

HOW ARBUCKLE DIED.

POLICE CERTAIN HE WAS DRUGGED TO DEATH.

Detectives Believe That the Denver Democratic Leader and Business Man Was Killed by Poison Used by Robbers—Not Slain by Footpads—A Chemist Analyzing the Stomach.

His Death Not Accidental.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The police of this city are confident that Frank P. Arbuckle, chairman of the Colorado Democratic committee, receiver of the Denver land office and leading business man of Denver, who was found dying in weeds on a vacant lot near the end of the "L" railroad, was drugged and robbed and then wandered in a daze to where he was found and died from the effects of the poison administered to him.

Four arrests have been made so far. The first was Frank P. Butler, a negro hostler and ex-convict. Then came George Stevens, a saloonkeeper; Joseph Davidson, a stenographer, and Frederick Menger, a bartender. The three latter are said to have been with Arbuckle on the night before his death. The investigation of the detectives showed that Wednesday evening Arbuckle was in Luchow's saloon at Fourteenth street and Irving place with three men. Stevens at first denied having been in Luchow's saloon with Arbuckle, but as he was talking to Captain O'Brien a detective walked in with Davidson. The latter at once recognized Stevens and said to him: "Hello, are you here in this case, too?" Stevens seemed nettled when this remark was made to him.

When Davidson was searched one of Mr. Arbuckle's cards was found. He admitted having met Arbuckle Wednesday night, and had arranged a meeting for today. This was why Mr. Arbuckle had given him his card, he said.

After this story was told another detective walked in with the prisoner Menger. All three then admitted having seen Arbuckle in Luchow's saloon on Wednesday night. They denied however, having gone up town with him. Menger said that Stevens was trying to get Arbuckle to go to Harlem with him "to go against a brace gambling game." He did not know whether Stevens had succeeded in getting Arbuckle away.

The detectives are now looking for a man known as "Sheeny Sam," who bears an unsavory reputation and whose haunts are in East Fourteenth street. The detectives have learned that he was also in the crowd accompanying Arbuckle while he was in Luchow's saloon.

Coroner's Physician O'Hanlon performed an anatomical analysis of the body of Frank P. Arbuckle, and told the newspapermen that the abrasion on the head was caused by the fall of the body. No fracture or indentation of the skull was found nor were there any marks of violence on the body. The stomach and intestines were badly swollen and they were sent to Chemist Withaner for microscopical examination.

Professor Withaner, the chemist, is making a microscopical analysis of the stomach of the dead man and has not yet made any report to the coroner's office.

AGENT WISDOM'S REPORT.

He Says that the Indians are Making Good Progress.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Good effects from the recent elections in the Chickasaw and Choctaw Indian nations in the Indian territory, which resulted favorably to the friends of allotment, are predicted in the annual report made to the Indian bureau by Agent Wisdom, in charge of Union agency. He says that the results cannot do otherwise than materially affect public sentiment in the other tribes, all of them having heretofore stood solid against the allotment of their lands.

A similar result, it is predicted, would be obtained in the Cherokee Nation if a fair vote could be had and the full-bloods allowed to express their true sentiments and wishes at the polls. The agent says many people of the Indian territory, both citizens and non-citizens, now advocate the election of a delegate to Congress who could explain existing conditions and secure remedial legislation. The question will doubtless be presented to the next Congress.

The report arraigns the action of past Congresses in the following conclusion: "Notoriously, much of the legislation in behalf of the Indian country has been controlled by members of Congress from the states on its borders, and it is not saying too much to state that selfish interests have swayed some of said members, and such legislation has been enacted that rather promoted the interests of themselves or their friends than the Indians whom they ostensibly proposed to benefit. The Congress, as a whole, either does not understand the Indian question or is indifferent to it, and hence much of the legislation affecting this country is practically in the hands of a few men who are not always wise in their day and generation. The election of a delegate would be much cheaper and more economical for the Indians themselves and would not require them to send from each tribe large delegations to secure such legislation as they think they need and to prevent such legislation as they do not want. It is anomalous that 300,000 people should live in a republican government without representation in our national forum."

