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Died.

DILLON—In this city Saturday evening, Feb 1, 1902, Agnes, widow of Christopher Dillon, aged 84 years.
Funeral from the family home, No 77 West st, Wednesday morning, Feb 5, at 8.45. Services at St Mary's church at 9.30 o'clock. Interment at Skaneateles.

Amusements, Lectures, &c.

BURTIS OPERA HOUSE
E S Newton, Manager Tele. 224
MONDAY, FEB 3, 1902
PRIMROSE
and
DOCKSTADER
The Only True Exponents of Black Face Comedy
And Their
BIG
MINSTREL COMPANY
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Paráde at Noon. 3t43

BURTIS OPERA HOUSE.
E S Newton, M'g'r. Empire State Tel. 224.
TUESDAY EVENING, Feb 4, 1902
Return of last year's Big Hit
Another Great Success
By the authors of "The Old Homestead" Denman Thompson and Geo. W. Ryer
Entitled
OUR NEW MINISTER
The Press and Public pronounce it a Decided Novelty, and one of the Genuine Successes of Recent Years
"It is a worthy drama, and there is no reason why 'Our New Minister' should not live to a ripe old age in the better class of our theatres"—New York World. 1t3

BURTIS OPERA HOUSE.
E. S. Newton, M'g'r. Empire State Tel. 224.
WEDNESDAY, FEB 5, 1902.
The Laugh-Makers.
WARD & VOKES,
In Their New Musical "Cut up,"
THE HEAD WAITERS,
Lucy Daly, Margaret Daly Vokes,
George Sidney, (the funny little jew),
Joe Kelly, Tuxedo Ladies, Band,
Maude Alice Kelley,
Louis Powers, Lew Miller,
Hallie White, Josie Daly
—Chorus of Forty— 3t3

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Auburn City Hospital Benefit
THURSDAY and FRIDAY EVENINGS
Gilbert & Sullivan's Opera
"PIRATES OF PENZANCE"
Cast, 10 Chorus, 70 Orchestra, 20
100 - People—100
Elaborate Costumes and
Special Scenery from New York
Sale opens Tuesday, Feb 4, 9 a m
Secure tickets of members
Avoid standing room
3t16

Wanted.

WANTED—A girl to assist with general housework. No washing. Apply 61 Seymour st. 3t3

BOYS OR GIRLS, from 14 to 18 years old, who want to make $2 or $4 per week outside of school hours, address with stamp and good reference, B & O, 48 Wieting block, Syracuse. 3t6

AN income of $50 a week can be earned in spare time or evening by any person able to write; proof sent free anywhere to those sending addressed envelope to Grannan Co, Box 227, Brooklyn, New York. 1t3

WANTED—Loan of $500 on desirable double house. Inquire Simpson, 59 Genesee street 1t3

WANTED—At 25 South st, a competent girl for second work. 1t3

WANTED—Club of young men for table board in private family; central; first class table; moderate price. Mrs C S, Post office 3t3

HALL'S BARBER SCHOOL 10 East Seneca st, Buffalo. Elegantly equipped. Wages Saturdays. Terms moderate. Tools, Trial, Lodgings, Railroad Ticket and Catalogue free. Send $1, for "Hall's Barber Manual," explaining every movement in learning Barbering; illustrating the different styles of Hair Cutting, Beard Trimming, with Rules, Receipts, etc. Call or write to-day 10t1yr

Meetings.

NOTICE.
THE annual meeting of the stockholders of The Auburn Bulletin Company will be held at the office of the company, Nos 27 and 29 Clark st, at Auburn, N Y, on the 4th day of February, 1902, at 10 a m. Directors will be elected for the ensuing year, and such other business will be transacted as may properly come before the meeting. Polls open from 10 until 11 a m.
jan20td3m FRANK S. SMITH, Sec'y.

THE East Auburn W C T U will meet at Mrs Cooper's, 57 Grant ave, on Tuesday, Feb 4, at 3 p m.

A REGULAR meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Y M C A will be held Tuesday, Feb 4, at 3 p m, in Y M C A building. Business of importance. By order of the sec'y.

