NEWS OF THE WEEK.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Dr. Dennis Doyle, of Freehold, N. J., died suddenly in this city. He was 35 years old.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Emil Fey was drowned in the Schuylkill River in Fairmount Park by breaking through the ice while skating.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 29.—The fishing schooner Henry M. Stanley, the first of the Newfoundland frozen herring fleet, has arrived with 400,000 pounds of fish.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29.—M. A. Dauphin, for 20 years president of the Louisiana Lottery Company, is dead. He was a native of Alsace-Loraine and was 55 years old.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—James R. Garfield, son of the late President James A. Garfield, has taken out a license in this city to marry Miss Helen Newell, a Chicago lady.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Eugene Kelly, the banker, is ill with pneumonia at his home on West 51st street. His physicians consider him to be no out of danger.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Pa., Dec. 29.—The fire at the bottom of the shaft of the United mine is still burning and it will be a week before work of any kind can be resumed.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 27.—Gen. Spinner has failed perceptibly the last day or two. How long he must continue to suffer cannot be foretold. He is simply dying slowly.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Miss Anna Magdalena Ehret, daughter of the well-known brewer, George Ehret, of New York, was married to-day to Carl Baron von Zedlitz-Ceipe of Prisnig, Silesia.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 29.—A special meeting of the Mule Spinners' Association is being held here to-day to devise means of rendering support to the spinners of Clark's thread mills at Newark.

ST. JOHNSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 27.—While John Colson, of this place, was engaged unloading rails at the depot in this village, he was struck on the head by a falling rail and instantly killed. He leaves a widow.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The death is announced of Mme. Haussman, wife of Baron George Eugene Haussman, famous as Prefect of the Seine, under Louis Napoleon, while the latter was in turn President and Emperor.

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—The Gazette this morning announces the resignation of Sir John Hickson, general manager of the Grand Trunk Railroad. He will be succeeded by L. J. Sergeant, the present general traffic manager.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 27.—The police have captured nineteen members of a band of counterfeiters and $1,100 in spurious silver dollars. The coins are remarkably fine imitations of the genuine and are very dangerous.

WARSAW, N. Y., Dec. 27.—C. P. Wing, a painter, cut his throat with a pocket knife on his wife's grave here. He made a bad gash, but the jugular was not cut and he may recover. His wife died some months ago and since then he has been despondent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The Supreme Court of the State of Michigan has rendered a decision affirming the validity of the two cent per mile passenger rate law. The Michigan roads decided some time ago to ignore the law, being advised by counsel that it is unconstitutional.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 29.—A man giving the name of H. W. Bower of Philadelphia succeeded in passing two forged checks upon business men of this city. He came here for the alleged purpose of establishing a Pennsylvania bureau of Southern information. He has left the city.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A despatch from Constantinople says the French Government has renewed its assurances to the Sultan of pacific intenions in Africa, and at the same time asking for reasons for the extensive military preparations being made by the Turkish authorities in Tripoli.

MIFFLINTOWN, Pa., Dec. 27.—At a shooting match here a rifle in the hands of Samuel Dunn was accidentally discharged while he was in the act of putting on a cap, shooting Oscar Conrad, a boy in the crowd of spectators. The ball passed through his head, killing him almost instantly.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Minnie Wilkes, the wife of the manager of a laundry at 197 First avenue, accidentally caught her hair in the belting of the machinery of the place and had her scalp torn from her head before the machinery could be stopped. She will probably die.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Central Labor Federation reported that a communication had been received from the United Miners of Birmingham, Ala., stating that many of their members would be hungry before the year was out, and asking for assistance. The matter was referred for further consideration.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.—Herr Most addressed two meetings here last evening, one at Industrial Hall, for the German Anarchists; the other at Canmakers' Hall, for the Russian Anarchists. A very slim audience greeted Most, not more than 200 persons being present on either occasion. There was no excitement and not much applause.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—While intoxicated last night Michael Slavin and his brother Frank attempted to thrash the Beery family. After Tom Beery and his father, an old man, had been knocked down, Harrison Beery got out his revolver and fatally shot Michael Slavin and slightly wounded Frank. Tom and Harrison Beery have been arrested.

MARKET PRICES.

Latest New York Quotations—Market.

