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AMERICAN NEWS.

Joe McAuliffe, the Heavy Weight, Knocked Out by Peter Jackson at San Francisco.

Two Ladies Struck by a Locomotive in Chicago and Instantly Killed.

"Winona" Suggested as the Name for the new State to be Created in Southern Dakota.

The Brotherhood of Engineers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—About 250 delegates, representing over ten thousand engineers employed on the the roads west of the Mississippi river, convened at the National Hotel on Clark street this morning. The object of the convention is to establish closer relations between the engineers employed on the railroads in the west and south-west. Such meetings have frequently been held in the east, but this is the first meeting including the engineers of all western lines and excluding all others. The delegates expect that the deliberations of the meeting will be greatly beneficial to the order of the brotherhood of locomotive engineers. None of the delegates could be induced to talk of the probable methods to be adopted by the convention, but judging from the remarks of several of the delegates, they do not feel kindly towards the Burlington road and the engineers employed by that company. In answer to a call issued by Chairman Cavanaugh of the general grievance committee of the "Q" road, the grievance committee of nine, appointed at the Richmond convention, will convene in this city to-day. In this committee is vested power and authority to settle the present difficulty between brotherhood and the "Q" railroad, and any arrangement made by this committee will be binding upon the brotherhood.

Two Ladies Killed by a Locomotive.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Henry Martin and Miss Kate Powers, two ladies living in one of the suburbs of this city, while driving across the Rock Island railroad track at 47th street this afternoon, were struck by a locomotive and instantly killed. The gates at the crossing had been removed for repairs.

A Burglar Caught in an Explosion.

CHICAGO, Dec 28.—An explosion took place last night in a grocery store at No. 2,814 State street. The store caught fire. The firemen, after extinguishing the blaze, found the burned body of a man in close proximity to the spot where a barrel of kerosene had been standing. A man named Polis, who claims to have been passing by when the store caught fire, was badly burned in an attempt to save the man inside. The police are of opinion that Polis and the man now dead were committing burglary when the explosion occurred. Polis is at the hospital and may not recover from his injuries.

A Fratricide.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The Freedman's hospital was the scene of a startling murder early this morning. The victim was a colored man named Isaac Carey, a nurse in the hospital, and the murderer was his brother Taylor Carey, who was a patient in the hospital. About 5 o'clock this morning, Taylor arose and partially dressed himself. Then he made his way to his brother's room where the latter was sleeping soundly. A large "bulldog" revolver belonging to the sleeping man was lying on his clothing on a vacant cot. Taylor picked up the revolver and fired a shot sending the bullet through his brother's brain. After killing his brother Taylor left the room and walked to the front door where he stood for a moment, and thinking he had not completed his deadly work he returned and fired a second shot sending this bullet like the other through his brother's head. The murderer was arrested. Money matters, he claims, led to the killing.

The State of Winona.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Chairman Springer, of the committee of territories, favors the name of "Winona" for the proposed new state comprising the southern part of Dakota.

Poisoned by Clams.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 28.—Several members of the family of Henry Miller, of this city, were taken ill yesterday after eating some clams which were gathered on the beach near here. Miller died this morning. The others are recovering.

Convicts Escape.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 28.—Last evening six prisoners escaped from jail. All of them had been convicted at the present term of the court and all were under sentence to the penitentiary for two years.

A Railroad Trust.

AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 28.—The state supreme court has rendered a decision in the case of the State against the Texas Traffic Association, making permanent an injunction previously obtained. This injunction restrains the association from continuing in business. The Texas association was made up of railroads in Texas, which were united under an agreement as to rates.

Broke the Record.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 28.—The American ship South American, which arrived from Sydney to-day, broke the record by eight days, making the voyage in fifty-three days.

Wells-Fargo Lose $6,000.

TRUCKEE, Cal., Dec. 28.—No traces of the train robbers are reported, although the country is being scoured in all directions. It is believed the robbers boarded some train and are safely out of reach. Wells-Fargo & Co's. representatives here report the loss at $6,000.

Assassinated on the Street.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Dec. 28.—At Perris, a short distance from here, Wm. Rowland was ejected from a saloon by Capt. Gilbert, the proprietor, on Monday night, for obnoxious behaviour. Soon afterward Gilbert stepped out of the door, and Rowland riddled him with bullets. Six took effect, and Gilbert fell dead. The assassin was arrested.

Furniture Firm Failed.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—C. P. Stevens & Co., furniture dealers, assigned this morning to George H. White. The assets, it is thought, will exceed the liabilities.