Lost and Found.

LOST—A set of false teeth. Finder return to the office for reward. 3t3*

LOST—A pocket book Saturday eve on North st, between Water and Holy Family church. Reward for return to City hospital. 3t3

THE person that picked up the packet on State st, Friday, the 24th, please return it to 10 Union st, as they are known. 3t3*

LOST—In Bishop's store or Genesee st car, Thursday, $20 bill. Reward for return to this office. 3t3*

We have inaugurated our annual inventory sale of

CARPETS.

We offer several thousand yards as follows:

Axminster and Body Brussels,	85c
Velvets,	65c
Best Tapestry Brussels,	57½c
Allwool Ingrain,	35c

The earliest callers have the best selection.

G. W. RICHARDSON & SON.

$6600 buys a brick block of two stores on State st; now leased at $675, with one part vacant. $2000 down, balance at 5 per cent. Rich and French.

WE want the sale of 25 houses and lots from $700 to $1800 each. We can sell them for cash. Rich & French

$825 buys a good large lot on Chedell Place. Easy payments or money to build. Rich & French

$500 for a good lot on Liberty st, with sewer, water, &c. $50 down and $5 a month. Rich & French.

$3000 for a new modern house with all improvements, hard wood, &c. $1100 down. Can make a long lease at 10 per cent. Rich & French

$1500 for a very desirable lot in good, central location. 50x150 feet. Rich & French.

$600 for a lot on State st, adjoining a brick block; just the place for a grocery or market. Rich & French. jan31yr

For Sale.

FARM, 40 acres, for sale or exchange for Rochester property, between Waterloo and Geneva. Adapted for trucking, fruit and poultry. Trolley cars pass. For rent March 1st if not sold. W D Chappell, 138 East Main st, Rochester, N Y. 3t3*

FOR SALE, below half cost, No 20 Fitch ave. Lot 4x10 rods. Excellent house and barn, steam heat, modern conveniences. B C Mead, 125 Genesee st jan24tf M W f

FOR SALE—First class upright piano. Enquire No 11 Lewis st. 1t3*

FOR SALE—At low price, easy terms, store property fronting the Wall st, and extending through to Aurelius ave; vacant space for two modern dwellings, which would rent quick. Will rent if not sold soon. Inquire on premises of C C Hickok. 31t3*

PRIVATE SALE of Illinois and Iowa horses on Monday, Feb 3, at 202 North st. Curtis & Pearce. 3t1n3t1t*

FOR SALE—No 29 East Genesee st, three story, brick, twelve large rooms, steam heat, gas and bath, lot 66 ft front, 300 ft deep. W F Whiting, cor State and Clark sts. 17tf

FOR SALE—No 57 Clark st. Brick, splendid home, modern improvements. D W Barnes & Son. 8tf

Miscellaneous.

NOTICE.—To my customers that I am now taking orders for painting and paper hanging; also agent for wall papers. Send your orders to 78 c Genesee st and receive prompt attention. H L Clark. 1t4*

MONEY LOANED on furniture in use, legacies, salaries, notes, etc. Confidential. Standard Security Co, Room 4, Smith Blk.

SEE our 4c and 5c bargains. Crockery, glass and tin ware. Goods are worth nearly double the price. Gillette Bros, 5 Genesee st 28t6*

FARLEY & SHERWIN,
Planing Mill, 10 Franklin st.
All kinds of porch rails and columns, window frames, sash and doors, brackets, mouldings, and kiln dried lumber. All kinds of stair and turned work. Interior and exterior finish. Order your window and door screens now for Spring. jan18tf

EASY PAYMENTS—We are selling diamonds, watches, clocks, kodaks, cameras, gold eye glasses, &c, &c, at the lowest prices for cash or easy payments of $1 per week. Clarence Sherwood. 2tf

DESIRABLE FLATS TO RENT,
FRANK S. SMITH, 54 State st.

To Rent.

