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THE supply of dressed meat imported into Great Britain has, in two years, increased fifty per cent. A d thirteen-fourteenths of all of it were sent from the United States.

ON account of the differences of opinion on the social question which exist among the various catholic bishops the pope has decided to create a special commission of cardinals, of every nationality, to study the problem and formulate rules for the attitude of the episcopacy.

IT is not fair to put science against the obstreperous individuality of the American. If we lived as actively as did our fathers and added to the simplicity of their wholesome regimen the advantages that science now gives us, in sanitation and medicine, we should live to be 100—but we will not.

OUR Indian policy proceeds on the theory that it is better and cheaper to feed the Indians than to fight them, but there is a fatal weakness in its application. The men who must fight them in case of trouble have nothing to do with feeding them. That is wholly under the control of politicians.

IRELAND has struggled for freedom for two centuries, and not until to-day has there seemed to be any fair prospect of deliverance. It is to be feared that if her representatives shall lay the flattering unction to their souls that morals have nothing to do with politics they will all the longer delay her hour of triumph.

MANY of the churches in New York, Brooklyn and Boston are connected with a considerable number of the houses of members by telephone. With electricity with its telephones and phonographs, and steam with its railroad cathedrals, the gospel is disseminated in a way that would have astounded the early evangelist.

YOU cannot expect men to cherish high aspirations and develop grand and noble characteristics in a tenement in the slums, surrounded by filth and degradation. The first step to a higher life is freedom from cramping and debasing material conditions and the dark shadow of poverty, either actual or prospective.

IT is undoubtedly desirable that a sensible wife should be made generally acquainted with the business and financial situation of her husband. She ought to know, as one of the partners, in what condition the treasury of the household is, in order that she may regulate her expenses accordingly, and more especially when the assets of the firm are small.

FINANCIERS who would like to follow Jay Gould's methods might take a useful lesson from one of his latest reported sayings, which is: "I'm not buying anything I can't pay for." It is a homely remark, but it has a world of wisdom in it about this time. Following this "pointer" the man of moderate means may not get rich, but on the other hand the rich man will not be reduced to poverty.

INDIAN corn or maize is an indigenous American product, not known in Europe until introduced there from this continent. But there are large districts in southern Europe where corn thrives, and it is being grown in much greater quantities than a few years ago. It is likely, however, that Southern Europe will never grow more corn than is needed for home use, while England and all northern Europe must be supplied, except in seasons of our own scarcity, from this country.

THE editor may be the most humane, æsthetic, public-spirited man in the community, but as an editor he must hold all these nobler impulses in abeyance or subordinate them to the primary object of his paper, which is to make money by the sale of news. The kind of news required is determined by the sentiment of the people and not by the peculiar character and temperament of the editor. He will be the best editor, that is, will have the most successful paper, who divines with keenest intuition the wants of the people. The people themselves do not by any means always know what they want, yet it is none the less the part of the editor to find out that want and meet it.

IT is the accepted opinion among those who have given the matter careful attention that one-third of the increase railroad capital stock in the last seven years is covered by additions to equipment value alone, and that the necessary two-thirds can be accounted for in betterments and appreciation of values. The conclusion therefore follows that the 46,000 miles of new roads in the last seven years have been added to the aggregate wealth of railway property in this country. In a word the country is actually richer to-day by the value of 46,000 miles of railroad than she was seven years ago. There is certainly nothing in this to justify the lugubrious view of things the bears of Wall street are taking.

MONETARY crises have not been confined to the modern era, but the term panic did not begin to be applied to them until comparatively recent times. As the intelligent reader would naturally infer, the term is derived from the word Pan, a god of the old Grecian mythology. Pan is supposed to have whiled away a good many of his spare hours in sallying forth suddenly from the mountain fastnesses in which he dwelt and frightening passing travelers. The abruptness of his coming and the grotesqueness of his appearance excited terror to such an extent that all sudden and uncontrollable frights at length began to be attributed to the visitations of Pan. At first the word panic, in the Greek orthography, was applied to sudden and general manifestations of alarm in armies and large assemblages, and it is used in this connection still in several of the European languages. It was not until our own time, broadly speaking, that the term began to denote financial crises in which confidence suddenly vanishes in the business world and a feeling of distrust in the stability of values and the solvency of individuals takes its place.

WOLVERINE NEWS.

A WAYLAND FARMER, TIRED OF THIS WORLD, SEEKS ANOTHER.

A NUMBER OF NEW STOCK COMPANIES INCORPORATED.

Items of Interest from All Parts of Michigan.

Suicide at Wayland.

