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Thanksgiving Day Proclamation. Following is Governor Holcomb's proclamation in reference to Thanksgiving:

Whereas, It is provided by statute that the governor shall, by proclamation, set apart one day in each year as a day of solemn and public thanksgiving to Almighty God for His blessings to us as a state:

Now, therefore, I, Silas A. Holcomb, governor of the state of Nebraska, in conformity to law and in harmony with the proclamation of the president of the United States, recently issued, hereby designate and set apart Thursday, the 26th day of the present month of November, to be observed as a day of thanksgiving and praise to the all-wise Creator for the many blessings so graciously bestowed upon the people of our commonwealth.

It is fitting and proper that we should as a people render unto Him humble thanks and sincere gratitude for the many evidences of divine favor which we are permitted to enjoy. The labors of all our citizens for the year now drawing to a close in the various branches of industry have not been without recompense. Bountiful crops have rewarded the toil of the husbandmen. Peace and tranquility prevail. The spirit of progress and advancement to a higher and better civilization exists among our people.

Let us, therefore, on this day abstain from secular employment of all kinds and assemble together in our accustomed places of worship and around the family altar and render unto God praise and thanksgiving for these many evidences of His kindness and His kindly petition to the throne of grace for a continuation of the favors of Divine Providence unto us as a people, and as a great commonwealth and as a nation.

Let us also remember the needy poor, the sick and the distressed not alone in our supplications but by deeds of charity and substantial gifts of those things which will alleviate suffering and distress, for "inasmuch," says the Lord, "as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the state of Nebraska. Done at Lincoln this twelfth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, the thirtieth year of the state, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-first.

SILAS A. HOLCOMB, Governor. By the governor: J. A. PIPER, Sec. of State.

The various state societies acting in conjunction with the University of Nebraska, have perfected arrangements by which speakers will be supplied to at least fifty or sixty of the farmers' institutes throughout the state. The superintendent is anxious to open correspondence with points desiring institutes or with those who are considering the matter in the hope that all dates may be set and speakers assigned by the end of November. The plan of organization is on the basis of sending to each institute a point from two to four capable speakers along some of the lines directly connected with farming. Among the topics which will be treated are, all the different branches of agriculture and horticulture, dairying, bee-keeping, poultry raising, etc.

Sioux county is without a dollar of indebtedness. Burglars broke into the postoffice at Hoskins and stole \$5.

Omaha is again booming the Trans-Mississippi exposition.

A heavy fall of snow occurred in Blaine county last week.

There has of late been a good many daring holdups in Beatrice.

"Grandma" Everett, the oldest citizen in Lyons, died last week.

About 300 delegates were present at the Grand Island sugar beet convention.

Major Cole, the evangelist, is holding a series of successful meetings at Hastings.

O. M. Thompson, chief train dispatcher for the Burlington, died last week.

Beatrice and Wynmore have formed a joint football team, and are open for engagements.

District court in Johnson county convenes Nov. 24. There are 75 cases to be considered.

Ed. Seifert, living near Lexington, lost his house and contents by fire. A defective flue was the cause.

Thieves entered the hardware store of Mr. Shadle, at Odell, and stole a lot of knives and razors. No arrests.

D. T. Hanks of Brock fell down the stairway in an Auburn hotel, receiving injuries that it is thought will prove fatal.

Section bets, whether involving financial exchange or wheelbarrow peregrinations, are being paid all along the line.

R. M. Butler, a stock buyer of Hardy, was thrown from a vicious horse and received injuries of a serious nature. It is feared they may prove fatal.

Gov. Holcomb has issued a requisition on the governor of Kansas for J. Fuller, A. A. Baird and I. W. Whiting, who are under arrest in Washington county, Kan., for burglarizing the Jennings State bank of Davenport, of \$2,500 and some jewelry.

Wm. Southworth of Gordon was convicted of cruelty to animals, and fined \$5 and costs. Complaint was filed by Mrs. Mary Hayward. The man nearly killed his horse beating it. He was given thirty days to pay his fine, in default of which he will be committed to jail.

Banks over the state are paying out gold on demand without any hesitation, and business of all kinds is improving.

The grocery and feed store of Tom White at Nelso, was entered and a small amount of money and groceries taken. Entrance was effected by breaking down the back door with an ax.

E. P. Nicholson, the brakeman whose skull was crushed at Beemer is doing well. He has become conscious, but cannot tell anything about how the accident occurred.