TO RENT—Pleasant suite of rooms for family of two, with modern improvements. 85½ Seymour, cor North. 1t3*

TO RENT—House 29 Orchard st, inside closet, gas. Inquire No 29. 1t3*

TO RENT—2 houses. Enquire Cottage hotel 1tf

TO RENT—Barn 10 Lincoln st. Enquire 10 Lincoln. 1t3*

TO RENT—For office purposes only, three rooms on first floor, "Temple Court." The finest and most modern office accommodations in the city. W A Bishop, Temple Court. 3t13

TO RENT—Desirable half of double house, 71 John st. Inquire 7 John or N Y C baggage room. 2t13

TO RENT—Counters show cases, cash register, typewriter for sale. 19 Genesee st. Sherwood. 30t6*

TWO fine room suites to rent, second and third floors, over Nos 4 and 7 State st. Inquire B C Mead, 125 Genesee st. 28t6*

TO RENT—Large barn, newly shingled, two box stalls, three single stalls, No 13 Hulbert st. Enquire Dr Geo B Wright, Jr, Metcalf building. 7tf

TO RENT—Large pleasant rooms, steam heat, gas and bath, furnished or unfurnished. 29 East Genesee st. 17tf

TO LET—No 57 Clark st. Brick, all modern improvements. D W Barnes & Son. 8tf

STORE TO RENT—Inquire Smith's drug store 54 State st. 1tf

TO RENT—Pleasant offices, steam heat, electric light, etc; prices low. Inquire Bulletin office 19tf

Realization of Age.

Two attorneys who had slipped past the meridian of life without hardly observing the fact were talking about ages while eating a deliberate luncheon in the Lawyers' club a couple of days ago when one of them told a story which embodies the experience of more than one man.

"It really came to me with a little shock," he said. "I took a sleeper at Buffalo for New York, and there were only half a dozen men aboard when I retired for the night. In the morning while in the toilet room brushing my hair I saw in the mirror the reflection of the back of an old gentleman I did not remember seeing before. He appeared much older than any man I had noticed on the car the night before, and I made up my mind that he had come aboard after I had gone to bed.

"I watched the reflection while arranging my hair and then turned, intending to speak to the old gentleman. You can imagine my surprise when I found that I had been looking at the reflection of my own back."—New York Herald.

Coming to the Point.

Mr. Grogan—What a power o' funerals they do be havin' at the church these days! Shure, it's shtarted me thinkin'.

Miss Casey—Thinkin' av what?

Mr. Grogan—That whin it come toime fur my funeral would you be the widdy?—Philadelphia Press.

Agreed.

She—And so you are a bachelor. Well, there is always hope for bachelors.

He—That's so. It's never absolutely certain that they will marry.—Brooklyn Life

BLIZZARD GENERAL.

Effects of the Storm in All Parts of the State.

WRECKS ALONG THE COAST.

The Snow Storm is General Throughout the State—Reports from Many Places Say That Wires Are Down and Railroad and Trolley Traffic Badly Crippled—A Gale on the Atlantic Coast—Many Wrecks But No Loss of Life. Reported—Condition in New York City, Buffalo, Syracuse and Other Places.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The strong gale from the West which began early last evening brough distress to this city. The wind was 65 miles an hour, and at 9 a. m., the bureau of weather reported the waves extremely high.

An unknown four masted schooner went ashore during the night on Birgaton shoals, near Atlantic City, N. J. She lies near the grounded steamer, Cloverdale.

The Forge River Life Saving station on the North shore of Long Island reported that a large barge was anchored off shore. She was rolling badly. Nobody could be seen.

A lot of wreckage has washed ashore, which looked as if another barge had gone to pieces.

The Oak Island life saving station reported that a ship went ashore at Point Lookout early this morning. Her name has not yet been learned.

The German steamer, Barcelinia, which arrived last night from Hamburg, rescued the crews of the tugs John Atwood and Berwin, which foundered.

The tugs had taken provisions to the stranded steamer Cavor at Long Beach. An ugly sea prevailed and the tugs labored heavily. The seas broke over the vessels and washed everything overboard. At about 5:30 o'clock the Barcelinia was seen aproaching and the tugs steered towards the shore. A rope ladder was lowered and the men from the tugs scrambled on board. Fourteen men all told were saved, seven from the tug. Fifteen minutes later the Atwood went down and some time later the Berwin disappeared. The rescued men lost their effects.

