

FRIENDLY INDIANS SENT OUT.

Departure of an Armed Band of Braves From Pine Ridge.

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Yankton Charley's Story of a Fight in the Bad Lands Confirmed—Great Excitement at Rapid City.

PINE RIDGE, S. D., (via Rushville, Neb.) Dec. 12.—(Special Telegram to THE BEE.)—Although every day, even to the saddling of the pack mules, seems in readiness for the military to move on the hostiles, yet the order to start has not been given.

"I have sent out no armed Indians," he answered. "Who did, then?" I asked. "Well, I didn't."

"That is singular." "What is singular?" asked the general. "That a big party of armed Indians, fully equipped for a long march, should leave here without orders from any of those in authority."

At this the general moved uneasily in his chair, and after stroking his forehead several times, said:

"I gave my permission for them to go out." "Who provided them with arms, etc.?" "I gave them no arms."

"Who did?" "That is another matter."

"Can you refer me to the person who will tell me?"

"I have them no arms and I do not think best to talk about the matter."

"Where are they going?" I next asked. "Did you see them start?" asked he in reply.

"Yes, sir. They started toward the bad lands."

"You are sure of that?" "I am."

"All right, then."

"Did they go to the bad lands?" I urged.

"How should I know," said the general, "since I did not send them out?"

From what I have been able to glean outside of official circles, it seems that the idea is that if this body of Indians go to the bad lands, fight the hostiles and get whipped, then the soldiers, a very large proportion of whom have been fairly aching to be turned loose on the rebels, will perhaps be given an opportunity to show what they can do.

Little Bat, as he is most widely known, another of the scouts sent back with the hostile chiefs who came in and had the council with General Brooke last Saturday, has returned and substantiates the report brought in yesterday by Yankton Charley, that the Indians had a big fight among themselves over the question of ceasing hostilities.

He says that while some may be able to make their escape from the hostile camp, yet many are bound to remain and meet the troops in battle.

Later—Since writing the above I have made another skirmish to discover who is responsible for sending out that body of friendly Indians armed, and to ascertain definitely whether or not they were going to the bad lands. It is said that by order of General Brooke the friendly chiefs that are here held a secret council yesterday at a remote point from the agency, and were told by a scout direct from the general that the latter wanted them to have their young men go out to the bad lands and bring in the hostiles.

The chiefs complied with General Brooke's request, and the result of the departure this morning of the armed company of young fellows, they go to bring them in, if not in one way then in another.

The peril which is anticipated as attending the important errand, it is thought by many, a great deal to do with the secrecy maintained in regard to the matter.

William Steele, one of the farm superintendents of this agency, has just arrived from Rapid City and brings intelligence that two companies of cavalry and 250 armed citizens left Rapid City yesterday for the bad lands. He says the people there are much excited.

C. H. C.

Movements of the Sixth Cavalry. CAMP ON SPRING CREEK, SOUTH FORK CHEYENNE RIVER (per courier to Rapid City, S. D., Dec. 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Two troops of the Sixth Cavalry, comprising five officers and 155 men and horses, all under the command of Major Perry, went into camp on Spring creek during the day. Several parties of friendly Indians were seen, but no hostiles. A rancher named Wilson was seen in the early part of the day, and with him were two cowboys. All seemed greatly excited, and said that they had seen the Sixth Cavalry advancing from one of the hills and had taken the horses, having taken the party for hostile Indians. He reported that they had seen a party of about forty hostiles some eighteen miles to the south, coming slowly northward. The hostiles had advanced guards thrown out and looked as though they expected an attack from cowboys or troops.

Charles Rivers, a government scout, came in late in the evening with a dispatch from Colonel Sanford and reported that he was in the vicinity of the hostile camp and that 150 lodges (about five hundred and fifty Indians) have left there and are camped at the mouth of the Hidden Butte creek, on their way to Pine Ridge tomorrow with the rest of his command and follow up the trail taken by Major Tupper and would then branch off north.

