

GRIGGS COURIER.

NOTES OF THE TIMES.

PACIFIC coast farmers are busy plowing,

THERE is one school to every 1,300 persons in Austria, one to every 500 in France, one to every 700 in Germany, and one to every 600 in Grea Britain, Italy, and Spain.

THE Plonk family in Lincolnton, N. C., is long-lived. Joseph is now 98 years old; his sister, Mrs. Tethrow, is 100 years, and Mrs. Weaver, another sister, is 102 years of age.

STATISTICS in the New York Herald show that death by alcoholism in this country have decreased during the past fifteen years from a ratio of 111 to 45 in each 1,000 from all causes.

THERE are 57,781 men registered to vote at the Boston municipal election, where there are only 1,193 women who have cared to take the trouble to register in order to exercise the franchise.

THE locomotive cow-cathcher was invented by L. B. Davis, who is, still living in Ohio. He did not make anything out of his invention, being lacking in business tact, as inventors usually during the war; his first attack of rheumaare.

MME, RATTAZZI, a cousin of Louis Napoleon, widow of an Italian statesman, and married again at 58 to a young Spaniard, an authoress, and still pretty, is one of the most desperate gamblers in all Europe.

A GLASS as hard as any cast metal, and not more expensive than cast iron is stated to have been produced by Mr. Siemens, of Dresden, Experiments are being made to determine whether it can be used for rails on railways.

FOLLOWING are some of the high dwelling-houses in New York city; Osborne flats, 181 feet in height; Dakota flats, 155 feet; Munro flats, 155 feet; Novarro flats, 142} feet. The measurement is from the curb level to roof.

THE most beautiful Christmas cards imported from England are printed in Germany, The cards are designed in England, but they are sent to Germany, where the climate is better suited for delicate color printing and where more time is expended on Thomas, Senator Miller and wife, Congresstheir production,

THE luncheons given in Washington are characterized by a prominent color.





The death of Senator John A. Logan, at 8 minutes before three Sunday afternoon, Dec. 26, startled the country and produced emotions of regret and sorrow that the death of but few men, in public or private station ever call out, removing as it does a very important figure in American history and politics. It had been known for two weeks that he was suffering from an acute rheumatic attack, but its seriousness did not fully transpire until a few hours before his death, when the lurking brain complications became manifest and he was so exhausted from the force of the malady that there was

not the strength remaining sufficient to surmount that stage of the case. Gen. Logan's system was very sensitive to weather changes of a particular kind and he has often been heard to remark in a halfjocular way that he believed he could ac curately foretell the .coming of a snow

storm. The seeds of his disorder were sown tism having followed immediately the end of a 24 hours' march through a blinding snow snow. His last attack too resulted from a brief exposure to the snow storm of a fortnight ago, and his death preceded by but a few minutes the beginning of a

heavy flurry which, though brief, covered the earth with a thick carpet of white. After midnight Sunday morning it was apparent to his medical attendants that the end was near, and the fever that had seized upon ceased not its violence until death finished all. At two in the afternoon he exhibited the first sign of consciousness and as his devoted wife spoke to him in endearing accents he responded with a look of recognition, that though but momentary, was inexpressibly precious to her, and deeply touching to those that witnessed it, and again he lapsed into unconsciousness from which he did not again arouse.

At the head of the bed of the stricken Senator knelt Mrs. Logan, one arm encircling her dying husband's neck, the hand of the other stroking his forehead. At her side were John A. Logan, Jr., and the Rev.

Dr. Newman. Opposite these were the daughter, Mrs. Tucker and her husband, and Logan, the general's George nephew.

Among those at the bedside of the dying man were Senator and Mrs. Cullom and daughter, Gen. Sheridan, Senator and Mrs. Cockrell, Gen. Raum, Congressmen Henderson and Thomas of Illinois, and Mrs. man Symes of Colorado, Dr. Baxter, Gen. Henry Strong and Daniel Shepard and wife

of Chicago, and the General's private secretaries, W. B. Taylor and Albert Hall.

political position that are wonderful and just tributes to his fearless, honest character and the high and pure characteristics of all his aims. President Cleveland and all his cabinet, though inexpressibly shocked at his sudden death are as free and generous in their expressions as are members of the party with which the distinguished leader acted.

