NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Nov. 26.—The Australian ballot system has become a law, having just been approved.

HANOVER, N. H., Nov. 26.—The annual graduating exercises of the Dartmouth Medical College took place last night. The graduating class numbered 29.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 26.—The death warrant of Smith, the Allegheny County murderer, who is now in an insane asylum, has been withdrawn by the Governor.

SUSQUEHANNA, Pa., Nov. 26.—At Ninevah, Broome County, N. Y., Ray French, formerly of this place, committed suicide by shooting. He was 19 years old and had been married only a few months.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Mrs. Florence Waterman, formerly an actress and the wife of Asa Waterman, who was recently tried for murder in Brooklyn, has been removed to an insane asylum.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.— Governor Hill arrived at the Hoffman House last night from Albany. He visits New York to act as one of the pall bearers at Mr. August Belmonts funeral to-day.

GLENS FALLS, N., Y., Nov. 26.—Lina Morehouse, a young woman employed as a domestic in Johnsburg, this county, has been arrested for placing her recently born babe in an outhouse, where it died from exposure.

CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 26.—The Republican and Democratic members of the Legislature will hold separate conferences to determine on a plan of action to be pursued at the special session, which begins Tuesday.

BANGOR, Me., Nov. 26.—J. E. Hamilton, of Garland, was arraigned here charged with the embezzlement of $3,000 from the American Road Machine Company, of Kennett, Pa. He was bound over to the February term of the Supreme Court.

TROY, N. Y., Nov. 26.—George Shaw, of Middle Falls, Washington County, who is in jail under an indictment for horse stealing, was married this morning at the jail to Gussie Wager, of this city. The bride is 15 years old and the groom 19.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Nov. 29.—Two freight trains collided on the New England Railroad at Hamlin's Pond during the morning. Four cars were smashed and their contents destroyed. No person was hurt.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29.—It is learned that John R. Baker, jr., the missing stock operator, is a defaulter to the estate of his grandfather, of which he was one of the trustees, in the sum of $1,000,000, through misappropriation of securities.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Major-General Nelson A. Miles, who is to take care of the crazy Sioux Indians and keep them from scalping the palefaces, according to their supposed plans, arrived here last night.

DOVER, N. H., Nov. 26.—In the city election here Henry R. Parker, Dem., was elected mayor by 84 majority. The city government stands 8 Republicans and 7 Democrats, a Democratic gain of one. This is the first Democratic mayor Dover has ever had.

MONTREAL, Que., Nov. 26.—The extradition papers in the case of Birch, who absconded from Concord, N. H., with $1,000, the property of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, have arrived in charge of a detective who will take Birch back in a few days.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The President has commuted the sentence of Daniel McKenna, of Pennsylvania, convicted of passing counterfeit money and sentenced March 22d, 1890, to eight months imprisonment in the Erie County penitentiary.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Representative Rowell of Illinois, Chairman of the House Committee on Elections, and one of the framers of the Federal Elections bill, said in a interview that the Elections bill must and would be passed by the present Congress.

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 29.—Benjamin Wright, aged 82, a resident of this city, died after having lived five weeks without taking any food whatever. During that time he subsisted entirely on cold water. He was compelled to reject food on account of a peculiar illness.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—Advices by the steamer Australia state that King Kalakua, is coming to San Francisco on the cruiser Charleston and will arrive the latter part of next week. The journey is made solely in the interest of his health, and will not extend beyond California.

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 29.—Benjamin Wright, aged 82, died during the morning. He has eaten nothing for five months on account of stomach trouble. He became helpless four weeks ago, and took to bed. He died without apparent pain, and was reduced to skin and bones.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 1.—The body of S. Crocker, president of the Board of Publi Works, was found in a cornfield three miles from the city by a farmer who wa crossing the field. Mr. Crocker disappeared from the city last Sunday morning.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Dec. 1.—A warm wave has struck the Mohawk Valley and the ice in the canal is rapidly melting. A large number of canal boats passed here to-day en route for tide water, which they will no doubt be able to reach.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 1.—Pittsburg manufacturers are looking to Lima oil a a substitute for natural gas as fuel. An interesting experiment with Lima oil i now being conducted at the mills of J Painter & Sons, on the south side. new compressed oil machines used t spray the oil. The process is in use o only one puddling furnace.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 1.—Assignee Thompson, who took charge of the books of the suspended banking firm of B. K. Jamison & Co., states that the sum due depositors probably amounts to $500,000. The indications are that the liabilities of the firm will exceed $1,000,000.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Nov. 29.—Wm. Blythe and Harlan Bennett, of Walcott, with James Ferguson and Calvin F. Campbell, of Oswego, went hunting in a boat on Sodus Bay, sixteen miles from here yesterday. This morning the boat was found on the beach, and the men are missing.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The delegates to the Central Labor Federal Federation decided to inaugurate a systematic warfare against the Knights of Labor, because, it is said, the latter threatened to destroy the Brewers, Paper Hangers and Brick layers' Unions affiliated with the Federation.

