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WHAT TO Give Him

Last week we spoke of our exclusive makes of Smoking Jackets We now wish to refer to suit cases, Umbrellas and Hats; either may be selected now before the rush and exchanged after Xmas if necessary. We take pleasure in pleasing customers.

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DEATH OF HON. THOMAS B. REED

Noted Ex-Speaker of House of Representatives Dies at Washington, D. C.

AN ILLNESS OF ONE WEEK

Arrived in National Capital Monday, Was Taken III Same Day and Since Steadily Declined.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 .- Thomas Brackett Reed, ex-speaker of the house of representatives, and for many years prominent in public life, died here tonight at 12:10 o'clock in his apartments in the Arlington.

The immediate cause of death was

A change for the worse was noted in Mr. Reed's condition early this morn At 9:30 o'clock he was given subcutaneous saline transfusion in order to stimulate his kidneys, which were failing to perform their proper functions. At 5 o'clook this afternoon the saline solution was again administered, about three quarts of fluid being used. The heart became weaker and weaker, but the patient retained consciousness until 11 o'clock tonight when complete

At the bedside when he died were Mrs Reed and Miss Kutherine Reed, Doctors Cardiner, McDonald, Bishop and Contony and the nurses.

Mr. Reed's mind was in such a state during the day that he did not realize the seriousness of his condition. He was cheerful and conversed with those shout his bedside. When it became apparent that he would not survive his illness his wife and daughter were notified and they remained constantly at the bedside until the distinguished patient breathed his last.

With only a faint hope of saving his life, oxygen was administered throughout the day. Mr. Reed had been suffering from Bright's disease for some titoe which reached an acute stage today and this furnished additional cause for alarm. He passed away peacefully and without min. No arrangements have been made for the funeral.

Mr. Reed came to Washington Monday to attend to some business before the United States supreme court. He was taken HI that day and went to hed. He had a slight attack of appendicitis but later kidney trouble develop-

DENVER OFFICIALS SENTENCES

Mayor and Alderman Must Serve In - Jall for Centempt.

DENVER, Dec. 6-Mayor Wright and 11 aldemen were sentenced this afternoon by Judge Mullins of the district court to serve four months in jail for contempt of court in disregarding the injunction 'ssued by Judge Mullins to restrain enactment of the ordinance granting a franchise to the Denver City Tramway company in the form in which it was presented.

Mayor Wright signed the ordinance though this act was specifically forbidden by the court.

An appeal was taken and the mer remain at liber under bonds.

WEIGHT OF HIS MONEY DREW HIM TO DEATH

Edward Porter Is Knocked Overboard and Drowned While Bound fo His Wedding.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.-A peculiar drowning is rported from Canarsie Long Island. With \$300 in silver in his pockets which he had saved for his wedding. Edward Porter was failed to attach the receipts of the knocked from his sloop while returning to nort and drowned.

Owing to the storm his crew could render no assistance and weighted down by the coin, Porter, although a good swimmer, sank almost instantly.

IMMENSE TUNNEL COMPLETED

Workmen Have Been Busy for Six Years, Digging Under Lake.

last spadeful of earth that separated dean of the Homeopathic college and desire of the inhabitants to get rid of the workmen in digging two sections of president of the New Yok Opthalmic the undesirable visitors. the big waterworks tunnel, 100 feet un- hospital. Dr. Allen was the author of The Leicester Castle shipped 14 men at der Lake Erie, was removed today many works on botany and medicine. this port. These men signed the ship's

and after six years of continuous labor, the tunnel is practically completed. Its purpose is to supply the city with oure water from Intake crib five miles out in Lake Erle.

Since the work was begun 50 lives have been lost through explosions and other accidents.

MINERS WITNESSES SCORE TELLING POINTS

Wages of Independent Company Very Indifferent-Workmen Compelled to Trade at Company'

Store.

SCRANTON, Dec. 6,-The miners having finished the attack on the Coexe mines in Hazelton region tody, turned the attention of the coal strike commission to the collieries of the Markle compny, in the same locality.

