THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, NOV. 15

A wealthy resident of a town in Miller county, Mo., has selected a site near his own home and is building for himself with his own hands an elaborate tomb.

For six scholarships recently awarded by the Georgia School of Technology there were 560 applications. This is accepted as evidence that the young white men of the South are inclining toward manual and mechanical work as a career. Georgia papers note this change of sentiment with much satisfaction. Formerly there was a prejudice against mechanical labor.

A pathetic example of devotion to art has just occurred in New York. Leonard Cordes, long a noted orchestra player, was dying on Wednesday when he called for his violin. It was a valuable Italian instrument and when he took it in his hands he began playing "When the swallows homeward fly." Just as he finished playing that beautiful melody his heart ceased to beat. In the coffin with him will be buried his loved violin.

The robbery of a sum of money, many jewels, and other valuables, representing altogether a sum of $50,000, was carried out the other day in the Rue Quincampoix, Paris, in a most audacious fashion. The burglars took an apartment on the fifth floor of the house on Saturday, paying $55 as their first installment of rent. The next day they bored a hole through the floor into the apartment immediately below while the tenants were away spending the day in the country. When these unfortunate people returned at night they found their safe blown open, their rooms in confusion, their money and jewelry gone, and the robbers escaped.

The veteran academician, Sidney Cooper, has just entered upon his ninety-ninth year, and still paints a few hours daily. A series of his works was recently exhibited in London. In France also a remarkable individual works on steadily, although he has reached the age which gives a man a right to rest. Jules Verne has begun his ninety-ninth book, and has lived to see many of his fantastical tales of adventure by land and sea and air come within the bounds of possibility. As age is not without its achievements, so it need not be without its hopes of a new start. A Chicago woman of ninety-two lately apologized to Miss Jane Addams because she was not neighborly. She had always meant to be neighborly, but had put it off from time to time. When the hot weather was over she intended to begin.

In giving organs to 250 churches in Scotland at a cost of nearly a million of dollars, Mr. Andrew Carnegie has but followed a hint given by two famous Americans. When Moody and Sankey first went to Scotland the novel feature of an evangelist singing to a small American organ created much comment. So simple and catching were Mr. Sankey's tunes, however, that they were rising in every village from Kirkmaiden to John O'Groats, and the call for small American organs on which to try the tunes came by the hundred. It is interesting to add that nearly thirty thousand dollars in British royalties on the Moody and Sankey hymns being refused by the evangelists, the Scottish committee turned it over to the Moody church in Chicago. As a Scotch-American to Scotchmen, Mr. Carnegie has certainly repaid their just generosity.

Another disaster, similar to that which occurred two years ago, has befallen the Welsh colonists in Patagonia. The River Gamwy has once again overflowed its banks. The harvest had not been gathered, and the people had to fly to the mountains. By a great effort the embankment on the northern side of the valley has been kept intact. Lower down the river flooded over many farms. The place was like a sea; the embankment had to be broken down to allow the water to go back into the river, and it ebbed gradually. At Gaiman great efforts were made to safeguard the houses, but the river rose higher than it did two years ago, and flooded three-quarters of the whole valley. Only three houses are reported to have collapsed in this locality, but the whole of the year's crops are practically ruined. The colonists have held a meeting, asking the Argentine government to grant them land on the hills on each side of the valley, where they could escape in case of need. It was also resolved to ask the government to relieve those who are in need, to assist the colonists generally in making good the damage and to take measures to protect them against further floods. The breaches in the embankment are being filled up, but a good many colonists declare that they will emigrate to Canada.

It is noteworthy that of the men and women mentioned in the recent edition of "Who's Who in America," fifty-nine per cent of those whose education is known are college graduates, and seventy per cent entered college. Thus although college graduates are barely one in a hundred of the total population, they number about one-half of those who have attained distinction. As the Philadelphia Press remarks: "The odds of the battle of life so far as visible success is concerned are a round hundred to one on the man who gets a college education."

The late J. C. Jacobsen, a brewer of Copenhagen, Denmark, presented to the state nearly 20,000,000 kroner ($5,360,000) to be spent for scientific and philanthropic purposes. He also created the Carlsberg fund, which now amounts to 12,500,000 kroner. His son, Carl Jacobsen, has just given to this fund his own brewery, which is valued at 10,000,000 kroner. Carl also gave two years ago to Copenhagen the largest private collection of sculpture in the world. It is valued at 12,000,000 kroner.