BIG PLATFORM GIVES WAY.

Thirty People, 3,000 Bales of Cotton and Tons of Timber Go Down.

MAISON, Ga., Nov. 21.—Thirty people, 3,000 bales of cotton and hundreds of tons of heavy timber all went down in one loud crash at 7:30 o'clock last night at the Central railroad crossing in this city. Fourteen injured people, all employees of the company, have been removed from the wreckage, but it is thought others are beneath the cotton and lumber, and if so they are dead, or will be before they can be extricated.

GEN. MERRITT'S REPORT.

No Military Operation During the Year—Drill Halls Asked For.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The report of Major General Merritt, commander of the department of Missouri, headquarters at Chicago, says that the year has been singularly free from military operations and the frontiers have enjoyed peace and quiet. The troops have been engaged in perfecting themselves in drill tactics and gymnastics and have made great progress. He adds: "I earnestly recommend that at each post where cavalry is likely to be stationed a riding hall be constructed on the general plan of those at Forts Riley and Leavenworth. They are not expensive, and the benefit which results from their use in winter and other times to men and officers morally, physically and professionally is so great that cost of construction should not be considered. In this connection, I especially call attention to the necessity for drill halls at all permanent infantry posts."

MRS. DAVIS RECEIVES.

The Confederacy's President's Widow Guest of Honor at St. Louis Ball.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 21.—The sixth annual ball of the Daughters of the Confederacy was given in the Merchants' exchange last night, with Mrs. Jefferson Davis, the venerable widow of the leader of the Confederacy, and her daughter, Miss Winnie Davis, the guests of honor. The hall was elaborately decorated with the national colors and flowers, with a few drapings of gray. After Mrs. Davis and Miss Davis had been escorted to a seat of honor they held a levee.

The attendance was said to have been larger than at any of the previous balls given by the organization. Society people of St. Louis were nearly all present, and there were many others from adjoining cities.

WHAT THE GRANGE WANTS

Various Recommendations Made—Inter-State Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The National Grange, after being in session for ten days, completed its work yesterday. A very elaborate report from the committee on transportation was presented and adopted. It detailed many of the complaints against carriers, among them: "Elevator charges, manipulation of rates through 'milling in transit privileges,' cutting of export rates, so that the middleman can ship from the interior to the seaboard cheaper than the producers; the unintelligibility of rate sheets, posted at railroad stations," etc. The report recommended several amendments to the Interstate commerce law.

SHELBY CALLS ON BRYAN.

The Marshal and Ex-Candidate Exchange Courtesies—A Doe Shot.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Nov. 21.—Yesterday United States Marshal J. Shelby, who was in the Ozarks selling confiscated logs cut from government lands, made a visit to W. J. Bryan, who is now hunting in Taney county, and the two exchanged pleasantries, though General Shelby had strongly opposed Bryan during the late campaign.

After the general had gone Bryan, Senator Jones and others went out for a hunt. Bryan got a good shot at a fine doe and brought it down with one bullet. Otherwise he did not have much luck. The party will leave the Taney county park Saturday.

KEANE'S SUCCESSOR.

The Rev. Dr. T. J. Conaty Appointed Rector of the Catholic University.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 21.—A Sun special dispatch from Rome states that the Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Conaty has secured the papal appointment to the rectorship of the Catholic university at Washington to succeed Bishop John J. Keane, who resigned September 29. The Rev. Dr. Conaty is rector of the Worcester, Mass., Sacred Heart church and head of the Plattsburg, N. Y., summer school of philosophy. He is a man of high intellect and his activity has brought the school into high esteem.

OUR BATTLESHIPS.