The Berwin was built at Newburgh in 1888 and was owned by the Berwin-Colwight company.

THE STORM IS GENERAL.

New York and New Jersey In the Grasp of the Blizzard.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Reports from all over the State show that there is a heavy fall of snow. In New Jersey it seems to prevail with unwonted determination. All through New York and New Jersey there seems to be a unison in its effects. In the different cities in New York State reports furnish the news that all street railway traffic is impeded as well as that of New Jersey.

Wires in New York city are heavily loaded with sleet and the conditions of the atmosphere are that which would practically demoralize all circuits of telephone and telegraph service.

SCOPE OF THE STORM.

Severe Along the Atlantic Coast and the Lower Lake Regions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—There is a severe storm on the Middle Atlantic coast. Snow or rain fell Sunday from Virginia Northward to the lower lake region. Snow continues this morning in Western New York. The temperature is falling gradually. Temperatures range from freezing at Jacksonville and New Orleans to 10 above in Tennessee and about 10 above in the Middle Atlantic States.

Foot of Snow at Amsterdam.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 3.—A snow storm has raged here since 10 o'clock last night. Electric car and lighting service is crippled and wires are down. A foot of snow has fallen up to this hour. (9 a. m.)

Situation at Syracuse.

SYRACUSE, Feb. 3.—The hardest snow storm of the season is raging. The wind is blowing hard. All street cars as well as surface railroads are late on their schedule time.

The Storm in Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Feb. 3.—The snow storm which prevailed here yesterday abated during the night. It was stated at 9 a m. that the mails from the East were arriving from 1 to 13 hours late. The mail from Pittsburg, due at 7 a. m., had not been heard from. The mail train, due to leave here at 10:50 p. m. on the B. R. & P., was abandoned.

Local trolley traffic in this city was running almost normally but the Suburban lines were being operated slowly. The wind during the night reached a velocity of 45 miles an hour.

Blizzard at Watertown.

WATERTOWN, Feb. 3.—The worst blizzard of the Winter has been raging throughout Northern New York. A blinding snow driven by wind in a hurricane form and rendering the street car facilities almost impossible, has been the result of the terrible storm that has prevailed here for the last 25 hours. Everything seems to be blocked, and all traffic is impeded.

In Binghamton.

BINGHAMTON, Feb. 3.—The storm in this city was severe but had no serious consequences. Telephone and Telegraph companies experienced much difficulty.

Lyons Snow Bound.

LYONS, Feb. 3.—Wayne county is snow bound. The New York Central and the West Shore Railroads are trying hard under the greatest of difficulties to keep open.

A Gale at Albany.

ALBANY, Feb. 3.—The wind blew a gale of 45 miles here this forenoon, doing considerable damage to property. The roof of a house on Delaware ave nue was blown off. Other damage was effected. The electric light system was partially crippled. The wind storm succeded heavy rain, sleet and snow and the streets were almost impassable.

Oswego Snow Bound.

OSWEGO, Feb. 3.—Oswego is snow bound to-day; no railroad trains have arrived or departed since Sunday night. The R. W. & O., the D. L. & W., and the New York, Ontario & Western tracks have been blocked. Snow plows are doing their best to clear the track. The velocity of wind last night was 55 miles an hour.

Train Abandoned.

JAMESTOWN, Feb. 3.—The snow of yesterday lasted through the night. The Jamestown & Chautauqua railway track is blocked and trains have been abandoned for the day. Business across country has been absolutely abandoned throughout this part of Western New York.

At Hoosick Falls.

HOOSICK FALLS, Feb. 3.—A heavy snow storm prevails here which began Sunday noon. Big drifts have filled the streets. The temperature has fallen about 30 degrees. All Boston & Maine trains are delayed.

IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

Trains on the B. R. & P. Abandoned and Other Lines Are Tied Up More or Less.

BRADFORD, Pa., Feb. 3.—This section of the State is in a condition of blizzards. The trains are all abandoned and all business is nearly suspended.