General Schofield's Advice. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—General Schofield received a telegram this morning from General Brooke, through General Miles at Chicago, saying that a few Indians in the bad lands had broken away and were marching north across the Cheyenne river, but the troops were on their trail and hoped to intercept them.

The Ranchmen Exasperated. GORDON, Neb., Dec. 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Settlers and cattlemen are getting exasperated and have notified the

Military that if the army cannot put a stop to the depredations of the Indians that the settlers ranchmen and cowboys would train the matter in their own hands and would not be responsible for the consequences, as their homes and property were being destroyed, and if the government cannot give them protection they will protect themselves.

Settlers Scared by Sioux. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 12.—The Journal's New Rockford special says: New Rockford people slept on their arms last night. A party of Sioux camped near the town and kept up the ghost dance all night. The Indians stole flour from the mill here until an armed guard was placed in the building. A few cattle were also killed. Settlers are coming in from all directions this morning.

An Oklahoma Indian Scene. NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 12.—A special from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to The Bee says a courier rushed in this morning and reported that one thousand Indians had gone into camp three miles from Oklahoma City. The Indians are the inhabitants of that place became alarmed and fled to Oklahoma City to ask the protection of troops. Captain Steele has telegraphed to Washington.

General Brooke's Report. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—General Brooke today received a dispatch from General Brooke at Pine Ridge, saying that from reports received he is of the opinion that Two Strike and most of the other chiefs are coming in. Short Bull and Kicking Bear, with a small following, went back into the bad lands. There was quite a fight and some of the Indians were hurt. He will try to get them into the agency, but they may get beyond his reach.

Reported Skirmishes. DENVER, Colo., Dec. 12.—A special from Rapid City, Dak., says that a squaw man brought in a story this afternoon that a fight had occurred between the troops and Indians near Kicking Bear several miles north of Pine Ridge, that number of the Indians were killed and wounded, and that the Indians were routed. The story lacks confirmation.

A special from French creek says that a party of Indians attacked eighteen white men today and four Indians were killed.

What White Swan Wants. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 12.—A Tribune special from Pierre says: White Swan, head chief of the Minnekahta tribe at Sioux at Cheyenne agency, came to this city today to secure counsel from the government authorities as to the best way to disarm Big Foot's band of hostiles, stating that his entire tribe, 700 strong, were ready to assist. White Swan stands high in the esteem of the whites, being one of the most advanced and intelligent Indians. He wants the Messian religion dispelled, stating that many of the Indians are now being misled by dancing outdoors during the cold weather. As no agency physician is allowed to go among them the disease is spreading rapidly.

IS BOYD NATURALIZED? A Curious Complication in the Case of Nebraska's Governor-Elect. CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 12.—A special from Zanesville, O., says: A curious complication has arisen in the case of Governor-elect Boyd of Nebraska. He was born in Ireland in 1834 and came to this city with his father, Joseph Boyd, in 1854. His father filed notice of his intention to become a citizen, but did not take out final papers until November, 1880. The son did not take out papers here, and it is stated that he has never been naturalized in Nebraska. The statutes provide that where a father is naturalized his sons under twenty-one years of age are naturalized. In this case the father filed his declaration in 1849, but did not take out final papers until 1880.

Business Troubles. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—P. McGura & Co., grain and commission, assigned today. Liabilities, \$22,000; assets, \$25,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Marr & Friend, who failed some two weeks ago, have settled with their creditors with notes payable in six, twelve and eighteen months.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 12.—The Davis platform company, manufacturers of barometers and binders, today went into the hands of a receiver. The assets are said to be about \$400,000; liabilities, about \$80,000. The embarrassment is declared to be only temporary and caused by the stringency of the money market.

MEADVILLE, Pa., Dec. 12.—It is understood that Delamater & Co. will propose to their creditors a compromise at 30 cents on the dollar.