CHATHAM, N. Y., Dec. 1.—A gang of chicken thieves was discovered near this village, and one of them was shot dead for refusing to surrender by one of the farmers in pursuit. The other thieves fled. They were strangers in this section and had a large number of dressed fowl in their possession ready for shipment to market.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Growth of the Postal Service and Recommendations for Needed Reforms.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—In his annual report Postmaster-General Wanamaker gives figures to illustrate how much the business of the department has grown. The gross revenue is nearly $5,000,000 larger than it ever was before. Almost 5,000 new postoffices, more than in any one year before, have been established upon the petition of communities which have needed them. A decreasing limit for the extension or the free delivery has permitted the employment of letter carriers in over fifty towns.

"Three times as many sub-stations and stamp agencies, which will soon pay for themselves, were established as during the previous year. Over 5,000 miles of R. P. O. service, so called (where traveling postoffices distribute the mails for instant dispatch), have been put on. The 58,000 transportation schedules have been examined, and adjusted or extended where it has been possible. Thirty-six per cent. more of city mails have been distributed on trains for instant dispatch than during the previous year. The star route mileage has increased over 5,000,000 miles and the railroad mileage over 11,000,000. The railway postal clerks have reduced the number of pieces usually sent to the Dead Letter Office by 2,000,000. By encouraging postmasters in free delivery cities to prepare supplementary directories, and by general suggestions to the public through the newspapers to take greater care in the direction of matter, the Dead Letter Office expects a reduction of its labors by at least one-third."

Referring to needed reforms, the Postmaster-General says:

"I shall have the honor to advocate this year, as last, with whatever persuasiveness it is possible for me properly to use, certain measures, legislative and administrative, which I believe to be for the benefit of the service.

"The postal telegraph bill I again respectfully commend to the favor of Congress. The recommendation that the postal savings experiment be fully and fairly tried is again renewed. The discussion of the eight-hour question cannot be shirked; I hope the postal clerks will be certain during the next year what their friends are.

"The questions whether the division of the country into postal districts for the better instruction and encouragement of postmasters, new and old, and whether an additional permanent officer of the very highest order of experience and originality would not be a good thing for the department, may well be pressed. Within the department itself many reforms can be worked out, but only slowly, partly because legislation is necessary and partly because even small revolutions are not desired by all. In the matter of simple and uniform accounting the coming year ought to show excellent results. I hope to see the civil service examinations, especially with reference to the railway mail, improved; for only in proportion as these yield the most efficient civil servants can the benefits of the civil service system be extended. The whole postoffice clerical force needs to be scanned thoroughly with a view to Congressional action looking to its better classification."

THE MURDERERS ESCAPE.

Great Excitement Over the Wholesale Jail Delivery in Pennsylvania.

SOMERSET, Pa., Dec. 1.—Great excitement prevailed here all day over the escape from jail of four prisoners, among them the Nicely brothers, who are under sentence of death.

One of the Sheriffs who went in pursuit of the fugitives has returned and reports the pursuing party on the track of the escaped prisoners.

The reward for their capture has been increased to $500. Few persons have any idea that the Nicelys will allow themselves to be taken alive.

New Hampshire Political Troubles.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 1.—Governor Goodell's message to the Legislature has been written, and will be transmitted to the House to-morrow. The document will be a sort of argumentative statement of the legislative situation, covering fully the points which he assumes make necessary an extra session. He will simply describe the troubles that exist without suggesting a remedy for them, leaving that matter in the hands of the Legislature.

A Criminal's Bride Shoots Herself.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Mrs. Martha Losee 16 years old, a forger's bride, in a fit o jealousy shot herself last evening while on the station of the suburban elevated railroad at 138th street, between Willi and Alexander avenues. She was carrie to the Harlem Hospital, where the bullet which had passed through the breast and lodged near the shoulder blade, was ex tracted. The injury is considered fatal

CONGRESS IN SESSION

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE READ

Three New Representatives Sworn In—Many Measures of Importance on the Calendars—Some Doubts About the Passage of the Federal Elections Bill—Annual Reports of Cabinet Officers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The second session of the Fifty-first Congress began at noon to-day. At precisely 12 o'clock Vice-President Morton in the Senate, and Speaker Reed in the House of Representatives called these two bodies to order.