Passenger trains on the Erie main line are several hours late. The Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg abandoned all trains this morning. The Pennsylvania line suffers equally.

THE PATRICK TRIAL.

More Testimony In the Celebrated Rice Murder Case.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Proceedings in the trial of Albert T. Patrick were again opened to-day. The will of 1900 was ruled out by the recorder, but was entered in Friday's testimony.

William R. Rice, jr., was questioned and recalled. He identified the agreement entered into between the heirs of Mr. Rice and the trustees of the Rice institute.

In reply to questions by the district attorney Dr. Donnely said the congestion would have been caused by asphyxiation. Chloroform or similar gas might have produced the effect. Dr. Donnell said the autopsy did not tell the cause of death.

Dr. Rudolph A. Witthaus, said he was present at the Rice autopsy and that portions of the body were given him for examination. He found half a grain of mercury in the intestines. The witness was not permitted to describe of the embalming fluid used.

Dr. Witthaus during his cross-examination said he did not find enough mercury to cause death.

WAYNE GALLUP'S ESTATE.

Three Farms Comprising 555 Acres Will be Sold To-morrow to Close It.

A closing chapter in the Wayne Gallup case is scheduled for to-morrow at Moravia when William S. Elder, trustee of the estate, will sell 555 acres of land, the balance of the real estate, which formerly belonged to the aged Wayne. This incident will serve to revive the long litigation over this man's property among his relatives which finally resulted in an amicable adjustment when former Justice Dwight appointed Mr. Elder trustee of the estate during the life of Gallup with the power to convert the realty into money at his death for distribution among eight nephews and neices. This arrangement was entered into in the Spring of 1899 and since that time Wayne Gallup has died.

The estate is valued at $20,000; all but $3,000 of which is real estate. The latter consisted of 680 acres of land in the town of Venice, divided into three farms. Two farms have already been sold and the remaining three, containing in all 555 acres, will be sold to-morrow.

HIS RUN WAS SHORT.

The spirited coach horse of Charles N. Fearing, of North street, attached to a two seated sleigh, ran away this afternoon. In turning around in Genesee street in front of the postoffice a shaft broke, striking the horse's heels, and he started away in haste down Green street. The driver pluckily hung to the reins and succeeded in guiding the equine into some large snowdrifts in front of the livery and boarding stable of Daniel F. Gove. The horse is being cared for at the livery stable and the broken sleigh was taken to George F. Wills' factory in Clark street for repairs. A broken shaft and dashboard constituted the only damage.

The total number of students at the universities of Germany this Winter is 35,513, as against 34,363 last Winter.

A DISASTROUS FIRE.

Business Portion of Waterbury, Conn., Nearly Consumed.

THE LOSS OVER $3,000,000.

Fire Which Started Last Night at About 6:30 Nearly Consumed the Business Portion of Waterbury, Conn.—A Strong Wind Helped to Carry the Flames From Building to Building—The Local Firemen Were Forced to Call for Outside Assistance—Blaze Not Under Control Until 10:30 This Morning—Some of the Losses.

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 3.—The city of Waterbury to-day stands devastated by fire. The loss will run between $4,000,000, and $6,000,000. With all this great property loss there has been strange to say, no loss of life and but few accidents have been recorded.

The fire which began about 6:20 o'clock last night in the "Big Store" on Bank street was not considered under control until 7 a. m. The Scoville house, the leading hostelry of the city valued at $75,000 was then discoversd on fire. At the outset of the blaze, the hotel occupants were forced to seek the streets in their night clothes.

When it was learned the Scoville was a total loss, there was great excitement. The wind was blowing hard at this time. The suggestion was made to use explosives to stay the spread of the conflagration but Mayor Kilduff opposed such a plan as too hazardous.

Through the efforts of the mayor the electric currents were cut off. The city was nearly cut off from the outside world. The fire burned over four acres of the city's choicest business section. Among the prominent buildings destroyed are the block occupied by the Reid & Hughes Dry Goods company, the Masonic Temple, the Waterbury American, the two leading hotels, the Scoville house, the clothing store of J. B. Mullings, the Hamson-Sellow furniture store, the New England Rubber company, the Sapalin-Hoffman company, the W. L. Douglass company, Fitz morris block occupied by Cannon & Webster, Perschell's Turkish bath and the Salvation Army working shop, and a $40,000 block on Grant street.

