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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Three persons lose their lives in the burning of a hotel at Lancaster, Ky——Capt. Blair is lynched near Mount Sterling, Ky——A fatal wreck occurs on the Big Four railroad——A private letter from a reliable source gives an account of the horrible butcheries and other atrocities of the troops in Armenia——Park Commissioner Clausen and Excise Commissioner Bushe, of New York, resign——After thorough examination, the Federal court completely exonerates Mr. Clark, Mr. Cleveland's appointee for District court judge——The shoe workers' strike at Haverhill is spreading. Two hundred and fifty women stitchers hold a mass meeting——The schooner Annie Ainslie, Savannah for Philadelphia, is water logged off Ocracoke——A number of cars and the car shed at Port Tampa City, Fla., is burned——A printer in St Louis commits suicide because type setting machines had driven his family to want——R. L. Banker and his wife, of Sioux City, confess the fraud on the Ancient Order of United Workmen in securing $2,000 by Banker pretending to be dead——In a fight at Little Rock three men are fatally wounded——Ex-Alderman Johnson, of Galesburg, Ills., is shot and killed by his wife——Two thousand dollars is stolen from a desk in a Jersey City Bank——Superintendent Byrnes says he knows nothing of the rumor that Mayor Strong will not accept his resignation——The new executive council of the American Federation of Labor meets in New York——Charleston defeats Savannah in a game of foot ball. ——J. B. Floyd, Republican, announces himself a candidate for the Senate from West Virginia——The *Manufacturers' Record* publishes an annual review of the South's condition and makes a comparison of its industries for the years 1880 and 1894——Barrett Scott, defaulting treasurer of Holt county, Neb., is killed by a mob and his body thrown in quick sands The mob fired into a carriage in which he was riding with three ladies of his family——Five desperate criminals escape from the jail of Buchanan county, Mo.——John M. Thurston, a railroad lawyer, of Omaha, has been chosen Senator by the Republicans of the Nebraska Legislature——Chairman Lexow makes a statement regarding Dr. Parkhurst's insinuations of a deal or understanding between Mr. Byrnes and the committee and counsel——Near Nashville three men are killed by an explosion while trying to thaw some dynamite——Six persons break jail at Pittsburg, Kans. Five of them have a big spree and return to prison the next day——Dogs are on the trail of the Alabama train robbers——The indications are that Senator Chandler will certainly be re-elected——The bonds to the amount of $40,500 found on Max Michels when arrested in New York, belong to Mr. H. B. Tilden, of Greensboro, N. C.

Condition of Affairs in South Carolina.

CHARLESTON, S. C. Jan. 1—The *News and Courier* will publish to-morrow a general review of the industrial condition of the State. It has received reports from thirty-three of its correspondents, practically covering the entire State and touching generally upon the condition of the farmers, merchants, manufacturers and working people, as compared with their condition in previous years; how the people generally have met their indebtedness of the closing year and what credit they will be able to obtain in 1895; how the volume of trade at the stores has compared with former years and what policy the farmers will adopt as to the cultivation of cotton and provision crops in the new year.

The replies vary very much as to details and the reports in several instances are evidently colored by the pessimistic or optimistic sentiment of the writers, but there is a general concensus of opinion that money is very scarce; that labor is cheaper, and plentiful, and that home raised hog and hominy are more abundant than in many years. Cotton mills, with very few exceptions, are reported as flourishing, having paid their usual dividends. Despite the low prices of cotton, farmers have done their best to repay the bankers, factors and merchants, and good men can generally get credit as heretofore.

It is clear from this report that the acreage will be very much reduced; that provision crops will be planted extensively and that there will be much less commercial fertilizers bought this year. Altogether, the outlook is not as blue as some of the croakers would make it appear.

Three Persons Perish in the Burning of a Hotel.

LANCASTER, Ky., Jan. 1.—This morning the Muller hotel, a three-story brick building, was burned, and with it three persons. E. A. Pascoe, his mother in-law, Mrs. Losters, and his little child, aged about 3 years. Only a few other guests were in the building and they escaped, being on the first floor. The fire started about 5 o'clock, but had evidently been smoldering a long time, as the entire building was filled with smoke when it was discovered.

