

DUN'S REVIEW OF THE WEEK.

All Signs Favorable for an Exceeding Long Holiday Business.

TRADE GOOD, COLLECTIONS IMPROVING.

Large Increase in the Export of Domestic Products—Broadstreet's Review of Wall Street—Business Failures.

New York, Dec. 11.—R. G. Dun & Co. in their weekly review of trade, say: As the holidays draw near all signs indicate a large volume of business at the present, with growing confidence of improvement in the future, except in parts of the south, where the unusual accumulation of cotton and its low price have a depressing influence.

There is no lack of money in any part of the country, except at some southern points, and the mercantile fact that the cotton now accumulated at a few ports and the interior towns represents fully \$60,000,000 in value paid to planters at once explains the difficulty and suggests that it is not permanent.

It is a good sign, also, that collections are, on the whole, improving, though slow at New Orleans and some other ports, and only fair in some lines at eastern cities.

Reports from all points of the country show a very fair activity in the distribution of merchandise. At eastern manufacturers are more busy and cotton staples firmer. At Hartford wool is more active. At Philadelphia the large stocks of cotton held cause a strong demand for money.

At St. Paul and at Little Rock trade is dull; at Nashville wool is close. At Montgomery the large stocks of cotton held cause a strong demand for money. At Detroit trade is equal to last year's and the outlook is favorable.

At Chicago the usual increase is seen in breadstuffs, but lack of confidence in the country causes some embarrassment, and perhaps part of the decline in receipts of cattle, butter and cheese. Merchandise sales much better than in previous months, and the demand ahead. At St. Louis holiday trade opened very strong, and generous distribution is seen in heavy clothing, shoes, groceries and liquor.

At New Orleans, though receipts of cotton are heavy and of sugar liberal, and the demand for all the great staples is good, collections are slow and the delay in payment of sugar bounties is especially noted.

The expected reduction in prices of carpets has come from the on the price Brussels to be on the carpet, which are now said to be cheaper here than in England. Among clothing the better classes are doing well, and connections in making rates from Kansas City and Omaha to Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Louisville via Chicago at the same rates as for the carrying of goods.

The Pennsylvania and the Big Four both have St. Louis lines and they objected to the Monon reaching out after the panhandle class of the Trunk road, and they are now in the hands of the Trunk road.

The monthly crop report gave little help to speculation. Wheat has been 1/2c higher and oats 1/4c. Moderate sales, but corn is 1/2c lower. Cotton is unchanged, receipts being still beyond the amount of the week last year. Pork products are slightly stronger; coffee 1/2c and oil 1/2c higher, with no active activity in any branch of speculative trade.

Exports of domestic products continue unchecked and for the last week were 44 per cent more than for the first week of December last year. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number 40, as compared with a total of 30 for last week. For the corresponding week last year the figures were 370.

Table with columns: CITIES, CLEARINGS, INCREASE, DECREASE. Lists cities like New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, etc.

WALL STREET. Bradstreet's Weekly Review of the Market.

New York, Dec. 11.—Bradstreet's weekly review of Wall Street—in spite of some discouraging developments, accompanied by bearish manipulation of the familiar professional type, the stock market as a whole has continued to improve both in activity and prices during the past week.

GRANGE SESSION CONCLUDED.

Last Hours of the Meeting Confined Strictly to Business.

NUMEROUS RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Trade Relations with Nebraska Institutions Discussed—Place of the Next Convention to Be Decided Later.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Nebraska state grange, which has been in session here since Tuesday, adjourned at 10 o'clock this forenoon for one year, subject to the call of the executive committee, which will fix the date and place.

A great deal of business was transacted in the closing hours of the meeting. The executive committee remained in session all day to wind up the business.

Resolutions were unanimously passed last night, and Master O. E. Hall and other prominent lecturers in the field for active work for the advancement of the interests of the order; instructing the State grange to cooperate with the State Agricultural department in holding farmers' institutes throughout the state; extending thanks to the people of Fremont for their kind and generous hospitality.

Believed to Have Killed Himself. JENNA, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The jury in the inquest on the body of Burton Waldron, who remains without trial here, was held here at 6 o'clock this evening.