American Wool.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The Boston *Commercial Bulletin*, in an exhaustive annual report of the wool market of the United States, will show to-morrow that the present supply of wool is 62,000,000 pounds against 110,000,000 pounds at the same date last year, or a shortage of 48,000,000 pounds as compared with 1887.

A Brigand and Murderer Caught.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Pietro Dinarvo, an Italian brigand, who robbed and murdered the Marquis Guilo Sanduzzi at the latter's villa near Torella, Italy, in 1886, was arrested yesterday at Stamford, Connecticut, and he will be taken back to Italy.

Skipped.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Charles F. Merle, a prominent commission merchant, has been missing for a week, and it is reported to-day that he has absconded with a large amount of money due to a number of firms.

Stations of Refuge.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The chamber of commerce forwarded a memorial to Congress to-day urging the establishment of stations of refuge in the Arctic regions. A petition of the same purport, signed by the owners of thirty-two vessels of the Arctic fleet, will also be sent East shortly.

Eclipse of the Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Prof. H. S. Pritchett, of Washington University, and a party of scientists have arrived at Norman, Colusa county, where they will take observations of the total eclipse of the sun on Tuesday next. Norman is in the exact line of totality.

McAuliffe Defeated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Joe McAuliffe, champion heavy weight of the Pacific Coast, and Peter Jackson (colored), champion of Australia, fought for a purse of $3,000 at the California athletic club this evening, and McAuliffe was defeated in twenty-four rounds. Jackson showed the superiority of science from the start and aided by his agility, worried McAuliffe immensely. Twenty-four rounds were fought, the fight lasting one hour and forty minutes.

TARIFF REFORM.

President Cleveland Sends a Letter to the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League.

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BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The annual banquet of the Massachusetts tariff reform league, which took place here at the hotel Vendome this evening, proved to be one of the most brilliant political gatherings of the season. The principal guest of the evening was Secretary Fairchild. Among others were President Eliott, of Harvard College, T. W. Higginson, Hon. P. A. Collins, Hon. John F. Andrew, and Hon. Henry L. Pierce. Hon. W. E. Russell presided, and made a happy opening speech, in which he referred to those present who had come from a position of high trust in the nation, and said the gathering was not one of interested capitalists, to rejoice over a political victory, but a gathering in the interests of the propagation of a great political economical reform. President's Cleveland's letter was then read as follows :—

To Messrs. Sherman, Hoar and others of the Committee:

GENTLEMEN : I am exceedingly sorry that I cannot be present at the annual dinner of the Massachusetts tariff reform league on the 28th inst. This is not merely a formal and common expression of regret. It truly indicates how much I should enjoy meeting the members of your league and how glad I should be to express in person my appreciation of their important services in a cause to which I am earnestly attached, and to acknowledge at the same time their frequent and encouraging manifestations of personal friendliness. I know, too, that it would be profitable and advantageous to be even for a brief period within the inspiring influence of the atmosphere surrounding patriotic and unselfish men, banded together in the interests of their fellow-countrymen and devoted to the work of tariff reform. This reform appears to me to be as far reaching in its purposes as the destiny of our country and as broad in its benificence as the welfare of our entire people. It is because the efforts of its advocates are not discredited by any sordid motive that they are able boldly and confidently to attack the strongholds of selfishness and greed. Our institutions were constructed in purity of purpose, and love for humanity in their operation is adjusted to the touch of national virtue and patriotism, and their results under such guidance must be the prosperity and happiness of our people, and so long as advocates of tariff reform appreciate the sentiments in which our institutions had their origin, so long as they apprehend the forces which alone can guide their operation, so long as they, in a spirit of true patriotism, are consecrated to the service of their country, temporary defeat brings no discouragement. It but proves the stubborness of the forces of combined selfishness, and discloses how far the people have been led astray and how great is the necessity of redoubled efforts in their behalf. To lose faith in the intelligence of the people is a surrender and an abandonment of the struggle to arouse their intelligence and free it from darkness, and the delusion gives assurance of a speedy and complete victory. In the track of reform are often found the dead hopes of pioneers and the despair of those who fall in the march. But there will be neither despair nor dead hopes in the path of tariff reform, nor shall its pioneers fail to reach the heights holding fast their faith and rejecting every alluring overture and every deceptive compromise which would betray their sacred trusts, they themselves shall regain and restore the patrimony of their countrymen, freed from the trespass of grasping encroachment and safely secured by the genius of American justice and equality.

Yours, very truly,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

A letter from Speaker Carlisle was also read. Secretary Fairchild made a strong address.

DOES IT PAY ?