BUTTER.—State Dairy, h.f., new, fancy	30
State Dairy, h.f., new, good to choice, lb	25
Western Dairy, fancy, per lb	21
Western Dairy, good to choice, per lb	20
Western Creamery, fancy, per lb	27½
Eastern Creamery, good to choice, lb	26
Imitation Creamery, fancy, per lb	25
Imitation Creamery, good to choice, lb	24
Western Creamery, fancy, per lb	29
Western Creamery, good to choice, lb	27
Factory, fresh, per lb	22
BEANS AND PEAS.—Beans, Mar., choice	3.10
Beans, medium, choice, new	2.80
Beans, Red Kidney, choice, new	3.40
Beans, foreign, new	2.25
Beans, Pea, choice	2.30
Green Peas, new, bbls, per bushel	1.00
Beans, Lima, California, per bag	2.90
CHEESE.—State Factory, fancy	9¾
State Factory, full cream, choice, lb	9⅛
State Factory, part skim, per lb	6½
State Factory, full skims, per lb	⅛
DRIED FRUITS.—Apples, evaporated, ¾, ℔	16
Apples, sun-dried, fair to choice, per lb	11½
Raspberries, evaporated, new, per lb	30
Raspberries, sun-dried, new, per lb	28
Cherries, new, per lb	31
Blackberries, new, per lb	9
Huckleberries, per lb	19
Peanuts, new, per lb	5
Peaches, per lb	16
Hickory Nuts, per bushel	2.25
EGGS.—Eastern, choice, doz	27
Western, choice, per doz	26
Canada, choice, per doz	23
FRUITS.—Apples, ℔ Davis, per bbl	4.50
Wine Sap, per bbl	4.50
Apples, Greening, per bbl	5.50
Apples, Northern Spy, per bbl	4.50
Apples, Baldwin, per bbl	4.25
Cranberries, Capes Cod, dark, per bbl	13.00
Cranberries, Capes Cod, light, per bbl	11.75
Grapes, Western N. Y., 10 lb. basket	23
Lemons, Fla., per box	3.00
Oranges, Fla., fancy, per box	3.25
Orange, Fla., sang. ruins, per box	6.00
HAY AND STRAW.—Hay, No. 1, per 100 lb	70
Hay, Clover mixed	55
Hay, Salt	55
Hay, shipping	45
Long Rye Straw	85
Short Rye Straw	60
Oat Straw	55
Wheat Straw	45
POULTRY, ETC.—Live Western Geese	1.37
Chickens, near-by, choice, lb	8
Ducks, Western, per pair	75
Fowl, State, N. J. and Pa., per lb	8
Fowls, Western, per lb	8
Roosters, per lb	5
Turkeys, per lb	10
Chickens, Philadelphia, choice, per lb	17
Chickens, Western, dry-picked, per lb	11
Ducks, young, Long Island, per lb	14
Ducks, young, Phila., per lb	12
Tame squabs, white, per doz	2.75
Tame Squabs, dark, per doz	1.50
Grouse, pinnat, per pair	85
Partridge, per pair	1.25
Quail, per doz	1.50
Rabbits, Jack, per pair	1.00
VEGETABLES.—Potatoes, L. I., per bbl	2.75
Potatoes, N. J., Peerless, per bbl	2.50
Potatoes, N. J., Blush, per bbl	2.75
Potatoes, New Jersey, Queen, per bbl	2.75
Sweet Potatoes, Virginia, per bbl	1.75
Sweet Potatoes, N. J., per bbl	2.00
Onions, Conn., white, per bbl	5.00
Onions, Conn., red, per bbl	3.00
Onions, Orange Co., red, per bbl	3.00
Cabbage, Long Island, per 100	5.00
Egg Plant, Southern, per bbl	5.00
Turnips, Russia, Long Island, per bbl	1.25
Cucumbers, Fla., per crate	2.50
CATTLE.—Choice to extra	5.20
Good to prime	4.95
Fair to good	4.55
Sheep, per lb	5¾
Lambs, per lb	7

EXTORTED CONFESSIONS.

The Alleged Train Wrecker Says He Was Humbugged by Pinkerton.