It was found that he had committed suicide by taking laudanum with suicidal intent. He had made a will on Monday on November 14, saying that it was for his wife and child.

Dakota County Improvements. SOUTH SIOUX CITY, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Fifty men are working on Dakota county's new court house in this city.

The first story will be up in four more days at the present rate of progress.

Dakota City has secured an injunction, restraining the removal of the county records from that place to South Sioux City. The injunction expires with the present year.

Enlarging the Order. ELMWOOD, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Ladies' Grange last October had twenty new members join their order last night at this place.

Child Gamblers Disturbed. CLAYTON, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The arrest of the principal gamblers today has filled the lesser lights of the profession with dismay.

Sparks Talks a Little. NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—"Pompadour" Jim Corbett rode down town on the "L" rail car with a \$4,000 check in his pocket.

Several Criminals Sentenced. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Judge Chapman this morning passed sentence upon criminals who have been found guilty during the present term of court.

Discussing Religious Questions. ELMWOOD, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A discussion between C. H. Porter of Wilber, a Latter Day Saint minister, and Rev. Allen, a Baptist minister of Union, is in progress here.

Death Roll. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Richard G. Dove, the oldest employe in the government service, died today. He was a clerk in the treasury department and was appointed in 1824 during President Jackson's administration.

Harrison Desires a Mill. HARRISON, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The citizens of Harrison are now having long desires of securing a steam flouring mill but while the individual efforts of a few have been exerted nothing of a public nature had been done in this direction until last evening when at a meeting of the citizens, a substantial bonus of \$1,000 was advanced to the citizens.

Sold Another's Corn. AUBURN, Neb., Dec. 11.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—For some weeks past John Hopper, a farmer living eight miles north of Auburn, has had in his employ a young man going under the name of "Reddy."

THREE LIVE ISSUES ONLY.

Spheres of the Reform Politician Limited to Money, Transportation and Taxation.

OPINIONS OF A GREAT LABOR LEADER.

General Secretary Hayes of the Knights of Labor Talks About His Order and Its Outlook at Present.

Mr. John W. Hayes of Philadelphia, general secretary of the Knights of Labor, arrived in Omaha yesterday afternoon and organized a new assembly last night at Gate City hall.

Mr. Hayes is on his way to the Pacific coast, where he will organize several assemblies. Speaking last night about matters of interest to the Knights of Labor Mr. Hayes said:

"The three important questions that have been discussed are the single tax issue, port life issues and the single tax issue, transportation and money. These questions will not divide the Knights of Labor favor of the free coinage of silver, government ownership of the railroads and the taxation of land only. We realize that these things can not be brought about suddenly, but they are bound to come eventually."

About the Short Hour Day. "How about the eight-hour movement?" "The Knights of Labor favor the adoption of an eight-hour law, but we are convinced that the change must come gradually. It is not possible to jump from ten hours to eight hours a day without creating a great deal of confusion and paralyzing the country. The change must be made by half an hour at a time, and they must be general. The adoption of an eight-hour day is a matter of time, and we must have a manufacturer who has contracts to fill upon a twelve hour a day basis.

"We believe that eight hours a day is long enough to work and hope to see the day's work shored gradually all over the country until the eight-hour day becomes universal." "Are you getting hold of the farmers?" "Yes, the Knights of Labor organization and the alliance are getting nearer together all the time. There is a great deal of demand all over the country for the organization of new assemblies of the Knights of Labor, except to organize fully a hundred new assemblies before we return to Philadelphia. There is a general awakening all along the line."

May Break Into Politics. "What is likely to be the outcome of the contest of the organizations to be held at St. Louis February 22?" "That would be very difficult to state. All the labor organizations will be represented, no doubt, and the result will be a great demand upon both political parties. If the demands are not complied with there will probably be a lively revolution in politics."

"What will be the nature of the demands?" "I can not predict the exact nature of the demands, but they will probably be along the line of the reforms that have been advocated for some time by the laboring classes. The great trouble with our people here is that they do not want to accomplish reforms too suddenly. It takes a long time to reconstruct laws that the capitalists have been 100 years in getting passed. Patience and perseverance will be required. We look upon the adoption of the secret or Australian ballot by several of the states as a triumph for the laboring people, and other reforms are sure to come in the future.