New Western Freight Rates. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The Western Freight association has agreed that rates on soft coal from Springfield and Peoria groups to the Missouri river be made on the lowest combination of locals. It was agreed that the coal rate from Iowa points to Omaha be made on the basis of the Iowa distance tariff for short line distances plus 10 cents per ton. The lumber rate from St. Louis to Sioux City was made 15 cents. A rate of 10 cents was made on petroleum and motor oils in car loads from Chicago to St. Paul was adopted, the rate committee being instructed to check rates to Iowa points on this basis.

Will Study the Lymph. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—A supply of Koch's lymph was received today by the commission appointed by the university of Pennsylvania to investigate the method. All cases selected were admitted to the university hospital and a critical scientific study made of each.

More U. P. Switchmen on Strike. EVANSTON, Wyo., Dec. 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Union Pacific switchmen at this point are all out on a strike. They demand shorter hours and more wages. It is doubtful if the company will pay any attention to their demands.

He Was Short as Treasurer. TRIPPS, O., Dec. 12.—It has been learned that State Representative Brandt, who died two days ago, was \$0,000 short as treasurer of one township, Seneca county. He was also bankrupt, with liabilities of \$80,000 and assets of only \$10,000.

An Erroneous Statement. RIO GRANDE, Dec. 12.—The statement that the government had authorized the issue of a loan of 600,000,000 mirlis was erroneous. It authorized the new bank to issue notes to the nominal value of 600,000,000 mirlis against \$200,000 in gold.

Fatally Shot His Son-in-Law. DURAND, Wis., Dec. 12.—John Keyes today went to the house of George Hill, whose daughter he had recently married, but who had left him, and in the altercation that ensued Hill fatally shot his son-in-law.

A Public Building Bill. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Senator Spooner today reported favorably the bill for the erection of a public building at Bloomington, Ill., with an amendment reducing the appropriation to \$75,000.

The Death Record. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—Judge Mitchell of the supreme court of Indiana, died suddenly at his home in Goshen this morning of congestion of the bowels. His age was about fifty years.

The Weather Forecast. For Omaha and vicinity—Fair; warmer. For Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota—Fair; southerly winds; warmer Saturday and Sunday.

PARNELL IN A NEW GUISSE.

Disputing the Paternity of the Labor Movement with Michael Davitt.

HE MAKES A STATEMENT FOR THE PRESS.

More Favorably Received at Kilkenny Than Davitt and Healy—An Interview with the Deposed Chief.

[Copyright 1890 by James Gordon Bennett.] KILKENNY, Dec. 12.—(New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.)—This has been a rather exciting day. That part of Cork that went to bed early last night got little sleep before 3 o'clock this morning. Parnell's shouters have strong lungs and so long as there was anything to be made by staying up they stayed. Parnell appeared in a severe guise today. He was called upon early by the secretaries of two labor societies. They told him they recognized him as their chief and that Davitt was not the father of their movement. Parnell said Davitt claimed to be the father of everything. Soon after a small committee of the local league called and word was at once sent by Parnell to the correspondents of whom there were about thirty, that he had a statement to make. We filled the room in which he sat. His friends say he looks well, but he is so thin his clothes hang loosely, and his face is haggard, his eyes look tired and his voice is husky and almost gone. The exertion of the last couple of weeks has told terribly on him, but all his suffering is not physical. While talking to the correspondents he began sipping, but afterwards stood up. He talked slowly as if weighing each word. The gist of his statement is as follows:

"I have for several months considered the questions relating to the different bodies of Irishmen, the position of the national league and the position of the labor movement in Cork county, and have considered how far I or your leader can and ought to reconcile the interests of the laborers' movement with the interests of the national movement." He added that he did not consider the task insuperable. His thoughts and instincts had always been with the workingmen of Ireland; it had always been his desire to have on his side the hardy sons of toil, and he looked to them for every consideration. He would return the compliment fully and hoped they would not shrink.