THE NEWS IN MICHIGAN.

A Grand Rapids Jury Hears a Sermon.

WHERE IS MR. PRATT NOW?

A Corn Husker Claims Two Victims—Ex-Speaker Adams' Case Coming On—Wiseman Shows Fear—Various Matters From All Parts of the State.

A Sermon and a Jury.

The defense in the case of Lant K. Salsbury, the Grand Rapids city attorney, charged with bribery, does not relish the action of the court officers in conducting the jury to church Sunday night. It now develops that the Rev. E. J. Baskerville, a revivalist, formerly a Detroit preacher, is stopping at the same hotel where the jury is housed during the trial, and that it was upon the minister's invitation that the jury heard his sermon on a final judgment for violators of civil, moral, natural or divine laws.

When the invitation was extended the officers exacted a promise from the minister that no reference would be made in the sermon to the present trial, and technically, they say, the agreement was carried out, but the sermon could not have been clearer of its purpose, it is alleged, had it called the respondents in the present trial by name. Attorney McKnight says the matter will be taken up.

Owosso Shocked.

Owosso citizens were shocked Saturday by a case of depravity worthy of the slum of a great city, the discovery being made by a police officer who stumbled on it by mistake. In a Cass street flat one room was found to contain a dead babe, whose mother was doing her best to attend to the care of a sick man who lay on a squalid bed in another corner. The woman gave her name as Mary C. Johnson and the man said he was John Reynolds. The woman does not claim to be married, but stoutly asserts that Reynolds was not the father of the child. The babe will be buried by the town, and Reynolds and the woman will both receive competent care. Both the people are young, and the girl strikingly handsome. They are not known here, although they have been living together [illegible] several months.

Wanted a Witness.

The Ingham county prosecuting officer is up against a serious obstacle in the case against ex-Speaker Adams for bribery, which is set for next Monday in the Circuit Court. Pratt, the chief witness in the case, cannot be located in Michigan, and therefore the subpoena cannot be served. On the other hand it is said that Pratt's absence makes little difference, as he is said to have stated after his conviction here what his testimony would be if he was required to appear against Adams, and it was not the kind that would convict.

Ex-Speaker Adams' Trial.

Judge Wiest has ruled that the Circuit Court practice will not permit him to summon a special jury at this time for the trial of ex-Speaker Adams, which is set for one week from Monday, as requested by the attorneys for the respondent. It is possible, however, that all the jurors on the present panel may be excused for cause when they are called to the jury box, all having been present during some portion of the Pratt trial. This will necessitate the summoning of talesmen and will result practically in the drawing of a new jury.

The Wiseman Trial.

The Pontiac court room was crowded Saturday at the opening of Henry Wiseman's trial for the murder of Mrs. Ellen Hass. The most noticeable feature of the case is the demeanor of Wiseman. He appears to be on the verge of a breakdown in health, and viewed the witnesses, especially Robert Hale, with an air of wild fear. His attorney, William North, is taking advantage of every possible point to make a showing for his man, but so far has succeeded in shaking no part of the prosecution's testimony.

New Use for Eggs.

Mrs. Mary Miller, of Fremont, and Adolph F. Roller figure in a romantic [illegible] which will culminate in a wedding celebration. About two months ago Roller was employed in a grocery store here, and while sorting eggs picked up one bearing this inscription: "Write to Mrs. Mary Miller, Fremont, Mich." Roller wrote and an acquaintance was formed, which resulted in a proposal of marriage.

Victims of a Corn Husker.

Arthur Ingalls, of [illegible], died Saturday from blood poisoning, the result of having had his hand badly injured while feeding a corn husker. This is the second death as a result [illegible] corn husker accidents within the [illegible] other, Arthur Amos Collins, a wealthy [illegible] farmer, having lost his life [illegible] to [illegible].

Lacey Discharged.

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Forty survivors of the 18th Michigan Infantry attended the reunion in Lansing.

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The Savings Bank of Negaunee [illegible] show window [illegible] covered with [illegible] a card [illegible] trading [illegible] store by [illegible] money [illegible] lars lost [illegible].