In the tribute paid to Gen. Logan by Mr. Blaine, that gentleman said: "Gen. Logan's loss to the Republican party is beyond computation. His personal following in the party was very great, and among the veterans he had almost the solid body. As a party leader Gen. Logan was singularly direct, manly and candid.

"Occasional statements as to jealousies and rivalries were without foundation. There never was an unkind word between us, and so far as I know neither had an unkind thought of the other. I say this knowing all it conveys and knowing all it contra dicts.

"The shock of his death is sudden, the sorrow it brings so keen that no full analysis of this remarkable man can be given at this time. Full tributes will in due time be paid to his character and services. I have had occasion to say before, and I now repeat that while there have been more illustrious leaders in the United States more illus trious leaders in the legislative halls, there has, I think, been no man in this country who has combined the two careers in so eminent a degree as Gen. Logan."

Arrangements for the funeral are not (on the 28th) fully perfected, though it has been decided to have the ceremonies at Washington Friday afternoon in the Senate chamber. Mrs. Logan has requested Gen. Sherman to take charge of the procession. The remains are to be taken to Chicago, but it is undecided whether the burial will take place there or at Springfield.

Domestic News.

There are 175 vacant cadetships at West Point.

A Chicago speculator with \$5,000 capital sold 50,000,000 bushels of wheat.

Forefathers day was quite generally cele brated in the eastern states Dec. 22.

John Fitzgerald, President of the Irish National League, urges that Irish-Americans hold meetings to protest against the evic-tion and coercion policy of the Tory Govern ment in Ireland.

There were a total of 55,547,040 cans of tomatoes put up from the crop of 1886.

Louisville and Nashville freight brake men to the number 69, struck on the 23d. The Wamsutta woolen mill at Fall River has closed down pending a settlement of the weavers' strike

An important meeting of the Interna tional Stockmen's Range is to be held at Denver, Neb., February Sth, 1887.

Senator Sherman in an interview declares that he is in favor of an appropriation of \$100,000,000 for coast defense purposes.

Mauroyeni Bey, First Secretary of the Turkish Legation at Madrid, has been appointed Turkish Minister to Washington.

The Norwegian bark Winona, from Para, arrived at Pensacola, Fla., with yellow fever on board. The vessel was sent to quarantine.

It is reported that the eastern and western sections of the Wabash system will be operated under different managers as the policy of the Receiver Cooley

Indian Commissioner Atkins decides that the Indian supply warehouse shall remain at New York, but St, Louis may partici-pate in the spring bettings, through a branch office to be established there.

being mobbed, and escaped in his night clothes to the custody of the sheriff. A judgment against the church property for several hundred dollars is alleged to be the motive of his action.

At Jackson, Mich., Arthur C. Hale died from the effects of injuries sustained by a toboggan slide.

A Chicago street car was smashed by a locomotive Monday. Four persons were hurt. but not seriously.

Nearly the whole business portion of the village of Pittsford, Mich., has been destroyed by fire, with a loss of upwards of \$50,000. John Daw of Mitchell, Ont., was gored to death by a bull Dec. 27th, and his wife fell dead at the sight of her husband's bleeding corpse

At Vilonia, Ark., every business house and the barns and cribs of the Harris brothers were simultaneously set on fire at 3 a. m. on the 20th, and everything was burned including mules, horses, cotton seed, corn and hay.

At Cheboygan, Mich., on theo23nd, the city hall and opera house were destroyed by fire. Loss, \$10,000; no insurance. The city jail, located under the city jail, located under the city hall, contained two prisoners, one of them an idiot named Doggy Dumas. Both were burned.

