who interviewed Scudder had the impression that he was shamming insanity. Scudder denied that he killed Mrs. Dunton. Dr. Lyman, the insanity expert, however, believes Scudder insane.

A Janesville, Wis., dispatch tonight says that at an undertaking establishment there an examination of the body was made this afternoon. The relatives were afforded an opportunity to see the dead woman's face. When the body was in Chicago the head was kept covered, it is said, at Scudder's instance, because it was wholly unprecentable. The autopsy showed the head of the dead woman to have been terribly bruised and the skull fractured in several places.

The Nebraska Prohibition Convention.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 4. — The Prohibition State convention for the selection of delegates to the national convention concluded its session this evening. Interest centered mainly in the selection of the chairman of the delegation, and some bitterness was provoked on account of the alleged efforts of recent converts to overthrow the plans of the old workers. The platform adopted renews the adherence to the cause of prohibition; declares that the right of citizens of the United States to vote should not be denied or abridged by the United States, or any State on account of sex. The government should own and operate the railroad, telegraph and telephones of the nation; the money of the country should be issued by the government only and in sufficient quantity to meet the demands of business and give full opportunity for the employment of labor; and in this and an increase in the volume of money is demanded; no individual or corporation should be allowed to make any profit through loaning it; it should be made legal tender for all debts, the volume to be fixed at a definite sum per capita and made to increase with the increased population; the government should reclaim all unclaimed and forfeited land grants to railways and other corporations, and such lands, together with the remaining portion of the public domain, should be reserved for actual settlers; trusts should be prohibited; a just service pension is recommended; the election of Senators, President and Vice-President by a direct vote of the people is favored; opposition is declared to all manner of compromise, or so-called non-partisan action, to be with the question of suppression of the liquor traffic is made a secondary matter.

Cession of Arid Lands to States and Territories.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—The House committee on irrigation today agreed to the bill prepared by the sub-committee for the cession of arid lands to the States and Territories for reclamation.

Methodist Revivals in Iowa.

DES MOINES, March 4.—A late report received at the *Register* office states that a revival under the auspices of the Free Methodists has been going on in Corning for some time. The town is thoroughly excited, and the rougher and free-thinking elements have opposed the revival, threatening the leaders with such violence on account of the effect they were having on the people, some of whom have shown symptoms of religious insanity. The revivalists declare it the work of God, and have kept up the meetings. The roughs have surrounded the church and attempted to break up the services. This afternoon just as the governor was leaving Des Moines he was appealed to by a local minister, who asked him to order out the militia. The governor telegraphed for further information, receiving a reply that the local authorities and sheriff did not desire the assistance of the militia. Consequently nothing has been done.

A Socialist Proposition Rejected.

BERLIN, March 4.—The municipal authorities rejected the socialist motion for urgency in starting public works for the purpose of alleviating the distress prevailing here.

Snow in Italy.

ROME, March 4.—A violent snow storm is raging in Venice and Trieste. In the latter city the snow is nearly two feet high, and the roads are blocked in consequence. In the mountains the ground is covered to a depth of four feet.

Silver Purchases.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Four hundred and seventy-five thousand ounces of silver were purchased today at prices ranging from .9080 to .9090.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Berlin, March 4.—The municipal authorities rejected the Socialist motion for urgency in starting public works for the purpose of alleviating the distress prevailing here.

Paris, March 4.—A man named Origila, arrested in Toulon, has papers proving that he was in the employ of Italy to obtain details of the garrison and artillery defenses of Toulon.

Lisbon, March 4.—According to an official estimate, 195 fishermen were drowned in the storm of Saturday last.

London, March 4.—The *Times'* Vienna correspondent says that riots have broken out in the government of Tobolsk, Siberia.

Albuquerque, N. M., March 4.—A mining expert, representing a syndicate of Chicago capitalists, who has been here ten days looking over the advantages of Albuquerque as a smelting point, has returned to Chicago. His report is favorable and a large plant will be erected.

New York, March 4. — The ninth victim of typhus fever died here today.

Boston, March 4.—Dr. Ware Howes, indicted for alleged tampering with grand jury men, appeared before the Judge of the United States Court here today. He was arraigned, plead not guilty and was held in bonds of $500, which he at once furnished.

Memphis, March 4.—Bob Moore and Sam Smith, colored, have been arrested on the charge of being the men who have been wrecking trains throughout the South.

Sedalia, March 4.—Officers are following up a new clew, and expect soon to arrest Mrs. Taylor's murderer.

Rushville, Ind., March 4. — John Williams fatally shot his wife and himself. Jealousy was the cause.

Detroit, March 4.—Charles Nagers, shot by his wife Wednesday, died.

Dubuque, Iowa, March 4.—George Bauworth, wife and child, were poisoned yesterday by eating food in which Mrs. Bauworth accidentally put arsenic, instead of baking powder. She died in terrible agony today. Mr. Bauworth and the child are still very sick, but may recover.

