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IN A FIT OF INSANITY.

Michael Harvey, who was Discharged from an Insane Asylum as Cured,

IS SUDDENLY SEIZED WITH FRENZY.

During Which He Opens Fire on Several People and Kills Himself.

By Telegraph to the News.

AN AWFUL TRAGEDY.

The Work of an Insane Man, who was Pronounced Cured.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Michael Harvey, aged 45, who has been in the Flatbush Insane Asylum for some time, was discharged two days ago as cured, and went to board with Mrs. Catharine Duffy, at 163 Vandyke street, Brooklyn. Today, while the family were at dinner, Harvey suddenly went downstairs, ate to his room, and, unknown to anyone, returned to the dining room and began firing. The first shot struck John Cunningham in the head and he died in a few minutes. The second bullet went through Samuel Dinkerson's arm. He made for the window and jumped out. His sister, Mary Dinkerson, followed him and a bullet went a hole in her arm. She ran out to the hallway crying murder, and, Mrs. Duffy, who was in the next room, jumped out of the window, screaming for assistance. Walls also by mounting with pain, the fourth and last shot flying out. Harvey then put the pistol to his mouth and blown out his brains. The affair created the most intense excitement in the neighborhood.

IN CAPTIVITY.

Europeans Held in Partial Bondage in Sudan.

CAIRO, Dec. 18.—More news of the Austrian missionaries who arrived at Khartoum, near White Nile, after escaping from the house of the Mahdists, is received. In an interview at Kassala, Father Oswalder states that such Europeans are still held in captivity in Omdurman. These captives, he says, are kept loaded with manacles, while being poorly fed, and are strictly guarded that they have not all hope of ever being able to effect their escape. The priest says that food in Omdurman is now cheap, the drought, however, that the people are fond of strife, and detestable Egyptian government of the country continue. He visited Gordon's grave and found it strifle, and detestable Egyptian government of the country continue. He visited Gordon's grave and found it strifle, and detestable Egyptian government of the country continue. He says that they have a big mosque at Fashoda, and their pad-ron there is strengthened by the presence of a steamer, which, if they fire the vessels from the Nile, he fears of being attacked by the Mahdists. Friendly tribes, he says, day is still alive, and belongs to the bodyguard of the Mahdi's successor, but is closely watched.

The Telegraphers' Strike.

OMAHA, Dec. 18.—It was rumored this afternoon that a strike was ordered on the Elkhorn, but disembarkment Mr. Kelly reports that the men are all at work, and no signs of trouble. A local official of the Telegraphers' Brotherhood says that the officers of the local lodge are notified that the Northwestern monopolies a general warfare on the order. He says that the telegraphers are expected to be stuck by each other, and if the members are discharged, a strike will be ordered.

World's Fair Matters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—At a meeting of the World's Fair representatives and members of Congress today, it was arranged that a special train to take the members to Chicago will leave tomorrow evening, arriving in Chicago Sunday night and returning, leave for Washington Tuesday evening.

As a result of the caucus, it was found that it would be impossible now to secure enough names to make the excursion a success, and it was decided to postpone it until February. An invitation will be sent to every member of Congress, asking them to be the guests of the Fair management on Washington's birthday.

A War on Passenger Rates.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—A rate war is about to open up on Missouri river passenger rates, which may spread widely. The Allan net has served notice on the Western Passenger Association that, unless the short line rates from Kansas City to Cincinnati via Chicago are withdrawn within twenty-four hours the Allan would make a reduction of $2 from Kansas City to Chicago, The Rock Island and Atchison, neither of which has a St. Louis outlet to northern Indiana and Ohio, are particularly interested, and the meeting today ended with an absolute refusal of the Atchison to withdraw the objectionable rate. The Allan asserts that the manipulation of these combined rate tickets by brokers is demoralizing rates. An official of one of the interested roads said that he would not be surprised to see the rate drop to $5 from Kansas City to Chicago.

The Labor Convention.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 18.—The convention of the American Federation of Labor adopted a resolution at the morning session favoring a woman suffrage amendment to the Constitution.

The convention refused to adopt a resolution recommending political action on the part of trades-unions.

A resolution was passed demanding that no further money be paid the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, unless the company discharge all Chinese and Japanese in its service. Also, a resolution to assess the delegates at $100, so as to make vacancies in the ranks for cruelty to sailors at the hands of officers.

In the afternoon the constitution was amended so that in case of the death of the president, the executive council shall temporarily fill the vacancy from its membership, instead of the first vice-president succeeding as now.