At Homestead, Pa., in Carnegie's Steel factory the crane broke which wasswinging a ladle containing six tons of molten steel which dropped into the pit causing a terrif-fic explosion and frightfully burning four men. The other workmen escaped.

December 25th witnessed a number of destructive fires. At Marquette, Mich., the Clifton House burned, with the loss of Clifton House burned, with the loss of \$37,000, guests barely escaping from disas-ter. At North Adams, Mass., the four story brick warp mill of W. C. Plunkitt & Son was fired by the explosion of a lighted lamp in the basement with which a workman was looking for a gas leak. The building and man were burned up and 100 employes are out of employment. Loss \$150,000, par-tial insurance. At Grand Rapids, Mich., an extensive burial casket factory burned, loss \$25,000. At Brooklyn, N. Y., an aniline color factory burned, loss \$90,000; one man endeavoring to escape being burned to

Crimes

Charles B. McKinney, sheriff of La Salle county, Texas, was assassinated near Catulia by James McCoy and Bud Crenshaw.

It is rumored that Walter Bingham, the murderer of Miss Lizzie Turlington at Ral eigh, N. C., has been captured in Canada.

San Francisco strikers Monday attacked two street cars, smashed the windows and beat the conductors and drivers. Two rioters were shot by the police, but not seriously injured.

At Champion, Mich., Sunday afternoon during the absence from home of a miner named Gribbell, three masked men forced an entrance into the house, bound Mrs. Gribbell hand and foot and made off with \$2,300. Attempting to call for help, Mrs. Gribbel was cut with a knife by one of the men, and her condition is serious.

Wm. Warner skot and killed Mrs. Ella Lynch, at Newton, Conn., Wednesday night, the house and shot himself. His body was found lying across that of his victim. He left a note stating jealeusy as the course of the murder and remorse the cause of sui-

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till midnight in the offit of the Baltimore America

It is believed that Senator Cockrell of Missouri will be re-elected, although he will be opposed by Thomas H. Sherwood, judge of the stata supreme court.

Henry E. Hayden, formerly of Marquette, Mich. but for three years past residing at Stillwater, Minn., upon the recommenda-tion of Messrs. Kelly and Doran and Sena-tor Sabin has been appointed clerk of the district court of Alaska.

The municipal election in Boston, Mass. on the 14th, resulted in the re-election of Mayor Hugh O'Brien, whose plurality over Hart, Republican, is 4,700, majority over all 1,137. The Democrats retain a majority in the Common Council. There was a consid-erable majority for license.

Chas. B. Farwell of Chicago, Ex-Gov. Hamilton, Gov. Oglesby, Congressman Payson and Cannon are all mentioned as successors to Gen. Logan in the United States Senate. The unexpired term covers four years. There are 204 votes in the Illinois legislature of which the Republicans have 110.

John Roach, the great ship builder, is dying; his family have endeavored to keep the critical condition of his health a strict secret for reasons of more than a purely sentimental nature. But at last they have given up hope of his recovéry. Mr. Hoach's physician says he may die at any moment. He is suffering from cancer of the throat, similar to that which caused the death of Gen Grant An operation was more than Gen. Grant. An operation was recently per-formed, at which a considerable part of the jaw was removed, but his sufferings continue to be very severe.

Ex Gov. Preston H. Leslie, of Kentucky. LX GOV. Freston H. Leshe, of Kentucky, has been appointed Governor of Montana, to succeed GoV. Hauser. Avho resigned on account of his private business, and recom-mended the appointment of Major Mc-Ginnis. Gov. Leslie is 65 years of age, hav-ing been born the same year with Senator Beck, stands high in the legal profession, is a stalwart anti-liquor man and is spoken of as being as good a Governor as Kentucky ever had. ever had.

