit friends on French Village Road. Just how she met her death may possibly never be known.

The most reasonable supposition, however, is that homeless and dependent, she wandered about and when night came on went a short distance into the woods and sat down to rest, where she died from exposure, as was found by the jury at the inquest.

A DEATH AT BROOKDALE. Amherst, Dec. 26.-At Brookdale, Cumberland county, James Henry Willis, the little son of Mr. John Willis, died very suddenly Friday night, 22nd inst. He was only five years and three months old, and the Sunday previous the little fellow was at Sunday school and the preaching service as usual. The parents are grief-stricken. The funeral services were held on Christmas day and were particularly sad. A large number of neighbors and friends gathered to show the very deep sympathy which is felt for the mourning home. Mrs. Willis is a native of St. John.

RUN ON A BANK.

A PORTLAND SAVINGS BANK WAS DRAWN ON LARGELY.

Friday Depositors Became Panic Stricken and Over a Hundred Thousand Dollars Was Withdrawn - The Bank is Sound With a Million Surplus.

Portland, Me., Dec. 22.-A rumor of unknown origin, concerning the solvency of the Portland Savings bank, one of the soundest institutions of the kind in the country, started a run on the bank today.

Depositors began to call for their money in the morning and there was a steady demand until the hour for closing. As the deposits were turned over as fast as the books were presented, most of the payments being in gold, there was no great excitement and not a few returned and re-deposited their money. The crowd had reached such proportions early in the afternoon, however, that officials of the bank concluded to guard against running short of ready cash by taking refuge behind the means provided by law, and issued the following statement:-

"A great deal of this disturbance grows from the failure of Woodbury & Moulton and the alleged connection of the bank with that firm. While the bank had loaned money to Woodbury & Moulton, it had collateral nearly sufficient to secure it from any loss. This collateral has been appraised and whatever loss the bank is likely to suffer was charged out of the profits before that last dividend was paid. There is no doubt but what this excitement was occasioned entirely by the failure of Woodbury & Moulton and is entirely without cause. The bank's examination showed a surplus of about a million and a quarter dollars and the condition of the bank has not materially changed since that time."

FUND FOR GENERAL LAWTON'S FAMILY. Toledo, O., Dec. 22.-General John S. Knott, former commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., started a movement in Toledo today to aid a fund which General Lawton is raising for the relief of the family of the late General Lawton.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.-Major General Shafter today telegraphed a circular to the presidents of the chambers of commerce in the principal cities of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, New Mexico and Texas, inviting contributions to the fund for General Lawton's family.

ARRESTED FOR SLANDERING A RAILWAY STOCK. New York, Dec. 23.-W. F. Sheehan, who was arrested for slandering the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, today made the following statement:-

"Talbot J. Taylor, the son-in-law of James R. Keene, was served today with a subpoena to appear before the grand jury on Wednesday next. The appearance is probably in connection with the charge that he has been in circulation concerning the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company."

A QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY PROFESSORSHIP. Kingston, Dec. 23.-Rev. Dr. Lindsay, of Kilmarnock, Scotland, has been appointed professor of church history at Queen's University.

NEGROES ARRESTED FOR MURDER. Bolton, Miss., Dec. 23.-Two negroes named Jim Martin and Frank West were lynched on the Baker's Creek bridge, one quarter of a mile west of this place, on Friday night, 22nd inst. The murder was highly respected citizen named Milton S. Haire, and attempted criminal assault on his niece, Miss Curran. The murder was most coldblooded. Robbery was the incentive.

ITEMS FROM THE STATE OF FEUDS. Pittsburg, Ky., Dec. 26.-Last night in Clay county, Alex. Fisher was shot and killed by his brother, Ples Fisher. They are members of opposite factions of the Philpot Griffin feud. Ples Fisher escaped, but Alex. was in jail charged with recently killing Ned Rogers, escaped last night.