Report of Commander Melville, Chief Engineer of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The report of Commander Melville, chief engineer of the navy, gives a detailed statement of the condition of all warships so far as their machinery and mechanical apparatus are concerned. As a whole it shows that all the modern ships are in good condition, except in a few minor instances in which machinery is being overhauled. The old-time ships are, as usual, reported as antiquated, but most of them are said to be serviceable, considering their age.

CLEVELAND FOR IT.

Tariff and Currency Commission Discussed by the Cabinet.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Among reports in circulation is one to the effect that the President will recommend the establishment of a tariff and currency commission. The subject has been discussed in an informal way by the members of the cabinet, and Mr. Cleveland is credited with having taken a very affirmative stand in the matter.

Gearty Sells for \$19,000.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—John R. Gearty, the fastest pacer in the world, sold for \$19,000 at Madison Square garden last night to Lewis J. Tewksbury, a banker of this city.

Three Deaths at a Grade Crossing.

CONCORD, Ky., Nov. 21.—An east-bound Chesapeake & Ohio train struck a buggy at the First street crossing last night and instantly killed A. L. Pullick, a young lawyer, and Misses Lulu and Lizzie Lind, daughters of the proprietor of the Lind hotel, who were returning from an evening party.

Hinshaw's Plea Opposed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 21.—The attorney general has filed an exhaustive brief in the supreme court opposing the motion for a new trial for the Rev. William K. Hinshaw, convicted of wife murder and sent to life.

WATTERSON'S VIEWS.

HE TALKS ABOUT THE RECENT ELECTION.

He Says the Election of McKinley Does Not Settle the Monetary Question—Gold Democrats as Much Against Protection as Ever—Presidential Elections are a Menace to the Country.

Watterson Not Optimistic.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—Hon. Henry Watterson has remained in this city since the election. His views upon the result of the national campaign just closed have been furnished in a revised interview.

"The election of McKinley is but the beginning of the end of the struggle which, one way or another, has been going on in the United States for twenty years. Mr. McKinley's election settles nothing. It merely moves flat money and depreciated silver dollars from among the rocks ahead."

Mr. Watterson was asked if the union between the gold Democrats and the Republicans could last. He replied:

"I do not see how it can. The differences are too doctrinal and radical. Mr. McKinley is an extreme protectionist; the sound money Democrats are sincere revenue reformers. Certainly, statesmanship is largely an affair of compromises. But to be effective and beneficial, the compromise must be logical and just. Nothing could be more desirable than a union among all law-abiding, order-loving citizens against whatever and whoever threatens the interests of the country."

"I think the country is safe for the present. That the future of the country will be equally assured I devoutly hope. But thoughtful men should not be lulled into fancied security because we have overcome the dragon of reaction. The dragon of agrarianism is yet abroad. The Bryan movement is most dangerous because it affected to speak in the name of the people. The whole people must come to see that there have been mighty changes going on in the world before such a government as ours can be both safe and free."

"In 1900 we shall have to face the same general question in a new form, and the issue will be, under existing conditions: 'Are orderly government and popular government concurrent possibilities?' and we are to have many presidential elections like the one just ended they are not."

"Unless the body of the people can be brought to realize the changes of a century of progress, every four years will witness a party taking the field in support of the alleged rights of humanity, whose very existence is a menace to the public order, the peace of society, the just balance between the sections of the Union, the money of the people, the credit of the nation, and every other good and perfect thing supposed to emanate from our republican system."

"What would you advise the Democratic party to do, Mr. Watterson?"

"What I would advise it to do and what it is likely to do are different matters. Perhaps it could do nothing better, by way of a starter, than to appoint the next 8th of January as a day of fasting and prayer."

SPECIAL W. C. T. U. NEEDS.