The collections of internal revenue during the first five months of the present fiscal year amount to \$48,005,806, being \$792,509 less than the collections during the corres-ponding period of the last fiscal year. There was a decrease of \$2,441,614 in the collections was a decrease of \$2,641,614 in the collections on spirits; an increase of \$507,489 on tobac-co; an increase of \$1,041,003 on fermented liquors, and an increase of \$75,223 on miscel-laneous objects of taxation. The collec-tions from oleomargarine up to Nov. 30 were \$225,209. The total collections during No-vember were \$675,734 greater than those for November, 1855. There was an increase of \$101,939 on spirits, of \$199,012 on tobacco, and of \$166,015 on fermented liquors.

Gen. Logan has not been in the Senate so far this session and is quite a sufferer. Both arms are swelled till the skin is drawn almost to bursting, while the rheumatic pains in the sholder and chest are quite severe. Two doctors are in attendance, most of the time, to afford temporary relief. most of the time, to afford temporary relief. Two or three days of severe pain last week were followed by an improvement in his condition, but damp and foggy weather brought on another attack. The General is a philosophical sufferer and patiently awaits a turn in the weather which will bring a lasting suprovement. A Washingten special in the following shows the standing of Wisconvice mission

Lynch, at Newton, Conn., Wednesday night, and So'clock Thursday morning returned to the house and shot himself. His body was found lying across that of his victim. He left a note stating jealeusy as the course of the murder and remorse the cause of suicide.
At Grand Rapids, Mich., Jim Matthews was sentenced to Jackson, for life for murdering his mistress, Nancy Curtis, Aug. S, by cutting her throat. After killing the woman he used the the razor on himself, inficiting injuries in the throat from the effect of which he can he can hardly speak above a whisper. Both were colored and excessive drinkers.
At Medina, Ohio, at 1 a. m., Thursday, five men seized and gagged the City Marshows the standing of Wisconsin's junior Senator among his colleagues: Senator Dolph very courteously asked Senator Spooner to exchange committee chairman-ships with him. Mr. Dolph had just been made Chairman of the Claims Committee and Spooner of the Coast Defenses. Mr. Dolph preferred to remain at the head of the Coast Defenses. Senator Spooner is the youngest Senator. It is a high bonor for him to attain a chairmanship so early in his term. It is, besides, a high compliant to Wisconsin. Senator Howe held this chairmanship over ten years and Senator Angus Cameroa for six years. Mr. Reed, Senator Spooner's private eccretary, will be clerk of the Committee on Claims. shows the standing of Wisconsin's junior

endeavoring to escape being burned to death kroke his leg. At Denver, Col., M. J. Mitchell's jewelry store burned, loss \$20,000, insurance, \$5,000.

A yellow luncheon was lighted with olive candles; the flowers were yellow roses, the central strip of plush was yellow. At a pink luncheon the favors the extreme." were pink sachets, with a bunch of violets at the top of each.

In Philadelphia recently a wedding ceremony was performed with the Portuguese ritual. The couple stood under a silken canopy, which was upheld by four posts decorated with flowers, and at the conclusion of the ceremony the groom crushed a glass under his foot as a symbolic act.

MRS. CAROLINE A. WOOD died Monday in Cambridge, Mass. By her will Wellesley College gets \$50,000; Bates College, \$35,000; Avon Place Home, at Cambridge, \$2,500; the American ated." Board of Foreign Missions, \$5,000; and a fund for the establishment of home in Cambridge for aged women, \$25,000. The residue of the real and personal property, after the payment of the above bequests and legacies to friends and relatives, is left to be funded and used for the benefit of poor women.

A NBW musical affair, the humaniphone, was recently exbibited at a church fair in Worcester, Mass. The instrument consisted of young ladies, representing the tone of the rcale, arranged behind a screen, showing only it. their heads and shoulders. They wore white masks reaching to the mouth, and around the neck of each was sus- the term beginning March 4, 1871 and was pended by a ribbon the number of the scale represented. A young lady stood in front, who, with a wand, played tunes by pointing to the one whose number was the tone wanted, which ham of Shawneetown, Ill. To her associawas promptly uttered. Rounds and tion, genius and devotion he owed much of other pieces were sung, making a mnique and amusing affair.