Mr. Hayes said that Mr. Powderly still held a firm grip as master workman and leader of the laboring people, and other reforms are sure to be elected next fall to succeed himself.

CHRISTMAS FOR THE POOR. Santa Claus Charity Will Take a Practical Turn This Time. A score or more of ladies and gentlemen interested in charity work met last night at the Young Men's Christian association parlors and organized for the purpose of distributing Christmas presents among the poor of the city.

It was decided not to give a dinner or distribute a lot of presents to a congregation of little children, but to find the real need in families all over the city and solicit funds to supply them all with something practical for Christmas. A committee of four was appointed to follow the plan and Mr. A. P. Hopkins, Thomas Kilpatrick, Dr. W. J. Harsh, Rev. W. W. Dwyer, of Broad street, and Alfred Kennedy, Mrs. Jardine and Mr. A. P. Hopkins.

Another meeting will be held next Monday night at the Young Men's Christian association parlors at which volunteers will be organized to help perfect the organization of an army of canvassers and solicitors. The intention is to visit every family in the city and secure funds sufficient to furnish a good practical present for every one in actual need and deserving assistance.

An Appeal. A mass meeting of all Hebrew congregations is earnestly called for and will be held at the temple, Twenty-fourth and Harney streets, Sunday, December 14, at 3:30 p. m. The purpose is to find the real need in the city and means whereby the condition of the Hebrew people may be improved.

Arrested the Mayor. JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Dec. 11.—On complaint of Alderman Henry Schoenfeld, Mayor Thomas Kouvels was today arrested upon the charge of omission of duty and willful and corrupt oppression in office. The question of allowing Schoenfeld to use city water in an easement under a lot of ground was before the council. Kouvels refused to vote the matter to a vote. Hence the proceedings. The mayor was held in \$5,000 bail for trial Monday.

General Logan's Son Ill. YOURBURG, O., Dec. 11.—John A. Logan, jr., is ill with the grip. Telegrams have been sent to Washington calling Mrs. General Logan and Dr. Ritchie, and they are expected to arrive here early tomorrow.

Chicago Anarchists Appeal. CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The sixteen anarchists caught in the recent riot at Graef's hall were fined and their fines remitted, have appealed to the criminal court.

Death of the Ninth Victim. ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 11.—George Harris, the ninth victim of the Shepard block disaster, is dead.

THEY HAVE IDENTIFIED HIM.

New York's Dynamiter Claimed to Be from Boston.

HIS WIFE RECOGNIZES HIS CLOTHING.

His Name Was Henry L. Norcross and His Business That of a Note Broker—Southworth, His Accomplice, Same.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 11.—The Globe says that Henry L. Norcross of Sargent avenue, Somerville, a note broker doing business at 12 Pearl street, Boston, has not been seen at his office since the middle of last week, and the other occupants of his Somerville residence say he was killed in a railroad accident about that time.

New York detectives were in town trying to identify the missing man as the mysterious bomb thrower in Russell Sage's office last Friday. The detectives brought with them a trousers button and a portion of the trousers worn by the bomb thrower, as well as a piece of his coat and portions of his underwear.

According to the Globe the trousers button and the coat were identified positively by Mrs. Brocks, the wife of the bomb thrower, who is now in the city. The identification was made by the fact that the number upon the portion of the trousers worn by the bomb thrower, and brought here from New York today, corresponded exactly with the number upon the trousers worn by the bomb thrower, who is now in the city.

Further investigation tonight leaves no doubt in the minds of the police that the bomb thrower and Henry L. Norcross are identical. His father, who was seen tonight, believes that such is the fact. The identification of the clothing has been made complete by the discovery that the number upon the portion of the trousers worn by the bomb thrower, and brought here from New York today, corresponded exactly with the number upon the trousers worn by the bomb thrower, who is now in the city.