The Pascoe family were nearly all suffocated when aroused by the noise from the street. Mr. Pascoe assisted his wife to a window, and she went down a ladder. He went back into the building after his child and mother-in-law, but succumbed to the smoke and flames and all three were burned.

Escaped Prisoners Return to Jail.

PITTSBURG, Kans., Jan. 1—The six inmates of the city jail escaped last night by digging through the wall of the corridor. They went to Litchfield, four miles away, and spent the night carousing. Five of them hired a carriage and returned this morning. They demanded admittance to the jail to complete their sentences. They treated the matter as a joke. Will Nickens, who was awaiting trial on a charge of obtaining money under false pretense, failed to return and it still at large.

The Vatican and the Quirinal.

LONDON, Jan. 1—The *Standard's* Rome correspondent says: Several cardinals who oppose Cardinal Rampolla's policy toward the Quirinal were conversing recently when one remarked that the King of Italy was the Pope's safeguard All concurred in this opinion. The Pope, upon hearing this, was much impressed. It is supposed that this partly accounted for his omitting the usual allusions to temporal power from his speech at the New Year's reception.

Hanged to a Tree.

MOUNT STERLING, Ky., Jan. 1.—Capt. Blair, accused of many unmentionable crimes, committed in this vicinity, was, last night, taken out by a mob and hanged to a tree.

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

THE PUBLIC RECEPTION AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Beautiful Decorations of the Rooms—The Reception Party — Official Callers Brilliant in Their Various Costumes and Uniforms —Mrs. Cleveland's Kind-heartedness—Shaking of Sixty Hands a Minute.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The President was at home to all the world who chose to visit the White House to-day and with his official family, repeated the annual object lesson in the simplicity and impressiveness of American republican institutions in the United States.

The interior of the White House was decorated to-day with masses of palms, ferns and other potted plants about the parlors, banks of flowers on the mantels and curtains of smilax before the mirrors. The oval blue room, where the receiving party stood, was profusely adorned and all the rooms were illuminated wholly by the electroliers.

The approaches to the Executive mansion were occupied by double columns of army and navy officers, stretching away from the portico beyond the gates, the red-tasseled helmets of the artillery, the yellow of the cavalry the white of the infantry, the black plumed chapeaus of the navy, showed distinctly above the sea of dark blue uniforms resplendent with gold trimmings, while beneath the great porte cochere carriages rapidly deposited the brilliantly attired members of the diplomatic corps, and along the avenues extended down the side streets stood long lines of organizations and private citizens, waiting their turn to shake hands with the President Crowding into the last inch of remaining space within sight of the White House were thousands who had been attracted by the gay scene.

Promptly at 11 o'clock the Marine band, stationed in the main corridor, burst forth with "Hail to the Chief" as the receiving party decended the broad stairway from the private apartments and took their places in the blue room, the President being nearest the red room door through which the guests entered. At his right stood Mrs. Cleveland and beyond in the line were Mrs. Gresham, Mrs. Carlisle, Mrs Lamont, Mrs. Olney, Mrs. Bissell, Miss Herbert and Miss Morton, Mrs. Stevenson was in North Carolina with the vice President at the bed side of their invalid daughter and Mrs. Hoke Smith was ill. Back of the receiving line were the invited guests of Mrs. Cleveland.

Col. John L. Wilson, corps of engineers, U. S. A., assisted by Lieut. J. C. Gilmore, Fourth artillery, made the presentations in the following order:

At 11 a. m.—The members of the Cabinet and the diplomatic corps

At 11:15 a. m.—The chief justice, the associate justices of the Supreme court of the United States, the judges of the United States Court of Claims, the judges of the Supreme court of the District of Columbia.

At 11:45 a. m.—Senators, Representatives and Delegates in Congress, the commissioners of the District of Columbia and the judicial officers of the District, ex members of the Cabinet and ex-Ministers of the United States.

At 11:30 a. m.—The officers of the army, the navy, and the marine corps.

At 12 m.—The regents and the secretary of the Smithsonian institute, the civil service commissioners, the inter State commerce commissioners, the assistant secretaries of the departments, the assistant postmaster general, the solicitor general, the assistant attorney general, the commissioner of fisheries, the commissioners of labor, the heads of the bureaus of the several departments, and the president of the Columbian institute for the deaf and dumb.