The proposition for the establishment of an official organ, to be edited by the President, was voted down by an overwhelming majority.

The committee on rules reported unfavorably on the resolution offered by the Michigan delegates prohibiting the holders of political offices from acting as organizers. There was a long discussion, which brought out the fact that the resolution was aimed at a certain sidewalk lecturer. Most of the speakers spoke of wise laws and great reforms brought about by working people having their own representatives in the legislature. The convention concurred in the unfavorable report.

Gompers was re-elected president receiving 1250 votes against 455 for Barth of Wooding and 15 for Defassor of New York. A motion to make Gompers's election unanimous was objected to by Delegate Hulsing. The other incumbents were also re-elected.

QUEER TELEGRAPH MESSAGES.

The Patterson and the Billerica in the Collision.

Probably it is the sense of the inconvenience that takes effect, but it is not into that death message so much often ridiculous than any others. Surely it was a doubtful and sympathetic chill who asked, "Mamma baked yesterday will try to make light Monday" and the number of people who do not feel bad to make funeral arrangements while the prospective sweetness still lives is deeply astounding. "We are all well but Jim, and he died yesterday," was probably intended for only half a dozen people to break the news gently—not of any force for "Sam's" future happiness. And it is scarcely to be supposed that any ghostly admiration inclined the sender of the message, "Your mother is dead and wants you to come home."

"Ma's sick, but we hope they are starting by telegraph." was the joy of some impecunious soul, and the sender has been slow as to the chief method of procedure in a case of "Starting by telegraph."

Another source of amusement to the telegraph operator is in the curious ways which come up in the messages of business. When Mrs. "Eberstone" and Mr. "Tomkins" send telegrams in one day the question arose as to their possible relationship, and whether Mr. "Montmorency" and Mr. "Winterbright" are related, or can might learn time saving discussion.

Mr. "Raspberry Smith" gives information and evidence of Afro-American concentration, and "Gooseberry" is beyond all doubt, the name of a well-to-do farmer. Mr. "Gladwyn" and Mr. "Cockbird" which seem to be a pair, are necessarily "Bachelors" but the authority of the "Bachelorship" and the "Bachelorship" would be hard to guess. Even "Bluebird" comes in occasionally, and "Bombardy" is too suggestive to be pleasant.

In offering to give the operator time to also the receiving clerk many odd half-dozen come to enlisted the notion of business. An old school man said, passing into a telegraph office even and indicated his desire to telegraph a small package that to hold to his hand. He went with book undoubt all the statements to the effect that such a thing could not be done, and persisted in his request. "It just got to go!" he exclaimed. "They're my wife's folk. She went off and forgot 'em, and I've got to get 'em to her on the next train." The operator was adjudicating discussion it was a sadder and wiser old man who shuffled slowly out of the office.—Washington Post.

Danger in Cold Baths.

The soldier natures take the hottest baths and are not enfeebled by them. It is blood heated by youth or the fire of full life which likes the cool dip or spray, but beware how you have to force yourself to endure it. A cold bath may be a risky experiment. The rule that cold bathing is safe when followed by good reaction is not wholly sound. I recall a woman who used to take baths of the coldest well water daily and found great refreshment from them, she afterward charged weakness of the heart and general debility to this excessive stimulus.

Dr. Shoemaker says all the persons he has known who boasted of breaking a dim of ice to take their baths died early, yet doubtless they felt good reaction at the time. It is doubtful if any given person, allowed free choice, ever persisted in cold bathing which left a chill. It is safer to say, take a cold bath only when it is absolutely delicious in anticipation and actual enjoyment.—Indianapolis Journal.

Les Bijoux.

"Les bijoux" are the remnants sold by cooks of large establishments and for first-class Parisian restaurants. These are collected from door to door, and bubbled together in no very appetizing fashion, but the order of the bijoux sorts and arranges the various articles which are then properly adorned (paree), scraped and cut into neat pieces, nicely garnished and set out on clean plates.

Customers who are have enough to forget the antecedents of such dainties may thus purchase for a little portion of the choicest game or of the best fish served on high class tables, with many other delicacies of tempting appearance. Many old women, so called, live by gleaning and scanning themselves all day for bijoux in the public gardens, where they talk politics with their fellows, and really good dinners in this way.—Murray's Magazine.

Wooden Ice Cutters.