A Mail Robber Trapped.

A jewelry box from the store of M. E. Cook, of Flint, has furnished the secret service agents of Uncle Sam in New York with a clue which, it is reported here, will result in the indictment of a New Yorker on the charge of robbing the mails. George Freeman, of Flint, last December purchased a costly gold pin, mounted with pearls, from Jeweler Cook and shipped the gift to a relative in New York as a Christmas present. It never reached the consignee, and for over a year government employes have been working to solve the mystery. They succeeded in arresting a resident of the eastern metropolis, in whose apartment was the little pasteboard box which furnished the lost link in the evidence. The box arrived in Flint, was identified and a mystery of twelve months' standing is evidently solved.

Warden Chamberlain Dead.

William Chamberlain, warden of the state's prison at Jackson, died suddenly of apoplexy in a room at the Great Northern hotel in Chicago Thursday night. Accompanied by Dr. W. H. Bills, of Allegan, and Chaplain Orwick, the warden arrived there, the party being en route to attend the national prison congress at Kansas City. Mr. Chamberlain complained of pains in the stomach and chest while on the train, and upon his arrival in Chicago went immediately to the hotel. Dr. Bills feared that something serious might happen, so he arranged to sleep in the same room. The warden was still feeling badly and the doctor sent for some whisky for him. Mr. Chamberlain gasped and died a few minutes after taking it.

Thompson a Heavy Defaulter.

Charles D. Thompson, supreme finance keeper of the Maccabees, is a confessed defaulter. The amount is stated by Supreme Commander D. P. Markey to be $57,000. Mr. Markey made the discovery while going over the books Tuesday. Confronted with the known facts, Thompson confessed. Markey says the members of the order will not suffer, as the bonds of the defaulter will cover the shortage.

Friday it was given out that his shortage is $82,000, instead of $57,000. A prominent Maccabee says that the money taken was drawn in two lots, and while one bonding company is released, the National, that is now responsible, will have to make good the shortage of one check, or half the amount.

A Sad Journey.

Miss Lena Scarfoff, of Harbor Springs, who was to have gone to Milwaukee as the bride of Walter Grobon, assistant keeper of the Skillagalee lighthouse, is instead bearing to that city the body of her sweetheart. Young Grobon was drowned on Friday of last week while crossing the watery waste to visit his sweetheart. He was caught in a terrible storm, and was found dead lashed to the mast of his little boat. Garret Bonissant, the keeper of the light, was drowned with him, and it was the keeper who must have lashed his friend and assistant to the mast in the hope that his life might be saved.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

The new [illegible] factory at Cadillac is about completed.

Grand Island at Munising is to be converted into a summer resort.

[illegible] expects the establishment of a steel mill to employ 800 men.

[illegible]

Owosso is expecting the establishment of a [illegible] factory to employ 100 men.

The output of St. Joseph's [illegible] this year is about 12,000,000 pounds.

Of Michigan's $5,000 [illegible] for the Pan-American over $1,000 was not used.

Judge Bullock, of Sterling, has been adjudged insane and taken to the Traverse City asylum.

Greenville, according to its population, has more telephones in active use than any other city in Michigan.

James Moore, a prisoner from Kalamazoo, escaped by scaling the wall of the Ionia prison Tuesday morning.

Elmer E. Curtis, a Fenton druggist, has filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities of $1,500, and assets of $800.

Elder Barr, a Latter Day Saint, is holding meetings and making converts at various points near Kalamazoo.

The Methodist ministers of the Kalamazoo district have passed a resolution in condemnation of the St. Jo [illegible] marriages.

The Bessler Laboratory, Port Huron, destroyed by fire, will not be rebuilt [illegible].

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Officials of the banks of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph report that the farmers of southwestern Michigan are in better circumstances than they were five years ago.

The trial of Howard Burchfield, charged with the murder of Leonard Green, of Eaton Rapids, has begun at Charlotte. The case is expected to last at least ten days.

Burglars entered the Riverside post office near St. Joseph through a rear window, and secured $7 in cash. Stamps to the value of $200, in another drawer, were overlooked.

Louis H. Warren, proprietor of the Southern Michigan hotel, Coldwater, has sued his sister, Mrs. Mae Perker, for $10,000 for alleged slander. The trouble relates to property matters.