An Indian Missionary and More Money for Work Among Negroes Asked.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 20.—The executive committee of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union met in one of the parlors of the Lindell hotel to-day to transact business left over by the convention, which adjourned last night. Mrs. Murrow of the Indian territory asked that a W. C. T. U. missionary be sent to work among the Indians and whites in her jurisdiction. Mrs. Lucy Thurman, superintendent of work among colored people, made a request for a larger appropriation. Mrs. Marion B. Baxter, financial agent to collect for the national organization for work in destitute fields, recommended that a financial agent be appointed by each state. Mrs. Grubb, superintendent of work among foreigners, requested help for the support of a missionary on Ellis Island.

HANNA NOT INELIGIBLE.

The Republican Chairman Denounces Strongly an Alleged Interview.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 20.—H. A. Hanna stated to-day that an alleged interview with him wherein he was made to say that he was ineligible for the portfolio of secretary of the treasury was entirely untrue—a "pure fake."

While there has been more or less talk in regard to Mr. Hanna being barred from the treasury secretaryship by reason of his commercial interests, it is held by many well-informed persons that the law bearing on the subject does not apply and that the disability, if any, can be easily removed.

AGAINST BOUNTIES.

The National Grange Declares Itself Oppositely to the Lubin Scheme.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The National Grange adopted a resolution declaring it did not, and never had, endorsed what is known as the "Lubin proposition," to pay an export bounty on agricultural products.

A resolution was reported in favor of reciprocity treaties with all foreign countries on articles not grown or manufactured in the United States, believing such a policy would enlarge the market of American farmers.

The Probat Construction Company of New York and Chicago Falls.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—The Probat Construction company made an assignment in the county court to-day to Gustave Wilke. The company's headquarters are in New York.

The company built the Coliseum, the Schiller building, the Peristyle at the World's fair, the Fisheries building, Hagenbeck's building on the Midway plambase, the court house at Fort Worth, Texas, and a number of other public buildings. It had offices in the Schiller building until about a month ago.

A DENVER MAN DEAD.

The Probability Being that He Was Murdered.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Frank P. Arbuckle, one of the most noted men of Colorado, chairman of the Democratic state committee and a leading business man of Denver, was found dying in an obscure place on a vacant lot just off the sidewalk, in a lot of weeds, on the west side of Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-second and One Hundred and Fifty-third streets, at 2:45 o'clock this morning, and died in the patrol wagon on the way to a station house, without regaining consciousness.

Charles Horstman, barkeeper of the Atlanta Casino, near which Arbuckle's body was found, said that a man answering the description of the dead man entered the place about an hour before the time he was found unconscious and called for a drink of whisky. He appeared at the time to be partly under the influence of liquor. In paying for the drink he displayed a large roll of bills and then pulled from his pocket a heavy gold watch which was attached to a large gold chain. After taking the drink he left. That is the last known of his movements until he was found in the weeds nearly dead. No money except the small amount of change was found in his pockets, and he had no watch or chain.

It is surmised that Arbuckle got on an "L" train somewhere down town and, falling asleep, rode to the end of the line, then got off the train, walked down stairs and entered the Casino saloon, which is at the foot of the "L" stairway. After leaving the Casino he was probably set upon by thugs, knocked down and robbed, though no marks of violence were found on the body except a slight abrasion on the head, which might have been caused by a blow from a sandbag or have been received in a fall.

The neighborhood where Arbuckle was found has an unsavory reputation. There are a number of Raines law saloon hotels, frequented by boatmen and women of low character. Nearly every week the police receive a report of some robbery or knockout case in the locality.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 21.—Frank P. Arbuckle was born at Erie, Pa., in the early part of 1852. He had the advantage of an excellent education and early evidenced the business capacity which has led to his success. In 1879 he became connected at Russell, Kan., with the telegraph service of the Kansas Pacific railway company, whose railroad had been completed to Denver. Sometime afterward he organized the American District Telegraph company in this city, was its superintendent for a number of years, and showed marked executive ability in its management. Other organizations perfected and successfully operated by Mr. Arbuckle were the Beaver Brook Water company, which for many years supplied the citizens of Highlands, until consolidated with the Denver Union Water company. He was also president of the Cripple Creek and Central Consolidated Mining company. The Denver-Highlands Electric company was another of his prosperous business ventures. He was receiver of the land office at Lamar during President Cleveland's first administration and was appointed to the same position in the Denver office under the present administration. He was chairman of the state Democratic committee during the last campaign. He was married to Miss Emma Swift of Fond du Lac, Wis., a number of years ago. His home was at Highlands, a suburb of this city. He left a wife and two sons, aged 18 and 16.

