

VOL. XXIII.

NOT ACCQUITTED YET

DURRANT DEFENSE MAKES RATHER SLOW PROGRESS.

MUCH WAS PROMISED

WITNESSES FAIL TO FULFILL WHEN PUT ON THE STAND.

GAS FITTERS EXAMINED IN COURT

NO CHANGE IN THE STOICAL DE-MEANOR OF THE PRISONER.

Conduct of His Mother Excites Comment, Being Represented as Betraying Entire Absence of Anxiety or Depression.

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—If Theodore Durrant has anything tangible upon which to base his denial of the charge that he murdered Blanche Lamont and Miss Williams, his attorneys have failed to give satisfactory evidence of the fact.

After two days devoted to the hearing of the defense the trial adjourned at noon today until next Tuesday. In the meantime, however, the defense had disclosed enough to satisfy the prosecution in the dark in the hope that something may develop within the next few days to save the prisoner's life.

The weakness of the defense is made more apparent at this time on account of the extravagant assertions that Durrant's attorneys have uniformly made since the trial began.

When the prosecution was engaged in putting in its case and the situation looked darkest for the young Sunday school superintendent, Attorney Deuprey was accustomed to snay his fingers and remark that he had no fears for the future of his client.

"We will clear him in three minutes," said Deuprey, "and the public will be at a loss to understand how Durrant's name was ever connected with the case."

WHAT DEUPREY CLAIMED.

The same line of extravagant claims was continued when Attorney Deuprey made his opening speech for the defense.

"Not only will the prisoner tell you with his own lips the simple story of his life on the day Blanche Lamont was murdered," said Deuprey, "but Dr. Cheney will tell you that Durrant was in Cooper Medical college on the very hour when the murder of Blanche Lamont is said to have taken place. Besides that we will prove to you that Durrant never left his father's store on the contrary he will bring forward the young man who did try to pawn a ring with Miss Lamont."

In view of these startling statements it was first believed that the defense might have a strong case held in reserve which would put to a severe test the case of the prosecution. In one day, however, the case of the defense crumbled and fell of its own weight and today Durrant's alibi has not a leg upon which to stand. Dr. Cheney, who was expected to testify to some material fact in connection with Durrant's alleged alibi, two gas fitters were called to testify with regard to the sun burners in the case of the church. For two hours the crowd was bored and the jury made tired by a long series of questions and answers relative to the minutiae of the case. Not once during the entire session was the name of Blanche Lamont mentioned, nor was anything said to indicate that it was not a suit to collect a plumber's bill. Instead of a murder trial that was before the court. The evident purpose of the examination, however, was to show that the repairing of the sun burners would necessarily result in the exposure of a great deal of gas. This testimony will be used to substantiate Durrant's statement that he was suffering from partial asphyxiation when he came down from the church bell ringing and flushed and met Oranville King in the auditorium.

A significant feature of the testimony of the two gas fitters was the fact that each testified that he made an examination of the sun burners in Emanuel church on September 21. The prosecution interprets this to mean that the defense had nothing upon which to base a case until the case of the people was nearly complete. Only when confronted by the actual necessity of opening its case it is believed that the defense made an attempt to secure witnesses to testify with regard to the condition of the sun burners.

DURRANT'S MOTHER.

The apparent hopelessness of his case, however, produced no change in the demeanor of Durrant. Day after day he sits in the court room beside his father and mother and listens to the evidence against him without a sign of emotion. This stoicism of the prisoner is only expressed by that of his mother. Mrs. Durrant seems to have no conception of the gravity of her son's position. Attired in waving plumes and a tailor made gown such as a lady might wear at a matinee, she laughs and chats with her friends, while the evidence that the prosecution believes will hang her son is being put in against him. To frontiersmen of the court room Mrs. Durrant's conduct is almost as unfeeling as that of her son. Durrant's father, however, looks on with a stern and somber expression, and his eyes strain through which he must be passing.

JUDGE JENKINS LETS THEM OUT

Estimations of the Northern Pacific Receivers Accepted by the Court.

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 27.—The resignations of the Northern Pacific receivers have been accepted and it is expected that Judge Jenkins will appoint their successors, or successors.