WAYLAND, Dec. 23.—Probably the citizens of our village were never so shocked as on Sunday morning at the news of one of our prominent citizens having committed suicide by hanging. Appearances are that the deceased, Abram Osterhout, went to his shop and climbing upon a scaffold some eight feet above the floor, placed one end of a rope around a joist above and the other about his neck. Then, grasping a hand-ax, he struck himself upon the head, crushing the skull. A few moments after leaving the house his daughter Annie went to the shop to determine what he was doing, and found her father's corpse. In his pocket was found a note to his wife, stating that he hoped they would not feel badly at what he was about to do. It is thought that his fear of being sent to an insane asylum, caused his despondency, leading to his rash act. Both his wife and daughter were so overcome by the shock that medical aid was necessary.

Incorporated Companies.

LANSING, Dec. 23.—The following corporations have filed articles of association with the secretary of state: The Middleville manufacturing company, Middleville, $26,700; the Nelson piano company, Muskegon, $200,000; the Eau Claire manufacturing company, Eau Claire, $5,000; the Port Huron mill and dock company, Port Huron, $25,000; Ayers lumber and salt company, Saginaw, $100,000; the Columbian brush and fiber company, Detroit, $60,000; the Upper Peninsula brewing company, Marquette and Negaunee, $150,000; the Allegan gas and oil mining company, Allegan, $20,000.

A Pardon and a Commutation.

LANSING, Dec. 23.—The governor has pardoned Grant Challendon, sentenced to state prison for twelve years from Eaton county in 1887 for murder in the second degree. The pardon was unanimously recommended by the pardon board on account of mitigating circumstances. In 1886 William Shaffer was sentenced to Jackson for life from Kalamazoo county for an assault upon a girl 9 years old. The governor commutes his sentence to nine years because of his extreme youth and the severity of the absence, at the request of leading citizens of Kalamazoo.

Hog Cholera.

WEST BAY CITY, Dec. 20.—Veterinary surgeons were called yesterday afternoon to the farm of Thomas Toohey, about four miles west of this place, to examine a supposed case of hog cholera. The animals were found in a very bad condition, and while the surgeons were making their examinations an animal was taken sick and died. It is thought these are the first cases in this vicinity, and all precautions will be taken to prevent the spreading of the disease.

Death of a Veteran.

COLDWATER, Dec. 20.—Nathaniel F. Barnes died at his home in this city yesterday. He was a pensioner of the late civil war, being a member of Battery G, Michigan Artillery, better known as Lamphire's battery. He came to Coldwater township in 1846 and has since lived here, excepting the years spent in the army. The funeral will be conducted by the G. A. R.

Death of Dr. James Harvey.

ROMEO, Dec. 23.—Dr. James Harvey of this place died on Friday at 3 p. m. at his residence on Dickinson street, after a prolonged illness, aged 54 years. He leaves a wife and four children, Mrs. A. L. Stephens, Mrs. Borgman and Dr. Will Harvey, all of Detroit, and James, who resides at home.

Death of Hon. Chas. E. Mallary.

ROMEO, Dec. 20.—Hon. Chas. F. Mallary, an old and highly respected citizen of this place, died on Thursday at the age of 80 years. He was an active business man in the early days of Romeo. He leaves an aged wife to mourn his loss. He was a member of the First Congregational church of Romeo.

STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

Houghland's butchering establishment, at Mendon, burned Friday at a loss of $300.

Interested parties want to change the name of their station from Upton to West Port Huron.

John Harris, an Oakland county farmer, was held up and robbed of $67 at a Pontiac hotel recently.

Robert Laing of Loomis, 19 years old, was instantly killed Wednesday by a log rolling on him.

The twelfth annual convention of the Michigan engineering society will be held in Lansing January 20-28.

Lovell H. Glover of Cassopolis, will be the new deputy land commissioner under the incoming administration.

Mrs. Lydia Harmon, 97 years old, of Morenci, died of old age, Wednesday. She came to Michigan from New York in 1843.

The Michigan university has 2,355 students, while according to the Harvard college catalogue that institution has but 2,251.

John Densmore and Richard Bolton were buried beneath a mass of clay in the Port Huron tunnel Monday. Neither was badly hurt.

Harry Hupela, 31 years old and married, fell 100 feet down the shaft of the Central mine, at Calumet Wednesday, and was instantly killed.

A. F. Benoit, employed in Davidson's shipyard, Bay City, fell from a scaffold Wednesday while at work and sustained injuries which may result fatally.

William L. Black, a Grand Rapids carpenter, 40 years old, fell on an icy sidewalk in Grand Rapids Tuesday and fractured his skull. Death was instantaneous.

Rev. J. C. Floyd, pastor of the M. E. church at Albion, has resigned to accept the superintendency of the missions at Malasia. He will leave for his new field in January.

State Land Commissioner Shaffer has given H. J. Ohls of Marcellus an appointment in the state abstract office at Lansing. Ohls is an old soldier and is qualified for the position.