Three-fourths of our people are troubled with Dyspepsia or Liver Complaint in some form or other, which by nature of the disease has a depressing influence on the mind or body, preventing them from thinking or acting clearly in any matter of importance. Indigestion, coming up of food after eating, dyspepsia, sick headache, acidity of the stomach or any derangement of the stomach or liver (upon which the whole action of our system depends) are speedily and effectually overcome by the use of *Green's August Flower*. The most stubborn cases have yielded to its influence, as thousands of letters received will testify. The immense sale of this medicine is another guarantee of its merits (over a million and a half bottles sold last year). So we ask, will it pay you to suffer from any of the above diseases when you can have immediate relief in the *August Flower*. Three doses will prove its worth. It is sold by all druggists and general dealers in all parts of the world.

The Haldimand liberals have nominated C. W. Colter.

CABLE NEWS.

Statement Made That the London "Times" Offered Sheridan £10,000 to Become a Witness.

Hon. Miss Prittie Thrown From Her Horse and Killed While Hunting in Tipperary.

Swords Broken at Suakin of German Make—John Bright Convalescent and Hopeful.

A Cool Customer.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—All reports of the execution of the murderer Prado in Paris this morning agree that the victim of the guelotine met his end with almost unexampled bravery and phenomenal composure. The accounts of the various correspondents are amusing in spite of the gravity of the occasion. One story says he "shed one tear," when the prison attendants bound him, resisting the operation of binding his limbs only by insisting upon his being pinioned in a certain way. Another account says he was completely dazed by the sight of the engine of death, while still another credits him with examining it critically and commenting upon its construction.

Addition to the Navy.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—As a result of the continued efforts of Lord Charles Beresford to effect reform in the navy department of the admiralty, it has been decided to construct four ironclads, ten cruisers, and a number of torpedo gunboats, the whole to cost several millions.

Amicably Settled.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The *Standard's* Berlin correspondent says that the dispute between Prince Bismarck and the Stettin corn merchants, has been settled by mutual concessions.

Crofters' Canadian Commission.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The appointment of a crofters' Canadian commission is announced in the *Official Gazette*. The members of the commission are the Marquis of Lothian, Sir Charles Tupper, Mr. King and Mr. Thomas Skinner. They are empowered to select Highland families for colonization in Canada.

The Tactics of the Times

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—The *Freeman's Journal* prints the following in reference to the Parnell Commission : "The *Times* has increased the amount of the evidence regarding the outrages in the hope of securing testimony that would justify Attorney-General Webster's statements made in his opening address. Finding the ground slipping from under its feet, it resolved upon a desperate game. An emissary was despatched to America. He found Sheridan at Peublo, Col., and tried to induce him to go to London and testify before the Commission, promising that if his evidence was satisfactory £10,000 would be paid to him within an hour after his examination was finished. Sheridan played possum with the agent for a time, and was finally offered £5,000 down if he would accompany the agent to England. Sheridan then declined to accept the offer, and said he did not desire to share the fate of James Carey."

Killed While Hunting.

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—Hon. Miss Cornelia Elizabeth Prittie, second daughter of Lord Dunally was killed while hunting at Kilboy, near Nenage, County Tipperary, today. While riding at full speed her horse stumbled and she was thrown from her saddle. Her feet became entangled in the stirrup and she was dragged a considerable distance head downwards. When her horse finally stopped she was dead.

Probable Trouble at Handoub.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The *Post* and *Standard*, in fiery leaders, justify an attack upon Handoub, and it is believed that the government will shortly take measures to prepare the public for the reception of news of a fight at that place.

John Bright Convalescent.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—John Bright sat in his chair for an hour this evening, and chatted cheerily and hopefully with his family and friends surrounding him. This circumstance is considered as auguring a permanent change in his condition for the better.

Three New Cardinals.

LONDON, Dec. 28. — The *Chronicle's* Rome correspondent says that a consistory will be held at the Vatican on January 28th, at which Monsignors Macchi and Annibalo and the Archbishop of Catania will be created cardinals.

Viscount Eversley Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Chas. Shaw-Lefevre, Viscount Eversley, died to-day, aged 64 years.

A Denial.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—A semi-official French note is published, denying the fact that the Bey of Tunis had ordered all workmen in Tunis to become naturalized Frenchmen. The note states that the story is the invention of an Italian who was dismissed from the service of the Tunis government for neglecting his duties.

An Army Increase.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—The official journal announces an increase to the army of 15,000 foot chasseurs by the addition of two companies to each thirty battalions.

An Arbitrary Order.

ROME, Dec. 28.—It is reported here that the Bey of Tunis has ordered all foreign employers in Tunis to become naturalized Frenchmen and that the Italian government has addressed an amicable note of protest to France on the subject.

Not English Blades.