The roll was called and three new members were sworn in, Whitelaw, in place of Walker, of Missouri; Hayes, the successor of Conger, of Iowa, and Pindar, who has been elected to the vacancy occasioned by the death of Miller, of New York. Mr. Breckenridge, of Arkansas, also had to be reswórn.

The President's message was read at length in each House.

It is not unlikely that to-morrow the House committee on appropriations will be ready to report one or more of the annual appropriation bills. The Pension bill and the Fortification bill will be the first to come up for consideration. What will be done to push the appropriation bills forward will be determined in caucus. The Republican caucus has also to determine upon a postmaster for the House, the office having been declared vacant at the close of the first session.

BILLS BEFORE THE HOUSE.

Important Business to be Disposed of by the Present Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—This Congress has much important business before it, a very small proportion of which will likely be disposed of before its expiration at noon on the 4th of March. There are the necessary appropriation bills, without which the business of the government would be suspended at least in part, and the reapportionment bill, which has as yet received no consideration in either House, but which the Republicans in both Houses have said must be passed at this session. Then there are many measures of importance on the calendars which have passed one House and are therefore half through the legislative journey. The most important of these is the Federal Election bill which passed the House at the first session, and which was resisted in the Senate by the Democrats so firmly that it was necessary for the Republicans to agree to a postponement of its consideration in order to bring about the passage of the Tariff bill and an adjournment of the first session.

IN THE SENATE.

Some Doubts About the Passage of the Federal Elections Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—There are on the calendar of the Senate the National Bankruptcy bill, which is being pushed by the representatives of the commercial convention; the bill to transfer the revenue marine service from the Treasury to the Navy Department, which was debated at some length during the first session, the bill to discontinue the coinage of the $1 and $3 gold pieces, and the Conger land bill. These measures have passed the House.

The Republicans in the Senate are pledged to the passage of the Federal Election bill, but it is a question in the minds of some whether it is possible to pass it against the obstructive tactics of the Democrats, and then the question is raised whether there is any party necessity for its passage now that the elections for the 52d Congress are over. The Republican Senators will probably hold a caucus during the week to determine what is to be done. There has as yet been no consultation of the Republican leaders on this point.

THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Secretary Tracy Dwells Particularly on Building New Vessels.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—In his annual report Secretary of the Navy Tracy says that since March 4, 1889, nine new vessels, which were at that time in various stages of progress, the first two being practically out of the constructor's hand, have been completed and put into commission, and that during the coming winter four more will be added to the list.

After making various recommendations for the improvement of the navy, the Secretary concludes his report as follows:

"I would repeat here the proposition that was laid down at the opening of my report last year, that 'the purpose for which the United States maintains a navy is not conquest, but defense.' The best guaranty of peace is a judicious expenditure for the navy, such as will meet the necessities of the country. At the present time it has not such a force, nor will it have the force required even when all the ships now authorized are completed. The problem of naval construction has been simplified almost beyond belief in the last eight years. It only remains to add to the number of vessels of types already in existence.

"The price is not too high to pay if it affords the means whereby the United States, for the first time in many years, may be enabled to preserve and defend its rights. War is a great calamity, but it is not the greatest calamity that can befall a free, intelligent and self-respecting people."

Senator Quay Will Not Resign.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Senator Quay will not resign the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee. The Senator himself set at rest all fears by saying: "I shall not resign just to please a lot of fellows who are not Republicans anyway." The Senator has been the recipient of many calls from party leaders. His friends say that it is at their request that he will continue a the head of the National Committee.

Monkish epicures.

The monks and nuns of France have done as much for their country in the preparation of savory delicacies as the most renowned chefs. It has been suggested that during the long sessions of Lent these holy men have been in the habit of relieving their privations by employing their ingenuity in the invention of pleasant foods and drinks in readiness for the return of the days of feasting. Whether there is any foundation for this inference is not positively known, but the fact remains that the clergy, from whatever cause, are capital inventors of all sorts of comestibles.

One of the largest oyster parks in the country was started by Abbe Bonnetard, the cure of La Teste, whose system of artificial cultivation is so successful that of the number of oysters distributed throughout France every year perhaps a quarter are produced by the abbe. Canon Agen was the discoverer of the terrines of Nerac. The rilletites of Tours are the work of a monk of Marmontiers. The renowned liqueurs Chartreuse, Trappistine, Benedictine and others, betray their monastic origin in their names, and the strangest part of their production is that they should be the work of the most severe and ascetic of religious bodies.

