

MISCELLANEOUS.

Joseph D. Weeks, editor of the American Manufacturer and Iron World, died at his home in Pittsburgh from apoplexy.

The family of Henry Maddux, at Carlyle, Ill., are seriously ill from the effects of eating hogs' head cheese.

While attending a Christmas dinner John Drake Townsend, one of the leaders of the New York bar, died suddenly.

Mrs. Anna Hanson Dorsey, the pioneer of Roman Catholic literature in this county, died at Washington, aged 83 years.

The big Allan liner Scandinavian, eighteen days overdue from Glasgow, reached Boston Friday.

Rev. George Bryant and wife of Palmyra, Wis., have entered upon their fifty-third year of married life.

The body of Frederick Rainford, a farmer, who was found dead in his house last Saturday, still lies at the undertaking rooms in Cedar Rapids, Mich.

Of the 511 passengers that the French steamship Patria brought to New York from Marseilles and Naples, 200 are detained on Ellis Island by order of the immigration authorities.

Solomon Sayles, a New York wholesale dealer in provisions, has assigned to Charles A. Hess, without preferences.

MacPherson & Co., hat manufacturers in Toronto, Ont., have assigned. The estate is a large one, but no statement of liabilities has been prepared.

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VENEZUELA IS SLOW.

HER STATESMEN DISTRUST THE UNITED STATES.

The Full Treaty of Arbitration Between This Country and Great Britain Must Be Completed Before an Agreement Is Reached.

Washington special: Secretary Olney left the state department at 12 o'clock Monday and went direct to the English embassy, where he held a long conference, by appointment, with Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, relative to the status of the Venezuela settlement and the general treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain.

The officials themselves are extremely reticent, and will say only in general terms that the prospect of an acceptance of the settlement by Venezuela is good. It is understood, however, that there are important limitations to this acceptance, which appear to make the case less hopeful of an immediate and satisfactory conclusion than has been expected.

President Crespo and the government authorities have expressed satisfaction with the general results of the settlement so far as they secured arbitration, yet they have not yet expressed official approval of all the details of the settlement.

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The United States gunboat Annapolis was launched from Nixon's shipyard, Elizabeth, N. J., Wednesday.

SPAIN YIELDS.

WHI Accept the Mediation of the United States as to Cuba.

The Washington Post says it has been learned from an authoritative source that Secretary Olney and Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister, have practically terminated the negotiations on the Cuba question, which are to be submitted to Congress when it convenes Jan. 5.

Premier Canovas says that Spain cannot, of course, as a self-respecting and respected nation, stand before the world as having been coerced into measures by the United States.

As a result of the voluntary liquidation of the Atlas National Bank of Chicago, J. S. and William M. Van Nortwick, who held 464 shares of stock in that bank, and were borrowers therefrom to the amount of \$300,000, made an assignment to the Equitable Trust Company of Chicago, who took possession of the Van Nortwick's bank at Batavia, Ill., Monday afternoon.

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The Russian ambassador, M. Nelidoff, has warned the palace and the porte that if the revenues ceded for the service of the public debt are touched European financial control in Turkey will become inevitable.

Prof. Emil Heinrich du Bois-Reymond, M. P., F. R. S., of Berlin, is dead. He was a member and perpetual secretary of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Berlin, professor in ordinary of physiology in the University of Berlin, and director of the physiological institute.

It is now asserted that the abdication of his pretensions to the throne of Spain by Don Carlos in favor of his son, Don Jaime, is only postponed until the terms can be arranged.

The Madrid El Tiempo asserts that a high political personage is to be sent to Washington to confer with the officers of the government regarding relations between Spain and the United States.

CRIME.

Governor Stone of Missouri has offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of the man who assaulted Miss Kittle Ashwill in Sedalia Dec. 18.

At New York Max Becker, 30 years old, a waiter, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide. He was released from the Stamford (Conn.) insane asylum two weeks ago.

Thomas H. Fitzgerald, once a popular musician, was killed at New Haven, Conn., during a drunken quarrel. The police have been unable to secure an identification of his assailants, but they believe he received a knife thrust intended for another.