Much misapprehension, Mr. Kress said, existed regarding the size and some of the details of the body of the bomb thrower, who was a small animal. A well-dressed and educated man, he would weigh only about 300 pounds and a bull twice as much. Mr. Kress scouted the idea of an eight-foot man, who would be driven out of the herd by the younger ones.

He believed that the old buffalo separated from the young ones quite as naturally as the old men from the young men of the community of the younger members of the society. Buffalo hunting, it is said, was not profitable of any employment in the plains. A buffalo would be worth but \$1, and the attendant expenses were too great for a large amount to be cleared on the hides.

The fact that the buffalo hunting was worth \$2 to \$5 a calf of the buffalo, although the 45-caliber found many defenses. Coyote pelts were much more remunerative. Besides the coyote pelts were given for the scalp by the state, the pelts had a commercial value of about \$1. As a rule coyotes were not trapped for the fur.

Twenty pelts a night was the average number secured through this means. A gray wolf, trapped or shot, was worth from \$2.50 to \$5.00, depending on the quality of the fur. Contrary to the usual belief, elk and antelope were quite numerous on the prairies and in the mountains. It was not uncommon to see a herd of elk in the course of a day's ride, seven or eight herds of elk, and in one instance, a couple of wandering hunters, out of a string of four or five, secured one of the best.

The fur was sold by weight, a pelt of a medium-sized animal being worth from \$2 to \$5. Other furs were much more valuable, a pelt selling for \$7 or \$8, and occasionally bringing as much as \$11. The pelts were usually carried to the nearest city or to buyers located at convenient points, Lincoln, and later Hastings, were the more profitable markets. The fur was often distributed by speculation, the fur business was much damaged during the Franco-Prussian war.

GENERAL AMNISTY. Hypoite Has Forgiveness His Political Enemies. PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 11.—President Hypoite has issued a proclamation announcing a general amnesty to political offenders. The proclamation is received with great favor. Perfect tranquility prevails. The issuing of the proclamation indicates that Hypoite has decided to give up the idea of a general amnesty. All danger of rebellion or uprising in the near future is believed to be past. As the amnesty is general the opposition leaders, who are at heart revolutionaries, may be closely watched to prevent conspiracy against the government.

Established at Louisville. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 11.—John Caduhy of the Chicago pork packer, has bought here the plan of McCann, Shalleross & Co., together with the installation of a plant of the plant of Hucker, Taggart & Co., in East Louisville, also twenty-three acres ground south of the city. On the site he will erect a packing house and stock yards. The plant will employ about 100 men, and will ship from here to foreign points.

Itho's Assessment. BOISE CITY, Idaho, Dec. 11.—The state supreme court today decided that the State Board of Equalization erred in equalizing assessments by class. This practically renders void the assessments levied by the board. Much litigation will follow. It is said the decision will increase the tax of the Union Pacific road \$100,000.

Would Accept a Nomination. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 11.—Grand Master John M. Thompson of the state grange has been petitioned by many granges to be a candidate for governor. He stated today that he would accept the nomination if a party, but would accept the democratic nomination.

Stub Ends of Thought. DETROIT Free Press: Some family trees are very shady. The post has no writes the editor is bound to respect. A great deal of American "tin" goes abroad every year. Some women are of many minds. It pleases a man more to call him a fool than to have another do it for him. Opinions change and men change with them.

There is more joy than sorrow in the world, for man smiles a thousand times where he weeps once. In giving, act on the impulse. Never choose a charity. A virtue may be its own reward, but most people expect more. One time in a thousand, possibly, we find a thing worse than we thought it was. If God did not smile in the sunshine the white rose would be black.

Flatbush Justice. A Flatbush (L. I.) jury, having vainly fagged out its intellect on a case of assault and battery, wrote the judge a modest request as follows: "Dear Sir—Please send me at once one quart of quinine. My wife is very ill with malaria, and she has been in bed for several days." The judge, a half a dozen sandwiches and six pils' feet, and box best cigars. By order of foreman John Moore. Accompanying this was a verbal request for a pack of cards. The judge, a half a dozen sandwiches and six pils' feet, and box best cigars. By order of foreman John Moore.

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