At 12:15 p.m.—The Associated Veterans of the War of 1846, the Grand Army of the Republic, the Loyal Legion, the Union Veteran Legion, and the members of the Old Inhabitants association of the District of Columbia.

At 12:35 p m.—The public.

Secretary Gresham remained to assist in announcing the names of the diplomats, aided by Assistant Secretaries Uhl, Rockhill and Adee.

There were over 100 members of the diplomatic corps present, in the full dress of their respective countries. They stayed only long enough to pay proper respect to the Chief Executive and then departed for the diplomatic breakfast with Secretary of State Gresham.

The two houses of Congress were but poorly represented, many of the members being at their homes for the holidays.

The sombre garb of the legislators soon gave way to the brilliant trappings of the officers of the regular service, Maj Gen Schofield and his staff leading, followed by Maj. Gen. McCook, who came all the way from Colorado to pay his respects; Gen. Rutger, who succeeded Gen. Miles in command at Chicago, and Gen. Otis, whose department includes the extreme northwestern corner of the United States. Including several retired officers, there were twenty-five general officers in the column.

Admirals Russell and Irwin, retired, and Admiral Ramsey, with Commodore Selfridge, headed a column of over one hundred naval officers now on duty in Washington.

The Associated Veterans of the Mexican war filed by with their tattered battle flags.

It was after 12:30 when the general public, reached the door of the Executive mansion. By this time the ladies of the receiving line were compelled to leave for their own receptions, but the President and Mrs. Cleveland continued to shake the hand of every man, woman and child presented until the last of the list was reached. It was exactly 6 minutes before 2 o'clock when the end of the line reached Mrs. Cleveland, and she shook the last hand as heartily as she did the first. Shaking their hands at the rate of sixty a minute, old and young, black and white were treated alike.

There were no incidents of a sensational character. The usual crank failed to put in appearance. One patriotic youngster in his father's arms, removed his cap and shouted: "Hurrah for Grover!" while his father was shaking hands with Mrs. Cleveland. A man on crutches, with both legs crippled, was asked by Mrs. Cleveland to sit down and rest, which he did to the great delight of himself and wife until the ceremony was over. "Grandmother" Chapman, aged 85 years, was invited behind the lines to rest.

Amusing incidents occurred when a doorkeeper attempted to prevent the passage of Secretary Lamont, and, earlier in the day, when the entrance to the blue room of Col. Wilson, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, in all the glory of his full dress uniform, was barred by one of his inferior officers who did not recognize him.

A Fatal Railroad Wreck.

MUNCIE, Ind. Jan 1—A freight wreck occurred on the Big Four at Yorktown, six miles west of here, early this morning. Several cars were completely demolished and four of the trainmen were injured. William S. Hull, a brakeman, was killed.

PARKHURST AND BYRNES.

The Former Has Nothing to Say bout Platt Calling Him "Swollen Headed" and the Latter as to the Doctor's Strictures on Him.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1—Superintendent Byrnes was seen at police headquarters this afternoon in reference to the statement given out last night by Dr. Parkhurst. Mr. Byrnes said: "I have nothing at all to say concerning Dr. Parkhurst's statement, but I wish the doctor a very happy New Year." Mr. Byrnes was also asked about the published interview with ex-Senator Platt who is reported as saying that Mayor Strong would not, in his opinion, accept the superintendent's offer to withdraw from the police force, and that Mr. Byrnes would in all probability continue to be chief. The superintendent said he knew nothing at all as to Mayor Strong's intentions regarding his offer to withdraw from the service.

There was nothing new in police affairs, but the belief is growing stronger every day that Mr. Byrnes will be at the head of the reorganized force.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The Rev. Dr. Parkhurst was seen this morning in regard to the interview with ex Senator Platt, obtained yesterday in Wilkesbarre, Pa., in which Mr. Platt is quoted as saying that he is inclined to think Dr. Parkhurst's "head has become swollen," and that the doctor should be turned down, because he has tried to dictate to the Lexow committee. Dr. Parkhurst acknowledged he had read the interview but would only remark: "I can really say nothing in regard to Mr Platt."

"Not even when he attacks you and calls you head swollen" and says you have attempted to dictate to the committee and should be turned down?" persisted the reporter.