H. W. Meeker's three barns and the contents thereof, at Olivet, burned Sunday. The fire was caused by a lantern falling in some straw. The loss will amount to nearly $4,000.

A farmer in Algonsee township had a horse sick with a disease so peculiar that he called the state veterinary surgeon, who pronounced it a case of glanders and ordered the horse killed.

A business men's association was formed in Vassar Friday evening, at a meeting held for that purpose. Bylaws were adopted, and the project promises to be a success in booming the town.

The large tool house on the farm of John Grobe, located on the Midland road six miles from Bay City, burned Thursday. Nothing was saved but one reaper. The loss will reach $1,500.

The Bay county agricultural society's annual report shows an excess of expenditures over receipts of $77.09 the past year. As previous reports show a balance on the same side of the ledger the society is about $4,800 in the hole.

Emil Jochen, 6 years old, of Saginaw was run over and killed by a street car in Saginaw Thursday. He ran in front of the car and no one but himself was to blame for the accident.

The annual meeting of the executive committee of the Michigan state agricultural society will be held at the Hudson House, Lansing, commencing Monday evening, January 12, 1891, at eight o'clock.

James Labadie, the enterprising citizen near Bay City who tried to gouge out his wife's eye, took poison himself and tried to make his wife do likewise, has been sent to the Detroit house of correction for 90 days.

The new school building at Three Rivers, which will be dedicated December 20, is one of the prettiest in the southwestern section of the state. It is a credit to the town and its enterprising spirit.

Charles Miller, a Saginaw German, was locked up for stabbing his wife Wednesday night. Miller is a worthless genius and is said to have stabbed his better half because she would not give up her hard-earned cash for him to buy rum.

Michael Gleason, the Plainfield farmer who was confined three months in jail because he could not get bail on the charge of felonious assault on his step-daughter, died at his home Wednesday night. His term in jail broke his health.

A couple of tramps held up two U. of M. boys Tuesday night and were the most astonished tramps in the country. The students waded in and gave them a most thorough thrashing. The affray took place on a lonely spot between Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor.

Frank Maybury of Quincy could not bear to think of beginning a new year of care and trouble, especially as he had been despondent of late. He thought the matter over and Wednesday drew a gleaming razor across his throat. He was dead when found.

Peter O. Voorhees, a well known lawyer of Grand Rapids stopped during an argument in court Wednesday, clapping one hand to his side and fell dead to the floor. Heart disease is supposed to have caused death. Mr. Voorhees was 47 years old and leaves a family.

James Green, manager of the Jackson opera house, has brought a libel suit against the Citizen for a harsh criticism on a show that recently invaded the city. The suit is against Congressman O'Donnell and Business Manager George and the damages are placed at $3,000.

Joseph Bouchard and family of the Second ward, Bay City are much excited over an attempt at murder that was made Tuesday night. A bullet was fired through the window narrowly missing the occupants of the room. As this is the second time the same thing has happened the family do not believe it was accidental.

George Cloughesy, residing at Point Edward, was killed at the Stone street crossing of the Chicago & Grand Trunk railroad in Port Huron Friday night. He jumped upon a brake beam to ride, slipped and fell under the wheels, which passed twice over his body completely severing it in two. The unfortunate man, who was twenty-two years of age, had been employed as switchman for several years past. He was married.

Little Georgie Wilkes of Sault Ste. Marie was knocked down and run over by a pair of horses Tuesday. The top of his skull was crushed in and he will die. In spite of the pain the boy had the top of his head trephined. While the operation was going on he visibly affected the doctors by asking them if they were "going to bury him," and whether they would put him in a coffin, alternating these by a pitiful request to "fix it up," so that he could live.

The Independent Order of Foresters, in session at Saginaw, decided that they will continue to affiliate with the Ontario branch of the order until such time as the United States Foresters have more members than the Canadian, when they will transfer the officers and cash to the land of the free and the home of the brave and legislate the Canadian officers out of existence. The strongest incentive for holding on was that they would lose $36,000 if they pulled out.

Last summer Noah Himebaugh of Noble township had a quantity of wool stolen. Shortly afterward two men then living in Coldwater, named Adelbert Allen and Geo. A. Luce, were arrested and taken to Wisconsin and convicted of horse-stealing. It was soon proven that they were the wool thieves, and money in the Coldwater National bank and other property was levied upon, and the circuit court has just given Himebaugh a judgement of $207. The money in the bank was a draft from Chicago, supposed to be the pay for the stolen wool.

Murderer Day Hanged.

A dispatch from Welland, Ont., dated December 19, says: Auther Hoyt Day, who murdered his wife by pushing her over a cliff at Niagara Falls in July last, was hanged at 8:01 o'clock yesterday morning. The condemned man walked to the scaffold firmly and with a smile on his face. His death was easy.