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Detective Bob Pinkerton is not particularly happy today. In the Court of Sessions John Reed, the alleged train wrecker, was sworn to his own behalf regarding the train wreckings on the Central road during the strike last summer.

He declared that he was humbugged by Pinkerton into making the so-called confession about the wrecking of the Montreal express and the misplacing of the "cabbage switch" near Greenbush on September 4, and swore that of his own knowledge he knew absolutely nothing about either affair. Pinkerton, he said, showed him what purported to be confessions of Kiernan and Cordial implicating him, Cain and Burtt, and believing that he would better himself and being promised immunity from punishment and the services of the Central's lawyers he made the confession.

A GIRL'S FEARFUL DEATH.

Caught on a Bridge by a Train Running at a High Rate of Speed.

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., Dec. 27.—Emma Mather was killed during the day on a railroad bridge near Halifax by a train running at a high rate of speed. She was half-way across it, and realizing her danger, attempted to drop through the ties into the creek below.

The space was too narrow, however, and while she was trying to squeeze through the engine struck her. All her clothing was torn from her as the locomotive passed her, killing her instantly. Her body dropped into the creek, and some of the men who helped to carry the crushed body to the shore stopped to see if he could identify it. Suddenly he exclaimed, "My God, it is my sister!" The girl was 23 years old.

A BANK OWNER CRAZY.

His Failure Has Excited a Large Number of Small Depositors.

WOODSOCKET, S. D., Dec. 29.—The strain upon H. Listeven, owner of the Sanborn County Bank which failed Friday, has driven him mad. He was now being taken to have him examined by the Insanity Board and sent to an asylum.

Just before going crazy he gave instructions to the assignee to pay back some money to a few creditors who had made late deposits, but nobody knowing the combination of the safe it could not be opened. Small depositors lose about $20,000 and they are greatly excited.

Pullman to Reduce Wages.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The 1,500 employes at Pullman who work by the piece in the car works have been notified of a new scale of prices to take effect January 1. With some exceptions it means a reduction of about 10 per cent. in wages. Over 200 blacksmiths struck when the new arrangement was announced, but returned to work pending arbitration. Manager Sessions said to the men that railroad companies are asking for cars only at low prices and on long time.

AN ATROCIOUS CRIME

A Human Monster Nearly Exterminates His Family.

HE STABS HIS WIFE TO DEATH.

Wounds His Son and Daughter and Then Hangs and Shoots Himself.

The Butchery Deliberately Performed—He Commenced His Fiendish Work With Two Revolvers—His Children Escape After a Terrible Struggle—His Wife's Limbs Hacked and Full of Holes.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 29.—One of the most atrocious crimes conceivable, deliberately planned and as deliberately performed, was committed last night by a monster in human form a few miles southwest of Carlisle, in Wilkin County.

Carl Reher's family yesterday consisted of six persons—husband, wife, a son and three daughters—to-day the father and mother are dead, the son is hovering between life and death, and one daughter is dangerously wounded, the other two having escaped a similar fate only by flight.

Rehrer crime home about 9 o'clock from Elizabeth, where he runs a shoe shop, and after some pleasantry about presents, drew two self-cocking revolvers and began shooting at his wife, son and three daughters. He hit his son twice in the arm and stabbed him in the back with a carving knife as he was trying to escape from the house. The light went out in the midst of the shooting, and the three daughters got outside and hid themselves, one of them with a bullet wound in her shoulder.

Butchered His Wife.

Mrs. Reher was left alone in the house with the monster. He attacked her fiercely with the carving knife and stabbed her again and again. She fell, apparently dead, and he then went out to find his daughters and finish his work. He did not succeed and returned to the house. His wife was gone. The youngest daughter watched the scene from the haymow. Her father appeared at the door with the dripping knife still in his hand. He saw his wife crawling painfully on her hands and knees 50 yards away. He ran to her and again fell upon her with fiendish ferocity and plunged the knife repeatedly into her prostrate body. Then he returned to the house.

He Kills Himself.

Half an hour later several neighbors well armed arrived. The neighbors entered the house and found Reher stone dead, with a bullet in his brain and a rope around his neck. He had thrown the rope over a beam and put the noose around his neck, and as the noose tightened he had blown out his brains. He lay there with his own blood mingling in a pool with that of his wife and son.