CONTESTS IN KENTUCKY.

The Democrats Propose to Fight for All But One of the Electors.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 20.—Secretary Richardson of the State Democratic committee announces that the party has definitely decided to contest the election of the eleven McKinley electors in Kentucky. The Democrats concede the election of the foremost McKinley elector, S. H. Kash, who ran 24 votes ahead of W. H. Smith, the leading Bryan elector, who in turn ran ahead of his associates by over 2,000 votes, the other eleven McKinley electors receiving a greater number of votes than the other Bryan electors. The grounds of contest are given as irregularity and fraud in a large number of counties. The Republicans make as many charges of irregularity and fraud as the Democrats. The state contest board is composed entirely of Republicans.

NEW YORK BANK ROBBED.

The Assistant Cashier and \$69,000 Are Missing.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Richard V. D. Wood, who for six years past has been assistant cashier of the Metropolitan National bank, been helping the officers of that institution liquidate its affairs, is wanted on the charge of his appropriating \$69,000 of the bank's funds. He lives at Piermont on the Hudson, and a warrant for his arrest has been issued by United States Commissioner. It is generally believed that Wood has been gambling in stocks.

One Rabbit for Bryan.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Nov. 20.—W. J. Bryan and party arrived at the Taney county hunting party yesterday. Mr. Bryan and several other members of the party at once donned their hunting suits and started on a hunt for several hours. Mr. Bryan is not much of a hunter, as he missed several shots, but finally succeeded in killing a rabbit.

The Money Came Just Too Late.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 20.—Franz Mayer, who a year ago was a sergeant in the Austrian army, hanged himself to the bedpost in his room and was found dead to-day. He came from Brooklyn, where he had relatives. Not being able to obtain work he became despondent and killed himself just before money asked for from the relatives came.

Mrs. Helen M. Saxton Dead.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 20.—Special to the Post Express from Clyde announces the death of Helen M. Saxton, wife of the lieutenant governor of this state. She was 50 years of age.

NOTABLE GATHERING

REJOICING OVER THE DEFEAT OF SILVER.

Annual Banquet of the New York Chamber of Commerce—Speeches of a Congratulatory Character—President Cleveland Writes a Letter—Leaders of the Gold Men Lined by the Orators.

The Annual Banquet.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The 125th annual banquet of the chamber of commerce of the state of New York, which was held last evening at Delmonico's, was the most notable yearly gathering that has been held by that great organization. Considered in view of the outcome of the national election, it might justly be called a "commercial glorification," by the 400 members and the 300 guests who attended the dinner.

Many of the speeches were distinctly of a congratulatory character, and those who led the fight against free coinage were given unstinted praise, while every mention of their names was greeted with applause.

President Cleveland and Governor Morton were unable to attend the banquet, but they wrote letters which, when read, were received with wild cheering. President Cleveland said:

"Recent events may well cause those who represent business interests to rejoice in their escape from threatened peril. But while they have abundant reason for rejoicing and can view with the greatest satisfaction the support they have given the cause of sound money in the contest lately waged against it, earnestly hope that in this time of congratulation it will be remembered that constant vigilance and continued effort are required even to maintain present conditions; but that absolute safety will only be secured when our financial system is protected by affirmative and thorough reforms."