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BEHIND A THRONE.

DAILY ROUTINE OF QUEEN VICTORIA'S PRIVATE LIFE.

Her Business Engagements and Her Private Fortune—Duties of the Ladies of the Royal Household.

In the secluded and monotonously regular life led by Queen Victoria, there is only one thing tending to subversal of the ordinary rules. Her majesty has always been something of a night owl, and the habit of late retiring clings to her despite the progress of years and the coming of those infirmities that years bring with them. She seldom retires before one o'clock in the morning, and it may sometimes happen that it is closer on "cock crow" before the royal eyes have closed in sleep. This means, of course, late rising. The queen seldom leaves her room until 11 in the morning. By this time she has been heard to say with more of truth perhaps than originality, "the world is properly aired." It by no means follows, however, that she has not already done an hour or two's good work before she left her room.

The ladies of the bed-chamber are in attendance for a fortnight, each thrice a year. The lady in waiting for the time being is regarded something in the light of the officer of the day, and recourse is had to her for information and the queen gives her directions. She is understood to be the "mistress of the room," and in the absence of the duchess, who is head of all these ladies under title of "mistress of the robes," the lady in waiting is occasionally obliged to give an order. To assist her in this labor there are two "maids of honor." There are eight of these serving two at a time for four weeks. They are in effect, as are the ladies of the bed-chamber, simply companions to the queen, and they have practically no other duties than would devolve upon the companion of the mistress of a large and wealthy household. The maids of honor, as would naturally be expected in the court of an aged queen, are ladies of a certain age who have left behind them the frivolities of youth and the probabilities of a husband. The favorite perhaps, if one can say that so diplomatic a queen has a favorite, among the maids, is the Honorable Harriet Phipps, a charming lady who abundantly deserves the confidence she has won.

After her late breakfast in her own private apartments, a simple meal according to our substantial American ideas, her majesty gives attention to public business. Whether she be at the Isle of Windsor, or at the lovely spot in the Isle of Wight that overlooks the waves and the white-winged yachts, or amid the pines and firs of rugged Balmoral, there constantly follow her, great dispatch boxes, full of documents requiring inspection and signature. She remarked to Minister Lincoln not long ago that "a change in the American presidency always meant more work for her, as there were so many new exequaturs for American consuls to be signed." All such acts she does personally in her own firm signature, which has not varied in years, and which shows power and dignity. Her majesty's private secretary assists her in this work, the well-known and popular Sir Henry Ponsonby, as he does also in the opening of her letters. This is no light task, for she receives an enormous mail. She has a good deal of assistance with her letters from her daughter Princess Beatrice, whose ornamental husband and children are not permitted to take her entire attention. During these hours the queen is bright and cheerful. She is greatly loved by those immediately about her. This is the best testimony of character that she could have. She is always kindly and considerate. Her health is robust for her age, though she suffers somewhat from twinges of rheumatism. The Princess of Wales, younger, much vainer and more impatient, is not always so greatly beloved by those immediately around her as her royal mother-in-law.

The queen works persistently until luncheon. This informal meal served at 2 o'clock is usually eaten in the private breakfast-room at Windsor or out of doors in pleasant weather, in company with such of the members of the royal family as may happen to be at the castle. The queen is waited upon at this meal by one of the pages of her backstairs, or by one of her favorite Indian attendants, who now do a considerable portion of the work formerly devolving on the pages of the back-stairs. One page is on duty outside her door from 8 in the morning until she retires for the night. The pages of the presence are the next grade below, and they attend upon the lords and ladies in waiting, and are in turn themselves taken care of by the upper footmen. These footmen eye the pages every morning with interest, for a vacancy means promotion.

A thoroughly English characteristic is the queen's love for the open air, and she spends as much time as is possible in this trying climate, with no roof between her and the clouds nor walls but the horizon. In the grounds at Frogmore, near Windsor, are favorite spots of hers, where a tent is erected and a table set up. There she sits alone for hours, industriously working, her grand collie often lying at her feet, and within call a page and one of her companions. She continues her love for the open air at her Scottish home, and there is less trouble taken to maintain isolation than in more crowded England.