Day had committed bigamy under the name of Arthur Hoyt, and his second wife having discovered his real name, it became necessary for him to decide between the two women. He elected to live with his bigamous wife and to dispose of the life of his first partner. He took her and his sister to Niagara Falls, but of the trio only two returned—Day and his sister. About a week later his second wife proceeded against him for bigamy and his arrest and an investigation followed. The trial developed many sensational features, one of the most intense being the testimony of Day's sister. She it was who guided the detectives to the recovery of the body, which was found at the base of a cliff 150 feet high. She testified that she saw her brother and his wife standing together on the brink of the cliff, and turning away for a moment looked again, and Day was standing there alone. The sister's story was confirmed by the finding of the body on the rocks below the cliff. The arrest of Day, his sister and his second wife at once followed and the trial of Day before Judge Rose at Welland resulted in his being sentenced to death. His sister was the principal witness against him.

Sitting Bull's Followers.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 18.—Rev. Ashley, the Episcopal rural dean among the Sioux Indians, has arrived from Fort Bennett. Before leaving there he received, by special courier, information that Sitting Bull's men were on Moreau. He thinks they have reached Cherry Creek by this time and that it will be impossible for the troops to prevent their joining Short Bull's forces in the Bad Lands, unless they conclude to make a stand with the dancers at Cherry Creek, which he thinks is improbable. His reports indicate that these remnants of Sitting Bull would like to surrender, as they realize the impossibility of any headway against the troops, scouts, etc. Many are on foot. Low Dog and Big Foot, at Cherry Creek, have been saying all along that they would fight if the soldiers interrupted them.

Mr. Ashley lately made a trip through all the agencies and considers hostilities with these ghost dancers inevitable. Short Bull, he says, is the chief leader of the orgies, and he believes he will make a stand against the troops in the Bad Lands, north of Pine Ridge agency. This seems to have been recognized as general headquarters for some time. Mr. Ashley has lived among these Sioux Indians constantly for the past sixteen years.

Mrs. Phoebe Stansberry and Rita Duffy, sisters, residing at Canton, O., have been left a fortune of $200,000 by their grandfather in Scotland.

The will of the late Matthew Thomas of Cincinnati gives his entire estate of $150,000 to the City of Cincinnati in trust for the McMicken university.

Nathaniel Niles, ex-president of the Tradesmen's national bank of New York, was arrested Saturday on an order issued by the supreme court in a suit by Elizabeth Parret, to recover $73,000 in cash and chattels of which she claims he defrauded her.

DEAD YET ALIVE.

THE FEARFUL EXPERIENCE OF A DENVER MAN,—BURIED ALIVE.

A SENSATIONAL EXECUTION IN QUEBEC, CANADA.

The News of the Past Week Summarized for Busy Readers.

Entombed Alive.

DENVER, Dec. 23.—Louis Brenner, aged 35, died here Nov. 13 from over indulgence in malt liquors, and was buried Dec. 2 by the Independent Order of Red Men. When the body was placed in the hearse the horses, used for that purpose for years, became unruly and another team had to be procured. Then one of the horses of a mourner, Henry Speck, would not go. A runaway team crossed the funeral procession on the way to the Riverside cemetery and collided with a buggy containing two of the friends of the deceased. Arriving at the cemetery, the coffin was dropped from the hearse by blundering attendants, to the disgust of the mourners. As the coffin was being lowered into the grave one of the ropes broke, and for a moment the people were horrified by seeing the coffin standing on end in the grave. According to the burial services of the Red Men it is provided for the liberation of a dove from a small box placed on the coffin just as the first handful of dirt is thrown into the grave. With a feeling akin to superstitious terror, some of the mourners saw the dove flutter from its cage and alight at the very edge of the grave. It would not take wing until frightened away by the men who piled the dust over the narrow home of the supposed deceased. The more superstitious began to ponder over the matter, and finally decided to disinter the remains. This work was done one week ago, and to their unspeakable horror they discovered, as soon as the lid of the coffin box was raised, that the coffin itself was split, and the glass in the cover was broken, as if the dead had come to life, and in the unutterable agony of a realization of his position had struggled with the mad desperation of hopelessness and helplessness to free himself from the very grasp of a death whose horrors can be but feebly imagined by the living. The coffin lid was raised, and the full horror burst upon them. The body was lying on its face, the lining of the coffin had been torn to shreds, the hair was pulled out of the head, the arms were bent and the hands so tightly clinched that the finger nails had been sunk into the flesh. The face of the dead was distorted from the awful struggle through which the man had passed, and the checks showed that in his frenzy the man entombed alive had dug his nails into his flesh.

A Sensational Execution.