AN OFFER FOR ENGINE WORKS. Kingston, Dec. 22.-The shareholders of the Canadian Engine and Locomotive Works Co., has received an offer from a New York Syndicate to purchase the works for \$200,000, with a view to their removal to Russia.

TOPICS IN BERLIN.

GERMAN PRESS FREELY DISCUSSES ENGLAND'S TRANVAAL WAR.

She Has Totally Collapsed As a Military Power - Russia thinking of Turning England's Embarrassment to Her Own Advantage - But Germany Would Not Join as Chief Burgomaster.

Berlin, Dec. 23.-At the ceremony of the unveiling of the monument of Elector George William in the Sieges Allee today the Associated Press despatch from the chief burgomaster of Berlin, shaking hands with him cordially and handing him his long expected confirmation as chief burgomaster.

Crisp, cold, white Christmas weather prevails here. The Spree is frozen solid, the big Mueggelsee is alive with skaters and everybody is busy with preparations for Christmas.

The change in public opinion in favor of Great Britain which was returned to the Associated Press despatch from Berlin Friday night continues. Even the Hamburg Nachrichten, which hitherto has been intensely Anglophobe, prints a popular article protesting against "blind Anglophobia."

The papers are full of contributions from military writers on the subject of the war. The Neuste Nachrichten today contains an article pointing out that the military success of the Boers numbering a quarter of a million, against a nation, which at home alone numbers 30,000,000, is explainable because the Boers are armed with the best modern rifles and know how to use them.

On the other hand a military writer in the Boerist Courier maintains that no modern war has been so devoid of interesting features of theoretical or strategic lessons.

The usually well informed Kreuz Zeitung contains a letter from a high personage at St. Petersburg, in which the question as to whether it is advisable to use Great Britain's present powerlessness is again being seriously considered in the state government circles. The military party is urging the timeliness for an Asiatic advance. The correspondent of the Associated Press assesses on high authority, that in the case of Germany, no such step will be joined in under any circumstances but that full neutrality will be maintained to end.

OTTAWA NEWS. Ottawa, Dec. 22.-Among the candidates who passed in optional subjects at the civil service examination held in November, were:-

At St. John's, N. B.-Burke John Gerard, stenography and typewriting; Godfrey Georgina G. I., typewriting; Eileen E. Fraser, merchant; Edward C. Elkin, ship owner; Alban F. Emery, doctor of medicine; Charles T. Bailey, barrister; St. John, N. B. and James B. Frank E. Hall of Worcester, are applying for incorporation as "The Arlington Mining and Milling Company." The chief place of business is at St. John, with a capital stock of \$10,000.

FORTY CHILDREN DROWNED. Brussels, Dec. 22.-Upward of 40 school children were drowned this afternoon, in an ice accident at Frelinghem, near the French frontier. The school children of the district had been given a holiday with permission to play on the frozen river Lys. When the meriment was at its height, the children disappeared. A few were rescued dead, but the majority were drowned. Thirty-six bodies have been recovered, but others are still missing. The catastrophe spread consternation through the town, where nearly every family suffered loss.

A MASSACHUSETTS MURDER CASE. Gardner, Mass., Dec. 23.-William Bennett, who was arrested in Worcester yesterday, being suspected of the murder of Asa Bennett in Hubbardston, Thursday night, was arraigned in the district court before special justice James A. Siles. Frank E. Hall of Worcester, appeared for the prisoner and the commonwealth was not represented.

ARREST FOLLOWED CONFESSION. New York, Dec. 21.-"Chaek" Winters, says a New York despatch, has been lodged in jail together with other members of the Winters family under peculiar circumstances. While attending a revival meeting he professed religion and confessed to a long list of thefts, which he declared he and his family had committed. As a result warrants were issued and he and his father were locked up.

BANK MANAGER DEAD. Kingston, Dec. 23.-John H. Pipon, manager of the Bank of Montreal, in this city, is dead, aged 47. He has been in the city for some time, and was a popular citizen and had been a long time in the service of the bank.

DUN AND BRADSTREETS.