Witnesses for the mineworkers scored what appeared to be :elling points with regard to wages and other conditions prevailing in the mines of this independ ent company.

James Gallagher, 60 years of age, who had worked in the Markle mines for 30 years was called to the stand. He asserted that the wages were so lov that he was always in debt to the company and that in seventeen years he only once received money in wages and that was \$59.

He testified that he had to deal at the company's store.

PEARS HUNT PRESIDENT

Gridiron Club Have Burlesque at Expense of Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 .- The Decen ber dinner of the Gridiron club at the Arlington hotel tonight was a success. The Washington correspondents who compose the organization made use of gow. recent events and prospective happenigs for their burlesques.

One of the best hits of the evening came late when two bears appeared. One was a real one and the other was impersonated by a member of the club. lie announced that they were from Mississippi and were looking for the

They had tried to find him in the cane brakes a few weeks ago, but failfor him. After partaking of refreshments, they departed, as was said, for the White House.

CHOIRMASTER RETIRES

Music, Is Getting Blind.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6 .- William Smedley, one of the most famous choirmasters in the country and who has held UNION MEETING CONLUDES that position in St. James Episcopal church in this city since 1885 has been compelled on account of approaching Deadly Riot Precipitated by Placing blindness to retire.

Mr. Smedley is 67 years of age. He was soloist of Trinity church in New York for 16 years and has been cholrmaster of All Angels church in New York and other churches in this country and England. He has composed many pieces of church music. The position of ichormaster emeritus has been created at St. James church for Mr. Smedley carrying with it half pay as long as he lives.

HELD FOR GRAND LARCENY.

Claims Society's Funds Are His by Right of Posession.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.-Lawrence Murphy, treasurer of the Stonecutters association of the city of New York, who is accused of having created a shortage of \$35,000 in the funds of the society and who has been held for the grand jury on the specific charge of grand largeny of the sum of \$10,000, Monday, with a view to his release from the city prison.

The petition sets forth that the asclety, its members have a vested point right in the assets of the association or society and the possession of one is the possession of all.

HAS TROUBLES OF HIS OWN.

Famous Composer Asks His Govern ment to Protect Him.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 6.-The alleged creditors of Muscagal have again

concerts given by the composer and his company here. Mascagni sent a message to the Ital-

ian ambassador at Washington and Minister Prinetti at Rome complaining of the alleged difficulties put in his way and asking for protection.

PHYSICIAN-AUTHOR DIES.

CANADIAN TRAIN ROLLS TO RUIN

Express Plunges Down Embackment Killing Six Persons Injuring Others.

DEFECTIVE PILOT THE CAUSE

The Disaster Is the Worst of the Kind Which Has Ever Occurred in History of the Government.

HALIFAX, Dec. 6 .- The worst train wreck in the history of the International Canadian government raliway happened at noon today at Belmont station 70 miles from Halifax, when the Canadian Pacific express from Montreal rolled down an embankment, killing at least six persons, injuring a score of others and completely wrecking the locomotive, postal, express and baggage cars and several passenger

oaches. Six bodies thus far have been recovered and one of the bodies is that of the engiener.

THE DEAD:

SAMUEL TRIVES, engine driver. W. R. McDONALD, merchant, Glas-UUIDENTIFIED WOMAN

THREE UNIDENTIFIED MEN. Of the injured, Wm. Kennedy of Black Rock, N. F., will die, and several others are believed to be in critical condition.

The dining car conductor, two express messengers nad two brakemen are very seriously injured. The fireing, had come to Washington in search man was hurled through a window of the cab and picked up in an adjoining field practically unhurt.

The accident was caused by the pilot becoming loose and falling in front of the engine, which was thrown from the rails. The train ploughed ahead for 50 feet and then turned over and rolled down the embankment.

WITH FREE FOR ALL FIGHT.

Two Candidates in the Field for President.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 .- One man was seriously wounded and a score of persons have been badly bruised and beaten in a small riot that followed a meeting of the Ionworkers' and Bridgeworkers' union in this city.

During the free fight engaged in by over 200 men, many shots were fired, and one of the members. Albert Conolly was shot in the side. Ht was taken to the hospital, where it was said his wound was serious.