Mrs. Reher also lay on the floor. She had only the strength to tell the story of the awful tragedy and then died. Her body and limbs were frigatfully hacked and full of holes. Any one of the half dozen wounds she had would have been fatal.

Everything in and about the place was soaked with blood and the scene was the most ghastly one that could be imagined.

KILLED HIS RIVAL.

Two Men Court the Same Young Lady and a Tragedy Occurs.

SCOTTDALE, Pa., Dec. 29.—A young miner named Plunter, of Moyer, and George Plutor, have been courting the same young lady, who is employed at Plutor's brother's boarding house at Stauffers. Yesterday Plunter called on his sweetheart. Shortly after George Plutor came in. The two young men shook hands heartily and seemingly were the best of friends. In the course of conversation Plutor invited Plunter upstairs. The latter accepted the invitation, and a short time thereafter the report of a pistol shot was heard.

The inmates of the house ran quickly to the scene, only to find the dead body of Plunter stretched on the floor with a bullet through his heart. Plutor was asked some questions on the affair, and his answers were so unsatisfactory that he was at once placed in custody and taken to jail charged with murder.

A Missing Editor Heard From.

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 29.—Nearly two months ago H. H. Mattison, editor of the Fargo Daily Sun, disappeared and no trace could be found of him. Yesterday a letter was received from him by his family dated Salem, Ore. He says in the letter that he remembers starting down the street after supper on the night following the November elections and knows nothing further regarding his actions until he found himself in Salem in a half famished condition. He is at present employed on the Salem Statesman. During Mattison's absence his daughter Belle has taken charge of the Sun, the paper not having lost an issue.

New Tin Discovery.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 29.—Louis Giraud, a prominent civil engineer, has arrived in this city with specimens from the new tin discovery which has recently been made on the Colorado River, in Llano County, 100 miles northwest of here. The deposit covers a large extent. Mr. Giraud brings the ores here to be sampled. He says new discoveries are being made daily, and 60 deposits have already been located.

The Railroad Presidents' Meeting.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Journal of Finance in its issue of this morning announces that the date for the meeting of the railway presidents to complete the reorganization of the new association has been changed from January 6 to January 9, and that the place of meeting has also been changed from Chicago to the Windsor Hotel in New York city.

MORE MURDERS SUSPECTED.

Frank Krulish Coolly Confesses that He Butchered Winnie Croupa.

SAYVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 29.—The funeral of Winnie Croupa, the young man who was killed in the woods back of Bohemiaville by Frank Krulish, took place yesterday from the home of his parents, near the scene of the murder.

A large number tramped through the snow from the surrounding villages to get a glimpse of the murdered man. The remains were in a stained pine coffin, which rested on two stools in a small room, which was crowded to suffocation by excited Bohemians who chattered in loud tones.

The remains were interred in a little graveyard known as Union Cemetery, not more than a stone's throw from the street where young Croupa was killed.

The murder was committed while Krulish was under the influence of liquor, and it was he who informed the neighbors of the crime and led them, with the dead man's father, through the snow to the place where the mutilated corpse lay.

When arraigned before Justice O'Brien Krulish confessed the crime and was committed for the action of the grand jury. Coroner Bennett of Patchogue impanelled a jury and the inquest will be held this afternoon.

In Riverhead it is said that Krulish while stopping at that place some weeks ago amused himself by torturing animals, and frightening women.

It is now strongly suspected that Krulish killed the 17-year-old son and namesake of Constable Josef Shasek, who arrested him.

It is also recalled that Krulish lived in Breslau four years ago when an aged couple named Sheidler were brutally murdered in their home and their bodies mutilated much in the same manner as young Croupa's was. The mystery of this double tragedy was never cleared up.

THE NEXT BIG FIGHT.

Turfmen Betting Heavily on the Result of the Dempsey-Fitzsimmons Mill.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29.—The interest in the Dempsey and Fitzsimmons contest for $12,000 and the middleweight championship is increasing, and the turfmen now here are speculating heavily on the result. Dempsey has a legion of admirers here, principally Eastern bookmakers and horsemen, who are backing him at even money.

Fitzsimmons, however, appears to be the favorite with the majority of sporting men, many of whom believe Dempsey is overmatched.