Pontiac boasts that it has four factories, a hose house and water works in process of erection and that two more factories are under consideration, and mechanics are working full time.

The cornerstone for the new Masonic temple, which Lansing Masons are rearing on Capitol avenue, a few paces from the state house, was laid Tuesday with an impressive demonstration.

Work of double-tracking the Grand Trunk west of Lansing was begun at Potterville. The roadmaster says that they could put a thousand more men at work at once if it was possible to get them.

Janie Thompson, of Hillsdale, prominent society girl, came to Detroit Monday, met Clarence Prentice and married him. Janie was supposed to be in school till a telegram announced the marriage.

Dexter M. Ferry, of Detroit, has given money to the Students' Christian Association of the University of Michigan for the purpose of securing speakers for Sunday afternoon meetings to be held in University hall.

A young man registering as James G. Taylor, of Detroit, was arrested in Monroe for soliciting "ads" and collecting money for a church calendar and using, it is alleged, the name of the pastor without authorization.

Alger county is said to be literally a hunting paradise this fall. Partridges are so numerous that bags of 25 and 30 are common. Deer are everywhere reported as very plentiful. Bears, too, are unusually numerous.

While on her way to school with other children, Lavina Oesterling, the 6-year-old daughter of a Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad foreman, was run over by a freight car being backed on a siding and mangled beyond recognition.

A serious wreck was averted on the Pere Marquette Tuesday night by a train slowing up to permit a lone passenger to get aboard at Meridian. The brake rod of the engine broke, throwing the switch after the engine and tender had passed over. The baggage car, smoker, parlor and day car were derailed, and the passengers severely shaken up.

Two Benton Harbor boys have been caught [illegible] those younger than themselves to steal things and take the stuff to them. One little fellow has been forced to turn over to them in the neighborhood of $7. The [illegible] has been to [illegible] for [illegible] they extort [illegible] as they are told and then are [illegible] with death and lesser penalties [illegible].

A [illegible] on the Michigan Central [illegible] found a pocketbook containing $1,000 [illegible] and $80 in [illegible] owner [illegible] after some [illegible]. As a reward for his honesty and trouble the owner presented him with a [illegible].

Mrs. Anna Edson Taylor, her manager and a big [illegible] have arrived home in Bay City. The cat enjoys the distinction of having gone over Niagara Falls with its mistress. Mrs. Taylor says her back is still lame, but she expects to be all right in a few days. She says she has lots of offers from eastern houses to exhibit herself and the cat in show windows, and will accept some of them in a week or two.

Secret Sittings.

Admiral George Dewey and Rear Admirals Benham and Ramsay, composing the Schley court of inquiry, met Monday behind closed doors, and began the discussion and consideration of the evidence brought forward in the investigation concluded last week. The daily sittings of the court are to be strictly secret. The court has two small rooms for its work, one for the members themselves and the other for the accommodation of clerical help. At the door of the latter is stationed a sergeant of marines.

Seditious Students.

The trial of Polish students has been ended at Posen. The court found that a league of Polish students was in existence with the ultimate object of re-establishing the kingdom of Poland. [illegible]

News in Brief.

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Pittsburg, Pa., dispatch: A Lake Shore and Michigan Southern locomotive leased by the Pittsburg and Lake Erie road blew up near Shanopin station, killing Harry Walters of Sheridan, Pa., and severely injuring three others.

Washington, D. C., telegram: The cross-examination of Admiral Schley failed to weaken his story of the Santiago campaign or develop anything to his discredit. Court ruled that in his examination the judge advocate is not confined to specifications in the precept.

NEWS FROM ALL SECTIONS.

Chas. Schwab's Salary Is Not a Million.

SALISBURY ON THE BOER WAR.

American Minister Shot—At Kruger's Peace Scheme—Polish Students' Trial—Boers Capture British Cavalry Horses—Various Matters.

They Were Ready.