Davitt would have been amused to hear his words taken out of his mouth by the man who always fought against the introduction of such a question into Irish politics. This is not the Parnell of other days. He is being absolutely unknown in manner and coming absolutely unknown in name. He does not carry his hands in his pockets ready to grasp any chance to gain his ends, and if Irishmen love any isms they care to have Parnell advocate, now is the time. Politics next statesmanship is his business. Only his thick-skinned adherents claim that the people of Cork are for him. By people they understand voters. He has shouters and is likely to have them wherever he goes, but the tide against him is growing stronger. In the church of St. Peter and St. Paul, a priest this morning advised his hearers to take down the Parnell pictures from their walls. They have been taken down from many walls of late and they are no longer the favorite chime.

By shouters by the hundred saw him leave Cork for Kilkenny this afternoon. There were fifty Queen's college students in the throng. He spoke for a few moments. It was the same old speech—he felt as if winning so long as the people of Ireland were at his back. There was a terrific cheer from the Irish youth. At the small stations on the line some of the hundred saw him, and Port Arlington the crowd was divided, half cheered and half groaned. Some said to Parnell, "May the curse of God meet you." His adherents and opponents were almost equally violent.

There was a great crowd at the Kilkenny station. Sixty police made a passage. The workingmen's club received him and there was great cheering as he drove to the hotel. It was generally admitted that there was a small percentage of voters in the crowd, still Parnell received much better treatment than Davitt and Healy here today. Healy was booed vigorously, but Davitt not so much. If there are not desperate collisions before the next members for North Kilkenny are elected everyone will be surprised.

It is impossible yet to say how the election will result. Both sides are confident on the surface, but the Parnell side can't explain why and the other side can't explain why. The other side has the priests and they are doing effective work. Healy and Davitt are alone so far. Parnell has William Redmond, Fitzgerald, Mahoney, O'Kelly, Harrison and Nolan with him.

I had an interview with Parnell this afternoon. In it he said: "The manifesto of the delegates in America represents the situation as they imagine it before the split, but not the situation as it actually was. It is not strange that this should be so impossible. We could have communicated with them but had no time. It was my desire to have the situation fully explained to the interested party to discuss calmly all points of difference and permit the country to express its views and have, either through elections, or as you have witnessed in Dublin and Cork, communication between the seceders and the delegates in America. But they reply in full to our communication in a limited short cable from O'Kelly to O'Connor, and two or three other short telegrams. Why so much haste if the good of the party and the love of their country actuated the seceders? My object has been to preserve the unity of the party. If, after the whole party had considered fully the situation and Ireland had been given the opportunity of doing the same, and both had demonstrated their belief in the propriety and necessity of the action taken by the seceders, there would not be two parties in Ireland. The wreckers of the party saw their chance. With O'Brien and Dillon absent the wreckers had more weight than with these men here and forced the game. These wreckers are the people whom we fought when the movement on which the Irish party originated was born. They are the whigs of Irish politics. Their views have never been our views, but circumstances were too strong for them and they accepted ours; but their discontent has been long ranking in them and they grasped the first chance to create a split. I am confident of winning. I am certain that I have the people of Ireland with me. The result of the election in Kilkenny will certainly be an indication of the general feeling, but not beyond question. It is a country in which my views are not so favorably entertained as elsewhere, but in spite of that belief we will win. There is our candidate, Vincent Scully, a landlord in Tipperary. He has been a home-rule and moneyed supporter of the cause for years. No, I do not

consider the day of compromise past. It may be difficult to effect, but I am not the one to put it out of the question, and if O'Brien and Dillon want to secede in Paris I will be glad to meet them there."

There are men in the party with whom Parnell can never hold intercourse, and when I asked him how the lion and the lamb lay down together he intimated that the people would settle that at the polls. Parnell goes to Waterford tomorrow night and to Tipperary on Sunday to attend a demonstration for which great preparations have been made.