Let us, however, get back once again to the luncheon. After the meal comes work again, mostly with those dispatch boxes. They come from every department, and include all sorts of papers, from drafts of important communications and dispatches down to unimportant commissions requiring signature. All this time letters and telegrams are arriving in numbers. These latter are sent to Windsor over a private wire, while to the Isle of Wight extends a special cable. Her majesty is always thus in closest touch with the capital. Many of the telegrams are in cipher, especially those from the prime minister, the other members of the cabinet, the commander-in-chief of the army, etc.

From 3 o'clock in the afternoon until the dinner hour business again occupies the time of the queen excepting for the two hours' drive. Rain or shine she takes that drive, usually in the little pony carriage, which I suppose is so called because it is generally drawn by a donkey. A native of Aix-le-Bains, the long-eared one has grown as round and fat and deliberate as are most of his two-legged brethren who attend upon the court. Another hour or so of the afternoon may be cut into by an audience granted to some representative body, or some important personage, or perhaps it may be a meeting of the privy council, or the premier, hastily summoned, may attend with his portentous dispatch boxes and indulge in serious conferences with her majesty. Then also during the afternoon are the private affairs to be looked into. The queen has an enormous private fortune, invested in land and securities of various kinds. As a breeder of high-class cattle and sheep, she is successful, and she has developed some wonderful strains of stock. Her Herefords, whose white faces and red coats are now so familiar throughout the United States, have attained world-wide celebrity as ideal milk and meat making machines. With every detail of the management of these farms the queen is familiar.

In her afternoon drive the queen is usually accompanied by the Princess Beatrice and perhaps by one or two of her grand-children.

The drive over and the elaborate dinner toilet made the state meal of the day is enjoyed. Seldom does the queen sit down alone with such members of her family as may be at court, and with such officials and ladies of the court as are entitled by virtue of their office to this prandial honor. There are usually one or more guests who have been "commanded" to dine; for royalty never "requests," it "orders." A "command" to dine and sleep at Windsor is the highest social honor that can be bestowed on a subject. The happy recipient is ever after regarded with due sensation of envy. The dinner menu is of the choicest possible description. The queen herself eats moderately, but the food must be of the best to suit her royal palate. The wines are of the rarest, although of late years the queen's medical man has prohibited her from indulging in Burgundy, claret or port wine, of which she was once moderately fond, and of which she is a dainty judge. Champagne was never her favorite wine, and she drinks it usually in deference to the preferences of guests, for the queen is mistress of the arts of tact and delicacy as hostess. Latterly a little Scotch whisky in apollinaris water is her usual beverage. When, by the way, she has finished each course, the guests also make a hurried end of the viands before them, for court etiquette never allows a guest to lag behind the queen. There is less stiffness at the queen's dinner table than at any other aristocratic dinner table in England. Conversation is kept up in a lively, shuttle-cock and battledore fashion, and many a laugh ripples musically above the subdued clink of the changing plates. No one ventures to address the queen initiatively, but so all-embracing is her interest in each guest that conversation is sparkling and most edifying throughout the meal. The dinner service is of the most elaborate description.

The queen retires about midnight from the drawing-room. She then devotes an hour or so to reading before she retires, selecting books of a quiet and poetic character. Who shall say that her much-bereaved majesty does not often spend that hour in reveries over the past, when her adored husband and accomplished friend and confidant was at her side to minister to that dependent woman's nature which is so sweetly hers by "divine right," not of kings, but of all womanhood?—[Annie Wakeman.

Two Men of Great Wealth.

Andrew Carnegie is the richest Scotchman in the world and he does not care who knows it. He began work at $3 a week and his income last year exceeded $1,000,000. He gives freely to charity and to public enterprises, but personally is inclined to enjoy life while he lives, and to take coaching tours through Scotland rather than leave a fortune for some one else to spend after he is gone.

John D. Rockefeller was also poor, but was lucky enough to secure good situations early in life. He stepped into the oil business from a position as bookkeeper at $100 per month. Now he probably is the richest man in the world, and the Company with which he is identified employs an army of perhaps 40,000 men. Although John D. Rockefeller's name alone is always associated with the Standard Oil Company, he has two brothers—William and Frank—each of whom has many millions which the Standard has earned.—[Chicago Mail.

Canary Birds in Church.

The people of the Knickerbocker Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., have resorted to something absolutely new. The edifice was opened on Sunday last, and when the congregation entered the building they found five canaries in as many bright, new wire cages, hanging in a straight line across the centre of the auditorium, about fifteen feet above the heads of the worshipers. The birds twittered and sang all through the morning services, but no one seemed to object to them. Even the preacher appeared to forget their chirping during the delivery of his sermon.—[New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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