Maj. William L. Pitcher, of the Eighth Regiment of Infantry, commanding the Mindoro expedition, reports that the garrison of Abra de Ilog was attacked Sunday by a force of insurgents commanded by Lenoeos. The Filipinos apparently attempted to repeat the Samar tactics, but the Americans, who were breakfasting fully armed, completely routed the insurgents, who left five men dead on the field, each having a rifle and ammunition. One American was seriously wounded. Capt. Noyes, of the Thirtieth Infantry, commanding a detachment of fifty men, has captured a deserter named Richter, of the Sixth Artillery, wearing the uniform of an insurgent lieutenant. Maj. Pitcher says he recently captured three officers and a large part of an insurgent company, all fully armed. It is believed the insurgents recently received an illicit supply of munitions of war.

Alleged Forgery.

Everett Rosline Latham was held in $2,500 bail in the New York Police Court Monday for examination on a charge of forgery made by Leo A. Agnew, business representative of a Chicago newspaper. The forgery, Mr. Agnew asserted, consisted in the false certification of a check for $5,000, drawn by Latham in favor of Agnew. It was given by Latham, according to Agnew, as an evidence of good faith in negotiations for the transfer of certain patents in this and other countries of an automatic paper folding machine invented by Mr. Agnew. Latham was formerly a resident of Detroit.

Schwab's Salary.

Concerning the much-discussed question of the annual allowance made Charles M. Schwab for his services as president of the United States Steel Corporation, the Herald announces that Schwab's salary is $100,000 a year, but that he is allowed a contingent fee, and receives in addition to his salary one-quarter of 1 per cent of all the corporation may earn over and above its fixed charges, and after deducting such sums as may be necessary to pay the regular dividends on the common and preferred stock. This contingent amount is estimated at $125,000.

Slow But Sure.

Lord Salisbury, in his speech at the lord mayor's banquet in London, said regarding the South African war: "I strongly deprecate the spirit of pessimism so frequently heard in the utterances of some of our public men as to the war in which we are engaged. Unlike the wars of former years, no longer does the capture of the enemy's capital and the destruction of his field force constitute a conclusive victory. We are now confronted by a system of guerrilla war which must be slowly and effectively stamped out. We are progressing slowly, perhaps, but surely."

Kruger's Scheme.

The Daily Mail gives another alleged peace scheme which Mr. Kruger is said to be willing to conclude. This will be on the basis of granting autonomy to the two republics under a convention guaranteed by France and Russia, in exchange for cession to Great Britain of the Rand district and the gold fields which should be regarded as the total Boer indemnity.

It is announced that the Cape Town guard has again been called out, and that Lord Kitchener has issued an order directing that all Boers captured in British uniforms are to be shot.

Negroes Disfranchised.

Alabama voted on the question of the adoption or ratification of the constitution framed by the recent convention, and it is evident that the instrument has carried by a majority ranging between 25,000 and 35,000. The negroes voted in much larger numbers than had been expected, but were unable to control the result. This was the last opportunity they will have to vote and in many counties they turned out en masse.

A Boer Raid.

News from Berlin assert that a Boer [illegible] to the cavalry [illegible] on the way from England was captured by the Boers near Cape Town. [illegible]

Punished the Sentry.

A Bogota, Colombia, correspondent [illegible] as follows: A sentinel at [illegible] in the latter part of October [illegible] to honor the passage of United States Minister Chas. Burdett Hart [illegible] The minister was not injured. The government has severely punished the sentinel and is seeing that the minister is fully protected.

The Treaty Delayed.

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Mrs. Annabell S. White was found dead in the bath room of her home in New York. She had slipped on the floor. Her head struck the edge of a marble basin, fracturing her skull.

MURDER OF JAMES S. AYRES.

The Story of the Murder in Washington as Told by Mrs. Bonine.

On the morning of Wednesday, May 15 last, the city of Washington was startled by a mysterious murder, the victim being a young and popular clerk in the census bureau, James Seymour Ayres, 22 years old, from Port Austin, Mich. His body was found lying on the floor near the front window of his room, which opened on the fire escape. There was only his undershirt on the body. There were three wounds, one in the right hip, one in the left arm just below the shoulder and one in the left side, the bullet that caused this wound having entered the body and pierced the heart, causing death within a minute at the longest. One gas jet turned low was still burning. The curtain was up and the window open. The curtain cord was stained with blood and on the window sill was the imprint of a bloody hand.

Circumstances led to suspicion of Mrs. Lola Ida Henry Bonine, a boarder in the hotel and who had been very friendly with the murdered man. When arrested she told this story of Ayres' death:

"I reproved Mr. Ayres for drinking, about March 4, and he took offense at my so doing. We did not speak and had been on bad terms from that time until Wednesday morning.