The representations of the bondholders today all urged the court to postpone action on the resignation of the receivers for several weeks, and thereby enable the different parties inter-

MIGHT BE KICKED IN

HOW THE ADMINISTRATION MIGHT BE GOT INTO A FIGHT.

Venezuela Boundary Question is Just where it was When Last Agitated, but There are Symptoms of a Spread of Public Interest in the Matter—American Company Accepts a Venezuelan Land Concession in the Disputed Territory and by Pressing Their Claims Can Bring the Matter in International Issue.

Washington, Sept. 27.—There is no advance or change in the status of the Venezuelan question so far as can be learned from all available official sources in Washington, including the Venezuelan minister. Notwithstanding this fact there has been much speculation on the question in the last few days, some being of a speculative tendency, indicating a determination on the part of the administration to adopt vigorous steps in asserting the Monroe doctrine as applicable to Venezuela. At the state department there is great reticence on the question, not so far as can be learned, because there is need of withholding anything for reasons of expediency, but the fact that the administration is in the negotiations since last spring. Senator Andrade, the Venezuelan minister, was asked tonight concerning the report that the administration "I have no information whatever of any change or development," said he. "If there is any new phase it has not been communicated to me. My task at the state department were for the purpose of presenting my respects to the secretary, and there has been no mention of the boundary question, as there were no new phases open to consideration."

Senator Andrade added that he had noted the widespread comment of late on the Venezuelan question, and suggested the vigorous speeches of General Longstreet at Chattanooga, and of ex-Governor Campbell of Ohio. The minister said that he was not aware of any interest in the subject, rather than as an indication of a change in the status of affairs.

Since Lord Kimberley's answer to Mr. Balfour setting forth England's position, an American syndicate has secured large concessions from Venezuela, so situated that if the American claimants enforce their concession and have the support of the United States, a direct issue with England is inevitable. The syndicate is the American American company, says that men will be sent to take possession of the territory. He has also stated that the syndicate will appeal to the United States for protection of its rights. As yet, however, there is no official opinion, no appeal for governmental support, and so far as can be learned, it is premature to state what the government will do should the American company bring about an issue.

MEXICAN CATTLE ADMITTED.

Secretary Morton has published an order directing that from and after Oct. 21 next, cattle may be admitted into the United States from Mexico for grazing and for immediate slaughter, through the ports of San Diego, Nogales, El Paso, Eagle Pass, Brownsville and the subject of the order is to be subject to inspection by an inspector of the bureau of animal industry, and no cattle with or which have been exposed to the contagion of any disease liable to be disseminated among the domestic animals in the United States, and the importer must produce satisfactory evidence to the inspector that his cattle had not been exposed to contagion during a period of ninety days previous to the importation.

Cattle imported into the district of the United States, known as Texas, or spurious for spurious, and the subject of all regulations applying to the native cattle of that district. Cattle imported into other sections of the United States previous to Dec. 1, 1893, must have been held for three months in the elevated districts free from Texas or spurious fever infection of the states of Sonora and Chihuahua, and will be subject to the same regulations of the states and territories into which they are taken and also subject to such regulations of the agricultural department as may from time to time be made.

THE FORMAL entry of the cattle and the application for inspection must be made at the places mentioned in this order. The cattle may be taken to the boundary at such points as may be agreed upon by the collector of customs of the district and the inspector of the agricultural department as proper and convenient for inspection.

AMERICAN BANK IN CHINA.

The establishment of an American bank at Shanghai, China, is strongly urged by Consul General Jernigan, in a report to the state department. He says such an institution would evidence the permanency of American interests in China and aid in enlarging the United States trade there. At present the trade between China and the United States is paid for in British exchange Mr. Jernigan says that this would be done by the establishment of an American bank and that the enterprise would prove very profitable. He adds that this and the shipment of manufactured goods to China would stimulate American patriotism as well as business enterprise. After comparing the commerce of Europe and America in China for the past few years, he says that as the United States holds about one-half as much of the world's banking power as all Europe combined, there is every reason why the business men of the United States, by well directed effort, should secure banking supremacy in China.

The expansion of the cotton industry in China is referred to by Mr. Jernigan. He says it is the first practical realization of what Japan accomplished in opening to foreign machinery and he gives Japan the credit for "accomplishing more in a few years than it took a century of European diplomacy and arms."