Dempsey is training at Chalean's Garden, Galveston, while Fitzsimmons is located at Bay St. Louis, and is already in condition. The Olympic Club, which offers the $12,000, is enlarging its amphitheatre for the contest and expending $5,000 in fitting up boxes and reserved seats. The private boxes will contain six seats and will be $100 each. The general admission will be $5, with reserved seats $10. The amphitheatre will seat between 986 and 1,000 spectators.

Already there is a demand for boxes from Galveston, Memphis, San Francisco and New York.

Jack McAuliffe, the light-weight champion of the world, will leave New York on January 2 for Galveston to second Dempsey. McAuliffe will arrive in time to put the finishing touches on the "Nonpareil" for the contest. He will bring considerable money to bet on the contest.

ASHORE OFF DEAL BEACH.

The Three-Masted Schooner Yale a Total Wreck.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Dec. 27.—The three-master schooner Yale of New Haven, bound for Baltimore came ashore at 7 a. m. opposite Deal Beach, during a terrific gale. It was the intention of the captain to make Sandy Hook, but so intense was the gale that before Long Branch was reached the blinding storm prevented him or his crew from landing, and loosing his bearing the vessel went hopelessly ashore.

For a long time the captain and his crew fought to save the vessel, resorting to all the plans that ingenuity could suggest to prevent the wreck. They refused, until compelled to do so, to signal for help. The struggle was watched by a number of people who went down to the beach. They cast both anchors, but they would not hold, and gradually the vessel was pushed ashore.

The Yale is owned by Armstrong & Hodgson, of Baltimore.

Her crew, consisting of Captain R. Alexander Simpson and seven men, were taken off the vessel by means of the breeches buoy.

A large bark is reported wrecked off Bay Head. The shore wires are down and no information can be obtained.

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

A New Jersey Town Shaken by an Explosion in a Powder Factory.

LAKE HOPATCONG, N. J., Dec. 27.—The residents of this place will not soon forget the explosion which blew up the cartridge house of the works of the American Forcite Powder Company near here at 7:30 a. m. The noise of the explosion was heard for several miles, and despite the heavy snow storm great crowds of people flocked to the works all day.

Two workmen, John R. Johnson and Mahlon Sperey, who were in the house at the time, were literally blown into fragments.

The remains of the two men were gathered up and removed to an adjoining shanty and the coroner notified.

THE WAR ABOUT OVER.

Big Foot is Captured and All the Hostiles on Their Way In.

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, S. D., Dec. 29.—Big Foot and 120 followers have been recaptured by Major Whitside, of the Seventh Cavalry. It will be remembered that they escaped from Colonel Sumner some days ago.

The hostiles now on their way from the Bad Lands will probably reach here to-morrow. The Indian troubles may now be said to be practically over, for the time being at all events.

A PENSION PROBLEM

Ex-Confederates to Go on the Government Pay Roll.

BUREAU OFFICIALS BOTHERED.

A Quorum Not Expected in the Senate Any Day This Week.

The Crisis Over the Cloture Bill Expected After New Year's—How the Struggle May be Prolonged—The House Will Adjourn To-Morrow Until Saturday—New Year's at the White House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—A pension problem has arisen under the new Pension law of last June. The act grants pensions to soldiers who served 90 days and are now disabled from earning a support provided they were honorably discharged.

The officials of the Pension Office were of the opinion that the act of June 27, 1890, did not include soldiers who had been in the Confederate service, as the act is silent in regard to this class of pensioners; neither does it repeal Section 4,176, or wind up with the usual saving clause, "All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

The question was referred to Assistant Secretary Bussy, who decides that claimants who served in the Confederate army prior to enlistment in the United States service are entitled under the act of June 27, 1890, and are placed on the same footing as all other Union soldiers.

Some of the official minds of the Pension Bureau are bothered to know what to do with those who were wounded or contracted disabilities while in the Confederate service. The only restriction that the act of June 27, 1890, makes, is that the disabilities must not be the result of the soldier's own vicious habits.

DULL WEEK IN CONGRESS.

No Quorum Expected in the Senate Until After New Year's Day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The holiday season has brought congressional proceedings to a standstill, and this week is likely to be even duller than last week.