SUAKIN, Dec. 28.—Investigation shows that the swords broken during the recent engagement with the Arabs were of German manufacture.

Twenty-Two Killed.

ROME, Dec. 28.—Later reports from Messina state that twenty-two persons were killed by to-day's powder magazine explosion.

The Birthday of an Academy.

MUNICH, Dec, 28.—Munich academy of sciences celebrated its birthday to-day. Prince Luitpold, regent of Bavaria, was present, and Dr. Dollinger delivered an interesting oration on the part taken in the history of literature by North America.

The Czar Friendly to Alexander of Bulgaria.

VIENNA, Dec. 28.—It is rumored that the Czar is disposed to become reconciled to Prince Alexander of Battenberg, late Prince of Bulgaria, and the report is construed to mean that Russia will advocate his resumption of the Bulgarian throne.

Solingen Sabres for Prussia.

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—The Prussian government has ordered 20,000 sabres from Solingen manufacturers.

Bismarck on the African Question.

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—Bismarck will speak in the debate of the African question in the Reichstag about the middle of January.

Russia's Home Policy.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—It is stated in diplomatic circles, and by the official press, that an important change in the home policy of Russia is approaching, owing to the Czar's favorable impressions of his recent journey to Caucasus, and the loyal rejoicings after the disaster to his railway train at Berks.

BURGOYNE BAY BRIEFS.

The holiday season has brought with it a round of parties and pleasure gatherings, where the young and old meet together to enjoy a few hours of fun and merriment.

Dancing parties were given a few evenings ago at the homes of Mr. Thos. Papenburger and Mr. Alex. McFaden. It is needless to say both were thoroughly enjoyed.

On the evening of the 26th, a birthday party was given at the residence of Mr. J. M. Brown, to Mr. Horace Dagan. Eighteen merry guests sat down to a splendid dinner, followed by music, song and song, making the night of pleasure long to be remembered.

The nights at the Bay are crisp and frosty, but the days are still warm and bright, enabling the farmers still to do plenty of out-door work.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

Col. Prior Appointed an Aide-de-Camp of the Governor General.

Chart of Fraser River in Preparation—Funeral of Cunningham Stewart—The New Steamers for the China Service.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—Col. E. G. Prior, M. P., has been appointed extra aide-de-camp to the governor-general.

The marine department is preparing a chart of the Fraser river and Sandheads channel from plans furnished by the department of public works, for the benefit of vessels desirous of reaching Westminster. It will be published early in the spring.

The funeral of Cunningham Stewart took place to-day. It was largely attended by ministers, deputy ministers and civil servants generally.

Col. Macgregor, ex-member of the Imperial House of Commons, is here in the interest of the Pearse Shipbuilding Co., which will build the Canadian Pacific's new vessels for the China service under the Imperial contract.

The Manitoba government have sent a commissioner to the eastern townships of Quebec to divert immigration to the prairie province.

The Joliette nomination will take place January 9th, polling a week later.

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To View the Sun's Eclipse.

SAN FRANCISCO Dec. 29.—A large number of parties are being formed in various parts of the state, for viewing the total eclipse of the sun on New Year's day. Many have already left for the points north of San Francisco within the line of totality.

San Francisco Sealers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Owing to the continued heavy weather it is not probable that the private sealers will send out their vessels for the spring cruise before the first of February.

National Bank Difficulty.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—A meeting of the shareholders of the suspended California National Bank has been postponed for one week. Bank Commissioner Cassidy, who has been examining the books of the bank, said to-day that the assets are in excess of the liabilities.

A Big Shortage.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Charles F. Merle, the missing commission merchant, whose disappearance was telegraphed last night, is reported to have left behind him an indebtedness of between fifty and one hundred thousand dollars.

The Single Tax Doctrine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A number of friends and advocates of the single tax doctrine gave a dinner to Henry George at the Hotel Hungaria, Union Square, tonight, in honor of the great land tax reformer's return from his trip to England. About one hundred guests were present. W. T. Croasdaile, presided, and in a brief address he formally welcomed George, who responded in a few appropriate remarks. Speeches were made by Major Alfred Calhoun, Louis F. Post, Thomas Sherman and John Dewitt Warner. Among those present were Col. Don Piatt, W. J. Atkinson, W. R. Levison, Dr. E. Collins and Henry George, jr.

Shot While Doing His Duty.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 29.—James O'Neil, the oldest policeman of the Rochester force, was shot by Wm. Manley, whom he was attempting to arrest on a charge of neglect and cruelty preferred by his wife. O'Neil will die. Manley has been locked up.