"I had no watch or clock in my room, but it must have been just before 2 o'clock on Wednesday morning when I heard a rap on my door, and going to see who it was found Mr. Ayres there. He was apparently dressed, but had his coat collar turned up. He told me that he was going to move from the Kenmore the following day and said he wanted to talk to me and see if we could not mend our differences. He put his hand on my shoulder in a friendly way and said he did not want to go away with any ill-feeling between us.

"Mr. Ayres wanted to come in my room and talk to me, but I would not let him, and then he said he felt ill, as if he was going to have a chill. He asked me if I had any medicine which would be good for malaria, and I replied that I believed I had some laxative quinine pills. I left him at the door to look for them and went into my little boy's room, where I supposed I would find the medicine. It was not there and I returned to the door and told Mr. Ayres that I could not find it. He then said again that he was sorry we had ever had any falling out and that I had been a friend to him, and that he was sorry to leave the house without our making up our differences.

"He asked me to come over to his room and talk over our misunderstanding, and finally I said I would do so as soon as I had dressed myself. He then returned to his room and I put on my clothing. I dressed completely, except that I did not put on my corset. I slipped on a black and brown wrapper, which the police have, and put my feet into slippers. Then I started for Mr. Ayres' room.

"As I reached the door I put my hand on the knob, but he opened it from within and standing behind it, admitted me to the room.

"As soon as I was inside Mr. Ayres pushed the door quickly closed, shot the bolt and turned, facing me. In his right hand he held a revolver, which he pointed at me. He had only his undershirt on.

"'Now, I guess you'll listen to me,' he said. I was startled, and stood facing him for a moment. Then he made an insulting proposition to me, and I turned and made for the window, thinking to get out on the fire escape and get away from him. He followed me and put his left hand over my shoulder and tried to stop me. I struggled and he put his right arm, with the hand holding the pistol, around me, too. I caught the pistol by the barrel with my right hand, and we struggled for a moment.

"Then there was a shot. I don't know how many nor how fast they were fired, but I felt a flood of blood pour over my shoulder, and Mr. Ayres sank to the floor. As he held me I had put up my other hand, and with both clutched the barrel of the pistol. When he fell my back was toward him, and his weight carried me down forward with him, but his grasp relaxed, and when I jumped up the pistol was in my hand. I put it on the trunk, and the next thing I knew I was on the fire escape, just outside of Mr. Ayres' window. I don't know whether I looked back at him or not.

"I walked along the landing and went down the ladder without hesitating. When I reached the veranda at the second floor I went in through the parlor window to the hall and up the stairs of the annex to my room. I washed my hands and the wrapper, and after awhile lay down on my bed."

Mrs. Bonine is a slight, delicate woman of 34 years, the mother of two manly little boys, now aged 16 and 14, and the wife of a husband whose devotion knows no bounds.

Li Hung Chang.

The aged and powerful diplomat of the Chinese empire, Li Hung Chang, died at 11 o'clock Thursday morning of ulceration of the stomach. The burial clothes were immediately put on and the courtyard of the yamen filled with life-size paper horses and carts with coolie bearers, which his friends sent, in accordance with Chinese custom, to be burned with him, in order to carry his soul to heaven. The distinguished patient was attended by Dr. Robert Coltman, an American, and Dr. Velde, of the German legation. The ulceration of the stomach caused fatal hemorrhage. Li was seventy-eight years old and leaves several children. His wealth goes up into the millions, and he was the richest man in China and one of the richest in the world.

Officers en route to the Tilley court martial at Samoa state that the cost to the government will exceed the Schley investigation and probably reach a total of $[illegible]. The coal bill alone will be $[illegible]. The charge against Commodore Tilley is drunkenness.

M. Bapst, [illegible] of the French [illegible] at Constantinople received a [illegible] communication from the porte regarding the remainder of the [illegible] the conflict between France and Turkey has, therefore, been regarded as [illegible].

Buffalo's [illegible] finds itself hopelessly [illegible] of the babies seized [illegible] of the infant incubators at the Pan-American show [illegible]. What to do with the [illegible] already doesn't know.