LEGITIMATE BUSINESS ON A SOUND BASIS IN THE UNITED STATES.

Prosperity Shows Fictitious Values From Stocks - The Panic in Stocks During the Week Was the Natural Result of Business Activity.

New York, Dec. 22.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say:- The worst day in Wall street for years was in part the legitimate result of the best year in business ever known.

The business of the country close to the holidays is necessarily smaller than it has been, and yet larger than at the same date in any other year. Exchanges through principal clearing houses for the week have been 33.7 per cent. larger than last year. There is not even a suspicion of soundness in any considerable branch of industry. He says, the extraordinary expansion being as well warranted as the moderate gains in others.

Colton suffered in speculation for a day, with stocks, but the great decrease in receipts from farms, since September over 1,500,000 bales, gives strong support to the demand for cotton. The demand for wool is quiet, though prices hold steady. Wool sales have dropped sharply with monetary pressure, but prices do not change and the opening of heavy weight goods retards at present purchases for Chicago. Shipments of boots and shoes, than last year to date, are but moderate.

High prices for iron are wonderfully sustained and though many works will close for stock-taking during the winter, they show no weakening tendency. There have been less violent fluctuations in the London market for tin, but its closing price declined little in spite of weak stocks at Boston, which lead is scarce and firmer at 4.45 cents.

What has lost in foreign demand and in prices, in spite of still greater loss in western receipts for the holidays, 7,340,170 last year, has been made up by a large increase in Atlantic exports, four included, have been in three weeks only 6,664,453 bushels against 15,412,828 bushels last year.

Exports are still well maintained for the week; 3,729,179 bushels against 3,834,846 last year. The value of exports for the week has been 220 million, against 238 last year, and 26 in Canada against 31 last year.

BRADSTREET'S. New York, Dec. 22.-Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Advice from Canada point to a large volume of Christmas trade. Money is active at Montreal and call loans are harder to place. Toronto and mid winter is unfavorable to retail trade in winter goods. Canadian exports are firm and woodens are expected to be a good business. Victoria reports a brisk Christmas trade while hay is scarce and farm products firm. Colder weather has stimulated trade in the maritime provinces. Bank clearings for the week aggregate \$35,207,413, a gain of 1.7 per cent over the same week a year ago.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE C. O. BARKER. St. Stephen, Dec. 22.-The funeral of Mr. C. O. Barker took place this afternoon from his residence on Unthank street, in the presence of a large number of friends. F. A. M. and St. Stephen Encampment Knights Templars attended in a body. By the death of Mr. Barker, a business circle of over 30 years. He came to this town during the American rebellion from his native town of Londonderry, New Hampshire, and for years carried on the manufacture and retail sale of boots and shoes, thereby accumulating considerable wealth. He leaves a widow and two daughters, one married to Mr. H. W. Broad, of Montreal, and the other the wife of Attorney Edgar Thompson, of this town, to whom the survivors sympathize of the community is extended in their sad bereavement by the loss of a kind and affectionate husband and father.

DEATH AT NORTON. Norton, Dec. 23.-Mrs. Perkins, wife of E. L. Perkins, merchant, of this place, died last evening after a long and severe period of suffering. She leaves a sorrowful husband and six children to mourn their loss. She was a very estimable lady, a member of the Free Baptist church in this place and foremost in all good works. She will be greatly missed, not only by the family and church, but by the community at large. Her remains were interred in the Midland burying ground on Monday.

DIED FROM A SHOCK. Montreal, Dec. 20.-Baron Von Hugel, a prominent figure in Montreal society, died on the streets, died today as a result of a stroke of paralysis. His son, Capt. and Montreal, with the Royal Engineers, was wounded in the battle of Red Bank and when this news was received Baron suffered a stroke of paralysis, which today ended in his death.

THE MAINE'S DEAD.

BODIES OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HAVANA HARBOR DISASTER

Have Been Taken to the United States and Will Be Buried Today at Rosslyn, Virginia, With Military Honors - President McKinley to Attend.