It is not at all probable that a quorum will be secured in the Senate any day in the week, and in this event no business will be transacted, and adjournments will be taken from day to day. If a quorum should possibly be secured at any time, the Elections bill will be discussed.

The crisis in the Senate over the cloture rule is expected next week. On the 5th of January, the Republicans hope to have a full attendance, with their majority increased by the arrival of two Senators from Idaho. Then will come the tug of war.

The first fight will be over the adoption of Senator Aldrich's amendment to the rules giving the majority power to close debate. If the Republicans have a quorum present—and they have five more than a quorum on their side of the Senate—it will be comparatively plain sailing. If they have not, the struggle may be prolonged until the endurance of the Democrats is exhausted, or arbitrary measures are adopted by the Republicans.

In the House a three days' adjournment will be taken from Tuesday until after New Year's, and then another adjournment will be taken until next week.

THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

Arrangements for the New Year's Day Calls at the White House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The President and Mrs. Harrison will be assisted by the Vice-President, Mrs. Morton and the ladies of the Cabinet in receiving those who call at the White House on New Year's Day.

At 11 a. m. the Vice-President, members of the Cabinet, diplomatic corps, International American Monetary Conference and American International Railway Conference are due at the Executive Mansion. A quarter of an hour later are expected the Chief Justice and Associated Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, Judges of the United States Court of Claims and Judges of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. These will be followed by Senators and Repsesentatives, District Commissioners and judicial officers, ex-members of the Cabinet, ex-United States Ministers and officers of the army, navy and marine corps.

At noon will come the Regents and the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the Civil Service and the Interstate Commerce Commissioners, assistant secretaries of the departments, and heads of bureaus generally. From 12:15 to 12:35 the President will receive the Associated Veterans of the Mexican War, the Grand Army of the Republic, the Loyal Legion and members of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association of the District of Columbia. Visitors are expected to take their leave at 2 p. m.

Buried by Snow While Entering Church.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 29.—As Miss Zilla Milimore, operator at the Western Union Telegraph office in this city was entering the Methodist Church to participate in the service yesterday morning about 1,200 pounds of snow fell from the roof upon the young woman, bearing her to the ground. She was picked up in a dazed condition and taken to her home.

Says He Was Robbed of $14,000.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—A despatch from Fortoria, O., says: Frank Myers, a farmer and agent for agricultural implements, tells a thrilling story about three robbers relieving him of $14,000 near the scene of the Kuhns-Campbell murder. The robbers impersonated officers and put Myers under arrest and handcuffed him. He was then robbed. Marshall Neff fled the handcuffs off.

OUR EARLIEST COINS.

The Famous Hog Money Succeeds Wampum, Musket Balls, Etc.

The earliest coinage for America was that made in 1612 for the Virginia Company, at the Somers Islands, now called Bermudas. The coin was of brass, with the legend, "Sommer Island," and a hogge on one side, in memory of the abundance of hogges which were found on their first landing." This was the famous "hog money."

The earliest colonial coinage was in Massachusetts in 1652, a "Mint howse" being established at Boston, and the "quoines" being a shilling, sixpence and threepenny piece. Before this the currency of the colonists was a very mixed one. Musket balls passed for change at a farthing apiece, and were legal tender for sums under a shilling.

Tobacco and tobacco receipts were legal tender; corn and beans and codfish were also employed. Wampum, however, was the commonest currency of all. It was the shell-bead money of the Indians, and was soon accepted by the colonists as a convenient token.

There were two kinds of wampum—wampumeag, which was white and made from the conch or periwinkle; and suckahock, which was dark purple and made from the hard shell clam. The purple was worth twice as much as the white. The shell was broken in pieces, rubbed smooth on a stone till about the thickness of a pipe stem, then pierced with a drill and strung into necklaces, bracelets and belts.

The English, French and Dutch settlers at used wampum, the value being fixed in 1640 at six beads for a penny. The strings were called fathoms, and varied in value from five to ten shillings. Shell money has played quite an important part in the world's commerce. The small hard shell known as the cowry, is still used in India, the Indian islands and Africa in place of subsidiary coin.

In 1851 more than 1,000 tons of these shells were brought from India to Liverpool, to be exported to the coast of Africa in exchange for palm oil. In Bengal they are worth 32,000 to the rupee (46 cents), or about seventy to the cent. The cowry is a gasteropod mollusk, is beautifully marked, and is strung on a tough grass string for convenience of transportation.