Foreign cotton machinery has already been admitted and a spinning mill of 20,000 spindles is about to open. There is, he says, plenty of locally grown raw cotton, cheap labor and a wide market for coarse grades of general goods.

Two other cotton mills are about to be built, the large one having 40,000 spindles, being under American management. The consul general estimates that a 17 per cent dividend will be made by the American company. He states that the prospects are that nine large mills will be in operation soon, with a capacity of 250,000 spindles.

WASHINGTON MISCELLANY

Washington, Sept. 27.—Secretary Herbert today awarded to the Herreshoff Manufacturing company the contract for building two of the new torpedo boats authorized by the act of the last congress. Mr. Herreshoff was the lowest bidder at \$144,900 for each boat. The third boat of the series is to be built at Seattle, Wash., if the department is satisfied of their ability to do the work.

SIDEWIPED A TRAIN

ENGINEER MISTAKES A SIGNAL WITH DIRE RESULTS.

One Passenger Train is Standing at the Platform Taking Passengers at Tunnel on the Baltimore and Ohio Road in West Virginia When Another Train Attempts to Get on the Same Track—Cars are Crushed and Engines Disabled and Many Passengers Hurt—Several Kansas People Injured—Accidents Elsewhere.

Grafton, W. Va., Sept. 27.—Last night a few minutes after 10 o'clock a serious accident occurred at Tunnel, a Baltimore and Ohio station twelve miles east. Passenger train No. 1 west and the first section of No. 4 east were to meet at this point. The station is at the east end of a big tunnel through which is but one track. Trains are required to slow up at either end and await a signal before passing on to the single track. Train No. 1 approached the station while the first section of No. 4 was at the platform taking on passengers. The engineer claims to have mistaken the signal and without stopping his train, to use the railroad term, he "sidewiped" No. 4, overturning two passenger coaches and striking the sleeping car in front. The steam cocks of the colliding engines were knocked off and a number of passengers were injured, some severely and others only slightly.

The following is the list of injured: Miss Mary E. Fornes, Parsons, Kan. now convalescing; Mrs. Nell J. Evancy, Kingwood, W. Va., badly scalded about the face and upper part of the body; J. B. Hart, Clarkburg, Mo., terribly cut and bruised; Miss Carrie Hobart, Philadelphia, leg badly injured; R. C. Porter, South Lancaster, Mass., hands badly cut; William Reese, Salina, Kan., leg scalded; Miss Alice L. Taylor, Elkins, W. Va., side, neck and head scalded; Henry Thomas, Baltimore, hand terribly scalded.

Many others were more or less injured, but their names could not be learned. Owing to a similarity of names the name of Secretary Olney was first sent out as injured. It was W. A. Olney, Charleston, and not the secretary of state.

BAD WRECK IN MISSOURI

Clarksville, Mo., Sept. 27.—The north bound passenger train between St. Louis, Kokook and Northwestern road struck a mule at the switch at Annada, eight miles south of this place this evening. The engine and tender struck the mule and the engine and tender were wrecked. Conductor Moulton was severely cut about the head. The fireman, Frank Hafner, jumped and escaped unhurt, but the fireman, Murphy, struck to his engine and was badly injured. The injured passengers are: James Wilson and wife, Rockport, Ill.; Mrs. M. S. Patterson, Mendeville, Mo.; J. W. Baker, Dorchester, Neb.; Mrs. James Brown, Hannibal, Mo.; Miss Belle Fleming, Hannibal, Mo.; E. P. Thompson, Hannibal, Mo.; E. A. Collins, colored cook on dining car.

Frank S. Brown, 140 Broadway, New York, traveling for D. F. Leman & Co. It is not believed any of the injured will die.

TOBACCO WAREHOUSE BURNS

Cincinnati, Sept. 27.—Fire tonight destroyed one of the storage houses of the Cincinnati Leaf Tobacco company between Race and Vine streets. Two thousand, seven hundred and seventy five hogsheads of tobacco were stored in it by actual count made today. The average contents of a hogshead is 1500 pounds. At a very low price the tobacco stored in this warehouse is worth \$250,000. Both buildings and tobacco are a total loss at a valuation of not less than \$200,000.

