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A SERIOUS PROBLEM.

Today there are men so rich, says Secretary Folger, that by conspiring together they can at will put and hold hands on nearly as much money as the government can lay hand to, save by the use of its credit.

SHREWER AT KEELY.

Ever since Keely started to work on his motor, by which he claims that he will revolutionize the motor now employed in running machinery, he has been laughed at, the press has ridiculed him, and the public has been led to believe that he is a mere visionary humbug.

THEY'RE WHIRLING.

We frequently hear of great reverses of fortune, but one of the most striking that has ever occurred in the career of John F. Potter is one that a distinguished member of Congress, from the State of Wisconsin, has an intimate and reported to be at death's door, is a poor house of the district where he was once a popular and distinguished leader in politics and public affairs.

STATE NEWS.

Raleigh News and Observer: Cotton receipts last week were 2,709 bales. We have nearly seventy miles of streets. Raleigh has the handsomest mayor's office in the State.

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PARANORMAL PHENOMENA OF RELIEF.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Farnell in a speech at the banquet given in his honor at Cork yesterday said he would always oppose any attempt of the government to land emigrants in a helpless and penniless condition on the shores of the Eastern States of America. If he said England desired to promote the emigration of Irishmen, let them be placed on land in America provided with the means to take a step toward a better life.

DEATH OF A DISTINGUISHED VIRGINIAN.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 18.—Hon. James Lyons, the oldest and one of the most prominent lawyers of this city, died at his residence at 116 Madison street, at 8 1/2.

WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Indications: Middle Atlantic States, fair weather, with light to moderate breeze, clearing to clear weather, local showers of light rain, northeast to southeast winds, rising, followed by falling barometer, stationary or slight rise in temperature.

AN ANTI-POLITICAL ASSESSMENT LAW SUSTAINED BY THE SUPREME COURT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The Supreme court of the United States rendered its decision this afternoon in the political assessment case of Curtis. The constitutionality of the law under which Gen. Curtis was convicted is affirmed and the petition for a writ of habeas corpus denied. Chief Justice Waite delivered the opinion of the court, Justice Bradley dissenting.

LYNCHED FOR STEALING COTTON.

DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 18.—Two Brothers, George and James Freley, the latter a mere boy, were arrested in Comanche county charged with stealing cotton and placed under guard at Hazel Creek. At midnight a mob armed with shot guns overpowered the guard, took the prisoners to the woods and hanged them on the same limb of a tree.

JAILED FOR GRAVE ROBBERY.

RICHMOND, Dec. 18.—In the Hustings court W. B. Meredith and Wm. Smith students in the Virginia Medical College and Chris Robert and Cassius Moore, (colored) arrested last week while attempting to rob a grave in Oakwood Cemetery were tried. Two students were convicted and Rean and Baker's trial was continued.

NOMINATION SET IN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Among the nominations sent to the Senate today was that of John F. Olmstead to be commissioner of the District of Columbia, Lieut.-Col. Thos. G. Bayer to be Colonel-Major, and Alfred Mordecai to be Lieut.-Colonel.

RAILWAY COLLISION.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—The East-bound passenger train on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati & St. Louis road leaving here at 3 o'clock, collided with the limited express, due at 8 o'clock, but which was 4 hours late, about 10 miles west of the station. The postal clerk on the East-bound train was killed and several injured.

MR. SHEELY CAN'T DRAW.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—First Comptroller Wallace has decided in the case of the Bank of America, that the extra compensation asked for from May 15th to July 20th, 1893, should be had already received.

THE BANK OF AMERICA.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 18.—D. Thomas, president of the Bank of Albion, has failed and assigned in favor of the creditors. His liabilities are said to be \$200,000. Geo. W. Taylor, of this city, has been elected president of the bank in his stead.

A BIG FIRE IN AN ARKANSAS TOWN.

NEWPORT, Ark., Dec. 18.—One of the most disastrous fires ever known here broke out yesterday morning. Sixty buildings, mostly occupied by business firms, were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$250,000. Insurance \$150,000.

LONDON FALLS.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Morris Smith & Co., plate factors, Swinburn, have failed; liabilities one hundred thousand pounds. The Hematite Iron Company, Newport, failed. Liabilities—\$20,000.

PEOPLE MISSING IN IRELAND.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—It is stated that famine prevails in certain parts of Donegal. Two hundred persons are living on Indian meal, and 2,500 persons are in danger of starving.

STEAMER SHORE.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The steamer London from New Orleans for Bremen, which has been ashore at Petton, has been towed to sea.

FIRE IN AN ALABAMA TOWN.

MONROEVILLE, Ala., Dec. 18.—A fire destroyed the principal business houses here about \$30,000.

DEATH OF A MINISTER.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Dr. Charles Close, D.D. of Carlisle, is dead.

MATTERS IN CONGRESS

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