Exterminating the Food Fish.

The capacity of the fishermen on the Atlantic coast is rapidly destroying nearly every kind of sea food upon which the people have been accustomed to rely. The complaints of the men who control the fish markets are long and loud. But the supply of fish is much less for this season than it was the last. The lobster factories on the Maine coast are all closed, and one has to go down as far east as Prince Edward island to find a lobster with a shell on its back at a fair price. The herring factories have began to exhaust the immense schools of herring that gather around Grand Manan and were their way into the bay of Fundy.

The mackerel have been so scarce during the season, from the wholesale destruction of schools, that a single mackerel is today more expensive than a pound of beef. The blackfish are still plenty, but there savages that even this species of fish is beginning to be preyed upon by the methods employed by the fishermen in catching them. The fishermen say that they are obliged to use these destructive methods in order to protect themselves from the encroachments of those who refuse to keep to the old methods and so the wholesale destruction goes on without restraint.

The time has come when if the sea is to yield to us much longer the fishermen heed when makes life on the Atlantic coast a delight to the people of the west, as well as to the novices, different methods of catching the fish, and a protection for them in the close season must be established by law for which the proper enforcement must be arranged. The necessity is urgent. There is not a single species of fish used for the table which is not now in great danger of extinction. The salmon and the shad have been protected, but protection is equally demanded for the cod, the herring, the lobster and the mackerel.—Boston Herald.

Fight Between Shark and Whale.

On the trip to Fiji and back of the steamer Ovalau, not mentioned, Captain A. W. Cameron and his officers saw a strange encounter. The steamer was going along at about ten knots in moderate, when a commotion was observed in the water ahead and the body of a huge mama around or fish, what what appeared to be great dippers, was to be seen rising and falling. Captain Cameron steered direct for the strangers. On approaching close the commotion was found to be caused by a whale, over thirty feet long fighting with a thresher shark.

The latter apparently was having the best of the contest, as the whale kept on the surface of the water comparatively quiet, while the shark ever and anon threw itself out of the water and brought its tail down with a terrible blow upon the whale. The Ovalau was so close to the animals, which were too much occupied to heed the vessel, that either could have been touched with a pole. The captain could not stop his ship long enough to observe the result of the conflict.—New Zealand Herald.

He Can't Believe the Court.

Public Administrator Murphy filed a notice of publication of notice to creditors in the matter of the estate of Zina A. Short, the man who turned up alive a few days ago. The court also made the order that sufficient notice had been given to creditors. The fact that Short is still alive cannot stop Mr. Murphy from continuing the administration of the estate. He holds that as sufficient notice had been given of the application of letters of administration of the estate of the supposed dead man, and there being no answer or objection thereto, Short is forever stopped from appearing and asserting that he is not dead. The law has declared him dead, and dead he therefore should be.—Butte Cor. Anaconda (Mon.) Standard.

Coal Output for 1891.

The coal consumption is generally considered to be the best measure of the industrial activity of a country. This rule proved fond good for this country during the past year, when general industry was active and prosperous, though a few branches suffered a reaction. We find that the output of anthracite, of which we have full and accurate returns, amounted to 1891 to 52,959,179 tons of 2,240 pounds, while the production of bituminous coal, which is in part estimated, amounted to 99,000,000 tons. Prices at coal were, in general, lower than in 1890, though the anthracite trade being "regulated" maintained, during a portion of the year, rather higher prices than in the previous year.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

Time to Deposit.

An old Bustonugh citizen, who had no faith in banks as a place to deposit money, carried all his earnings with him wherever he went. While on his way to Philadelphia recently he was accosted by a stranger who wished to ride in his carriage. The request was granted, and when opposite Laurel Hill cemetery the stranger attempted to cut out the trousers pocket of the old gentleman. The instrument went in too deep, cutting the big belly. He yelled lustily, and the stranger disappeared up a ravine and escaped. Twenty-five hundred dollars were deposited in bank to the old man's account that day.—Philadelphia Record.

Almost a Fatal Superstition.

It is currently reported that on a recent Thursday night a young negro, being dangerously ill, some near being killed by his friends, who feared that if he died on Friday the soul would be condemned to torture forever. The timely arrival of a physician prevented the carrying out of this ignorant superstition. The sick man is now improving.—Quincy Cor. Jacksonville Times-Union.

Sickness and Insanity.

Thomas Amos, a farmer living near Monroeville, Ind., is having his share of affections. Within the past four months four members of his family have died of typhoid fever and one of smallpox, and one daughter has been sent to the insane asylum.

Great Profit in Pipe Manufacture.

The Bessemerizing process of spinning tubes from solid ingots of iron and steel, which has attracted so much attention during the past two years, has proved a bonanza to some of the companies that adopted it. The report of the Mannesmann German-American tube works for the last year shows a profit of $612,000 on business aggregating only $759,000.—New York Journal.