ACCIDENTS ELSEWHERE

Huntington, W. Va., Sept. 27.—A cyclone passed over Green Horton doing great damage to property. Sixteen men were in one barn which blew away and John Nance and Will Gibly were badly injured by falling timbers. Timothy Blake and Leonard Thomas were injured. The storm lasted only a few minutes.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Sept. 27.—The steamer Mary Hopkins collided with the steamer Yankton, striking to her stern. The Hopkins went down in two minutes. The Vanderbilt was slightly hurt. The Hopkins carried 1000 passengers.

Durango, Colo., Sept. 27.—Fire damaged the Omaha and Grand smelter last night to the extent of \$50,000.

BLAMED FOR THE COLLAPSE

Six Men Indicted in New York City for the Ireland Building Catastrophe.

New York, Sept. 27.—The grand jury today returned indictments for manslaughter in the second degree against the following men, who are held responsible for the collapse of the Ireland building, August last, when fifteen men were killed: Thomas Murphy, mason; George Lewis, bricklayer; superintendent; John Parker, contractor; Dennis Buckley, ex-inspector of the building department; C. E. Byrnes, architect; and Edward J. Yule, architect's assistant. The grand jury dismissed the complaints against Joseph Guider, contracting plasterer, and Jefferson Gillick, who succeeded Murray as mason foreman.

The punishment on conviction for this offense may be as high as ten years imprisonment.

TWO KILLED IN ONE DAY

Remarkable Record on the Missouri Pacific Trains in Attention.

Atchison, Kan., Sept. 27.—H. C. Lee, aged 24 years, the oldest white person in Atchison, was struck by a Missouri Pacific passenger train at the Tenth street crossing this afternoon and instantly killed. He was dead.

Atchison, Kan., Sept. 27.—F. B. Runswinger, a St. Joseph druggist, was run over in the Missouri Pacific yards at 2 o'clock this morning and fatally injured.

EFFECT OF FOREST FIRES

They Have Made the Climate Hotter in a California Valley.

Los Gatos, Cal., Sept. 27.—The forest fires which have been burning for the past week in the Santa Cruz mountains have devastated an area of five square miles. The fire is affecting the temperature of the lower in the valley, where the thermometer for the last six days has been at fever heat. Ten thousand acres of heavily wooded territory are located in the path of the fire and will undoubtedly be destroyed unless rain opportunely subdues the conflagration.

FAIRCHILD MAKES HIS REPORT

Tells How the Strike Came About in the Syracuse Convention.

New York, Sept. 27.—The state Democracy organization met tonight and formally endorsed the report made by Hon. C. F. Fairchild of the treatment of the state Democracy delegates at the Syracuse convention.

The report rebukes at length the

PULLETIN OF The Wichita Daily Eagle

Wichita, Saturday, September 28 1895

INDEX OF TODAY'S IMPORTANT NEWS

1. Durrant Defense Makes Little Progress
2. Venezuelan Boundary Question Revised
3. Railroad Accident at Tunnel, W. Va.
4. Two Girls Disappear at St. Joseph, Mo.
5. Fatches Wins the Race at Sioux City
6. Fourth Race is Won by Ethelwyn
7. Exciting Baseball Game at New York
8. Why Some Products are Now Higher
9. Watching the Gold Go to Germany
10. Trial of Police Commissioners Now On
11. Slight Changes in Fair Race Program
12. Big Prairie Fire Hazing Near Kiowa
13. Baseball Veteran at Death's Door
14. Fast Young Men in Jail for Theft

proceedings before the committee on credentials and on the floor of the convention. The only part of it not already known to the public is the grounds upon which the committee on credentials was asked to recognize the organization. These representatives, as related by Mr. Fairchild, follow:

"We did not care again to present the record of wrong and misgovernment which made Tammany such a heavy load upon the Democracy of the state and country, but to ask attention to it in consideration of the fact that, while there was a large number of men who were content to belong to a political organization controlled despotically by one man, or at the most two or three men, yet there was also another class, larger in number and stronger in character, who could not and would not submit themselves to such rule; that this condition has existed for a long time, and would continue to divide men for all time; that we assume to represent the latter class of Democrats—men strong in devotion to the Democratic idea and asked the convention to determine whether or not it wished them to take part in Democratic councils, and in the management of the party in the state. If so, it could only be through some organization now in opposition to Tammany; that such we were and would continue to be, that it was useless to ask us to unite in organization with Tammany for we could not if we would, one condition of our existence being opposite to it, and that our only course was to continue to depend upon our continuing to afford an abiding place to those Democrats who wished to belong to some organization, but would not give up their individuality by submitting to Tammany's rule."