Policemen Bullman and Farnan were roughly handled and more casualties might have followed had it not been for the arrival of reinforcements.

The fight is said to have started in an argument over the nomination of one of the members for president.

Two tickets were put in the field, The police say that one of the candidates started his campaign at once by ordering a barrel of beer and inviting has procured a writ of habeas corpus all of the members to drink. There are directing his production in court on about 250 members of the union and it is said over 200 remained to accept the invitation. Arguments ensued and several shots were fied. When the police sociation, being an unincorporated so- appeared the crowd jumped upon them and the hall was cleared only after einforcements had been called.

Connolly was found in a saloon where his friends had carried him.

MUTINEERS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE ON PITCAIRN.

Signals From This Island Leads to the Belief That the Murderous Seamen Are Safe on Land.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5 .- The captain of the British ship Howth from Australia, reports, according to a Herald dispatch from San Francisco, that on September 25, when off Pitcairn island, fire signals were noticeable. He says he made every effort to take his ship in, but was baffled by the severe weather.

The captain is of the opinion that the mutineers of the Leicester Castle, whose story was told yesterday in an NEW YORK, Dec. 6,-Dr. Timothy Associated Press dispatch from Field Allen a prominent physician of Queenstown, had reached Pitcairn CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 6, -The this city died from apoplexy. He was island and the signals were due to the

articles before the British consul or FRENCH DEPUTIES July 25 last, the day before the vesse salled out of the harbor. Among these men were James Turner, W. Hobbs IN WARM SESSION and E. Sears, and they were the only Americans among the crew.

They were shipped at a tmle when

allors were scarce in the port, and

Captain Peattle refused to pay the

shipping masters the price they asked

for the men. The 14 men were picked

up at various places along the water

front, on street corners and in saloons

A FRUSTRATED HOLDUP

Nervy Gun Play.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 6 .- A bold holdup

was attempted this evening at the meat

market and grocery store of Hyatt and

Vickery in the center of the town. Two

masked men, carrying two loaded guns

entered the meat market about t

o'clock and while one held up George

Ley, the other stepped into the gro-

Thomas D. Vickey who was in th

office, seized a pistol and opened fire

At the first shot one of the robbers fell

He quickly regained his feet and with

his companion ran through the meat

market, both men firing without effect

at Ley as they left the building. No

RETURNING FROM MANILA.

Number of Discharged Soldiers Is Un-

usually Large.

SAN FRANCSCO, Dec. 6.-The

transport Thomas.now on the way

from Manila and Nagasaki, is expect-

ed to reach port on December 21. On

board are 779 discharged men, 122

casuals and 62 sick men. The number

of discharged soldiers is unusually

The next transport to leave port is

the Sheridan, scheduled to begin the

CRUISERS IN COMMISSION

LONDON, Dec. 5 .- A dispatch from

Hom : says that two cruisers have been

ordered put in commission for immed-

snips are going to Venezuela

cery and covered John Hyatt.

arrests have been made.

The Lie Is Given and This Leads to Blows and Disgraceful Riot Ensues.

RESULT IN DUELS WILL Two Armed Men Put to Flight By

> Two Prominent Members Escorted From Chamber by a Strong Cordon of the Military.

PARIS, Dec. 6.-The chamber of deputies was a scene of a violent disturbance this afternoon during which a general meice occurred in the space of the Tribune requiring the summoning of a military commandant of Paris Pourbon with a platoon of colonial infantry who forcibly ejected two disorderly members who declined to rettre after an order for their temporary expulsion had been voted.

The affair was the outcome of much feeling which has been aroused lately between the government's supporters and the minority. The government had desired to close parliament today for a holiday recess and this was resisted by the minority on the ground that the chambers should remain in session to discuss the budget.

Feeling was intensified when Revisionist Deputy Gauthier made a savage voyage to Manila on the first day of attack on the government for its laxity in prosecuting parties connected with the Humbert scandal. He called on Minister Justice Valle for an explanation of the affair and the minister iate active service. It is believed the

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