About 100 of the city's business blocks are burned. The property loss is estimated at about $2,500,000. The armory, the city hall, the churches and other public places have been turned into temporary shelter.

The origin of the conflagration is not known. The fire was not discovered until it had gained tremendous headway. At 6:15 p. m., A. L. Lyall and E. T. Crooker and A. K. Burnham were in the store of Reid & Hughes. When they left there was no smoke nor smell of smoke on the main floor.

Fifteen minutes later flames were seen to burst with great force from the windows of the third floor, and almost simultaneously from the basement. Before anybody could ring in an alarm, the whole interior of the building was a mass of flames.

When the fire department reached the scene the flames were issuing from every window of the building and it was evident that the structure was doomed and the entire business section of the city was imperiled.

The fire started in a drizzling rain with a rapidly rising wind and with the increasing cold the rain turned to snow. The wind was at first shifting, but it settled toward the East and carried destruction with it. The first building to catch from the Reid & Hughes store was a tall structure to the rear and Westward occupied by the Salvation Army barracks and a Turkish bath. A moment or two later the flames leaped back to the eastward across Bank street.

Help was asked for from all the immediate cities. Large crowds were attracted to the scene of the fire and meanwhile thieves took advantage of the deserted houses and it finally became necessary to order out the militia. Companies A and G of the Second Regiment were ordered out. Before midnight more than a whole city block had been laid in ruins and there seemed to be no end to the havoc. Just when the fire fighters seemed about to stamp out the fire it would break out in fresh places. Across Bank street a large area had been swept. Thirty acres of ground perhaps, had been laid waist.

An hour later, many citizens had withdrawn to their homes only to be thrown in renewed panic by another outbreak, this time in the Scoville house, adjacent to the City hall.

Two hours later this hotel, with other nearby buildings had been gutted. The exhausted firemen continued their work all night and it was not until nearly 10 o'clock to-day that it was felt the fire had been conquered.

The Schlitz Brewing company branch on South Main street was valued at $30,000; Edward McGrath's block was worth $30,000; the Meigs' block on South Main street, $40,000; the Witshele's property was valued at $20,000, the McGrathey property was valued at $35,000; the Boston Furniture company building valued at $45,000 and owned by the Nelson Morris estate. The old Bronson block on Bank street adjoining the Reif & Hughes store was worth $35,000.

The heaviest losers by the Scoville house fire are: J. W. Bodsons, $20,000; Park drug store $20,000 and the Atwater estate $20,000. The other losses range between $2,500 and $5,000.

The fire was practically out at 2:30 p. m. The total loss will amount to nearly $4,000,000.

SENATOR MCEWAN INJURED.

ALBANY, Feb. 3.—During the storm last night Senator McEwan, of this city, slipped and fell on Washington street and sustained a fractured arm. He will doubtless be laid up at his home for a couple of weeks.

MAJOR C. E. PEARCE.

Sketch of the Former Auburnian Who Died Last Week in St. Louis.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat prints the following obituary of the late Charles E. Pearce, a former Auburnian, who had large property interests here:

"Maj Charles E. Pearce, former congressman from the 12th Missouri district, died in his room at the Planters' hotel at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. (Thursday). With Maj. Pearce at the time of his death were William N. Pearce, his brother, two trained nurses and his physician. He had been delirious for three days and did not recover consciousness before he passed away. The cause of death was pleuro-pneumonia, aggravated by asthmatic troubles with which Mr. Pearce had suffered for several years.

"The remains were taken to the Wagoner undertaking rooms on Olive street. The funeral arrangements had not been completed last night, but the interment will probably take place Monday, after the arrival of Maj. Pearce's sister-in-law, Mrs. Margia O. Pearce, who is now on the way from California. The remains may be placed temporarily in a vault at Bellefontaine cemetery, but their final resting place will be at Auburn, N. Y., beside those of his parents and brother.