SHERBROOKE, QUE., Dec. 20—Remi La Montague, the murderer of Napoleon Michel, his brother-in-law, was hanged in the jail yard at 9:26 yesterday morning. The tragedy was a double one, for it invited the death of Sheriff Webb as well. A few minutes before nine o'clock the sheriff arrived at the jail and was admitted to Jailer Read's private apartments. Ten minutes later messengers were running for Dr. Austin, but when he arrived the aged sheriff was dead. Death was due to acute heart failure, induced by excitement. It was a gloomy crowd that filed out into the yard where the gallows were erected and this incident lessened the sympathy that was felt for the murderer. Wednesday night La Montague slept well and arose at six o'clock next morning. Sisters St. Charles and Bernard had watched with him all night and in the morning assisted the priests at the celebration of the mass. La Montague joined in the services as a matter of necessity, and appeared satisfied when it was over. He then breakfasted lightly and began preparing for the final event. The executioner entered the corridor and bound his arms, and at 9:15 the procession proceeded to the scaffold erected in the yard. Radcliffe, Birchall's executioner, officiated on this occasion, and there was no hitch in the proceedings. Remi walked firmly to the scaffold, and at 9:26 the drop fell.

Canada and the Liquor Question.

TORONTO, ONT., Dec. 23.—The Presbyterian churches of Canada and the general conference of the Methodist church of Canada have taken action in the line of petitioning the House of Commons and the Senate for a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes in Canada. Over 30,000 petitions to this end will be sent out to the different denominations. This is the most extensive movement that has yet been inaugurated for taking the sense of the Canadian people on this question and will result in a closer estimate of the public wish than anything yet done in the same direction.

Four Indians Hanged.

MISSOULA, MONT., Dec. 20.—The most notable execution which ever took place in this section of the country occurred yesterday morning when LaLaze, Pierre Paul, Antly and Pascale, four Indian murderers, were hanged at the court house here. All died game. Pierre Paul and Antley smilingly bade good-bye to their friends when the cap was drawn over their faces. All were cut down twenty minutes after the trap was sprung. Their necks were broken.

BRIEFLY TOLD.

The low class negroes at Kansas City, Mo., have been seized with a Messiah craze.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Watterson celebrated their silver wedding at Louisville, Saturday.

The suspension of Erastus E Ford of New York has been announced on the stock exchange.

The Wells-Fargo express company has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent.

Nearly all the switchmen on the Chicago & Northwestern road are trying to secure an increase of pay.

McGheis & Co., wholesale grocers and cotton factors at Rome, Ga., have assigned. Liabilities $150,000.

Prof. H. J. Detmers of the Ohio state university claims to have discovered a sure cure for hog cholera.

Thirty persons were killed by the collapse of a house in the native quarter of Bombay Wednesday.

Saturday at Saranac Lake, N. Y., was the coldest day of the season. Twenty-two degrees below zero.

Bert Cadwallader shot and killed Jasper Lazure at Blanchester, O., Saturday, and then fatally shot himself.

The body of a man supposed to be Wm. B. Gunning, a Chicago newspaper man, has been found in San Francisco.

James Schoonmaker, alias Stone, was arrested at New York, Saturday, for the theft of $5,000 eighteen months ago.

The motion for a new trial for Charles Craig, the Cincinnati wife murderer, has been over-ruled and he will hang April 2.

Senator Gorman's residence at Laurel, Md., burned to the ground. The inmates of the house escaped in their night clothes.

The life of Mrs. Andrew Carnegie was recently despaired of by the New York physicians, but she is now out of danger.

H. H. Funk, a Shelbyville, Ind., stockman and speculator who has been toying with options, has failed for about $100,000.

Burning grass along the tracks of the Louisville, New Orleans & Texas railroad destroyed 14 cars loaded with 700 bales of cotton.

The G. A. R. will be 25 years old April 6, 1891, and the event will be appropriately observed by every post in the United States.

Gov. Shoup of Idaho, who has been elected United States senator, has resigned and Lieut.-Gov. Willey has been sworn in as governor.

The dock laborers of Glasgow, Scotland, have gone on strike. Their grievance is the determination of the employers to employ only non-union men.

Fred Martell, a 16-year-old stenographer, shot himself dead in his employer's office in Chicago. It is thought the boy was insane when he committed the deed.

The Chicago Junction railroad and Union stock yards company has declared a dividend of 2½ per cent on the common and 3 per cent on the preferred stock, payable Jan. 5.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Ogilby, a sister of Thomas Buchanan Reid, the poet, died at Dubuque, Ia., Friday night. She was one of the first settlers of Dubuque and was quite wealthy. She was 75 years old.

Frank Vinson, a well known rough character of Hopkinsville, Ky., has killed a man named Agent, at Haddock, four miles from Hopkinsville. He knocked Agent down with a rock and then brained him with an ax.

The New York Bacteriological institute has filed articles of incorporation for the study and gratuitous treatment of contagious diseases, comprising a Pasteur and Koch department for the treatment of hydrophobia and tuberculosis.