A meeting of some of Hennessy's chief supporters was held last tonight at the Imperial hotel at which Mayor Fenton presided. There were several priests there. Timothy Healy and Sir Thomas Edmond spoke. Healy said a good war-cry would be "Cuckoo." Anti-Parnellites entered the National league rooms in Dublin today and secured the books. Healy says Parnell will be made to account for every penny. He claims money was used for corruption purposes which belongs to tenants. The mutual bitterness is intense both among the leaders and generals of both sides. I have been asked my politics a dozen times tonight and rather staggered my questioners by saying that I was a democrat.

MURDERER POPPIN'S VICTIMS. Four of Them Buried—Latest Story About the Arkansas Tragedy. FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 12.—Mrs. John Miller, one of the victims of Charles Joplin's gun, died this morning, and this evening her mother, mother and daughter and Dr. Stewart were buried at the same time. At last accounts the body of the murderer, Joplin, was still lying where he had been shot in a block of ice in Missouri and an uncle named Joe Hatter at Springfield, Ill. Investigation brings to light that Joplin seduced Miss Miller and called on her to marry him. She refused, and he shot her. Stewart refused and told of the affair. It was reported that Joplin was going to be arrested and shot at a friend here yesterday that he was going to Texas, but in place of doing so he shouldered his gun and started for Jenny Joplin, who was sick in bed at home. When he reached that place he went direct to Stewart's store, and when the latter saw him coming he grabbed his Winchester and placed the muzzle of the gun to his trigger, but the gun failed to fire, and he was shot instantly by Joplin, who put three loads into his victim. He then proceeded to Miller's and shot her. Campbell's shooting back the daughter fired one shot at a twelve-year-old girl as she ran off, shooting her in the hand. Joplin then placed the muzzle of the gun to his forehead and pulled the trigger, scattering his brains around promiscuously. Joplin, his wife, his mother, his sister, and his brother-in-law, were all shot and were lying in the lower part of the state and was on his way home. Joplin has been in this section some thirty weeks, working for the Missouri Pacific, and was well thought of. He was a fine specimen of physical manhood and was known as one of the best shots in the west.

Banker Pretzmann Indicted. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The grand jury this afternoon indicted Banker Pretzmann, whose bank went to the wall a short time ago, and Edward C. Johnson, on charges of embezzlement. Captives for their arrest were at once issued. The basis of the indictment is the receipt of money from depositors when the insolvency of the bank was known.

Pretzmann and Cashier Johnson were subsequently taken into custody and later removed to the Chicago jail. The lumber company and Pretzmann's estate were scheduled today by the assignee at \$485,000.

Indians Moving Northward. ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 12.—A Fort Keogh, Mont., special says: Two bands have disappeared. The Indians under Short Bull and Kicking Bear are supposed to be united and moving northward. The intention of securing the reservation in North Dakota, or crossing into Canada. Fifty lodges and a band of stolen ponies are with them. The report is that the matter of capturing and heading them off and deliver them to Fort Lincoln.

Mexicans Studying Pork Packing. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—A party of Mexicans and Americans from Mexico are here studying up the pork packing business. One of them in an interview said that the Mexican government will undoubtedly pass a law which will prohibit the exportation of the McKimley bill. In anticipation of this the gentlemen are studying up the business in order to start the industry in Mexico when the law is enacted.

This Refers to Somebody. LONDON, Dec. 12.—At a conference between the Aborigines Protection society, a number of members of the house of commons and the leaders of several religious bodies a resolution was adopted regarding the introduction of an inquiry into the atrocities committed in Central Africa "by English explorers and other adventurers."

An Anti-Negro Convention. HORSTON, Tex., Dec. 12.—The white republican convention met here yesterday in accordance with the call. Addresses were made advocating the supremacy of the white man over the negro and holding that the government should be run by white men, and not by negroes. The attendance was small.

Murder at Salt Lake. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 12.—During a quarrel today Edwin Scott, foreman of the carpenters working on a building, was instantly killed by William Diamond, who drove a nail into Scott's forehead. Diamond murdered man's wife is supposed to be in Mount Pleasant, Ia.