"The scene," said Dr. Baxter, "was one of the saddest that I ever witnessed. All present were deeply affected. The grief of Mrs. Logan and her children was pitiful in

Gen. Logan was born in Jackson Co., Ills. Feb. 9, 1826. His father, Dr. John Logan came to Illinois from Ireland in 1823. His mother was Elizabeth Jenkins, a Tennesee lady. His early education was mostly derived from his father. After serving in the Mexican war he studied law with his uncle A. M. Jenkins. In 1849 he was elected clerk of Jackson County; in 1852 graduated at the Louisville university, and was admitted to the bar. From 1853 to 1857 he was a member of the state legislature, during a part of the time being county attorney. In 1858 he

was elected to the 36th congress and re-elected to the 37th. In 1856 he was a presidential elector on the Buchanan and Breckenridge ticket and in 1860 advocated the election of S. A. Douglas, but then declared that in the event of the election of Lincoln he "would shoulder his musket to have him inaugur

In August 1861, he resigned from Con gress and organized the 31st Illinois infantry and was appointed Colonel. He was severely wounded in the attack upon Fort Donelson and Fort Henry. In March 1862 he was promoted to Brigadier General and joined Grant at Pittsburg Landing, commanding the 3rd div. of the 17th army corps under McPherson, and for skill and bravery was made a Major General in Nov. 1862. A year later he succeeded Gen. Sherman in command of the 15th Army Corps. and in 1864, after the death of McPherson commanded the Army of the Tennessee. He

remained in active service until April 26, 1865. He was then offered the Mexican mission by President Johnson, but declined

In 1866 he was elected to the 40th Congress and to the 41st and 42nd Congresses, and chosen to the United States Senate for twice afterwards returned to that body. In 1884 he was candidate for Vice-President on the National Republican ticket.

In 1855 Gen. Logan married Miss Mary S. Cunningham, a daughter of Capt. Cunningthe greatness of his after illustrious career. The death of Gen. Logan has called out

The bill which was presented to Congress for the extirpation of pleuro-pneumonia creates a commission of three, whose service shall end when the disease is eradicated, and appropriates \$1,000,000 for the work pro-

The steamship Bretagne, of the French line, which arrived at New York on the 27th, brought 6,645,467 francs. The steamship Aller brought \$2,853,750. The total amount of gold imported since Aug. 21 has been \$31,525,267.

Commissioner Miller's report to Congress shows that there are eleven manufacturers of olemargarine, twenty-three wholesale and 177 retail dealers and 2,622,537 pounds have been sold, from which the Govern ment has received \$52,450.74.

Christmas day was exceptionally bright and beautiful throughout the country. Busness was universally suspended and the day observed as a religious and social festival of a marked character, with quiet unsen-sational ceremonies that brought joy and satisfaction to the hearts of millions, young and old.

The Washington monument commission report that their work is practically finished and they asked to be discharged. Their final report recites that all that remains to be done is to improve the terrace work at the base, to remove all possible sources of danger to the foundation. To provide means for operating the elevator in the shaft, and to arrange for the future care and preservation of the monument.

The Indian commission, consisting of Judge Wright, Col. Larabee and Dr. Mc-Daniels, arrived at Fort Buford last week,

en route to Poplar River agency. They were entirely successful in their visit to Berthold agency, and made an agreement with the Indians there to surrender all of their reservation except a portion thirty-five miles square, and to take lands in sev-arealty. eralty.

A street car strike began in Brooklyn, New York, on the 23rd, preventing the

New York, on the 23rd, preventing the operating of eieven lines of the Brooklyn city railway, the employes claiming that the company was not keeping its agreement as to hours of work. An attempt to run the cars under police protection failed, cars were upset and drivers and conductors assaulted. Merchants say the strike will cause them the loss of thousands of dollars during holiday week. 53 stages were hired by merchants to run from the bridge and ferries to their places of business.