There will be eight republicans in the Nebraska senate. The opposition foots up twenty-five. The house will comprise sixty-eight fusionists and thirty-two republicans.

As a brakeman named Nicholson, whose home is in Hastings, was coupling a car at Beemer, he in some manner got his head between the bumpers and was seriously hurt.

A fire was discovered in E. L. Laycock's shoe and clothing store at McCook. Prompt action of the fire department saved the building. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

The state banking board has taken possession of the Bank of Paxton. The bank has a capital stock of \$10,000. Deposits in the bank amount to \$11,000, with assets ample to secure all depositors.

A hand car on the Union Pacific at Paxton was wrecked as the men were coming in from work by a water keg falling off in front of the car. George Raddle was badly cut about the head and his back injured.

Wm. Lyons, who was acquitted of cattle stealing in the district court of Pierce county, will commence suit against Knox county for \$35,000 damages. The case was transferred from Knox county to that of Pierce.

The house of T. J. Gist, vice president of the State bank at Falls City, was robbed Saturday night. Gist's trousers were taken from the house and the burglar got the contents, a sack of tobacco, a pipe and a five-cent piece.

The large barn belonging to G. W. Bemis in York county burned last week. It is supposed to have caught fire from an ash barrel near by. A cow which was in a shed adjoining the barn was also burned. Loss, about \$600, partly covered by insurance.

Burglars effected an entrance into Cross & Johnson's lumber office at Hildreth. When the office was opened next morning it was found that the safe door had been blown off. There was only \$10 and a check for \$38 in the safe, which were taken.

An election fraud has come to light in Decatur, whereby the second ward may be thrown out, and if such is the case, the local republican candidates will be declared elected. Several voters living on Holman's Island, which is in Iowa, cast their votes in Decatur.

Peter Hill was shot and mortally wounded by Leroy Quimby at Fargo, old Arago, last week. Hill is a carpenter, formerly of Hiawatha, Kan., and late of Craig, Mo. He was suspected of being intimate with Quimby's wife. Four shots entered his body, one of which passed through his liver. Physicians are of the opinion that he will die.

Beet growers at Norfolk report that payments due them have been deferred by the Beet Sugar company until a decision has been rendered by the supreme court upon the bounty question now pending. Under the terms of the contracts, growers are to receive \$4 per ton in the event of the company not receiving the bounty, and \$5 in case bounty is paid.

In the Nebraska senate-elect there will be 13 farmers, 6 lawyers, 2 editors, 1 banker, 3 merchants and 4 physicians. One druggist, a coal dealer, school teacher and real estate agent completes the list. There will be 74 farmers in the house, 11 merchants, 5 lawyers, 2 editors and the rest scattering all the way from a clergyman to a tombstone maker. One blacksmith is among the number.

4 Stoneking, the man convicted in Sioux county of cattle stealing, and sentenced to three years in the pen, has made a confession and implicated three others with him who are now under arrest. They are Hathaway Dodd, John Dodd and Archie Akers. It is thought that these last arrests will be the means of breaking up a gang of rustlers which have long been in operation along the R. & M. in that section.

Fred Holken was found dead at Talmage on the bank of the Nemaha river, by his father. He was arrested Saturday for disturbing a speaker at a ratification meeting, and put in jail. He was released next morning, and he informed several persons that he was going to take his life, and took his gun and started off, but people paid little attention to him, as he had made the threat before. He placed the muzzle of the gun in his mouth and discharged it with his toe.

Word comes that the beet raisers of Dodge county are feeling rather dependent over the year's crop. It was at first thought that the cold weather would render the beets in the ground wholly unfit for the factory. Some were dug recently that were found to have been frozen nearly their whole length. When first taken out they looked all right, but when cut open were black throughout. There is still about 100 acres in the ground, and it is probable they will prove an almost total loss.

The body of Bert Serf, the young student of Doane college who died from the effects of injuries received in a football game at Lawrence, Kan., arrived in Hastings last week, being accompanied by President Perry and Prof. Fairchild of Doane college. Captain Lee of the football team and a member of the Kansas state university faculty. The remains were escorted to the home of the parents of the deceased by a body of about forty former schoolmates from the city high school, and a number of sorrowing friends.

The ladies of Falls City had the honor of presenting a cane to Hon. W. J. Bryan. It is a very unique affair, composed of 45 pieces of wood, representative of the 45 states of the union. It was made by S. W. Decker, a Nebraska pioneer.