The Situation Serious. CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 12.—A telegram from Monongahela, W. Va., says that the situation among the striking miners is becoming more serious hourly. The so-called peace party of the association in favor of the adoption of the Conger land and anti-option bills.

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A PROTRACTED AND EXCITING MEETING.

Jack McCall Still the Preferred Candidate if a Republican is to be Appointed—The Reapportionment Bill.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 513 FORTIETH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.

The meeting of the Nebraska delegation to recommend a successor to the late Judge James W. Savage as governor and director of the Union Pacific railroad company was the longest and most exciting of any heretofore held. The names of nine candidates were considered, viz: Frank Murphy, J. W. Paddock, George L. Miller, Henry W. Yates, Hugh G. Clark and J. N. H. Patrick of Omaha, and W. H. Manger of Fremont, J. E. North of Columbus and R. S. Bibb of Beatrice. Very positive preferences were expressed for the different candidates by the several members of the delegation and disagreements were developed which it seemed almost impossible to harmonize. The members of the delegation named their first, second, third and fourth choices, and after protracted balloting and consideration it was found that the easiest candidate to harmonize on was Major J. W. Paddock.

It was finally unanimously chosen and his name was accordingly presented in a strong letter of recommendation to the president, subject to the prior recommendation of J. H. McCall, whose name was again very vigorously urged as the first choice of Nebraska if a republican should be considered.

REAPPORTIONMENT. The census committee met this morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of listening to the arguments of the democratic delegation from the city of Brooklyn, which promised that if it was given an opportunity it would show conclusively that there was a good deal of republican fraud in the enumeration of the City of Chicago. Congressman Felix Campbell, the spokesman, and he was to be aided by the corporation counsel, and he was going to produce volumes of figures with which to confront and astound Superintendent Porter, but Campbell's showing proved to be a complete fiasco. He admitted very readily as soon as he entered the committee room that he had no evidence whatever to present, and asked that the matter be indefinitely postponed. Congressman Dunne, the chairman of the committee, asked Mr. Campbell to be more definite in his showing, and he was made to induce Superintendent Porter to produce the report, but Mr. Porter replied that he had never received a solitary word of complaint from any of the old officers of the city in regard to the matter, but, on the contrary, the greatest satisfaction with the supervisor had been expressed. This was admitted by the delegation, and it was a total gain.

This matter is of interest, because the New York and Brooklyn alleged frauds have been reported to the census committee, and a great deal has been made about alleged attempts to deprive that city of state legislation. Mr. Porter has shown very conclusively that the amendment to the constitution in New York city an amendment will be added to the bill after it shall have passed, and no member of the population in the city will be charged with so much more than that reported as to warrant the change.

This reapportionment scheme meets with approval on both sides of the chamber, and aside from the democratic faction opposition to the bill it is believed will pass eventually in the shape in which it is reported to the house tomorrow.

The most important feature is the section which is designed to prevent gerrymandering by providing that the maximum number in any district shall not exceed another, and also that there shall be more compactness in the formation of the district.

A DENIAL FROM SECRETARY RUSK. The attention of Secretary Rusk was called this evening to a dispatch from Chicago in which it was asserted that he had been interviewed and had expressed himself in very strong terms against the introduction of a trust, and had said that he knew that such a trust existed, because he had been offered stock in the concern. Mr. Rusk says the dispatch is entirely untrue, and what would be called "a fake" in a newspaper office. "I have never been interviewed by any newspaper, and politics either in a near or remote way since the election," said the secretary, "and I have persistently refused to express any opinion on any subject, and as to the matter of the question, I do not believe that American agricultural implement manufacturers are unable to dispose of their products abroad at lower prices than they receive at home. The story that I have been offered stock in the concern is equally false with the others."