An Indianapolis jury Saturday morning found Louis Walters, indicted on a charge of killing his mother, guilty, and fixed his punishment at seven years in state's prison. The mildness of the verdict caused considerable surprise. Walters is a mulatto.

Rev. James Campbell, a prominent Methodist preacher of Columbus, Ind., was convicted Saturday of having committed a criminal operation on Annie Huntman, a domestic in his family. He was fined $500 and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

CONGRESSIONAL SUMMARY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—SENATE—Mr. Pettigrew introduced a bill to prohibit the sale of firearms and ammunition to Indians on reservations. Referred. A dozen private pension bills were taken up and passed. Mr. Moody, from the committee on Indian depredation claims, reported house bill for the adjudication of claims arising from Indian depredations. Calendar. Mr. Sawyer asked unanimous consent for the fixing of an early day in January for the consideration of the postal telegraph bill. Mr. Platt introduced a joint resolution appropriating $100,000 to enable the President to take action to obtain from the German government a supply of the remedy discovered by Dr. Koch and the formula for the manufacture of the same. Laid over. The morning hour having expired the presiding officer laid before the senate the elections bill, which occupied the remainder of the session. HOUSE—The chief business done by the house was the consideration, in committee of the whole with Mr. Burrows in the chair, of the urgent deficiency bill with senate amendments. Mr. Henderson moved a concurrence in the senate amendments, with one exception. This exception was the amendment providing for the payment of senate session employes, including the clerks to senators. After a long debate the motion of Mr. Henderson was agreed to, the committee rose, the bill was returned to the senate for its action, and the house adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—SENATE—Mr. Standford's bill to provide the government with means sufficient to supply the national want of a sound circulating medium, received lengthy consideration and was referred to the committee on finance. Mr. Ingalls introduced a bill, which was referred to the finance committee, to allow the exchange of the interest bearing debt for legal tender notes. The printing deficiency bill was amended and passed. Mr. Manderson offered a resolution (which was referred to the committee on Indian affairs) instructing that committee to inquire into the condition of Indian tribes in North Dakota, Montana and elsewhere, and the steps necessary to disarm them, etc. The elections bill was then taken up and Mr. Bates resumed and concluded his speech against it. Messrs. Gibson and Stewart also opposed the passage of the bill. Mr. Dawes (by request) introduced a bill to prohibit the operating on Sunday of any exhibition or exposition where appropriations of the United States are expended. Adjourned. HOUSE—Mr. Atkinson of Pennsylvania presented the conference report on the bill conferring certain powers on the Baltimore railroad company in the District of Columbia, which was agreed to; yeas 121, nays 88. Mr. Perkins of Kansas presented the conference report on the bill amending the act for the division of a portion of the Sioux Indians in Dakota into smaller reservations. The only change made is an authorization for the expenditure of the appropriation of $100,000 made for the purchase of beef in other nations. The report was agreed to and the house adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—SENATE.—A bill from the committee on finance, providing against a contraction of the currency, was reported, ordered printed and recommitted. The elections bill was then taken up and Mr. Coke addressed the senate in opposition to it. Mr. Cullom spoke in its favor and Mr. Bate against. After a short executive session the senate, at 5:25, adjourned. HOUSE—Senate bill authorizing the bridging of Green and Barren rivers, Kentucky, was passed, also the senate bill amending the inter-state commerce act, by providing for the taking of depositions by notaries public. The house then went into committee of the whole on the state of the union, Mr. Burrows of Michigan taking the chair. The bill to place American merchant marine on an equality with that of other nations was taken up and discussed until the hour of adjournment.

FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

Adolphe Belot, the French novelist and dramatist, is dead.

The well-known French painter, Louis Eugene Carpenter, is dead.

T. D. Sullivan, M. P., ex-lord mayor of Dublin, has sailed for Liverpool.

Many Negroes at Mandau, N. B., are reported to be holding ghost dances.

A syndicate of creditors has purchased the Indianapolis car works plant for $52,500.

Antonio Guerrero has been convicted in Mexico of eight murders and 14 criminal assaults, and sentenced to death.

An expedition left Hartford university Saturday to go to Peru to photograph the stars and determine their relative brightness.

One of 13 Chinamen who attempted to enter the United States at Port Townsend, Wash., Thursday, was killed while resisting arrest.

The premier of the Cape Town colony has started for London where he will confer with Lord Salisbury in regard to the Portuguese complications.

The new constitution of Mississippi requires the production of a poll tax receipt as a requisite to vote, and many Negroes are paying up for the first time.

The number of employes of Lister & Co., of Bradford, Eng., now on a strike is 1,500. Plush weavers and other mill hands are among the strikers.