Very few cellars are kept more than "seven cheap," and there must be some cellar always in it in the opposite blue and other portions of it. Hence the systematic use of some dated-end like wooden ice cutters, as in the manufacture of the cellar necessities spine or ice into all parts of the house above it.—New York Tribune.

CANADIAN LIBERALS.

St. Boniface and St. Vincent are Boiling with Indignation.—The Police Are Ready.

MERCIER ON THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

Good Citizens, Says He, Admit that There is a Limit to Tyranny.

By Telegraph to the News.

MASS MEETINGS.

Canadian Liberals are Arousing Their Ire.

QUEBEC, Dec. 18.—Monster meetings are being organized by the Liberals throughout the Province. The people are in no humor to remain in the Dominion, and the Dominion government is prepared to resist by force the demonstration that may be made. St. Boniface and St. Vincent especially are boiling with indignation.

Mercier has made public his views on the political situation, and published the correspondence between himself and the Dominion government, and the royal interim report of the royal commission. This report recites that certain correspondence was sent to Ottawa, and concludes that it is not proved that Mercier knew of the existence of the brigade between Armstrong and Pacaud, and that gentleman declares that he was benefited in no way thereby. It is signed only by Judges Baby and Davidson.

Mercier, in his final reply to the lieutenant governor, tells the latter that he has had the audacity to do what the Queen would never dare to do in England—without provoking a revolution.

"Good citizens," says he, "must admit that there's a limit to tyranny, and that a time, though it may have been a prime minister, is not a slave." Mercier then enumerates the reports of "two partisans, from whom you have dragged an unjust and unfounded opinion, although unproved and without legal, conclusive evidence, and from to your ex-ministers, supported by a great majority of the legislature."

Mercier charges the lieutenant governor with a personal and scandalous government, with having carried out one of the most odious conspiracies ever authorized by any representative of the constitutional liberties of a free people. He tends the governor with a desire to place power in the hands of his political friends, and against all the rules of decency, and with trampling under foot the dignity of the Crown. "The governor's conduct," he says, "puts our political institutions in jeopardy."

He refers to the Pacific scandal, and charges the government with supporting the guilty members. "Today," says he, "you obey the will of the federal minister who was himself the distributer of this bribery or the ministry will try to make you obey the serious work with the assistance of my colleagues and political friends."

In closing Mercier says: "You will shortly receive from Ottawa, a letter, the pretext your national treasury, and I shall go before the people and receive a new mandate, which will enable me to resume the position from which you have driven me, and to place you surely from Spencerwood."

A New Schedule.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 18.—Acting Chief Engineer of the Union of railway telegraphers held a secret meeting with the men here today to prepare a schedule to be presented to the Santa Fe January 1st, asking that the employees be divided into three classes, to be paid at the rate of $60, $70 and $80 per month.

Theft of Diamonds.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—About 10 o'clock today, as William Wilson was preparing to close his jewelry store, on Fourth avenue, a thief fastened the door on the outside, smashed a window with a coupling pin, seized a tray of diamonds containing $2000 worth, and escaped.

A Remarkably Bold Robbery.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—There was a remarkably bold robbery here this afternoon, four masked men entered the outer office of the Central distillery and summoned Cashier John Bunk to give up what money he had. He made a show of resistance, and was beaten over the head with a revolver and badly injured. The men then secured about one hundred dollars and escaped.

The Remains of the Dynamiter.

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—The remains of H. L. Norcross, the dynamiter who tried to blow up Russell Sage, are in the receiving tomb at Woodland cemetery. The friends of this morning. The funeral will be private. Mrs. Norcross fears that the remains will be stolen.

Raisons Risks Advanced.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—The local insurance agents have received instructions from their home offices that, dating from today, rates on risks on wholesale mercantile establishments will be advanced from 10 to 40 per cent. This advance is being made all over the country and is the result of the alarming prevalency this year of incendiary fires in jobbing establishments. One company declares that it loses from these fires more than absorbed all the premiums paid during the year on all classes of risks.

Another Tunnel Accident.

TAMPERSON, Pa., Dec. 18.—Collision between two freight trains in the tunnel on the Reading road near here last night, resulted in the fatal injury of Engineer Fisher, and the painful wounding of a fireman and trainman.

A Fire in a Large Millinery Establishment.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—A fire broke out in the large wholesale millinery establishment of Porter, Desmond & Co., on Liberty avenue this afternoon. The building was owned by H. J. Jones. The loss on the building is $25,000, on the stock $1,000. The insurance on the stock is $75,000 and on the building $20,000.

LUDEMUCH!