War Excitement in the Metropolis.

Two years ago last April the patriotic spirit of the members of the National Guard in this city with flattering results. Several of the retired veterans of the Seventh regiment, for instance, hastened to get themselves enrolled in the active list in order that they might be ready to go to the front with the old regiment if the occasion should require. In a few instances new uniforms were ordered by veterans who had outgrown their old suits.

Another thing that the war talk did was to bring out in full force the "extra" newsboys. These noisy imposters persuaded the entire city for several days. They stirred up the dozen town boomers on corners at noon and startled the people in the audiences at theaters in the evenings. On two or three occasions the papers they and actually contained some news about the Chilian situation, but in the majority of cases there was nothing to justify the harrowing cry of "Extra" and not infrequently the buyer of an "extra" would find himself in possession of a newspaper one day old for which he paid five times its regular price. Two energizing disasters went through several usually quiet streets on one occasion when Patrick Henry, one evening and wrecked all a few hundred copies of a cheap illustrated paper nearly a month old. They had probably bought the lot at so much per pound and they sold the papers at five cents a copy.—New York Press.

Set a Horse's Broken Rib.

Four or five months ago one of the roofers employed at the stable of Charles D. Nichols, of Dorchester, noticed that one of the handsome pair of cream geldings acted a little lame. A superficial examination of the shoulder resulted in not finding any cause for lameness. The next morning, when the animal was taken out to be exercised, there was a swelling at back of the shoulder and a veterinary surgeon was consulted. It appeared to him like rheumatism and with instructions to see if it would not be sweated out he left, saying he would call the next day. The sweating process did not cause the desired results, and a thorough examination revealed the fact that the fifth rib was broken off very close to the backbone.

The rib was set, and since that time the animal has been doing well. The point of this piece of horsesting has been watched with no small amount of interest by all veterinary surgeons, revealment who have become acquainted with the peculiar circumstances of the case. How the rib was broken is yet a mystery, and it probably will remain so. The result of the operation was successful, and in a short time the animal will again be all right.—Providence Journal.

False Conviction Blighted His Life.

Edward Marpoy, who died at Jackson, Mich., recently, aged eighty years, after being struck by an engine, had a remarkable experience. Thirty years ago he was tried and convicted of murder in the first degree and sent to prison for life. He spent twenty years in solitary confinement until life solitary was abolished, then for fourteen years he labored in the mines of Marquette. At the end of twenty-five years a dying man confessed to the murder and Marpoy was released. He was then seventy years old. The state pensioned him at $300 a year by a special act of the legislature. He was broken down and his death resulted from his inability to bear the wheels of the train. His only relative is a brother in Liverpool, England. When he was convicted he was a prosperous farmer.—Cor. Chicago Herald.

Worth $10,000 and a Tramp.

The courts have been asked to appoint a guardian for John Brown, an aged wanderer, who, though worth $10,000, has led the life of a tramp from boyhood. He has begged the most of what he possesses, and is so utterly that he will not clothe himself properly.

A week ago he was found by the roadside almost frozen to death. He owns farms in several counties, and is known all over the statute the "wealthy tramp." He now lives at the almshouse in Lancaster for a year before the authorities discovered they had been entertaining the richest man in the county, and expelled him. Brown is ninety-seven years old, but quite hale, and has engaged a lawyer to resist the action for a guardian.—Columbus Cor. Philadelphia Press.

A Gifted Artist's Suicide.

Paul Caron, artist, journalist, member of a half dozen clubs and known upon St. Joseph, Mo., as a rival to James Whitcomb Riley, walked into Lewis's gun store and asked to look at some revolvers. Selecting a weapon of 38 caliber Caron inquired if the price included cartridges. On being told that it did he requested the storekeeper to load it for him. Taking the weapon in his hand Caron said:

"Are you sure this gun will shoot straight?"

"If it doesn't you needn't pay for it," replied the dealer.

"It looks like a good weapon," said Caron, "but I'd like to see you the figure I couldn't hit a mark six inches away."

"I'll take you," quickly replied the dealer.

"All right, here goes," said Caron, and before the horrified shopmen could interfere Caron had placed the pistol to his temple and sent a bullet through his brain.

On his person was found a note addressed simply to "Adelaide." It said:

"DEAR GIRL—You have wedded wealth and I am wedded to death. Which is the happier? Farewell."

It had the whole story. A short time ago the announcement of his engagement to one of the most beautiful girls in the city was made. A wealthier suitor appeared on the scene and she had heartlessly jilted him.—Cor. Chicago Tribune.

A Sacred Dog Dead.

The railway dog of England, known as Help, has died. He was a silver collar inscribed, "I am Help, the railway dog of England and traveling agent for the orphans of railway men killed on duty. My office is 30 Caledonia road, where subscriptions will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged." He brought more than $1,000 into the fund.—New York Sun.

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