Snow storms prevail everywhere in Great Britain. The fall has been deep and traffic is blocked in many places. A number of wrecks of small vessels has been reported.

Vicar General Laurent, rector of St. Michael's Cathedral, and one of the most prominent priests in the archdiocese, died suddenly at Toronto Friday night of heart failure, aged 68 years.

At Hornu, in Hainaut, Belgium, while a cage loaded with workmen was descending into a mine, the rope snapped, precipitating the cage to the bottom of the colliery. Eighteen miners were killed.

Queen Victoria started Friday for Osborne House, the royal residence on the Isle of Wight. A blinding snow storm was prevailing when her majesty left Windsor, but the weather was clear when the royal party crossed the Solent.

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Farm in Bloomfield, consisting of 100 acres, 5 miles south of Pontiac and 3½ miles northwest of Birmingham. Twelve acres good timbered land, two orchards, small fruits, etc. Dwelling in good repair. Farm well watered. The land is excellent for raising all kinds of crops. Call at this office and we will go with you to see this farm. Price $4,500; one half down balance on long time if desired.

BARGAIN NO. 8.

The Short Farm in the township of Avon, 7 miles from Pontiac, 3½ from Rochester, on good road, farm well watered, excellent soil, good buildings, two orchards, two barns, 130 acres, 25 in timber. Price very low and terms easy.

Bargain No. 20.

Right here is a chance for a city man to secure a good and convenient suburban home. The residence of Henry W. Randall on Martin street in this village, is offered for sale at a bargain. It is a cottage of 8 rooms with barn, well, cistern, cellar and every convenience within 5 minutes walk of depot, postoffice, bank or churches. Lot 60x103. Call at the premises or address this office.

Bargain No. 17.

Owing to circumstances Mrs. Edwin Baldwin now offers for sale at a very low price and on reasonable terms her very desirable home on the north side of Maple avenue, containing nearly one acre of land, good large house, barn with shed and plenty small fruit: live running water in the house, good cistern and all in convenient shape for comfort.

Bargain No. 15.

Here's a chance to get nice building lots, such as we never expected to see in market. We have had placed in our hands by Edmund James six valuable lots formerly owned by the late Mason I. James, whose property consisted of one entire block. Now six of these lots are for sale, four fronting on Martin street at $250 each, and two fronting on Merrill street at $400. Anyone wishing to build, here's a chance. Get a lot before they are gone.

Bargain No. 19.

Here is a royal good chance to get a cheap piece of land in the village of Birmingham. We have had placed in our hands Chas. A. Brush's home in this village, consisting of a cottage one and a half stories high, seven rooms, barn and good outbuildings; plenty of small fruits; will also sell separately if desired, a building lot at the top of the hill, adjoining Geo. Shain; all the land east of the creek, giving about 200 feet front on Saginaw street. At the foot of the hill is another lot of ground available for building purposes, with from 100 to 200 feet front on Saginaw street. Will trade the whole for a farm and give a good bargain. Call at this office.

Bargain No. 23.

We wish to call your attention to a most desirable bargain in real estate, which we are now able to offer on easy terms at a price so low that any one can see the possibility to

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The property is known as the "Wilde Farm," is just on the outskirts of the village, has a frontage of half a mile on each side of Saginaw avenue and about 40 rods on Cemetery avenue, all of which can be platted to great advantage and make desirable lots. With the water works and the prospects of electric lights and an electric railway in the village in the near future, and in view of other improvements already made, we think it worthy of the consideration of speculators. Any further information will be gladly furnished. Address EXCHANGE BANK, Birmingham, Mich.

Bargain No. 24.

Are you looking for the best and cheapest home in Birmingham? If so, read this and act wisely. We can offer you for only $1,500 a large, commodious and comfortable house on Harmon street, comparatively new, 31x56, containing 12 nicely finished rooms; a fine barn, good well and cistern, six apple bearing trees and a good lot of land, which, to our idea, makes it the best bargain yet offered in real estate.

Bargain No. 26

For sale or exchange, a good house and half acre of ground, situated at Southfield Burg. Said house contains 9 rooms, good stone cellar and cistern. There is a good well, barn and plenty of fruit, and every thing convenient for a comfortable home. Price low and terms easy. Call on, or address the Eccentric office or Mrs C. H. Chapman, Southfield, Mich.

Bargain No. 27.

I have a sixty acre farm for sale, one half mile east of Southfield Centre. A large and nearly new frame house with good cellar, good barns and out buildings; good cistern and never failing supply of spring water; 100 apple trees just commencing to bear; also peach, plum and cherry trees and small fruits. A good bargain for some one as I shall sell cheap. Call at this office or address C. H. Chapman, Southfield, M

Bargain No. 28.