"When our business men are habitually alert and watchful, and when they are, moreover, fully aroused to the importance of such legislative action concerning our finances as business methods approve and the welfare of the entire country requires, much good may be confidently anticipated, not only in the accomplishment of practical results, but in the removal of hurtful prejudices, through an assurance to the people that business and patriotism are becoming more and more united."

The main hall in which President Alexander E. Orr and the guests of honor were seated was tastefully decorated. Large golden eagles amid groups of flags hung over the mirrors and windows.

Seated at the guests' table were the Rev. Dr. David R. G. Greer, Charles S. Smith, Samuel D. Babcock, Seth Low, Mayor Strong, General Nelson A. Miles, Whitelaw Reid, Governor John W. Griggs of New Jersey, Postmaster General William L. Wilson, Secretary J. Sterling Morton, Senator Joseph R. Hawley, Comptroller Eckels, Joseph H. Walker, W. Bourke Cochrane, Admiral Henry Erben, Commodore Montgomery Siard and Murat Halstead.

GANG OF ROBBERS CAUGHT

Davenport, Neb., Bank Robbers Arrested at Hanover, Kan.

HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 19.—Chief of Police Lepinski returned yesterday from Hanover, Kan., where he traced the Davenport, Neb., bank robbers, and succeeded in unearthing an organized gang of the boldest kind of robbers which had been operating through this part of the state for the last six months. Last Saturday morning the bank of Davenport was robbed of everything in the safe, amounting to several thousand dollars. The work was done by professionals. Chief Lepinski got onto their track and followed them to Hanover, where he arrested three of them yesterday. The robbers' den was what is called a "hole in the wall," and was run by one of the gang, who disposed of the stolen goods. In searching the cellar, the officer dug up about \$500 in gold, \$30 in silver, plenty of gold watches and jewelry, besides a large roll of scrip and several dynamite bombs. Among the silverware found was that which was taken from the Davenport bank, with the banker's name engraved on it. The fellows, when searched, had upon their persons \$1,300 in currency, several large revolvers and four large stilletos.

SOVEREIGN RE-ELECTED.

No Opposition to Him in the K. of L. Assembly.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 19.—The principal business of the general assembly of the Knights of Labor yesterday was the election of officers. James R. Sovereign, the present grand master workman, was re-elected without opposition. For general worthy foreman there were but two candidates, Philip L. Arnon, master workman of district No. 197, Jersey City, and Thomas B. McGuire of Amsterdam, N. Y., the latter being elected. General Secretary-Treasurer J. W. Hayes of New Jersey was re-elected without opposition.

NO REST FOR REPUBLICANS

The Congressional Campaign Committee Will Maintain Headquarters.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Secretary Mercer of the Republican congressional campaign committee, said to-day that there was practically no further doubt that the committee would continue active work during the next two years and probably until 1900.

WARNER AGAINST KERENS.

Prospect of a Test of Strength of Republican Leaders.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 19.—The announcement was made this morning that E. L. Morse of Excelsior Springs will be a candidate for United States marshal for the Western district. John A. Duran, Major Warner's firm friend, is a candidate for the same position and if the contest for the marshalship should settle down to Morse and Duran it would be virtually a contest between Kerens and Warner.

TWO WOMEN SLAIN.

A Mother and Daughter Shot at Liberty Missouri.

LIBERTY, Mo., Nov. 19.—When William Foley, son of Mrs. John Foley, an aged widow who lived six miles north of here, near Little Shoal church, returned to his mother's house last night about 9 o'clock, after taking his sister Amelia to the home of James Morrow, he found that his mother and sister Fannie, aged 36, had been shot dead while alone in the house and the place had been partly robbed. In one of the bed rooms were the bodies of the murdered mother and daughter, just as discovered and not yet cold in death. Both were robed in night clothes, which were saturated with blood.