Premature Discharge of a Blast.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 29.—Jacob Dinlowitz and John Dangan tamped a shot in the Big Mountain mine this morning preparatory to arranging a blast. The fuse was accidentally lighted by a spark, and an explosion ensued. Dinlowitz was instantly killed and Dangan's back broken. Both were unmarried.

A Severe Trial.

Frances S. Smith, of Emsdale, Muskoka, writes, "I was troubled with vomiting for two years, and I have vomited as often as five times a day. One bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters cured me." tts

A Hint to Housekeepers.

Mrs. Robert Williamson, of Glenila, Parry Sound, Ont., says, "I could not keep house without Hagyard's Yellow Oil at hand. I have used it in my family for croup, sore throat, and a cut foot, and can highly recommend it to everybody." tts

R. J. Johnston dropped dead at his Winnipeg residence yesterday.

OUR CABLE LETTER.

Stanley's Alleged Capture Discredited After Careful Investigation by African Experts.

England's Interests in Persia Jeopardized by the Indiscretion of Sir Drummond Wolffe.

John Bright, Informed of his Critical Condition, Takes an Affectionate Farewell of his Family.

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LONDON, Dec. 29. — The friends of Henry M. Stanley, including a number of African experts, after thoroughly sifting all the recent news from Suakin and Zanzibar, have come to the conclusion that the African explorer has not been caught by the Mahdi. They believe that Stanley made a circuit through the Bahr El Ghazel district to reach Emin; that while near Lado, which is many days journey further north than Wadelai, he sent a messenger to Emin at Wadelai and this messenger was captured at Lado. The Mahdi obtained possession of the letter from the Khedive to Emin from this messenger, and the story of the capture of Emin and Stanley was based upon the document found in his possession. Hence there is nothing in the recent story of Osman Digna to prove the capture of either Emin or Stanley, and the latter's friends expect shortly to have good news of him.

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being interviewed to-day, said the statement of Osman Digna that the Mahdi's troops have taken Lado, recalls the extensive spread of a religious or fanatical movement which has expelled the Egyptians and their European friends from the Soudan. The vast distance from Cairo to Khartoum can, since the Nile expedition, be to some extent realized by everyone; but Khartoum is only half way from Cairo to Lado. The Mahdi's rule, in short, extends ever an area measuring 1500 miles from north to south, and about the same distance from east to west. The Arabs of the Zanzibar coast and of the southern lake region, though there is no evidence to connect them with the Egyptians of the Soudan, seem to represent a phenomenally close resemblance to those which have been observed in the Nile district. A period of

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and of superficial organization, under the direction of Europeans, or of more or less civilized Mahomedans, has ended in an outburst of savage fanaticism and the expulsion of all the civilizing and Christian elements that the African world has felt since the beginning of the constraing grip of civilization, and resents with fierce reaction the introduction of foreign races. The effect for the moment is to make a clean sweep of whatever had been accomplished by Europe, but it is only for the moment. Europe has taken hold of Africa and will not let go the Soudan.

British politicians are becoming very uneasy about the imprudent activity of Sir Drummond Wolffe, British envoy at Teheran, which has caused serious disputes between Russia and Persia, each resulting in the humiliation of the latter power, and which has had a disastrous effect upon

ENGLISH INTERESTS IN PERSIA.

When the dispute with regard to placing a Russian agent at Meshed arose, Wolffe was warned that this attempt to curtail the legitimate scope of Russian power in Northern Persia was sure to fail upon the Czar's faintest menace. It would be as imprudent if a Russian envoy at Teheran were to oppose the placing of an English consul at Cashmere or Bagdad. Lord Lansdowne, Viceroy of India, acting under instructions from Lord Salisbury, settled the difficulty by requesting the Shah of Persia to grant the desired concession to Russia, but the efforts of Wolffe's intermedling with Russian interest in Persia did not stop here. Hardly had the British envoy obtained the important trading concession from the government by having the Karum river as far as the town of Abwaz thrown open to

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that Russia sent an ultimatum to the Persian government, which was answered on Thursday by a decree limiting navigation on the Karum to a point below Abwaz and making other restrictions detrimental to English trade and favorable to Russia. The opening of this river, which discharges into the Persian gulf by way of Shadel Arab, involved great commercial advantage to England. Abwaz is a town in the province of Khuzistan, about forty miles nearer the sea than Shuster, and the Russians were afraid that commerce with other nations in this region, and especially with England, would mean a corresponding loss to them in their trade in the Caspian.

RUSSIANS ARE INTENSELY ANGRY

at the policy of Wolffe at Teheran. The Russian papers regard his actions as the reopening of the Central Asian question, and there is little doubt that unless Wolffe is recalled Lansdowne will find it exceedingly difficult to maintain peace and to promote the financial improvement which he announced he so ardently desired when entering upon his career as Viceroy of India.