William Edwards Is Chosen Speaker, Too Quickly.

BERLIN, Dec. 18.—Emperor William received the news of the peace of the new commercial treaties while at a banquet at Potsdam tonight. He arose, informed the company of the news and warmly eulogized Chancellor Von Caprivi. "The commission of the treaty," said he, "was one of the most important and difficult tasks in the history of the Imperial. I am convinced," said he, "that, not only the Reichstag, but the millions of subjects of the other countries sailing with us in this noble treaty leagues will sweep or later drink to the health of General Count Von Caprivi. Long live!"

AN IMPORTANT STEP.

The American Parcels will Add Germans to Distributed.

VIENNA, Dec. 18.—The speech in the Reichsrath Wednesday by Herr Grepel, leader of the Young Czechs, attacking the Germans and the ruling dynasty, has doubled Dalle, the Austrian prime minister, to take an important step, viz: he will postpone the coming parliamentary negotiations with the Germans and and members of the German party in the cabinet. The cabinet has called and the German mass given the ministry a majority strong enough to overcome all opposition.

Wonderful Sleeper.

The most celebrated sleepers in history, nothing approaches the case with wonderful stability, are undoubtedly the sleepers of Gennesaret. The sleepers of Japan, although one hold as the most, and it cannot be expected that they will go through a game of poker as if they were an outdoor compete with the old British sports because they have to electricity. The electricity is not altogether a "Dot and" as even today may say, for the Japan Medical Journal is quite the latest springs.

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In Special Search for Sponges.

There cannot be cold to be any season for sponge gathering, as it goes on all through the year. A number of vessels are often laid up, however, during the August and September, the men being timid and afraid of hurricanes during that period. Of course the quieter the weather and the smoother the sea, the better the chances are for making a good catch, as nearly all the work is done in small open boats from ten to twelve feet in length. Much also depends upon the energy and the industry of the crew, and there is luck in finding a locality where the sponges are valuable and abundant.—Science.

Amber in New's Time.

During the reign of Nero an expedition was sent from Rome to explore the amber producing country, and so successful was the party that a present of 13,000 pounds of amber was brought back to the emperor, including a piece weighing thirteen pounds.—Philadelphia Times.

Bogy Checks and Bald Heads.

It was a noticeable fact that a large percentage of the Union League members who waited in the club assembly room Tuesday night were gray checked and bald headed. A well known doctor, who was in the room and who is as bald as a billiard ball himself, took occasion to explain the singular matter by remarking:

The scalp and the stomach are so closely connected that the condition of one easily exerts a strong influence on the other. Hair falls out because the scalp is feverish. A man who loves to eat and drink the best he can get is very apt to have a feverish stomach. If he loses his hair he is generally left with a bald head, and I'll show you a person who loves to live well, and who has an insatiable fund of good nature. They like fun and an element.—Philadelphia Press.

Wheat a Chinese Emperor, pots type

be plows them in a wooden frame (compositors by fifteen minutes. This frame has twenty-four compartments, for a line of type, and the type sets in only to the depth of a quarter of an inch. The types are of wood, polishing spine, and the compositor handles them with pincers.

The first electric telegraph at all delivering the news was invented by Messrs. Cooke and Wheatstone, and was laid on the London and Blackwall railway in June, 1837.

THE BLAINE DIVORCE.

A Dramatic Incident in the Office of Foreign Lord, Yesterday.

A FRIEND OF MRS. BLAINE IS PRESENT

And Tells the Young Gentleman that He is a Poltroon and a Scoundrel.

By Telegraph to the News.

A LORD'S VERDICT.

James G. Blaine, Jr., Scolded by a Friend of His Wife.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A very dramatic incident enlivened the Blaine divorce proceedings in progress at the office of the Indiana Lord, yesterday. Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., arrived with her friend, Mrs. Ogden Donohue, and intimated to the lady that her husband had not been since she left him, and that he, Mr. Harvey, had gone away, she intimated her surprise as well that her suspicions never suspected that the man who was her husband's counsel was the person in question. During the proceedings Mrs. Donohue got into a furious state of mind. She became aware of young Blaine's presence, and in the gentleman next her said: "The man in this case is a scoundrel and a poltroon."

"Do you know whom you are talking to?" asked the individual addressed.

"Yes," she replied. "Well, I am Mr. Blaine."

Mrs. Donohue flushed slightly, and then continued quietly and with increasing emphasis: "I did not know you were Mr. Blaine when I spoke, but I repeat it now to your face that you are a scoundrel, not only to your wife, but to the honest child at the division of his father, sir."