"No, I have nothing to say."

A DASTARDLY DEED.

A Carriage Containing Ladies Fired Into by a Mob—A Defaulting County Officer Lynched.

O'NEILL, Neb., Jan. 1—Barrett Scott defaulting treasurer of Holt county to the extent of several thousand dollars, is supposed to have been hanged by vigilants, who then weighted the body and threw it into the quicksands in the Niobrara river yesterday afternoon.

Scott, pending examination, had been released on bail and yesterday took a drive, accompanied by his wife, daughter and niece, Miss McWhorter, several miles east of here in the county. They had started to return home and had gone a short distance when a volley of shots was fired into their carriage from ambush by masked men. One of the bullets pierced Scott's ear and scratched his temple. Another struck a steel in Miss McWhorter's corset then glanced off inflicting a flesh wound and lodging in her clothing. One horse was instantly killed and the other mortally injured.

The vigilants then attached another, pair of horses to the carriage and drove the party over the prairie, finally depositing the women and commanding them to go to a farm house a short distance away Scott and his driver, Henry Smith, were then blindfolded and taken towards the Niobrara river, where Smith was released and told to go home. This is the last seen of Scott, and it is supposed that he was treated the same as James Hill and his son a short time ago—hanged and thrown into the river.

Mrs. Scott, her daughter and Miss McWhorter returned to this city about 1 o'clock this morning and when the details of the affair became generally known friends organized a posse and started in pursuit of the mob.

A Statement From Chairman Lexow.

ALBANY, Jan. 1.—Senator Lexow, as chairman of the New York city police investigation committee, in referring to Dr. Parkhurst's public criticisms on the work of the committee said he had no answer to make to Dr. Parkhurst's manifesto, stating that he though the work of the committee was sufficient answer. He gave out the following signed statement:

"It is strange indeed that when the crucial point was reached and Byrnes was on the stand as everbody knew he would be last Saturday, nothing was suggested that was not done; and yet this criticism.

"Mr. Moss throughout the entire examination stood at Mr. Goff's side and co-operated in the conduct of the injuiry. Obviously it is unnecessary to add anything to this.

"I have too high a regard for Dr. Parkhurst to believe that he is actuated by any but the highest and purest motives in what he says or does. As to a 'deal,' it is plain that one could not be effectual unless through the co-operation of a majority of the committee acting in conjunction with all the counsel. The statement of this proposition is the best refutation of the charge. Let any one suggest a question that was not put, a charge that was not made, an indictment that was not brought—anything in short that was omitted before they criticise. In my mind, the meat of the statement is to be found in the declaration that the Senate committee has not uncovered all corruption that exisits in the police and there still remains more for the Society for the Prevention of Crime to do. I wish them God speed in the good work.

[Signed.] CLARENCE LEXOW."

Mr. Lexow said his committee would meet some day this week, probably to-morrow. The committee's report, which is to be presented to the State Senate, will not be ready for ten days or two weeks.

Money Stolen From a Bank Desk.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 1—There was a great stir in Jersey City banking circles yesterday when it became known that $2,300 had recently disappeared from one of the desks in the Hudson County National bank, one of the oldest banking institutions in New Jersey. The theft was not reported to the police, but the bank officials placed the case in the hands of the Pinkerton agency. Up to last night no trace of the missing funds had been discovered.

Suicide of a Printer.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 1—Charles Yeager, a printer, aged 35 years, was found dead in a viaduct in Forest park last night. A letter on his body explained that he had killed himself because typesetting machines had driven him to want. He leaves a widow and three children. He was insured for $2,000.

Killed by His Wife.

GALESBURG, Ill., Jan. 1—Ex-Alderman Charles F. Johnson, who was shot in Attorney Mabley's office last Wednesday by his wife, died yesterday. To the last he protestested that he did her no violence, but that she shot him as he was procuring a glass of water for her, because of his intimations of her intimacy with a Chicago drummer.

Rescued From an Abandoned Bark.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 1.—The British steamer Madeline, Capt. Needen, from Galveston for this port, arrived to day. She had on board the crew of the British bark Aramanth, Capt. Forbes, from St. John, N. B., for Dublin, which has been abandoned at sea.