The cattle stealing case against Wm. Lyons was concluded in the district court at Pierce last week. The suit was commenced in Knox county and taken to Pierce county on change of venue. Lyons was forced to spend several months in jail at that place, as he could not furnish bail. He was acquitted, receiving hearty congratulations over the outcome.

M'AULIFFE GETS DECISION.

BESTS JIMMY CARROLL IN TEN ROUNDS.

OLD RIVALS MEET AGAIN.

Carroll Had Mac Going in the Third Round, but Was Unable to Follow Up the Gait—General Opinion Among Sporting Men That Both Have Outlived Their Reputations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23.—Jack McAuliffe, the lightweight champion pugilist of the world, and Jimmy Carroll, his old-time rival, and three times his antagonist in the ring for that honor, met last night before St. George's club in a ten-round bout to forever settle the question of superiority. In all their previous battles McAuliffe has been the victor, though never without a hard fight.

Although Carroll has passed his 40th year, he is a well preserved man, and has trained long and faithfully for this, perhaps his last fight, and was in prime condition. McAuliffe was also in good condition. Five thousand people witnessed the fight.

Betting on the fight has been quite brisk, with McAuliffe ruling slightly favorite at odds of \$9 to \$10, though considerable money changed hands at "even."

At the beginning of the fight McAuliffe adopted rushing tactics, forcing his opponent to the ropes repeatedly, but the pace was too hot to last, and at the end of the third round he had belows to mend. From that time on until the last round his blows lacked steam, and it was noticeable that whenever he got Carroll in a tight place, after one of these rushes, he dropped his hands and retreated to the center of the ring. The men frequently indulged in conversation during the last few rounds, but in such low tones as to be inaudible to those at the ringside. The consensus of opinion was that both men had outlived their reputation as fighters, and that they had agreed to make it appear a genuine fight, but to avoid a knockout.

The last round was a series of clinches, neither striking an effective blow, although frequent openings occurred. Referee Armstrong gave the decision to McAuliffe. The audience was not entirely satisfied with the manner in which the men fought the last round, but the decision seemed to meet the approval of the majority.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Gain in Volume of Business Continues Without Precedent.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review says: The gain in volume of business continues entirely without precedent. More than 300 establishments have started work since the election, which were idle, and at least 300 have increased working force, making 600 concerns which are known to have added largely to the number of hands at work, and those are only part of the whole number. Every day thus adds thousands to the number of those who are able to buy a week's supply of provisions and to make up gradually for many months of enforced economy. Already this brings a great increase in the volume of business and the clearing house figures, for the first time in several years, not only exceed those of last year by 10 per cent, but also exceed those of the same week in 1892 by 9 per cent.

Failures for the week have been 344 in the United States against 320 last year, and 40 in Canada against 42 last year.

South Dakota Still in Doubt.

YANKTON, S. D., Nov. 23.—The vote in this state is only complete on congressmen. The totals are: Republicans, 40,780; Populists, 40,989. Several contests are in progress, and these may change the result. Of the Republican state ticket, the lieutenant governor, secretary of state, treasurer, commissioner of public lands, auditor and superintendent of schools are elected. The governor is in doubt. The official canvass will be made December 3.

Not a Victim of Foul Play.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Nov. 23.—Dr. C. D. Adams of Parnell, Mo., who mysteriously disappeared from St. Joseph while visiting here last February, leaving his bride, was not the victim of foul play, as many people supposed. Dr. Adams was located at St. Paul, Madison county, Ark., a short time ago, but he suddenly left that place and just at this time his whereabouts are not definitely known.

Intimate Friend of Lincoln Dead.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—Henry Asbury, an intimate personal and political friend of Abraham Lincoln, and the man who framed for him the four questions propounded to Stephen A. Douglas at Freeport in the famous debate of 1858, is dead. He was 86 years old. Mr. Asbury for many years had been suffering from disease of the kidneys.

Fears That Hayti May Revolt.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—A dispatch from Kingston, Jamaica, says grave fears of a revolt are felt in Hayti, according to advices just received. The popular impression is widespread in "the Black Republic" that there have been heavy frauds in the ministry of finance, and it is suspected that President General T. Simon Sam is suppressing facts.

Denial From Vanderbilt.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Chauncey M. Depew said yesterday: "The grotesque story that William K. Vanderbilt had contributed \$150,000 to the Republican campaign fund has been authoritatively contradicted by the treasurer of the national committee. Mr. Vanderbilt is not a candidate for any position within the gift of Mr. McKinley."

THE NEXT HOUSE.