"Don't mention my mother's name," retort in Blaine.

"Now you have mentioned it, I shall continue Mrs. Dotomen. "I will add or to be another, is a poltroon and a scoundrel."

Blaine had nothing ready to reply, and the passage at arms came to an end.

A RIOT.

People Fighting for the Privilege of Paying their Taxes.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—A riot was narrowly avoided in the county treasurer's office this morning. Usually, taxes can be paid December 1st, but owing to the unavoidable delays, today was the first day that they were received. This morning fully 2000 taxpayers gathered at the courthouse, and when the doors opened, made a mad rush for the treasurer's office, all anxious to pay before Monday next, when the penalty of 5 per cent. accrues. A number of glass partitions were smashed in the wild scramble, and the crush was suffocating. Five women and a man fainted and were passed over the heads of the crowd. People were wedged in the struggling mass so that they could scarcely breathe. Men fought, swore and shouted furiously to get at the receiving clerks.

While the tumult was at its height the city money was hastily thrown into the safe and locked up. Only then the police was sent out, and two patrol wagons and footmen were responded. A county commissioner finally quieted the crowd by telling them that the date time was extended to Jan. 10. The crowd gave a cheer, and business proceeded quietly. Pickpockets reaped a harvest.

Probably Discharged for Life.

DAYTON, Dec. 18.—A young man named Pillings from Chicago, who came west several weeks ago for his health, started on the cause tests carrying several Western Union operators going to replace the Southern Pacific strikers. The talamon, whose sympathy is with the strikers, spotted him for a scab. At Tadilled he in company with a young lady en route to California, was standing on the rear platform, watching the snow plows working, when some strikers drew a catcalls said in their faces. They were very painfully injured, and probably disfigured for life.

At Crested Butte.

DENVER, Dec. 18.—The sheriff's posse joined Crested Butte at 3 o'clock. The strikers are turbulent, but no actual violence was offered. The rumor that troops have been ordered there cannot be definitely confirmed.

There is no foundation for the report current today that troops were ordered to Crested Butte. On the contrary, it is reported beyond that the strike there is nearing an end.

Capture of Counterfeiters.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—Four alleged leaders of the gang that has been flooding the city with counterfeit money were arrested shortly after midnight this morning. The prisoners are Raphael Diododa and Giacomo Diododa, keepers of an Italian restaurant and lodging-house and whole saloon, Joseph Lopez, a barber and Frederick Dargeza and Emma Tate, accomplices. The arrests are the result of hard work on the part of the secret service officials, and it is considered one of the most important captures of counterfeiters made. The gang deposed of from $500 to $1000 a week of counterfeit money.

Unsuccessful Attempt at Train Wrecking.

COLFAX, Cal., Dec. 18.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to wreck the eastbound overland passenger train five miles from here this afternoon. The train was delayed only a few minutes. Officers have gone to Iowaspah, but no particulars are yet received. It was near the same place that Shinn and others tried to wreck the overland about seven years ago, and only a few miles from the place where the train was wrecked in September last, for which the Roberts Brothers are now awaiting trial.

One Vote Decided It.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The census of American Republics is informed that the Congress of Bolivia by a majority of one vote rejected the treaty with the government of Chile. In this Bolivia granted Chile the exclusive and perpetual right of sovereignty over the provinces of Colpa which has been in possession of Chile since the war with Bolivia and Peru in 1881. In consideration Chile ceded to Bolivia certain commercial rights and also agreed to pay Bolivia $1,000,000 for the benefit of the subjects who suffered damages during the war of 1881. It is understood that the treaty will be referred back for modification.

HORSES FOR A DOLLAR EACH.

Immense Herds of Horses in Queensland Are a Serious Nuisance.

No one can buy a horse about Washington which is fit for any purpose for less than $100. A broken down nag or horse is worth nearly this amount. A horse for a present cost in New York, Chicago or San Francisco will cost from $150 to $200, in Queensland, Australia, however, the horse market is very dull. A small, well broken animal can be bought for five dollars. Farmers in the interior cannot afford to send horses to Brisbane for sale. Brisbane or ordinary stock is not being more than $1.75 cents per head. They about from instead! And, what is still more startling, they pay at the rate of twenty two cents per head for having them shot!