The British Columbia Indians still use a variety of wampum made of haiqua shells. These they string up and use as an ornamental border to dresses, their currency value being one string for a beaver's skin.

Looking back to the pre-wampum days, it is learned that of the Aboriginal money of the American continent, the mounds in and adjoining the valley of the Mississippi have produced specimens of lignite, coal, bone, terra cotta, mica, pearl, carnelian, chalcedony, agate, jasper, gold, silver, copper, lead and iron, which were fashioned into forms evincing considerable skill and art. According to Prescott the money of the Aztecs and the nations in kin consisted of quills filled with gold dust and bags of chocolate grains. Chocolate is still used in the interior of South America for the same purpose, as are cocoanuts and eggs.

Recession of Niagara Falls.

The commissioners of the New York State reservation at Niagara, N. Y., held an interesting meeting recently. Mr. Bogard presented a report which showed that Niagara Falls has receded over two feet a year. He has made a survey of the falls showing the position of the crest lines and bluffs at the falls and furnishing statistics as to the recession of the falls since 1842.

The State geologist made a survey of the falls in 1842, and that is the earliest trustworthy record. Mr. Bogard found the total mean recession of the Horseshoe Falls since 1842 was 104 feet and 6 inches, which is an average of over two feet a year. The maximum recession at one point since then was 270 feet. The recession of the American falls in the same period was 30 feet, 6 inches. The total recession of the American falls since 1842 was 32,900 square feet, and of the Horseshoe Falls 275,400 square feet. The average recession of the Horseshoe Falls has been greater in the last four years on account of the falling of rocks a few years ago. The surveyors have placed monuments in such positions that further surveys can be readily made.

Mr. Bogard gave it as his opinion that the diversion of water from the Niagara river through the proposed tunnel would have no appreciable effect on the volume of water passing over the American falls. He estimated that 270,000 cubic feet of water pass over the falls every second. The point of division is 1.34 miles above the falls, and the capacity of the tunnel is 10,000 feet.

In every three feet of fall there will be a reduction of 1.3 inches of the tunnel's, or less than half an inch on each foot.

Lost Arts and Sciences.

Smoke historian thus speaks of the early textile and other arts:

"The textile and other arts which originated in Egypt previous to the Jewish captivity and in which the Phoenicians took so lively an interest would, in all probability have reached even a higher degree of perfection than they did had they been allowed to continue under such favorable circumstances; but after the subjugation of the nation by Cambyses, 525 years before our Saviour, the physical sciences, under a foreign yoke, disappeared, or rather ceased to be in Egypt. The Ptolemies, indeed, encouraged them; but under their successors the arts were chiefly controlled by the Greeians. The Egyptians had degenerated from the knowledge of their ancestors, whose hieroglyphics they no longer understood."—Dry Goods Chronicle.

An Illuminated Cat.

An illuminated cat is among the curiosities of the patent office at Washington, D. C. It is made of pasteboard or tin painted over with phosphorus and is intended to frighten away "rats and mice and such small deer," in the darkness of cellars and garrets.—[Chicago Times.

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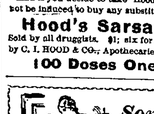

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"As my broker friend's throat became a little husky, it made him remember something long forgotten, and, turning to his brother, he said: 'I guess, Tom, I'll go up stairs and get a bottle of wine from that case I brought from France over twenty years ago.'

"By way of explanation to us, he told of buying a case of wine in France, to be used at a reception to be given him on his return home, but he found death had visited his family while on his way, and the wine was never used.

"'Here Reuben,' he called to his clerk, 'while I am up stairs you figger up how much that wine stands me to-day, costing $2.50 a bottle twenty years ago, and be sure you get the interest to a cent.'

"Well, the interest did amount to considerable on the whole case, and a happy thought seemed to strike Webster, as a large grin spread over his face; but he soon became very solemn again.

"In a few minutes the bottle stood empty, and such wine I shall never have the pleasure of tasting again.

"As we were making preparations to leave, Webster turned and said to my friend: 'George, I have thought of a plan whereby you can make some money.'

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