

today that in the vicinity of Cortez the Utes are killing game. The governor thinks it may be necessary to send a detachment of troops into the south western part of the state.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 24.—A robbery of an old woman by three men, who, at the points of revolvers took nearly \$400 from a bag tied around her waist beneath her skirt, has been explained by Mrs. Richardson, a relative of the victim. She said the robbery was planned two weeks ago; that it was done by her bartender, Fred Richardson, a man named Fletcher and a negro named Green. The woman told where some of the money was hidden and it was found there.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The state department has received absolutely no information from Havana or elsewhere concerning the report that the Competitor prisoners have been tried by a secret summary court.

From further inquiries it is apparent that the investigation of the Competitor cases is similar to that provided under our grand jury system. The consuls of Spain in this country are investigating the claims to American citizenship of the persons arrested.

From Spanish sources it is learned that there is no intention of dealing with the Competitor prisoners in a harsh manner.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Large sales of California, Jamaica and Spanish fruits are being made for Thanksgiving trading and for holding. T. Goodsell of the Goodsell Fruit company, said last night that the fruit market had responded to the excellent demand that exists just prior to a holiday, so that prices for all kinds of products were very good and business active. Until within a few days low prices have prevailed, but now prices have advanced from twenty-five to fifty per cent. The last receipts of California grapes are now coming into the market and yesterday's sales of California Tokay grapes and emperors—a grape similar to the Tokay—resulted in the fruit bringing about \$3 to \$4 per dozen crate of forty pounds.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 24.—By the overturning of a gasoline lamp a terrible explosion occurred at the residence of F. A. Walker last night and as a result Mrs. Walker and her daughter Mabel, thirteen years of age, and the domestic, Mary Overland, are in the Asbury hospital. The latter cannot survive, the clothing having been hurled entirely off her body, and leaving her in a terrible condition. The girl Mabel is not expected to live, but some hope is held out for the mother.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—The Record says today:

Tom Eck, John S. Johnson, James Michael and the entire company of pacemakers are in the city. They will remain until Saturday when, if satisfactory arrangements are made, they will go to California for the winter. Johnson and Eck do not find any fault with the suspension passed upon them recently by the racing board. It all came about by their non-appearance at the Portland (Ore.) meet last August. But the board, it is maintained, was lenient and permitted the men to square themselves with the Portland promoters by the payment of \$200.

Johnson gave his note for that

amount and although the Portland managers sent Gleason word that they would accept it, Johnson was not released. All this does not prevent laying a long string of plans for the winter. If the San Francisco people make an agreement with Eck's party he will start for that town with the aggregation of men and machines on Saturday next. Then a series of meets will take place in which nearly all the ground in the state will be embraced. These will be interspersed with trials for records. In case the California deal should be declared off Johnson will return to his first love and get all the glory he can out of skating by meeting in contests all the aspirants for championships.

MANFIELD, Mo., Nov. 24.—While exploring an onyx cave near this place a party of hunters unearthed four human skulls. It was supposed at first that they were the remains of Indians, but the subsequent discovery of several pieces of pottery and crude instruments of war, which it is known were not the handiwork of Indians, leaves no doubt that they were the bones of some prehistoric race, probably the mound builders.

The skulls were sent to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington for a further examination.

OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 24.—The report that Mrs. Anna Murdock of San Francisco has been arrested in New York on Thursday last and arraigned in the Brooklyn police court, together with the information telegraphed from there that Robert E. Woodward of the U. S. army and once an officer in the Salvation Army, was discovered with her on a protracted debauch, has driven a young Oakland woman to desperation. Robert E. Woodward was to have married her in a few months after an engagement of more than two years, but now the truth is revealed to her, she says, and the wedding can never be. Miss Jennie Turner, an opera singer, is the woman who claims to be wronged and she expresses a determination to institute a suit against Woodward for breach of promise, and at the same time prosecute Mrs. Murdock for the part she has played in the affair. To the latter she attributes all the misery she has been made to endure, and she will seek damages from Mrs. Murdock who is reputed to be wealthy.

VERSALLIES, Ky., Nov. 24.—Lester Witherspoon, president of the Midway Turnpike in Woodford county, has received anonymous notes threatening to burn his home if he continues to collect toll. Meantime the toll gates have been raided and crumpled down every night for five nights.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—A dispatch from Jacksonville, Fla., is reciting a cipher telegram received from Havana, in which it is stated that the report that General Weyler was driven to return to Havana through fear, is discredited here. From a Spanish point of view it would be absurd for the captain general to place himself at the head of troops and follow the straggling bands of insurgents from one cover to another.

HAMBURG, Nov. 24.—A dispatch from Luebeck says while the employees of Thiel's enamel factory were going to work this morning, a body of strikers belonging to the same concern attacked the workmen and a free fight

followed. Shots were fired and several persons were seriously wounded. Many arrests were made.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—A remarkable correspondence between James G. Fair and Jerome Caldwell and, extending from November, 1853, to March, 1894, was made public yesterday through the agency of a suit filed in the superior court. These private, confidential letters of a millionaire revealing his plots and plans, his success and manipulations and his cruelly candid discussion of men, women and things, have been dragged into public view to serve the purposes of one set of litigants and to discredit another. The correspondence has no direct bearing on any issue of the sensational case that is now being fought but it serves to give for the first time the lower history of the great Comstock as the shrewdest of manipulators made it, and to expose his views of men and women that are now known to the people of two continents.

The suit is by Jerome Caldwell, now of Los Angeles, against Charles L. Fair. The petition alleges that the plaintiff is the owner of the letters copies of which are set forth in a schedule attached to a letter to the latter. In July 25, 1885, the plaintiff at the request of Charles L. Fair intrusted the letters to the care and trust of the latter under promise that he would return the same on request. The object was to make a comparative study of "the pencil will," and it was after an examination of these letters that the pencil will was admitted. November 22, so the allegations run, the plaintiff demanded of defendant that he return the letters but he refused to do so, "and in violation of his promise retails possession of them." It is further alleged that the letters are of a private character for which reason it is hard to ascertain their pecuniary value. The complaint, therefore, prays that specific delivery of the letters be compelled.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—A. B. Simpson, founder of the Christian Alliance, will be present at the meeting of the society to Chicago next week. In Willard Hall the great "money-raiser" will attempt to parallel the contributions for missionary cause made at the Old Orchard camp meeting and at the Carnegie Hall meeting in New York.

To Chicagoans, devoted to their religion, he will urge the sacrifice of luxuries, costly trinkets and all unnecessary personal belongings.

Mr. Simpson's first record-breaking collection was at Old Orchard in the summer of 1855. In that historic camp ground he stirred his auditors to such religious fervor that at one session offerings variously reported at from \$50,000 to \$75,000 was made. This year in spite of the hard times the annual camp meeting collection amounted to \$112,000. A month ago in New York the record was again raised to \$122,000.

The Christian Alliance was established by Mr. Simpson several years ago. It is interdenominational and strictly orthodox. Among its tenets are included divine healing and personal sanctification. For the last seven or eight years the alliance has been absorbed in the purpose to evangelize the world before the end of the present century.