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BRIEF TELEGRAMS. Patti is in Chicago.

Sargent will probably be Secretary The Watson mill at London blew p yesterday, and wounded three Jesse George, of Philadelphia, has left an estate of \$700,000 to various

The Japanese minister and suite left this morning for San Francisco en route to Japan. Travel on the New York elevated ailroad on Saturday was the largest

John H. Murray, for many years a circus' manager, and one of the oldest in the profession, is dead. Last night twelve prisoners, all Jail, Kentucky. Three were recap-

The steam boat C. H. Northam stuck fast to night on the rocks of Hell Gate during a dense fog. No

A big flood is expected on the Susquehanna to night. The water is ten feet above low water mark, and is still rising rapidly. The steamers Tangler and Pilot Buoy collided to night at Baltimore. No one injured. The boats were badly used up. A dense fog prevailed.

of his band, near Chihuahua, is con-

It is reported the two murderers of John B. and J. H. Prince, were taken from jail in Southampton County, Va., and hanged, on Friday

The express and train robbery on he S. P. R. R., near El Paso, re-

ported last week, is charged upon the express messenger, Bernard, whose examination is now progress-

Mexican advices state that yesterday in the public jail at Humar-guillo, under orders, the political chief, Francisco Olamilla, was shot to death without judge or trial. The

affair caused great excitement. Dundon was lodged in jail here to-day charged with the murder of his wife st his ranch on Elk Creek on (hristmas day. The woman was killed with an axe and horribly mu-

The minister of public works here ordered acceleration in the construction of the new dock at Havre, capable of receiving large Transat-lantic steamers. He has granted 300,000,000 francs for the most ur-

The Hudson river at Albany is ten eetabove water level and rising an nch an hour. The quay and piers streets in the lower part of the city is under water. Merchants on these streets are out in boats.

Lou Moore, a clerk in Boston, coming home to Biddeford, Maine, for Christmas, celebrated the holidays to-day by shooting his affianced, Miss Bell Cushman, and then killing himsel. Both were of highly respected families. Jealousy.

Louis L. Ward, of 205 Henry Street, New York, allas John B. Black, was arrested on a charge of sending letters to Joseph A. White, threatening death and disgraceful disclosures unless paid \$1,000. Ward was discovered through the medlum

It is calculated that the Odessa magazines contain 1,500,000 quarters of grain ready for exportation, and other Black Sea points an equal quantity. The total is valued at 30,000,000 roubles. Business is quiet because of the low prices in England and France.

President Gonzales has invited Senor Matias Romero, formerly Mexican minister at Washington, and three times secretary of the treasury of Mexico, to accept the appointment as special envoy to negotiate a reciprocity treaty of commerce with the United States. Romero will probably accept the position.

A dispatch received at the Mexican War Office from the officer com-manding the Federal forces in Coshwho have been raiding and committing so many outrages and murders of late, as they were crossing the Rio Grande for refuge in the Unifed States. The Indians in Chihuahua threaten to go on the warpath. They have sent runners to different points in the neighboring States and from reports received here a general Indian war is feared in the north.

Strategy versus Strength.

The sand-hornet is the greatest villain that flies on insect wings, and he is built for a professional murderer. He carries two keen climeters besides a deadly poisoned poinard, and is armed throughout with an invulnerable coat of mail. He has things all his own way, he lives a life of tyranny and feeds on blood. There are few birds prope that I know of that care to none that I know of—that care to swallow such a red-hot morsel. It is said that not even the butcher bird hankers after him. The toad will not touch him, seeming to know by instinct what sort of chain light. nin he contains. Among insects this hornet is the harpy eagle, and nearly all of them are at his mercy. Even the cicada, or drumming harvest fly, an insect often larger and

diately appeared upon the scene, emerging hurriedly from a neighboring thicket of pine-tree moss. He was too late, however, for the hornet again sought escape in flight. But this attempt was even more futile than the former, for that plucky little assailant had now laid hold of another impediment, and this time not only the long pine needles, but a small branched stick also, went swinging through the air. Only a yard or so was covered in this flight; and as the ant still yelled for reinforcements, its companion again ap-

forcements, its companion again appeared, and rushed upon the common foe with such furious seal that I felt like patting him on the back. The whole significance of the scene e had taken in at a glance, and in an instant he had taken a vice-like grip upon the other hind leg. Now came the final tug of war. The hor-net tried to rise but, this second passenger was too much for him; he could only buzz along the ground, dragging his load after him, while his new assailant clutched desperately at everything within its

stone, and even overturning an acorn cup in its grasp. Finally, a small rough stick the size of a match was secured, and this proved the "last straw." In vain were the struggles of escape. The hornet could do no more than lift his body from the ground. He rolled and kicked, but to no purpose, except to make it very lively for his captors; and the thrusts of that lively dagger were wasted on the desert air, for whether or not those ants knew its searching propensities, they certain-ly managed to keep clear of this busy

would have lasted I know not, for a third ant now appeared, and it was astonishing to see him; with every movement of the hornet, he in turn rould lay hold of a third stick, and The capture and execution of at the same time clutch upon those Chief Arga e, long the terror of Presido Del Nord and vicinity, and 30 ment to the burden of his own

oody.

Practically, the ants had won the victory, but what they intended to do with the floundering element in their hands seemed a problem. But it was to them only a question of patience. They had now pinned their victim securely, and held him The Haris C. Brown, Ark , a steamer, burst a pipe and scalded twelve persons, three seriously. Three prised of the battle, and in less than negroes jumped overboard and have five minutes the ground swarmed with an army of reinforcements. I'hey came from all directions; they pitched upon that hornet with terrible ferocity, and his complete destruction was now only a question of moments.—Harper's Magazine.

A stranger pretending to be dear and dumb, stopped at Mrs. Benjamin Mundoes, East Dalhouse, Nova Scotia, and shot fatally the eldest Hill, Penn., that gentleman, who bred Iroquois and Parole, said: "I bred Iroquois and Parole, said: "I At the close of a long interview with Aristides Welch, Esq., of Erd enheim Stock Farm, near Chestnu of St Jacobs Oil, for it'is an excellent thing for horses." Prominent horse man all use it.

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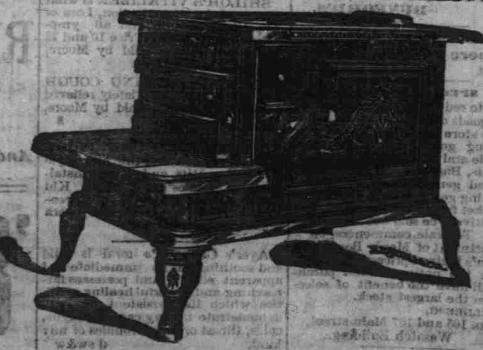
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