MISCELLANEOUS. In the senate today Mr. Allison introduced a petition and resolution from the Iowa Stock Breeders' association, adopted at their meeting held in Oskatoosa, December 3, protesting against the decision of the interstate commerce commission required dressed hogs to be carried at as high a rate as live ones, and asking for legislation by congress setting the rate at 10 cents per hundred pounds.

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STRUCK A SNAG AND SUNK. Loss of the City of Baton Rouge with Two Deck Passengers. NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 12.—The Anchor line steamer City of Baton Rouge, from St. Louis, struck a snag near Hermitage Landing this afternoon and sunk. Two unknown deck passengers are known to have been drowned. It is reported that six or seven passengers were on board on the way down were lost, but this is not authentic. The steamer was valued at \$75,000 and the cargo at \$100,000.

HORRIBLE MURDER IN PARIS. A Husband Kills His Wife and Then Murders Her Body. PARIS, Dec. 12.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—A horrible murder of a wife by her husband was committed in this city today. Mme. La Cassine, wife of a workman who was recently released from jail, after serving a three months' sentence, refused to maintain marital relations with her husband. Her refusal enraged La Cassine, who, upon meeting her on the street today, again requested her to assume her former relations with him. She again refused, whereupon La Cassine drew a revolver and fired four shots into her body. The woman fell to the sidewalk and her husband, drawing a knife, attacked her with fiendish ferocity, horribly mutilating her about the lower portion of her body. He then attempted to kill himself.

THE FEDERATION OF LABOR. Samuel Gompers Re-Elected President of the Organization. DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 12.—At the convention of the Federation of Labor this morning the delegates elected only two from the convention and to the international labor congress at Brussels.

Support was pledged to the painters, who will strike for eight hours pay next.

Congress will be petitioned to forbid United States enlisted musicians from competing for business with free musicians.

The convention decided to only have five members of trades can hereafter be delegates.

On the question of the readjustment of the executive board and the power of the president, the delegates decided to have a referendum regarding the friends of the president as of a restrictive tendency. President Gompers refused to question the persons excepted, in which he said he was not affected with "big head." When the vote was counted it was found that the amendment did not have the necessary two-thirds vote, and it was declared lost. This is regarded as a success for Gompers.

In the afternoon Gompers was re-elected president, and the other old officers were re-elected, with the exception of treasurer, the present incumbent declining a re-nomination. J. B. Longmire, elected treasurer by acclamation, Birmingham, Ala., was selected as the place of holding the next convention.

The report of the committee on constitutionality, which called for a national strike fund for local unions was referred to the executive committee, with instructions to formulate a plan for carrying out the intention of the amendment to submit the same to the local unions interested.

A resolution to send a delegation to the convention of the old officers of the union at Toronto next January, with a view of inducing that union to affiliate with the federation, was adopted.

Several resolutions were disposed of, among them one pledging the federation and delegates to exert efforts to secure legislation prohibiting the employment of children under the age of fourteen.

In accordance with the direction of the convention the officers have drawn up a memorial to congress, and the same has already been favorably reported by the proper committee proposing an amendment to the national constitution for woman suffrage. That the question may go before the people.

Strategic Capture of a Murderer. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Sheriff Burt returned from Montana today with Walter Bell, wanted for murder at Pueblo. Bell was recently released from police arrest in this city by habeas corpus, which was granted by the sheriff of Montana. He was no sooner gone than Deputy Sheriff Herod of Pueblo came after him. Bell was finally located at La Grange, an obscure camp, and there Sheriff Burt and Herod found him industriously working a game of craps. Some rigorous work was done, and the murderer was taken, but Burt brought all his artifices to bear and finally induced Bell to take a walk with him. A few minutes later they were surrounded by a posse of men, and Bell was a prisoner. Since leaving the city on Saturday evening last Sheriff Burt has traveled over a thousand miles in the capture of Bell.

An Evanston of the Anti-Lottery Law. ARCHON, Kan., Dec. 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Postmaster Washburn today received a direct