Fires and Casualtles.

The Catholic church and priests residence at Bronssurd, La., were destroyed by fire, and Father Cunny the parish priest has been tributes from public men of all shades of arrested as the incendiary. He came near

shal, and broke into the court house and shai, and broke into the court house and attempted to force the safe in the County treasurer's office. After working three hours and having made little progress they were frightened away by people be-ginning to appear on the streets, and steal-ing a couple of vehicles drove away. The safe contained \$30.000, money just received from fax-navers. from tax-payers.

The Pinkerton agency made a capture of three men at Chicago, Dec. 25, one of whom is disclosed to be the man who has cut such

a figure as "Jim Cummings" in connection with the robbery of the Adams Express car on the St. Louis & San Francisco train, on the 25th of October last. The Interon the 25th of October last. The Inter-Ocean, of Chicago says the arrest is an un-important one, but it is vigorously stated from other quarters the long looked op-erators have been secured. It is not claimed that the "Jim Cummings" is the genuine one of the original Jesse James bandits.

Political and Personal.

P. T. Barnum has built three toboggan slides for the free use of the people of Bridgeport, Conn.

There is a growing hostility among the Chicago Knights of Labor toward Mr. Powderly and some want him deposed

Dr. Guernon has been again nominated for Collector of Customs at St. Vincent, Minn., and this time he will be confirmed.

The eldest son of Ex-President Hayes, a awyer at Toledo, Ohio, will marry Miss Mary N. Sherman of Norwalk, Ohio, Dec. 30.

Mr. Lawrence Barrett, the actor, is the only man who was been out riding with the President since his recent rheumatic ill-

De Witt J. Seligman. son of the head of the famous New York banking house, is about to publish a weekly paper to be called the Epoch.

Thursday night at New York the Editor of the World, gave an elegant dinner to Munkacsy, the Hungarian artist, who re-turns to Europe next week.

Sculptor Ezekiel has finished a little figure of Robert E. Lee to be placed in front of the house in Westmoreland county, Va., in which the general was born.

Mr. Bancroft, the historian, has a fine collection of unpublished historical papers which are to be free to historical students in the new congressional library.

Mr. W. W. Fulton, formerly Associated Press agent at Philadelphia, is now 74 years

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Foreign Budget.

Cholera is still spreading in the Brazilian cities.

The anti-rent agitation in Ulster is spreading daily.

Chamberlain says he still adheres to his original Irish scheme

Mr. Gladstone denies that Mr. Parnell ver visited him at Hawarden.

Sig. Marcantonio Canini of Venice, can speak ninety-three languages fluently.

The Czar has donated 1,000 marks to the fund for a monument to Auber, the composer.

Snow storms in the north of France have caused an interruption of traffic on many railways.

It is stated that Count Toistoi will succeed M. De Giers as Russian minister of foreign affairs.

Prince Nicholsoof Montenegro has called out 35,000 troops. They will be armed with repeating rifles.

Gladstone and his followers will support the government in all legal efforts to enppress the anti-rent campaign.

Parnell is now convinced that the condition of Irish tenants is worse than when he introduced his anti-coercion bill.

Franciscan friars have declared under oath that Abbey Liszt desired to be buried in the vaults of their monasteries.

The ship Gouten, from Rotterdam, for America, has been wrecked at Dover, Eng. Ten of the crew of thirteen were rescued.

Prince Alexander has caused a denial of Madame de Novikoff's statement that be used his position in Bulgaria to glean a fortune.

The American consulate in Berlin is about to be removed some distance from its present location, which is in the business center of the city.

England had a severe snow storm Sunday and yesterday. Telegraph wires were damaged more extensively than has ever been known before in the world.

Semi-official Berlin newspapers are discussing favorably a proposal to cover the expense of increasing the army by imposing a tax upon incomes of 6,000 marks and up-ward. The North German Gazette expresses old, and dallies with pen, paste and scissors the hope that the members of the Reichstag,

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