The British government has addressed strong representations to the Chinese government in regard to Doda Mahommed Khan and his accomplices, murderers of Mr. Dalgleish. The government of India has now satisfied itself that the man is in Chinese Turkestan; that his whereabouts are well known to the Chinese authorities there, and that immediately after the murder he fled to Kashgar, where he remained for some time. Although the Chinese officials knew also who he was, and were aware of the crime he had committed, no attempt was made to arrest any of the party, and it is supposed the authorities in Kashgar were bribed.

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at Kasgar took immediate precautions to have them captured if they crossed into Russian territory, but they felt safe apparently in the Chinese dominion. It is probable that the Pekin government will now require the local authorities to arrest and detain them in custody for the present.

It was only quite recently that John Bright was informed by his medical attendants of his critical condition. The gentleman appeared to be astonished and incredulous; but he bade his family an affectionate farewell and dictated among other things a message to Gladstone. He desired the ex-premier to be told that he was grateful to him for his unfailing kindness, and that he placed a very high estimate on the service which he had rendered to his country. It is gratifying to know that Bright's mind has all along been perfectly clear and that he has been able to listen with enjoyment to portions of the works of Charlotte Bronte, which have been read to him during the last few days.

ENGLAND'S LATEST HORROR.

The Remains of Two Boys Found Shockingly Mutilated—A Milkman Arrested as Being the Assassin—Strong Proofs of His Guilt.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—News comes from Bradford this morning of a horrible murder so similar in its appalling details to villainies of the Whitechapel fiend as to lead to the supposition that "Jack the Ripper" has changed his scene of operations, or that some murderous maniac has been imitating his work. The victim in this case, however, was a boy only eight years of age, who was found this morning in a stable shockingly mutilated. His ears, nose, legs and arms had been cut off, and the body had been disembowelled and dismembered and parts stuffed into the gory cavity, as was the case in the Whitechapel murders. The perpetrator of this new horror left no trace behind him. Bradford to-day is in a turmoil of mingled terror and excitement, and there is but one topic of discussion. The streets in the vicinity of the stable where the boy's mutilated body was discovered, are filled with an excited multitude. Later news from Bradford says a milkman was arrested on suspicion of having committed the murder. The boy used sometimes to accompany the milkman on his rounds, and the prisoner was the first to recognize the mutilated body of the lad. It is now certain the body was placed in the outhouse between the hours of four and seven this this morning.

THE SECOND MURDER.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Scarcely have the people begun to recover from the shock of the first murder than they are horrified by the report of another boy murder. The body of the second boy, which is horribly mutilated, has been found at Kelwick, near Keighthly. No clue to the murderer in either cases has been found. The police are searching the country around and are assisted by volunteer parties. All railway stations are watched. The boy John Gill, when last seen, was sliding on the ice with some companions. From the clumsy way in which the murder was committed, it is supposed to have been done by drunken boys.

EVIDENCE OF THE ASSASSIN'S GUILT.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The milkman Barritt, who is charged at Bradford with the murder of the boy John Gill, has told at least a dozen different stories concerning his last meeting with his victim. A sack bearing many blood stains and a knife fitting the wounds in the lad's body were found in his room and to account for these he has told as many different stories as he related to account for the boy's failure to return with him. He has been remanded for further hearing.

IT WAS HOT.

How a Clever Counterfeiter Was Captured in Chicago.

One of the Spurious Coins Falls Into the Street From a Building, and Being Picked up by a Conductor Was Found to be Hot, Which Aroused Suspicion and Led to Discovery.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Wm. D. Hards, of this city, was arrested to-day by Capt. Porter, of the U.S. secret service, charged with counterfeiting. He was placed under $5,000 bonds to appear before the commisssoner on Wednesday next. The circumstances leading to the discovery of his counterfeiting are: One afternoon last July a street car conductor was standing in front of 867, North Clark street, when a silver dollar fell at his feet. He picked it up and had it in his hand long enough to discover that it was very hot, as if just taken off the fire. At that moment a man came hurriedly out of the house at that number and snatched the piece of money from him. The man's manner was so excited that the conductor's suspicions were aroused, and he reported the incident to the police. Since that time the house above mentioned has been constantly under the surveillance of detectives. To-day U. S. inspector Porter determined to examine the place, when it was found that the building is occupied by W. G. Hards & Bro., contractors and plasterers. Nothing suspicious was discovered until the upper storey was reached, when Wm. G. Hards was seen through a small window busily at work in his shirt sleeves. The officers were readily admitted, when they found the room contained a most valuable and complete counterfeiter's plant; including electrical batteries for silvering coin, heavy iron presses for stamping, crucibles, elaborate milling and smoothing machines, and large quantities of metals used in filling. An outfit declared by the detectives to be the most complete ever seen. Hards had been counterfeiting silver dollars and the work turned out was so nearly perfect in appearance, weight and ring, that the inspector himself could not detect the difference between the counterfeits and genuine coin. Seventy counterfeit dollars were found in the room.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Marion, conservative, is ahead in L'Assomption, with two divisions to hear from.