"Maj. Pearce would have been 60 years old had he lived until May 24. He had been a citizen of St. Louis 36 years and prided himself upon having organized and commanded the first regiment of the Missouri National Guard in 1877. He filled many positions of honor and trust, and represented the 12th district in Congress from 1896 to 1900, declining to be a candidate for a third term on account of failing health. His friends say that the public service in which he took most pride was the fact that through his efforts an increased appropriation for the navy was secured, and in return for this he was allowed by the secretary of the navy to name one of the new battle ships authorized after his adopted State.

"After it had been decided to name one of the vessels the Missouri, pressure was brought to bear to change the name to the Pennsylvania, naming one of the new monitors for Missouri. This Maj. Pearce opposed with all the influence at his command, and when he appealed directly to the secretary of the navy for a fulfillment of his promise, the name was ordered changed back to the Missouri.

"Charles Edward Pearce was born at Whitesboro, Oneida county, N. Y., in 1842. He was educated at Fairfield seminary and Union college, the latter at Schenectady, N. Y. After graduating from college in the Spring of 1863, he raised a battery of 141 men, which were incorporated into the 16th New York artillery, and subsequently attached to the army of the Potomac. He rose from the rank of captain to that of major, and after the capture of Fort Fisher was appointed to the staff of Gen. A. H. Terry and detailed as provost marshal general and commissioner of freedmen for the Eastern district of North Carolina. At the close of the war he was mustered out and returned to Auburn, N. Y., where he took up the study of law.

"He came to St. Louis in February, 1866, opening a law office. For many years he was associated with A. L. Gardner in practice. He was captain of old company A of the national guard and became commander of the St. Louis national guard in 1875. Two years later he organized the first regiment and was elected its colonel, participating in the riots of 1877.

"Maj. Pearce was actively identified with Republican politics from 1878 until his death. In 1888 he was a delegate to the national convention, and in 1891 was appointed chairman of the commission to treat with the Sioux Indians of the Northwest. In 1894 he made a trip around the world, in company with Gen. Nelson Cole, for the purpose of investigating the commerce of the Orient. He was elected to the fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth Congresses over Robert H. Kern, Democrat, and other candidates.

"As a campaigner Maj. Pearce was active and aggressive, setting a pace which his opponents could not maintain. It was during his campaigns that he threw aside all reserve, and was always in the forefront of the fight. In addition to his legal business he was a director in the American Manufacturing company, makers of bagging, rope, twine, etc., and a stockholder in other corporations. He leaves no near relatives except William N. Pearce, a brother, of this city, who is connected with the special agency bureau, representing the secretary of the treasury; Mrs. Pearce, of San Francisco, his late brother's wife, and a niece, Mrs. Robert H. White, also of San Francisco. Maj. Pearce was never married.

"Since his retirement from Congress, Maj. Pearce has spent most of his time traveling in search of health. He returned from a trip to California about a month ago, and was preparing to go to Arizona to spend the rest of the Winter, when he contracted the trouble which resulted fatally."

To those Auburnians who knew Major Pearce his death came as a great shock. His loyalty to his former home was exemplified by his frequent visits here and his investment in Auburn property, he having within the past few years invested several thousand dollars through A. W. Lawton.

Flat Economy.

Customer—You advertise carpet remnants, I see. I want two, one to cover the parlor and the other for the sitting room.

Salesman—But, madam, a carpet as large as that would not be a remnant.

Customer—Oh, yes, it would. I live in a flat.—New York Weekly.

THE BIDDLES DEAD.

Both Men Finally Succumb as the Result of Their Wounds.

MRS. SOFFEL MAY RECOVER.

The Biddle Brothers, Escaped Murderers Died at Butler, Pa., Saturday Night as the Result of Friday's Battle With Officers—Mrs. Soffel Their Companion and Who Helped Them to Escape From Jail, Will Probably Recover—Story of the Crime For Which the Biddle Brothers Were Condemned to Death—Ed Biddle's Love Letter to Mrs. Soffel Reveals the Plan of Escape.