Otis Greene, of Des Moines, Ia., has been sentenced to prison for life for murdering his wife. Greene met his wife in the street and shot her to death and then shot himself through the temple, rendering himself totally blind.

The Pittsburg Oil Refining Co.'s plant at Coraopolis, Pa., covering four acres, burned Friday. Loss $70,000.

Desperadoes at Large.

Forty mounted guards began beating the country for five miles around the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth Friday in search of the 26 convicts who succeeded in escaping from the guards late Thursday. The country is wild and rough and affords ample opportunity for escape, and as all of the convicts are desperate men conflicts will doubtless result before they are captured. The escaped convicts were counted the most desperate criminals in the southwest, and the guards started out on their hunt in full realization of this fact. The scene of the mutiny, however, being some distance from the prison proper, the convicts had secured a good start, and, aided by the rough, wooded country, they had, before darkness fell, placed a good gap between themselves and their pursuers. It is believed all the convicts will ultimately be captured, if not overtaken by the guards and shot.

Miss Stone's Hardships.

In the latest letter received from Miss Ellen M. Stone, the captive American missionary, says she is exposed to much hardship and suffering owing to the constant movement of the band over hills and ravines, notwithstanding the rigors of the winter. In consequence of this activity, which has lately been increased by the Bulgarian troops, the condition of Madame Tsilka, Miss Stone's companion, is even more pitiable, owing to her expected accouchement.

Porto Rico Prospers.

The total customs receipts for the month of October, says a San Juan dispatch, are $96,858, against $97,344 in October, 1900. This was when the tariff between Porto Rico and the United States was in force. The fact that the receipts were only $486 less than in 1900 indicates that the foreign trade has increased to such an extent that the receipts are practically the same as with the tariff. The total value of the exports for October was $691,087. For the same month in 1900, the exports were valued at $262,513.

The big steamers North West and North Land, of the Northern Transportation Co., which run between Buffalo and the upper lakes, are to be withdrawn from that run next season, according to a tale that is going the rounds of the vessel passenger agents. The statement is made that the two big passenger carriers are to go over to Lake Michigan next summer to run from Chicago to Mackinac in a daily service between those two points.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

WEEK ENDING NOV. 16.

AVENUE THEATRE—Vaudeville—Prices afternoon 10, 15 & 25; evening 10, 20, 25; reserved 50c.

DETROIT OPERA—"Way Down East." Evenings at 8. Saturday Matinee at 2.

LYCEUM THEATER—"The Four Cohans." Sat. Mat. 25c. Evenings 15, 25, 50 and 75c.

WHITNEY GRAND—"From Scotland Yard."—Mat. 10c, 15c and 25c. Evenings 10c, 20c, 30c.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—Good butcher steers, average 1,055 to 1,225 pounds, at $4 50@4 90; light to good, $3 75@4 40; light to good butcher steers and heifers, $3@4 25; light thin heifers, $2 25@2 80; mixed butchers and fat cows, $2 75@3 75; canners and common thin butchers, $1 50@2 60. Bulls—Good shippers, $3 50@3 80; light to good butchers and sausage, $2 40@3 00; stockers and light feeders, $2 75@3 75. Veal Calves—Active at $5@7 per 100 pounds. Sheep—Best lambs, $4 15@4 40; light to good and good mixed lots, $3 35@4 00; fair to good mixed and butcher sheep, $2 35@2 50; culls and common, $1 50@2 25. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5 50@5 65; bulk at $5 50@5 60; pigs and light Yorkers, $5 35@5 45; stags 1-3 off; roughs, $5@5 25.

Chicago—Cattle—Good to prime, $6@6 85; poor to medium, $3 60@5 90; stockers and feeders, $2@4 25; cows, $1 25@4 50; [illegible]; canners, $1 25@2 20; bulls, [illegible]; Texas fed [illegible]; western steers, $3 65@5 45. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5 60@6; good to choice heavy, $5 60@5 95; rough heavy, $5 25@5 55; light, $5 30@5 60; bulk of sales, $5 60@5 80. Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $3 50@4 25; western sheep, $3@3 60; native lambs, $2 50@4 80; western lambs, $3@4 50.