THE NEW JUSTICES

SWORN IN AND SUPREME COURT ORGANIZED.

Some of the Superior Court Judges Sworn in—W. C. Douglass and John F. Woodard Appointed Solicitors—A Fight Which May Prove a Homicide —Extract From Mr. Bernard's Letter of Declination.

MESSENGER BUREAU,
RALEIGH, Jan. 1.

To-day, in the presence of about twenty persons, the newly elected justices of the Supreme court were sworn in. Among those present were the clerk and the attorney general and also Mr. Hileman, member-elect of the Legislature from Cabarrus; also judges W. S. O'B. Robinson and E. W. Timberlake of the Superior court.

Associate Justice Avery administered the oaths. The first sworn was chief justice W. T. Faircloth. It was the second time he was sworn in, the first time having been in November, 1875. He then served two years. D. M. Furches, who was sworn in, took the oath as superior court judge in 1875. Walter Clark, has been thrice sworn in; first in 1889, when appointed, then in 1890 when elected to fill an unexpired term. W. A. Montgomery was the last justice who took the oath.

This part of the ceremony at an end, Justice Avery swore in Judge Robinson of the Fourth district while Justice Montgomery swore in Judge Timberlake of the Third district.

Judge L. L. Green of the Eleventh district arrived this morning and paid his respects to the Governor. His commission had been sent him some days ago, but failed to reach him. A new one was made out to-day and he was sworn in.

Governor Carr appoints W. C. Douglas, of Carthage, solicitor of the Seventh district. This was done as that office was vacant and there was no one to act as solicitor at Union Superior court. Herbert F. Seawell, who declined the commission, will now sue Douglas to determine his own right to the place. Of course it will be a friendly suit, merely a test case. The Governor also appoints John E. Woodard solicitor in the Third district. This is done upon receipt of a letter from Claude M. Bernard, who declined the commission.

In his letter Mr. Bernard says: "I would suggest that you appoint some hightoned and honest and honorable gentleman, such as C. M. Cooke, D. Worthington, A. L. Blow or F. G. James, all Democrats, but who know the facts and I believe would not contest a judgment in my favor at the first term of the Superior court."

The Supreme court has made a new rule as to the time for the examination of applicants for license as attorneys. Hereafter the examinations will be held on the first Monday in each term. The next one will, therefore, be held February 4th.

The weather was again quite cold this morning, the temperature going down to 12 degrees above zero. Later, the day was tolerably warm and there was a partial thaw. The ground is yet covered with snow.

Yesterday afternoon in the course of an altercation and fight here in the gunsmith shop of T. F. Brockwell, in this city, the latter was stabbed near the heart by one of two young men, David and Walter Moore. They are sons of D. T. Moore, of Johnston county, clerk in the office of the State superintendent of public instruction. The quarrel grew out of a dispute as to a pair of bullet moulds, which Brockwell had ordered for the young men. Brockwell struck one of them and then the fight followed. The young men spent last night and this morning in the station house, to await the result of Brockwell's injuries. Mayor Badger heard the case at noon to day.

Mr. William Woolcott, a well known Raleigh merchant, retired from business to-day.

Maj. S. M. Finger will make Raleigh his home.

Mr. Josephus Daniels and family and also the family of the late Maj. W. H. Bagley will all return here next Saturday, and make this again their home.

Mr. Clark Completely Exonerated.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 1—Arguments were concluded this morning in the investigation proceedings against Clark & Brown. Judge Lurton finished his opinion at 12:50 o'clock in which he completely exonerated them from all imputations of unprofessional conduct. He held there was not the slightest ground for the complaint and intimated strongly that the onus of unprofessionalism rests on J. H. Barr, of Barr & McAdoo, bondholders' attorneys, for drawing up the Bartol petition, fully knowing the facts of the record. The fee charged for services was held to be just and the firm had dropped the opposing claim of James before being engaged by the trustees. The right to contest their fees rested with the receiver, but was not attacked. This humiliation would have been avoided if Clark & Brown had only fairly and distinctly stated their relation to James' three claims in this correspondence with the trustees and New York lawyers who employed them.