BUTLER, Pa., Feb. 3.—The Biddle brothers are dead as the result of their wounds. Contrary to expectations John Biddle succumed first, dying at 7:35 Saturday night and Edward died three hours and a half later.

Both men died without any apparent suffering. Mrs. Soffel, who developed symptoms of pneumonia Saturday, has a chance for life, and unless some unforseen complication sets in will recover.

The death of Jack Biddle was caused by the bullet wounds in his abdomen and bladder. Early Saturday the physicians though, peritonitis was the principal danger in the case, but internal hemorrhage set in, and the man died to death in a short time.

Jack Biddle Repentant at Death.

As long as he was able Jack Biddle was extremely talkative and was at times boastful, but as soon as the shadow of death began to fall upon him and he recognized it he became repentant.

"I know," said he, "that my time here is short, and you can say for me that I am a Christian and will die a sincere believer in God and hope I will have strength enough to say so at the last. I know I have taken part in many wrong-doings, but I have never killed any man and was never implicated with any one who did. I wish I could see Mrs. Kahney. I would tell her the truth about the killing of her husband. This life has been pretty tough on me and the end cannot come too quick, and I don't care how."

A sister of the Biddles arrived in town Saturday evening and was admitted to the jail, but Ed, who was dying, was unable to recognize her.

After a consultation at the hospital in the case of Mrs. Soffel Saturday evening, the district attorney decided to allow the woman to remain here as her condition is such that the trip to Pittsburg might be attended with fatal results. Mrs. Soffel is suffering considerably from her wound and the attending physicians fear that her removal now would cause gangrene to set in. District Attorney Haymaker said there would be no division made of the reward until the claims of the Butler people had been heard and the latter will take steps to notify the commissioners of Allegheny county of their claims.

Sympathy for Ed Biddle.

The excitement was unabated Saturday and a dense crowd of people hung about the jail doors all day trying to get in to see the two criminals. The most persistent of the crowd were women, many of whom expressed the deepest concern and sympathy for Ed. Biddle and declared their belief in his innocence. This belief seemed to deepen when it became known that Ed. Biddle made a deathbed confession to the Rev. Father Walsh of this place Friday night, declaring his innocence of the crime of shooting Groceryman Kahney and Detective Fitzgerald.

Love Letter Reveals Plot.

A lost love letter from Ed. Biddle to Mrs. Kate Soffel, found in the snow near the bloody scene of their capture, reveals the long, careful plot for their escape from the Allegheny county jail. The letter clearly shows the hazardous undertaking of the infatuated woman to secure the escape of the Biddles. Since December 2 last they had been making preparations to escape. The discovered letter tells how Mrs. Soffel carried the saws to the cells of the Biddles. It manifests the extreme enamoration of Mrs. Soffel for the murderer and the burglar. It clearly shows the wonderful influence Ed. Biddle had over Mrs. Soffel.

Mrs. Soffel fell in love with Ed. Biddle in November. The burglar soon realized his power over her. It was not long until he started to write love letters to her. His affection was reciprocated. Mrs. Soffel fell madly in love with Ed. Biddle, and about the early part of December he proposed a plan of escape to her. She consented to lend him her aid. Between December 14 and 16 they had completed all arrangements to escape from the jail. Then they learned of the Governor's respite. After this Ed. Biddle persuaded Mrs. Soffel to fly with him and his brother. The contents of the letter show it was originally agreed that Mrs. Soffel was to leave the city for Canada on the eve of the boys' escape.

Safer For Her to Stay at Home.

The letter in part ran as follows:

"My Precious Little Darling—I guess I never will be able to kiss you good bye. Oh God, pet, don't think that the blow is all on you. I love you, dearest baby, more to-day than ever before. Each minute to-day has been like an hour to me. You are dearer to me than my very life. I will own up and tell you the truth. When I first started writing to you I did not love you. Now I have learned to love you better than my own life. What I want to say is this: We were searched pretty close to-day and these fellows would swear on a stack of Bibles 10 ft. high that we could not have had this stuff on us since Saturday. It would be, of course,

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