Buffalo—Cattle—Feeding cows, $2 50; veals, good, $7 50, closing at $6 75@7 10; others, $5 50@6 75; heavy fat calves, $3 50@4 25. Hogs—Best heavy, $5 90@6 10; mixed packers, $5 85@5 90; Yorkers, good weight, $5 75@5 80; light, $5 50@5 70; pigs, $5 35@5 50; bulk of sales, $5 40@5 45; roughs, $5 25@5 40; stags, $4@4 50. Sheep and lambs—Tops, $4 90; a few $4 95@5; others, $3 75@4 75; sheep strong; tops, mixed, $3 60@3 75; others, $1 75@3 50; wethers, $3 80@4; yearlings, $3 75@4.

Pittsburg—Cattle—Choice, $5 60@5 90; prime, $5 30@5 50; good, $5@5 25; tidy butchers, $4 60@4 90; fair, $3 75@4 25; common, $2 50@3 50; fat cows, $1 50@4; bulls and stags, $2@4; common to fresh cows, $20@35. Hogs—Heavies, $6@6 05; heavy mediums, $5 90@5 95; light mediums, $5 80@5 85; heavy Yorkers, $5 70@5 75; light Yorkers, $5 60@5 70; pigs, $5 50@5 60. Sheep—Best wethers, $3 40@3 50; good, $3 20@3 35; mixed, $2 50@3 10; culled and common, $1@2; yearlings, $2 50@3 75; spring lambs, $3@5; veal calves, $7@7 50.

Cincinnati—Cattle—Heavy steers, choice to extra, $5 25@5 50; fair to good, $4 40@5 15; oxen, $1 75@4 15; butcher steers, choice, $4 40@4 85; fair to good, $3 25@4 25; heifers, good to choice, $3 40@4; common to fair, $2 40@3 40; cows, good to choice, $2 25@3 75; fair to medium, $2 35@3 15; common, rough steers, poor cows and scalawags, $1@1 75; canners, $1 50@2 25; stockers and feeders, $2@4. Hogs—Selected heavy shippers, $5 90; good to choice packers and butchers, $5 65@5 75; mixed packers, $5 50@5 60; stags and heavy fat sows, $4 50@5 25; few extra, $5 40; light shippers, $5 50@5 75; pigs, $3@5 25. Sheep—Extra, $2 90@3; good to choice, $2 35@2 85; lambs, extra, $4 60; good to choice, $4 25@4 50; common to fair, $3@4.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, 76½c; No. 2 red, 75c; No. 3 red, 75c. Corn—Yellow [illegible], 62c. Oats—No. 2 white, 43c; No. 3, 42c.

Chicago—Wheat—No. 3, 68¾@69½c; No. 2 red, 74@74½c. Corn—No. 2, 60½c; No. 2 yellow, 60½@60¾c. Oats—No. 2, 42½@42¾c; No. 2 white, 42½@43c.

Cincinnati—Wheat—No. 2 winter red, 76c on track. Corn—No. 2 mixed, 65c. Oats—No. 2 white, 43½c; No. 2 mixed, 41½c.

Wool.

The receipts of wool in Boston since Jan. 1 have been 231,277,103 pounds, against 141,857,115 pounds for the same period in 1900. The Boston shipments to date are 20,780,086 pounds against sales of 128,777,776 pounds for the same period of 1900. The stock on hand in Boston Jan. 1, 1901, was 79,266,000 pounds, the total stock today is 88,277,917 pounds.

San Francisco's Mayor.

Eugene E. Schmitz, the new mayor of San Francisco, says: "I wish to say to the merchants and financiers of the city that they need entertain no fears whatever of any action upon my part tending to inaugurate a radical or revolutionary policy of municipal government. Invested capital will be given the consideration it deserves, and it will be my aim to see that business interests suffer nothing. I will consider all classes and try to harmonize all interests which stand for the upbuilding of San Francisco."

Democrats have a margin in the Maryland legislature of 65 to 38 on joint ballot.

Ex-Bandit Cole Younger has refused a captaincy on the police force of Minneapolis.

Mrs. Bonine, accused of the murder of S. J. Ayres, Jr., will be tried in Washington, Nov. 19.

The officials of the United States legation in Constantinople have received news, through Salonica, that indicates the early release of the captives in the hands of the brigands. On Oct. 29 Miss Stone and Madame Tsilka were both well.