The Majority Against Free Coinage Will Be Forty-Seven.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The receipt of the returns of the late election in South Dakota makes it possible to complete the list of members of the House of the Fifty-fifth Congress. This shows 205 Republicans, 134 Democrats and 18 Populists. Of the Republicans, five are said to favor the free coinage of silver—Hilborn of California, Broderick and Curtis of Kansas, Linney of North Carolina and Beach of Ohio; and of the Democrats, two, McAleer of Pennsylvania and Elliott of South Carolina, are sound money men, so that the House will stand: Sound money, 202; free coinage, 153; majority for sound money, 47.

Table showing the distribution of members in the Fifty-fifth Congress by state, with columns for State, Rep., and Dem. Pop.

THE ANDERSON GRAY CASE

Pardon Application Under Consideration—Crime and Trial.

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 23.—The board of pardons is considering the application of Anderson Gray of Sumner county, who is in the penitentiary under a death sentence for the murder of Tom Patton, which was committed by Tom McDonald, now at large.

Gray was a well-to-do farmer and among his employes were McDonald and Patton. The crime was committed in June, 1893. McDonald claimed to have acted under hypnotic instigation by Gray and the latter was arrested, tried first and convicted. The supreme court affirmed the sentence. Perjury is alleged before the board, influential friends are interested and it is thought that a pardon will be secured.

Will Open New Territory.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 23.—Capitalists from Iowa and Vermont are looking over the route from Rich Hill to Eldorado Springs, Mo., with a view to putting in the long-talked-of Rich Hill & Eldorado railroad. The capitalists have contracted for the old road bed built from Eldorado to Walker several years ago. They state that cars will be running over the proposed route by May 1, 1897. This road will give a big territory now without a railroad a direct line to Kansas City, as the line will be connected with the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis at Rich Hill.

Judge Parker's Successor.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The name of ex-Congressman John H. Rogers, of Fort Smith, Ark., has been presented to the President for the vacancy on the bench for the Western District of Arkansas. Judge Rogers is strongly endorsed, and his selection is considered probable. It is stated that Senators Jones and Berry will not join in a senatorial fight to hold up the President's sound money nominations, if it will jeopardize Judge Rogers' chances.

Against Inheritance Taxes.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—Judge Carter of the county court, has decided that the inheritance tax law passed by the last Illinois legislature, is unconstitutional. If the decision of Judge Carter should be upheld by the supreme court, it would deprive Cook county of at least \$500,000 this year, and a steadily increasing annual revenue that would have amounted in less than a decade to over \$1,000,000 a year.

Maud Lewis Must Go to Prison.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 23.—The supreme court has affirmed the decision of the criminal court in the case of Maud Lewis. When arrested she will be sentenced and sent to the penitentiary for fifteen years for the murder of State Senator Peter Morrissey. The police have been trying to find a trace of her for two days in anticipation of the verdict, but without success.

A Saginaw, Mich., Bank Closed.

SAGINAW, Mich., Nov. 23.—National Bank Examiner Caldwell took charge of the First national bank of this city to-day and posted notice on the doors. No statement has yet been prepared by the bank officials.

For Bryan Again in Four Years.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Nov. 23.—The Jackson club, the leading Democratic organization of this city, adopted resolutions unanimously pledging support to Bryan in 1900. The resolutions paid a high tribute to Mr. Bryan and the resolutions were ordered sent to him.

Only 9 Years Old and a Suicide.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 23.—The 9-year-old son of Charles Y. Grimley of Fairfield county was whipped by his father for disobedience, when, telling his mother he would never be whipped again, he killed himself with his father's pistol.

Disowned By Don Carlos.

PARIS, Nov. 23.—The Gazette de France publishes a letter from Don Carlos, the pretender to the throne of Spain, to his followers, disowning his third daughter, Elvira, who eloped last week with a married Roman artist named Folchi.

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 Footpad—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 to-day. 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 autopsy on the body of Frank P. Arbuckle, and told the newspaper men 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 Withauer for microscopical examination.

Professor Withaus, 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.

MACON, 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 compress in this city. Fourteen injured people, all employees of the compress, 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 Jo 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 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.

Gentry Sells for \$19,900.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—John R. Gentry, the fastest pacer in the world, sold for \$19,900 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. Pollock, a young lawyer, and Misses Lulu and Lizzie Lind, daughters of the proprietor of the Lind hotel, who were returning from an evening party.

Hinslaw'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 E. Hinslaw, convicted of wife murder and sentenced for life.