Deloraine, Man., was almost entirely destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, over $100,000.

F. S. Dawn, one of the patriots of 1837-8, died at Montreal, on Thursday, aged 88.

Windsor, Ont., voters will probably vote on the question at the coming election, "is political union with the United States desirable?"

Col. Rhodes, ministerialist, and the new minister of agriculture in the Mercier cabinet, was elected for Megantic.

Writs for the Dominion election in Joliette are issued. Nominations on the 9th and election on the 16th January.

Full returns give Col. Rhodes a majority of 163 in Megantic. In L'Assomption, Forest, liberal, is elected by 20 majority.

Thos. Henning, brother-in-law of the late Hon. George Brown, died in Italy, aged 66 years. Mrs. Henning died two weeks ago.

A fire broke out in a frame block on the west side of North Water street, Galt, and was not got under control until all the wooden buildings in the block, comprising six shops, were consumed.

While a young man named W. G. Ror ror was engaged in his father's saw mill at Rock Chapel, a few miles from Hamilton, he slipped and fell across a circular saw, and his body was cut in two.

Winnipeg will undoubtedly resist paying the expenses of calling out the troops last October, notwithstanding the opinion of the minister of justice. The matter will be fought out in the courts.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Protest Against the Odd Fellow's Accident Association of America

Doing Business in Canada Without Dominion or Provincial Licenses—Christmas Greetings From New Zealand—Lady Macdonald Will Not Receive Callers on New Year's—The New Imperial Drill Book Will not be Served Out Until May.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Several Canadian insurance companies have filed a protest against the Odd Fellows' Accident Association of America doing business in Canada without provincial or Dominion license. The complaint appears to be well founded, as Canadian companies must obtain a license and make a deposit; and until this is done the United States' association will likely have to suspend operations.

The officials of the New Zealand post-office department have sent Christmas greetings to their colleagues at Ottawa.

Lady Macdonald will not receive callers on New Year's day owing to the recent death in the family.

The new Imperial drill-book will be served out to the Canadian militia force next May.

THE HAYTIAN REBELLION.

Particulars of the Release of the Haytian Republic

By Legitime, Under Pressure of American Guns—The Owner of the Vessel Puts in a Claim for $200,000 and Demands $150,000 as Compensation for Crew and Passengers—The New President Friendly to the United States.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

ON BOARD THE U. S. S. GALENA OFF PORT-AU-PRINCE, Dec. 21.—The United States steamships Galena and Yantic, which left New York on December 12th, steamed into the harbor of Port-au-Prince on December 20th at 9 a. m., with shotted guns and torpedo booms. The ships cleared for action and the crew stood at quarters to demand of the alleged Haytian government the instant release of the steamer Haytian Republic. On their arrival in the outer harbor, Rear-Admiral S. B. Luce transferred his flag to the Yantic, which has a draught of but fourteen feet. The Yantic then ran slowly into the inner harbor, where the Haytian Republic was at anchor. A stern line was attached to the latter vessel, the guns of the Yantic being trained on the city. Lieut. Griffin went ashore with a communication from the state department and Admiral Luce, demanding the release within four hours of the detained vessel, and the withdrawal of her guard. Under

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and an appeal for future arbitration, Legitime commanded one of his gunboats to tow the Haytian Republic to the position on the outer harbor which she occupied when captured, and to have such slight damage as had been done to her repaired by his mechanics. Her anchor chains having become foul, however, she was not towed out until next day. It is an acknowledged fact that Legitime had contracted to sell the Haytian Republic to the Atlas line, and her release was secured in the nick of time. It is said that Legitime would not have released the Haytian Republic if a French man-of-war had been in the harbor, the influence of the French government through their minister at Port au Prince being very strong. The national assembly on Dec. 18th, declared

LEGITIME ELECTED PRESIDENT

by a unanimous vote. All foreign powers were immediately informed of his election, and a portion of the navy ordered to this port to participate in the demonstration in honor of that event, and to take part in the inaugural fetes. The United States flag, after an absence of eleven days, was then returned to the masthead of the Haytian Republic, and was flying when the American vessels returned after having bombarded Cape Haytian, Port De Paix, San Marie and other small ports on the north and west coasts, and completely demoralizing all foreign and coasting trade. It has been decided to advance the warships in connection with the army now marching to meet the forces of Gen. Hippalite. Skirmishes have occurred on the frontier between small detachments of the armies, and news of