SAYS HE'S NOT A FOOL

Governor Tillman Does Not Wish to Jeopardize White Supremacy.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 27.—A sensation of debate was brought in the congressional hall tonight by a speech proposed by Colonel Robert Aldrich of Maryland, that in all elections for members of the legislature, only white citizens should be eligible. The speaker proposed that the negro, if he voted, should vote only for white candidates. He said that he did not confer upon him the right to hold office. Senator Tillman led the fight against the measure and said that he would not vote for it. He said that he would not vote for it, and that he would not vote for it, and that he would not vote for it.

DID THE JOB SCIENTIFICALLY

Unknown Hotters Make Awful with a Young Girl at 94-year, Australian.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 27.—Advised from Australia state that the people of Sydney have been startled by the atrocious murder of a young girl on the night of Sept. 1. At midnight on a wharf was left a box containing the body of a young woman. She had been scientifically butchered, the corpse soaked in carbolic acid and the remains moved to a dry good box. The identity of the murdered girl has not been discovered.

ROBBED IN A FULLAN SLEEPER

Mrs. George Mack Despoiled of Money and Jewelry in Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—A unusual hold robbery occurred in a Pullman sleeper on the Wabasha limited as the train was steadily enroute for Chicago last night. A well dressed man entered a Pullman and stopping at the first occupied berth calmly climbed in, at the same time choking into silence Mrs. George Mack, the occupant. After securing a well filled pocketbook, jewelry and clothes of the terrified woman whose husband sat in the smoking compartment only a few ways away, the robber attempted to leave. Mrs. Mack clung to him, however, and he only escaped after knocking her senseless. He jumped from the train and apparently unharmed escaped in the darkness.

NOT A GOOD YEAR FOR POPULISM

Secretary of the State Central Committee Reports.

Topeka, Kan., Sept. 27.—Secretary H. H. Sample of the Populist state central committee has been informed that of the county conventions already held in Kansas there have been 100 held by Populists and Democrats in seventeen counties. In four counties there has been a combine between Democrats and Populists. In the remaining 100 county conventions will be held as late as October 12.

SEIZED ON THE FERTURER

Cloned by Marriage.

Lawrence, Kan., Sept. 27.—The stock of Charles W. Smith, one of the oldest furniture dealers in Lawrence and who has been in business in Lawrence over thirty years, was taken in charge this morning by mortgage holders. The stock will pay the indebtedness, it is thought. A statement of the assets and liabilities has not been made public.

News Notes from Millwater

Stillwater, O. T., Sept. 27.—(Special)—This county is favored again by a steady downpour of rain since midnight last night and continuing until noon today. The ground will be thoroughly soaked and in a good condition for sowing wheat. It is expected that the gathering corn; the yield promise to be as good as expected. Corn is selling on our streets at 15 cents per bushel.

W. H. McGeehan's new brick building on Main street is nearing completion and is a credit to the town. He expects to move into the lower rooms about Oct. 1.

London, Sept. 27.—Responding to a toast to the house of lords, at a banquet given at Ripon tonight, the marquis of Londonderry said that he thought the house of lords could be improved in many ways and he hoped the "Tories" would be given a fair question. The house of lords might have to oppose the house of commons in measures not so unpopular as the house rule measure. Londonderry wished it to be so strong that no states could be cast as an issue.

Leipzig, Sept. 27.—The Geribit Zelting says that as a result of the arrest of a Frenchman and a German woman at Cologne, four Germans have been arrested at Essen, Maderburg and Berlin, all connected with an extensive system of espionage provided by the French with the object of obtaining drawings of the defense works.

London, Eng., Sept. 27.—Harry Payne's pantomime clown is dead.