All of these statements are strictly correct. The colony of Queensland is now suffering from the intolerable nuisance of possessing a few, imposing a tax on all stallions and authorizing the appointment of inspectors to see that all unfamed animals are killed. All over Queensland they are going to keep down horses as we keep down the sparrows, and to the question next her said: "The man in this case is a scoundrel and a poltroon."

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PEACE OF EUROPE.

The Empire Between France and Bulgaria May Have Serious Results.

IT IS A FRENCH DIPLOMATIC SCHEME.

Austria, in Concert with England and Germany, Now Supports Bulgaria.

By Telegraph to the News.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

A Gloomy Outlook For the Further Preservation of Peace.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The rupture of the diplomatic relations between France and Bulgaria on the pretext of the expulsion of the French journalist Chedorne, now proves to be the initial step in a French diplomatic scheme to set the Sultan to use his suzerain right to interfere in Bulgaria in Russia's interest. This development is no surprise to Lord Salisbury and his diplomatic allies in Vienna and Berlin. The Austrian government, probably acting in concert with Lord Salisbury and Chancellor von Caprivi, supports the Bulgarian ukases.

The St. Petersburg Decomisch, after suggesting that it is possible that France, failing to obtain satisfaction, may threaten the Dardanelles, says that Russia will protest against the appearance of the French ironclads in the Black sea at Bourgas. If Russia's policy results thus, the peace of Europe is over.

ENGLISH TOPICS.

As a counter check to the Liberal game to win over the rural districts, the Executive Conservative association have arranged a special agricultural conference. Mr. Chaplin having got the promise of the treasury for five million to be used in beginning the operation of this bad business, can effectively induce some rival support.

The conservative organs are trying to educate the British public into approval of a Parliamentary grant, raising the income of the recently affianced Duke of Clarence and Avondale to £25,000 yearly. The Queen, it is understood will not consent to open the coming session of Parliament unless the Cabinet assents to taking the risk involved in bringing forward the proposal. The ministers are trying to go further than to propose a dower for the princess Victoria Mary, or an annuity of £100,000 on a marriage settlement. The Radicals will agree to a moderate dower, but to no further grant, and if the government venture to act for a special grant for the Duke, the opposition vote is reckoned at 100 against the measure. This will take cordiality out of the grant and be a pill for the royal family to swallow, because the government is the coming elections. The Emperor and Empress of Germany, the King of Greece and a host of German and Danish princelings will come to the wedding.

Sir George Baden Powell starts for Washington early next year to assist in preparing the report of the Joint Commission on the Behring sea fisheries for the court of arbitration.

Dowager Lady de Ros is dead. She danced at the famous ball in Brussels on the eve of the battle of Waterloo, and was the last survivor of that ball.

The Duke of Marlborough has obtained the assent of the court of chancery to sell a part of the Blenheim estates, which were granted to the first duke by Parliament. The duke's heir, the Marquis of Blandford, unfeelingly opposed the alienation of the property.

Mr. Hirsch, United States minister to Turkey, leaves Sunday for Constantinople via Paris.

Grievances Adjusted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The general committee of adjustment of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers today settled amicably with the Southern Pacific company, the grievances complained of on the Salt Lake and Visalia division. A compromise was made, both sides making concessions.

The Graves Trial.

DENVER, Dec. 18.—Judge Macon, of the defense, is ill today, and the Graves trial has been adjourned until tomorrow.

The Virginia Debt.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—A large meeting of English holders of the Virginia debt was held today. It was decided to accept the report of the committee, which the Virginia State debt commission and the Dicott committee for a settlement.

Concerning the Half Breeds.

PRESCOTT, A. T., Dec. 18.—Referring to the recent decision of the Interior Department that the half breeds are entitled to the rights of Indians, the half breeds assert that, if this is upheld, the necessary number of names has not been secured for the opening of the great Sioux reservation, and therefore the opening is illegal. A large number of filings on Indian allotments were made today. The land office will decide yet, though some squaw men run the whites of the claims with guns.

London Chamber of Commerce and the Chicago Fair.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The London Chamber of Commerce will not take part in the Chicago Fair, as a local centre, on the ground that the McKinley tariff has deprived European merchants of the Chicago trade and that American manufacturers will only copy English exhibits.

A Beet Sugar Convention.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 18.—The State Beet Sugar convention adjourned this evening. After the formation of a permanent association and the election of officers. A resolution calling upon the next Legislature to restore the bounty of $1 per ton for sugar beets, half a cent per pound for sugar manufactured from the home product, was adopted, also one asking the general government to provide an experimental station for each factory during the working season.