A survey of the surroundings clearly showed that the murderer had entered the lumber room of the house, secured a shotgun and a bootjack that were always kept there, and returning to the porch, had thrown the bootjack through one of the windows, with the double purpose of making an opening and arousing the women. When they arose he had unquestionably fired a shot which passed through the lower part of Mrs. Foley's head, slightly wounded her daughter in the back and cut through the bed clothes, striking the wall. The supposition is that the women then fled to the adjoining room and that the murderer broke through the door from the porch and followed them, and then shot the daughter in the right side as she hung to the foot of the bed.

After firing a pistol ball into the girl's side, the murderer is supposed to have turned and fired the remaining four chambers of his revolver into the mother's body, two of the bullets having been found and the other two being accounted for by flesh wounds discovered in the examination of the corpse.

About \$50 was taken from the foot of the bed upon which the women had been sleeping. The dresser drawers in the room where the bodies were found had been ransacked, but a small cotton bag containing quite a sum of money was overlooked by the murderer, while a gold watch in another drawer had not been touched. A horse belonging to the place was found some distance from the house and the supposition is that the murderer had used it in escaping.

The officers and others are doing everything in their power to ferret out the murderer, and other agencies are at work on the case, and should they succeed in capturing the wretch a lynching is certain.

An organization of vigilantes has been formed in the neighborhood to assist in ferreting out the murderer and punishing him.

Three years ago a horse was stolen from Mrs. Foley and a man named Hoover was convicted and sent to the penitentiary. His term recently expired and it is said that he was seen twice in the neighborhood recently. A close search is being made for him.

HILL BREAKS SILENCE.

The Democratic Defeat Foreseen—Reorganization Not Now Advisable.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—In a letter to a political friend since the election, Senator Hill of New York declares that he saw that the Democratic party was foredoomed to defeat on the Chicago platform, which he could not bring himself to actively or openly support. Such being the case, nothing was left for him to do but remain absolutely silent and inactive.

To the suggestion made in the letter which drew the response from Senator Hill, that active steps be at once taken to reorganize the Democratic party "on historical lines," the reply was made that such a course would at present be unadvisable, that no immediate necessity for reorganization was evident, and that delay was advisable to give time and opportunity to allay the various feelings, jealousies and discords which the recent conflicts had aroused.

BRYAN ACCEPTS AN OFFER

Agrees to Deliver a Series of Non-Partisan Lectures.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 19.—It has been definitely arranged that William J. Bryan is to take the lecture platform, and his first address will be delivered at Atlanta, Ga., early in December. The man behind the enterprise is V. E. McLee of Norfolk, Va., the superintendent of the Seaboard Air line.

The terms of the agreement, from a financial standpoint, have not been made public, but it is reliably understood that the remuneration which Mr. Bryan is to receive will exceed the salary he would have received as President of the United States in the event of his election to that office.

The lectures will be non-partisan in their character, and will for the most part be upon governmental and social topics, as it is expressly stipulated in the contract that the tour shall have no political aspect or coloring.

Afraid of Foot Ball.

ATCHISON, Kan., Nov. 19.—The foot ball game between the Leavenworth and Atchison High schools, which had been arranged for next Saturday, has been declared off because of the objection of the parents of the players in favor of the death of young Serf a result of the game at Lawrence last Saturday. The Atchison High school team will play no more.

Official Returns From Illinois.

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Official returns from the state show that McKinley received 606,377 votes against 462,733 for Bryan, and Tanner 386,883 against 473,906 for Algrid, the respective Republican pluralities being 143,644 and 112,970.

A Couple Found Dead Together.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Nov. 19.—The bodies of James Ware and Mrs. Ella Ricketts were found on the Locust street viaduct of the Chicago and Alton railroad, with a bullet hole in the forehead of each. The man had evidently shot the woman and then turned the weapon on himself.

Corbett Willing to Accept.

BOSTON, Nov. 19.—James J. Corbett said last night that if no larger offer was made between now and Friday, he would accept the offer of President Cleveland to the Bohemian Sporting club to fight Fitzsimmons.