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near San Marie is momentarily looked for. The inhabitants of the bombarded ports are in a destitute condition. Admiral Luce and thirteen of the Galena's and Yantic's officers, on Friday, paid an official visit to President Legitime and his cabinet. The President received them cordially and expressed friendly feelings for America. In reply, Admiral Luce said that America always encouraged republics—especially those of the West Indies, and particularly those composed of Africans. He then alluded to the civil war in the United States, which had resulted in the freedom of that race in the great republic. To-morrow B. C. Morse, the owner of the Haytian Republic, will submit to President Legitime a claim for $200,000 damages and detention of the ship, and $150,000 as compensation to the crew and two passengers.

MONTANA BULLETS.

Henry Unterbrink, a Former Victorian, the Victim of a Helena Man's Revolver.

A letter just received from Thos. Birmingham, conductor on division 87, N.P. R., contains the following particulars of a shooting case at Helena, Montana, of which Henry Unterbrink, who for some time was employed in the Victoria Transfer Company's carriage works, was the victim: Mr. Unterbrink was on his way to Alton, Ill., and being forced to lay over for two hours in Helena for his train, started to hunt up Conductor Birmingham, with whom he is acquainted and whose home is in Helena. While passing through a very dark street, not far from the railway track, a short cut as he supposed, he heard a woman scream, and the door of a house near him opening suddenly a woman dashed towards him crying for help. A man followed her and fired three shots at her, flying figure, two of the bullets striking Mr. Unterbrink, one entering his right thigh and the other his breast, penetrating to within an inch of his heart. The unfortunate man was carried to a neighboring drug store, where his injuries were attended to. His friend, Conductor Birmingham, was shortly after sent for, and arriving, took Mr. Unterbrink to his home, where he now lies in a very dangerous condition, although receiving the attention of the very best medical skill obtainable. The man who committed the deed, Frank Stallbrook, a well-to-do citizen of Helena, gave himself up to the police immediately after the shooting. He was a perfect stranger to Mr. Unterbrink, and was intoxicated at the time that he committed the crime. He expresses the deepest remorse at the terrible consequences of his drunken fury, and is sparing no expense to restore the victim to the fullness of health and strength.

EAST COAST MEWS.

[From the Free Press.]

COMOX.

The freshet has gone down as suddenly as it rose, the water in the river being quite low.

The sickness at the mines has almost disappeared, there being only one person sick there at present.

There has been a heavy frost at Comox, the ice in the channel being nearly two inches thick.

The locomotive is now running across the Trent river bridge. No snow has fallen in the district and railroad construction is being pushed forward.

The bridge at Urquhart's saw mill has been condemned, owing to the injury caused by the freshet.

The new building for the Comox Knights of Pythias is rapidly progressing, the frame being now up.

CHEMAINUS.

The Chemainus saw mill is shut down for a few weeks for repairs.

Several eastern lumber kings are inspecting the Chemainus saw mills and the timber limits in connection with the mills. They are shrewd, keen business men, but at the same time, hearty and jolly.

It is rumored that the Chemainus saw mills are about to change hands and start up under a new proprietory.

COWICHAN.

A panther has been spending its Christmas in the vicinity of McPherson's, and helped itself in one night to seven geese, a few ducks, etc., from the ranch of a J. P., whe is considered the ninrod of the district. He says he will "fix that panther plenty."

It is rumored that Mr. Sutton will, in the spring, bring a boom of several thousand logs from his new camp on Cowichan Lake down to the Bay. May success reward his pluck and enterprise.

The flats for the past week have been dotted with sportsmen. The city "bloods" turning out in great force to show their country cousins how to do it. As ducks are plentiful good sport is generally experienced.

A new dyke is about to be built on the flats, which will reclaim several hundred acres of very fine land.

WESTMINSTER NEWS.

The Southern Railway Bond Signed by a Majority of the Ratepayers.

The Required Amount will be Guaranteed—Rifle Match on New Year's Day—Increased Postal Facilities at the Royal City—Petty Burglary.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

WESTMINSTER, Dec. 29.—A rifle match will take place at the Brownsville range on New Year's day, between teams of ten men chosen from Vancouver and Westminster.

One hundred and twelve new boxes are being added to the city post office in order to meet the demand of the public.

A cabin in the lower part of the city was broken into last evening and a small quantity of provisions stolen.

The *Columbian* to-night states that the South