

will stay here without, pay 'until he freezes over,' and do all we can for the good of the state."

The merriment over this effort shook the building and Speaker Amos refused to entertain it. Baldwin asked the reason.

"Because the language is objectionable," said the Speaker.

"Well, I only quoted the governor," Baldwin replied, but the resolution was not received.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 11.—The police have suddenly been confronted by one of the most mysterious cases they ever tried to solve. This morning Steve K. Wilsko applied at a boarding house and engaged a room for a week, paying in advance. He then left the place, returning late in the afternoon, and going to a room on the same floor occupied by Josie Stevenson.

Late tonight a man called at the house and asked to see Miss Stevenson. The landlady found the door of the room open. Miss Stevenson was lying on the floor dead, with a bullet hole through her forehead. Wilsko was on the bed, shot twice through the heart. Between the two on the floor was a revolver, with all five chambers empty.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—During the tariff debate in the House yesterday, Jerry Simpson loosed a broadside against protection and trusts.

The People's party, he said, stands on a platform pledged, as he interpreted it, to the principle of free trade. The intolerable burden put upon the agricultural classes through the indirect system of taxation had been one of the potent causes which produced the present condition of affairs. The farmers of the country in 1850 owned 60 per cent of the wealth, 53 per cent in 1860, 40 per cent in 1880 and 30 per cent in 1890.

It was at this juncture that Simpson created great applause and amusement by treating the House to the spectacle of a dilapidated coat. He proposed to show the House exactly what the poor people of the country did wear. Reaching down under his desk he seized a tattered old overcoat, fringed at the edge and bespangled with great patches. He held it on high, while the house and galleries cheered. "I bought that of a farmer," said he, "who told me he left home at twelve o'clock at night and had traveled twenty-five miles to sell his product in your boasted home market. There, as Cleveland said, is an object lesson." (Laughter.)

"There is a sample of what men wear under the beneficent system of protection," he continued. "It is made of shoddy and rags. See!" Here he ripped it up the back. "Yet," he added, "I can find its duplicate on the backs of a million men in this country."

"Where did he buy it?" asked Cannon (Rep.) of Illinois.

"He bought it a year ago in this city, for \$8, and I bought him another shoddy coat to take its place for \$1.40." [Laughter.]

"Is it American or imported?" asked Cannon.

"I don't know," replied Simpson, "I don't care; but it is the product of American protection. No one can deny that." [Laughter and applause.]

BALTIMORE, Jan. 12.—During a

storm eight sailors, accompanied by a ferryman, started in a boat to go to Locust Point. The boat was swamped and five sailors and the ferryman were drowned. The others were rescued by a tug. The names of the drowned sailors, who were off shore leave from the British ship *Mareca*, are: Neal Finlayson, W. H. Nelson, R. J. Wilson, John Hughes, Peter Sanfranski. The name of the ferryman is not learned.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—A Washington special to the morning papers says Cleveland has called for the resignation of the members of the Utah Commission with a view of increasing its efficiency. It is represented that there are conflicting interests among its members and that good government will be served by a new deal. When the Democrats in Congress come to admit Utah as a state the commission will die a natural death.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The executive committee today did what it considered a fine stroke of policy by passing resolutions, first for the admission of Utah to the Union; second for the admission of all the territories to the Union of states.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Jan. 12.—Very few white men in Alaska are married, nearly all, according to native custom, having bought their wives. It has been impossible to get the grand juries to indict, because the members of the juries themselves are guilty. Now, United States Marshal Porter has instructed his deputies throughout the territory to arrest all such violators of the law. As a result nearly every man on board the United States steamer *Pluta* are in jail at Sitka. Hundreds of others, leading citizens, will be taken in custody.

DENVER, Jan. 14.—A committee of Santa Fe railroad employes from La Junta, Colo., inform Governor Waite that the engineers, conductors, brakemen, switchmen and trackmen of all grades on the western division of the road have received no salary since last October, and many of the men and their families are on the verge of starvation.

RUSSELL, Kan., Jan. 14.—Last night a mob of about twenty men entered the jail, took out S. G. Burton, Wm. Gay and his son, John Gay, and hung the trio. About midnight the residents of the north part of town heard a party of fifteen or twenty horsemen come in from the north, who left their horses at the stockyards, where the plans were arranged and the party proceeded to the jail. No officers were aroused or even were aware of what was going on until early this morning. In the jail were two steel cells, in which the prisoners were confined. Guards were placed about the jail, and it was not the work of a moment for the mob to gain an entrance. About this time Burton gave a few loud yells and asked what was wanted with him. The mob began to break the locks of the jail with sledge hammers.

Burton was the first one taken out and proceeded to the spot selected for the lynching and left under guard, the balance of the party returning and joining the guards watching the jail. The two Gays were then marched to the bridge where Burton had been left. Ropes were placed around their necks and each given a chance to speak.

Burton said he could tell lots about his connection with stealing cattle, selling whisky and other things, but when asked to tell about the Dinning murder replied, No, sir."

Young Gay made a prayer and said Burton had killed Dinning with an ax. Old man Gay stated: "We were led into this." The leaders then clapped their hands three times, and, quick as a flash, all three were pushed off the bridge. The Gays evidently died from strangulation, but the noose on Burton's neck slipped around up over the chin and he was heard to breathe heavily for a moment, when several shots were fired into his body. Each of the others also had a bullet sent into him.

WESTON, W. Va., Jan. 14.—Information was received here this afternoon of the apprehension of Calvert and Henuol Flemming, two notorious outlaws, for whom the state of Virginia offers a reward of \$2000 and the county \$800. The Flemming brothers Saturday evening stopped at the store of John Boggs. While they were engaged in making purchases at the store the officers came in and demanded an immediate surrender. The desperadoes resisted arrest, and opened fire. Their shots were returned by the officers and a fierce conflict ensued. Calvert Flemming was killed outright and his brother, Hennon, mortally wounded. He received three shots in the left breast. He is still alive, but cannot recover. The two officers, John H. Branham and Doc Swannell, were seriously wounded.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—A Berlin dispatch to the *Standard* says Bismarck's health is reported not quite satisfactory. Besides the old gastric disorder, he has suffered recently from influenza.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—The Pacific Mail steamship *City of Peking* brought details from Ningpo of one of the most terrible fires on record, which occurred in the big temple of that city December 8th, and caused the death of nearly 300 women and children. It appears that the annual theatrical performance of the first of the eleventh moon, in honor of the gods, was being given in the temple, and was attended by upwards of 400 people. Some were trampled to death, others jumped out of the windows and were either killed or so badly injured that they were unable to escape the flames and so perished, while others passively awaited their fate.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—An accident occurred this morning at the Hackensack bridge on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road, near Jersey City. Two passenger trains collided with fatal result. The collision was between the Dover and Orange express trains and was caused by fog. Two cars were telescoped, fifteen people killed and twenty-five injured.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—An attempt to blow up with two bombs a tenement house at No. 54 avenue D, was made tonight. A tailor shop on the first floor had been locked up over a month, owing to the hard times. At 10 o'clock there was a terrific explosion in the tailor shop, and an alarm was promptly turned in. The whole front of the house had been blown out by the explosion, all the glass in the building shattered. The shock aroused the whole neighborhood.