Newport News, Dec. 26.-The Maine's dead were brought ashore at 1.30 today on a lighter and transferred with solemnities to a Chesapeake & Ohio special baggage train, which transferred them to Arlington. A large silent throng watched the transfer. The train will leave at 10 o'clock tonight.

The coffins on the lighter were in two large blocks, completely covered with flags, on top of which were wreaths in profusion. At 10 o'clock an official visit was paid the Texas by the mayor, president of the Business Men's Association and representatives of the military from here during the late afternoon.

Washington, Dec. 26.-The special train bearing the remains of the Maine dead is expected to arrive at Rosslyn, Va., tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock. From there they will be taken in a wagon train to Arlington cemetery and placed in tents and shelter boxes. Each casket will be draped with a storm flag and the head-board, bearing the number of the grave, placed on each casket. A marine guard of 25 men in command of a commissioned officer will meet the cortege at the cemetery and be maintained over the remains until after the interment.

Barring accidents and unavoidable delays the funeral ceremonies at Arlington will take place at 11 o'clock Thursday morning. The ceremonies will be simple and dignified and will consist of prayer, the reading of Scripture, dirge by the Marine Band and the firing of volleys over the graves. A covered stand, appropriately decorated with the national colors, has been erected at the site of the other distinguished personages who have indicated their intention of being present, the Captain Sigbee, commanding the battleship Texas, which brought the remains home from Havana, will have charge of the ceremonies at the cemetery. Father Deas, who is chaplain of the Maine and who performed the sacred offices at the death of the Spanish merchant, will conduct the religious services at Arlington. A troop of cavalry from Fort Myer probably will assist in the ceremonies at the graves but with this exception the cortege will be entirely naval.

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CANADA'S PROSPERITY. Custom's Returns Shows Great Commercial Growth. Ottawa, Dec. 22.-The trade returns of the Dominion for five months ending November 30th last compared with same period last year show that the country is still enjoying an era of prosperity and that this is in reality Canada's growing time. Compared with 1888 there is an increase in the aggregate trade of the country for the past five months of over \$17,000,000. This is exceedingly satisfactory as last year's trade was far in excess of the previous year. There was an increase by over ten million dollars and exports by over seven million dollars. Following are details compared with five months in 1888:-

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OPENING THE HOLY DOOR.

POPE LEO INAUGURATES THE HOLY YEAR WITH GRAND CELEBRATION.

Splendid Gathering of Clergy, Priests, Officers, Diplomatic Corps Officials and Roman Nobles While the Pontiff Performs the Impressive Function.

Rome, Dec. 24.-The Pope solemnly inaugurated the Holy Year by performing the impressive ceremony of opening the Holy Door of St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 o'clock this morning. The ceremony was performed in the vestibule, which was handsomely decorated, in the presence of the papal officers, the members of the diplomatic corps, leading representatives of the Roman nobility, and a number of specially invited guests.

The Pope, wearing the mitre, uttered the verses of the liturgy and struck three blows with the hammer on the door which had previously been cut with a saw. A few moments of solemn silence followed, the pope and the papal dignitaries in their state robes being grouped before the door. Then the latter swung back, and the officials of St. Peter's laved the threshold and door posts with holy water, while Leo opened the pain of jubilate choir. The Pope, having again covered his head and holding in his right hand a crucifix and in his left a lighted candle, stepped aside within the postern and stepped into the vestibule. The cardinals and others followed.

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TRAGEDY OF AN ACTOR.

The United States Will Seek to Remove Maxwell from Trial.

Washington, Dec. 22.-The state department today issued papers of extradition for the sailor Maxwell, now held at St. John, N. B., on a charge of murder on the high seas.

WORKMEN KILLED BY A TRAIN. Boston, Dec. 23.-A local train on the Providence division of the N. Y. N. H. and H. R. R. struck and killed two workmen near the Broadway bridge, a short distance outside the south terminal station, shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon.

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