Here's a grand farm for sale, pleasantly situated in the town of Southfield close by the cheese factory, consisting of 165 acres of nice farming lands, 120 acres under cultivation also 45 acres of timber. Good house and barn, good wells, good orchard and plenty of small fruits. Farm nicely watered by River Rouge running through it, making it a farm especially adapted to stock. It is a great grain and grass farm. Terms easy. For particulars call on us or address John H. Johnston, Birmingham, Mich. 24Oct89

Bargain No. 31.

Here is a rare chance to secure a home on Maple avenue, close to the business portion of Birmingham, consisting of a house and three lots, owned by E. Spencer Wooster. The house has 11 good living rooms, good new barn and a good well and cistern, plenty small fruits and a sidewalk that will last for years. Price very reasonable. Call on us or E. S. Wooster.

Bargain No. 34.

A good farm for sale. I offer for sale my farm in Troy, Oakland Co., Mich., consisting of 80 acres of choice farming land, 40 acres well underdrained, 15 acres of good timber and the balance fine pasture. Good house, banked up between the studding, a number one cellar and good out-buildings. Good barn and two good flowing wells of as good water as ever was drank. A good orchard bearing every year and plenty of small fruits. Within ¼ mile of post-office, stores, churches and schools. Price very reasonable. Terms easy. For particulars call on or address, James S. Bigham, Big Beaver, Mich.

BARGAIN NO. 35.

Such farms as this one are very seldom offered for sale, but the owner will part with it and asks only what it is worth. See here, 80 acres of choice land all under cultivation but about ten acres which is beautifully timbered, inside of two miles from Birmingham. Good house, horse and grain barns, with granary detached, corn hog pen, a well and cistern that never fail, having running water for stock through the farm the whole year round. Any one meaning business and wanting above described property will be put in the way of getting full particulars by calling at the ECCENTRIC Real estate office at once.

BARGAIN NO. 37.

Having made arrangements for business in another part of the state, I offer for sale or to rent my very desirable new brick dwelling, house, carriage house and lands situated in Birmingham, Mich. The house is built on the most improved and modern plan, well heated with hot water, splendid bath room, hot and cold water in abundance through the house, fine garden and vineyard. Eight varieties of grapes, plums, cherries and pears, raspberries and strawberries, 5 acres of land, have always kept 2 cows and one horse. Splendid lawn in fact everything complete. Must be seen to be appreciated. Will rent to right party on long term or will sell at a very low price, on long time with low rate of interest. This place is only 3 minutes walk from depot. Village water works to be complete this coming summer. Call or address M. K. Taber, or Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham, Mich.

Bargain 38.

Having decided to sell my village lots in Birmingham, I offer for sale at the low price of $200 each, lots 7 and 8 of Blakeslee's subdivision of the village of Birmingham, adjoining Mrs. English's property on Saginaw street. Call on Caleb Jackson or Whitehead & Mitchell.

Bargain No. 39.

Do you want a nice, little, 14-acre farm less than ¼ of a mile from the village of Birmingham? If so read this. Fourteen acres of nice tillable land, good wells, etc, fine large house newly painted, good barn, plenty of small fruit, etc. This is really a bargain and anyone wanting a farm home near the village should address Mrs. O. L. Robinson, Ithaca, or Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham, Mich.

Bargain No. 41

We can now offer for sale Geo. H. Toms' comfortable and convenient home situated corner of Chester and Merrill streets in this village. This snug house consists of six nice living rooms, large cistern in cellar, good cellar. Four lots go with this place all high, dry and near the school house and plentifully supplied with small fruits of all kinds. This is the first time that this property has been offered for sale and at the price named by the owner ought to go quick. For full particulars call at Whitehead & Mitchell's Real Estate Agency.

Bargain No. 42.

It is very seldom that a farm so desirable as this one is offered to the public. We have for sale the Wm. Gillespie farm at a very reasonable price. This farm consists of 105 acres, has two good dwelling houses, with an unusual amount of barns, sheds and other necessary outbuildings, three good wells, cisterns, cellars under both houses, 110 bearing apple trees of choice fruit, plenty of peaches, pears, plums, grapes, etc., etc. About 90 acres of extra good land under plow and 15 acres of heavy timber. $2,500 down and the balance on long time to suit purchaser. Only two miles from the village of Birmingham. The best live water running through it the year round and positively the biggest farm bargain in Oakland county. Call on us for particulars.

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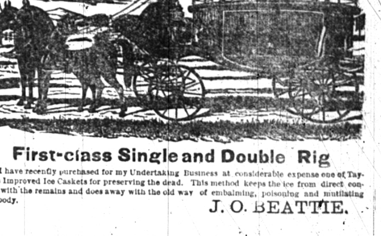

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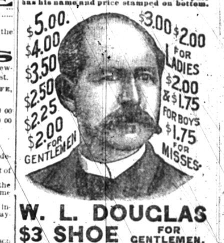

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