Three Men Fatally Wounded in a Fight.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 1.—A three-cornered duel was fought here between Jack Stowe, a wealthy saw mill owner and two brothers named Patrick. The two brothers used pistols while Stowe did fatal work with a bowie knife. All three received fatal wounds. The trouble was over a settlement of wages due the brothers.

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FALL RIVER, Mass. Jan. 1—Sagamore Mill No. 1 was damaged $50,000 by fire this afternoon. The mill will be idle for some weeks while repairs are being made.

THE INDUSTRIAL SOUTH.

A Review of the Year Just Closed—Comparison of Statistics for the Years 1880 and 1894—Wonderful Progress in that Time.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—In its annual review of Southern conditions, the *Manufacturers' Record* says:

The industrial situation in the South during the past year was characterized by a steady re-establishment of confidence and a slow, but solid, up building of manufacturing interests. Prevailing conditions during the year have not encouraged unusual development, and the general tendency has been to follow a conservative policy. The year carried over as a legacy many of the adverse conditions which were features of the previous year. Legislative problems of national moment hung in uncertainty during the greater portion of the year. The panicky feeling of the two previous years occasionally made its influence felt and the attitude of foreign investors towards American securities continued as a depressing factor.

Capitalists have been slow to foster new enterprises. The investor became an investigator during the year, and well planned industries benefitted thereby. Enduring good results to the South from this movement and its significance are already shown by a wider and more personal acquaintance of the investigating public with its resources.

The record of progress made during the year evidences a well-defined preference for Southern investments and reflects a more general existence of favorable impressions that, with the full restoration of confidence in the business world, will influence a considerable tide of capital towards Southern channels; and as the aspects of things for the new year are more cheerful than those ushered in in 1894, it is perfectly reasonable to look for greater prosperity and greater progress in 1895. The faith of Southern men in the future of this section gains new emphasis from a study of the controlling part their capital and enterprise played in the advancement made during 1894.

Nearly 600 more enterprises were established in the South during 1894 than the preceding year, numbering 2,829, as against 2,293 for 1893.

Comparing the year just closed with 1880, the statistics gathered by the *Manufacturers' Record* show the following increases: Railroad mileage, from 20,612 miles in 1880 to 46,900 in 1894; annual yield of cotton, 5,755,000 bales to 9,500,000; annual yield of grain, 431,000,000 bushels to 660,000,000; coal mined annually, 6,049,000 tons to 30,000,000; annual pig iron production, 397,301 tons to 1,560,000; number of cotton mills in operation, 161, to 470; number of spindles, 667,000 to 3,000,000; number of looms, 14,323, to 68,000; capital invested in cotton mills, $31,038,712 to $107,900,000; number of cotton oil mills 40 to 300; capital invested in same $3,504,000 to $30,000,000; lumber, dressed, value of products, $46,938,100 to $114,746,674; capital invested, $26,092,644 to $94,604,375; farm assets, $2,314,000,000 to $3,182,000,000; value of farm product, $666,000,000 to $850,000,000; capital invested in manufacturing, $257,244,560 to $800,000,000; value of manufactured product, $457,454,777 to $1,050,000,000.

The Shoe Workers' Strike.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Jan. 1—The striking shoe workers held another big street parade this afternoon with the music and banner accompaniment. They marched in procession from the headquarters to Spaulding & Sweet's factory and called out fifty women stitchers. It is understood that the workmen in every factory in town have voted to come out en-masse if necessary to support the strike. Two or three firms have called in the aid of the board of conciliation to prevent a strike in their factories and will probably be successful.

The strikers have received a donation of money and more is promised. There were 1,400 people in the parade and at its close the women stitchers, 250 in number, had a mass meeting in Cutters' hall. About 125 women came out of Chick Bros.' factory and joined the parade. There was a parade of women stitchers this afternoon.

Wife and Sister Parties to the Fraud.

SIOUX CITY, Iowa. Jan. 1—Mrs. R. L. Banker, wife of the man arrested here Friday on the charge of defrauding the Ancient Order of United Workmen out of $2,000 at Portland, Ore., by pretending to have been drowned, was arrested in this city yesterday and $800 of the insurance money recovered. When she was arrested she made a confession of the affair and her husband, upon hearing of it also acknowledged his guilt and said that his sister is now at Susquehanna, Pa., trying to cash a policy she has on his life in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for $3,000. He requested the officers to prevent its payment so that he would not get in this trouble. His wife will be taken to Portland to stand trial with him.