The body of August Shultz was discovered hanging in his buggy shed on his farm near Good Hope, Ill. Despondency is supposed to be the cause of his suicide.

HAVE A NEW SCHEME.

Train Robbers Steal a Chicago Express Train.

At 9:20 o'clock Wednesday night a train of the Chicago and North Western left Kansas City over the Alton railroad at 8:45. Blue Cut and came Masked men immediately covered engineer and fireman and compelled them to get down from their cars. The same time another member of the gang uncoupled the express car from the rest of the train. The robbers quickly climbed aboard the locomotive and the express car, and before the surprised trainmen had time to collect their wits the bandits were speeding down the steep grade beyond Blue Cut with the engine and the express coach, and Express Messenger A. J. Frier of St. Louis was a prisoner in the express car. How much booty was secured is not yet known.

MINE DISASTER AT PRINCETON.

Seven Men Killed by an Explosion of Firedamp in the Maule Pit.

Twenty men went into the Maule mine at Princeton, Ill., Saturday to make repairs. An explosion took place and seven men were killed.

Chester R. Faulkner Dead.

Chester R. Faulkner, the private secretary of Senator Voorhees of Indiana, who was knocked down at Washington Thursday night by a street car, died at Providence hospital Friday afternoon. He never recovered from the shock consequent upon the amputation of a leg, which was a necessary result of the accident.

FAIL FOR MILLIONS.

The Van Nortwicks of Batavia, Ill. Go Under.

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WON BY THE SANTA FE.

Allen Land Case Decided in Favor of the Big Corporation.

In the Jefferson County Court at Okaloosa, Kan., Monday Judge Louis Myers handed down a decision in the famous Santa Fe railway receivership case, holding in favor of the railway company. He declared that the alien land law, under which he had appointed a receiver for the property, does not apply to railroads. The other questions of law raised by the attorneys on both sides were not passed upon, Judge Myers holding that this point alone was sufficient to end the litigation. The attorneys for the plaintiff will take steps at once to carry the case to the Kansas Supreme Court on an appeal.

NITROGLYCERINE EXPLODES.

Two Men Killed in an Accident Near Montpelier, Ind.



SHRAPNEL SHELL AND RIFLE VOLLEYS FROM THE THREE FRIENDS GIVING A BARRAGE OF TWELVE-POUNDERS ON A SPANISH WAR SHIP.

CUBA MEETS CASTILE UPON THE SEAS.

self instead of an agreement for a treaty, and the present indications are that Venezuela will give no acceptance until the entire phraseology of the treaty, with all its terms and qualifications, is completed.

William L. Grimes, cashier of the Van Nortwick bank at Batavia, said: "Our depositors will not lose a cent, and it is only a matter of time when the entire affair will be settled up to the satisfaction of the creditors."

Concerning a statement sent out to the effect that the health of M. A. Hanna is breaking down it may be stated that, while the national chairman has been slightly indisposed for the last few days, his general health is excellent. For several days he has suffered from severe headaches, causing insomnia to a more or less extent. The attack, however, is expected to be only temporary.

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William Jennings Bryan spent an hour on his journey through Ohio, Friday morning. When he reached his lecture in Atlanta was announced that his lecture would be cancelled. It is understood that he looks with favor on his lecture engagement, and may ask to be relieved, remarked to a close friend that he had made a mistake in undertaking to deliver a series of nonpartisan lectures.

A meeting of publishers and manufacturers was held at New Wednesday for the purpose of taking action against the Loud postal bill, pending in congress. This bill to take all novels and periodicals of the second class. This means an increase of postage of from 1 cent per pound to eight cents. A committee was appointed to work against the bill.

One of the most imposing scenes witnessed in that city was the dedication of a new cathedral at Fort Wayne, Ind., which has been closed for several months, undergoing thorough repairs, costing over \$50,000. This is the finest church edifice in the West.

The Bank of West Virginia did not open Wednesday. The institution, capital and assets \$100,000. The failure was the result of the failures of the National Bank of the West and the National Bank of the West officials say they will pay depositors.

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