Married in spite of Opposing Parents.

POCOMOKE CITY, Md., Jan. 1.—The Parker hotel was the scene of a romantic marriage this morning. The contracting parties were Douglas L. Sommers and Miss Florence Lewis, of Bloxom, Va. They came here to escape the wrathful ire of their objecting parents. They arrived at 12:05 o'clock a. m. The Rev. E. S. Tuttle was sent for and performed the ceremony in the parlor of the Parker hotel. Mrs. Lewis, mother of the bride, arrived early this morning in pursuit of her daughter, whom she claims is under age She caused a great deal of excitement over the girl's marriage, but Mr. and Mrs. Sommers left on a late train for their home in Virginia this afternoon.

Nebraska's Next Senator.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 1.—John M. Thurston, of Omaha, present general solicitor of the Union Pacific Railroad company, will be the next United States Senator from Nebraska as the successor to Gen. Manderson. This decision was arrived at in a caucus of Republican majority of the Legislature held this evening. The election of Senators by the Legislature does not take place until January 15th. The Democrats and, possibly the Populists, will vote for Congressman Bryan,

More Resignations.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—President George C. Clausen, of the board of park commissioners, sent his resignation to Mayor Strong this afternoon. Excise Commissioner Eugene Bushe has also resigned.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

BUTCHERIES IN ARMENIA

THE HORRIBLE DEEDS VERIFIED BY A RESIDENT.

The People Surrounded and Driven to the Centre—Men, Women and Children Shot Down—Blood Flowing Like Water—Towns Burned—Fifteen Thousands Persons Killed —Suppressing the Facts.

BOSTON, Jan. 1.—Letters have been received by well known parties in this city from reliable sources in Turkey, giving still further testimony regarding the outrages in Eastern Turkey. The following letter comes from a city not a great distance from the scene of the outrages. The writer is a man in whom the highest confidence may be placed, who has spent more than a third of a century in that region and knows the country and people perfectly. The testimony is from a source which is entirely independent of any which has been given before. Later accounts increase, if possible, the horrors of what has taken place.

The letter just received is as follows:

"The Armenians, oppressed by Kurds and Turks, said they could not pay taxes to both Kurds and the Government. Plundered and oppressed by the Kurds, they resisted them and there were some killed. Then false reports were sent to Constantinople that the Armenians were in arms in rebellion and orders were sent to the Mushire at Erzingan to exterminate them, root and branch. The order read before the army, called in haste from all the chief cities of Eastern Turkey, was: 'Whoever spares man, woman or child is disloyal.' The region was surrounded by soldiers of the army, and 20,000 Kurds also are said to have been massed there. Then they advanced upon the centre, driving in the people like a flock of sheep and continued thus to advance for days. No quarter was given, no mercy shown. Men, women and children were shot down and butchered like sheep. Probably when they were set upon in this way some tried to save their lives and resisted in self-defence, while those who could, fled in all directions, but the majority were slain. The most probable estimate is 15,000 killed, and thirty-five villages plundered, razed and burned. Women were outraged and then butchered. A priest was taken to the roof of his church and hacked to pieces and his church burned. A large number of women and girls, collected in a church, were kept for days, violated by the brutal soldiers and then murdered. It is said the number was so large that the blood flowed out of the church door. The soldiers contended over a beautiful girl. They wanted to preserve her, but she too was killed. Every effort is being made and will be made to falsify the facts and pull the wool over the eyes of the European Governments. But the bloody tale will finally be known, the most horrible, it seems to me, that the Nineteenth century has known. As a confirmation of the report, the other day several hundred soldiers were returning from the seat of war and at a village near us one was heard to say that he alone, with his own hand, had killed thirty pregnant women. Some who seem to have some shame for their atrocious deeds say: 'What could we do. We were under orders.'"

In consequence of a meeting of the Armenians of Boston held in Friendship hall last Sunday evening, the following cablegram was sent this afternoon:

"*To Hon. Wm. E. Gladstone, London, Eng.*

"The Armenians of Boston thank you for your sympathy and aid."

New York's New Mayor.

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