BOMB-THROWER NORCROSS

Father of the Missing Broker Satisfied His Son Was Sage's Assailant.

What the Elevator Boy Saw in the Office the Day Norcross Went Away—Latter's Request for Saw-Filings—Suspicious Bottles.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—James G. Pennycuick, president of the Alpha Manufacturing Company, has an office in the building where Henry L. Norcross, the suspected bomb-thrower, had an office. Two weeks ago to-morrow, Mr. Pennycuick went into his office to write. About noon he had occasion to go down the corridor. When he returned he noticed that the door of Mr. Norcross's office was open. Going to the door, he said: "Why, what are you doing here to-day?" He answered: "I have been writing some letters. Have you got any iron-filings in your room?" Mr. Pennycuick answered that he had none, and expressed surprise that Mr. Norcross should want anything of the kind. At the same time he suggested that he could probably find some in the room of Mr. White, of the White elevated railroad. When Mr. Pennycuick went into the room Mr. Norcross was sitting at a desk, which was open. At the entrance of his visitor he shut the desk with a snap. When he was asked what he wanted the filings for he said he wanted them for some experiments.

The photograph of the head was shown to six persons in the building this morning. Four of them were confident he was the man. Two others were equally sure it was not the man. The father and mother of Henry L. Norcross are now fully convinced that their son was the man whose insane act in the office of Russell Sage resulted in his death. Additional evidence was offered them this forenoon which removes all doubt from their minds. As soon as they have sufficiently recovered from the shock of their son's terrible death they will go to New York and bring back the remains for suitable burial.

THE ELEVATOR-BOY'S STORY.

Reuben Nickerson, the elevator-boy, was quite intimate with Norcross, and was almost a daily visitor to his office. His last visit was a week ago Wednesday. He called again Friday, the day of the explosion, about 3 o'clock. The office was locked. He has called there frequently since, but has obtained no entrance. On the occasion of his visit on the Wednesday mentioned, the two had a long chat. On the right-hand side of the room, as one enters, is a sink. On this sink Nickerson says he saw a number of small vials, resting on the sink. The vials were about three inches long, and similar to those containing homeopathic medicines. Nickerson noticed these bottles in particular, because it was an odd sight. When Nickerson saw the bottles he got up from his seat and went over toward them. Taking one of them in his hand, he held it up to the light of the window and endeavored to inspect the contents. Norcross's back was turned at the time and he did not at once observe the boy's actions. Suddenly he saw the boy with a bottle in his hands. Rushing towards him, he grabbed him by the arm and exclaimed: "Don't touch that," at the same time taking the bottle away from the boy and placing it beside the others on the sink. Nickerson was much surprised and replied: "Well, if you don't want me to touch them, I won't." "I don't want anybody to touch them," said Nickerson. Norcross was intensely pale and excited, following this incident, and a moment later he grabbed up the entire collection of bottles, placed them in his desk, which was rarely used, and locked them up. Norcross's excitement increased, and he said: "I must catch my train." Both of them left, Norcross going in the direction of the Lowell depot. At that time Nickerson noticed that Norcross was beginning to raise a beard. Nickerson declares that the cut of the New York dynamiter, which appeared in the papers this morning, has a most striking resemblance to the missing man.

George G. Sheldon, who for a couple of years was associated in business with Norcross, was shown a picture of the head today. He found points of resemblance, the lips, the nose and the general shape of the face were like those of Norcross, but the cheeks looked fuller and the eyes did not seem quite so close together.

"Do you know whether or not he had a type-writer and used it?" asked the reporter.

"He did, and used it occasionally himself."

The letters presented to Russell Sage by the dynamite-thrower were written on a type-writer. Asked to describe the way in which Norcross was dressed when he saw him last, he said that he was dressed in a black diagonal cutaway coat, striped pants and a derby hat.

THE OFFICE VISITED BY THE FATHER.

Mr. Norcross went to his son's office this forenoon, accompanied by several gentlemen. They remained in the room for about fifteen minutes. A reporter had a brief talk with Mr. Norcross afterward. He said: "Nothing was found in my son's office to add anything to what has already been told. It was my son without a doubt. I have no doubt that the clothing—" Here he was unable to finish the sentence. The reporter said:

"There may be hopes that the dynamiter had your son's old clothes on."

"No, no, there is no hope," was the answer.

R. T. White said: "Mr. Norcross is satisfied that his son was the person who tried to blow up Mr. Sage. I was well acquainted with young Norcross. I do not believe he was a dynamiter and will not until I see the body. I am going to New York next week. My principal office is there. I shall go to identify the body as soon as I get over, and will send word here. There was absolutely nothing found in the office to show that young Norcross was the dynamiter, or that he ever made explosives in his room. No letters were found that would throw any light on the case."

"Did you ever furnish him with some iron filings?" was asked.

"He asked me one day how to ebonize wood. I told him to take steel filings and pour vinegar on to them, and that would give him the black substance desired. That is all the talk in regard to steel filings I ever had with him."

Dr. A. I. Wells, jr., a dentist of this city, knew Norcross well. In an interview with a reporter this afternoon Dr. Wells said: "There is no doubt in my mind that Norcross is the man that threw the bomb. There are many resemblances to him in the features of the picture of the bomb-thrower. Norcross was as crazy as a loon when he did that. There is no other explanation I can find from my knowledge of the man. He complained to me several times of severe pains in his head and in his back. About a month ago, when he was just raising a beard, he spoke to me of an elevated railroad scheme in which he was interested. I never knew precisely what it was. I saw him last about ten days ago when I observed him from my office window as he was on his way toward the Providence railroad station. He did not then wear a silk hat, although I know that he had one. It was the day before the tragedy that I saw him last; he may have been on his way to New York. I could identify him by his teeth and in other ways. I sent a message over to Mrs. Norcross asking if I should go to New York, but she answered that it was unnecessary, as the family was going to do the same."

A former officer of the Somerville Light Infantry was also seen by a United Press reporter. He said: "Henry L. Norcross was just the sort of a man that might do something queer. I knew him four or five years ago. He came to be enlisted in our regiment. He signed the papers at the time, but in a few days he returned and asked to withdraw, saying that the men in the regiment were not high-class men, and he would rather not join. From his manner I could easily imagine that he would fancy that people were not treating him at his full value. I know nothing against him quite the contrary, but I can understand how a man like Norcross could easily convince himself that the world was not treating him as he deserved to be treated."

Interviews with several firms in Boston from which Norcross might have purchased dynamite fails to discover any one who has the slightest recollection of having sold any explosive to him, and the general belief is that, having some knowledge of chemistry, he manufactured it himself.

From Wilton, N. Y., where the Norcross family formerly resided, comes the positive statement that young Norcross's grandfather was insane for a long time before his death. President Woodan, of the Wilton Savings Bank, in whose house the Norcross family lived much of the time they were in Wilton, said there was no doubt that Dr. Norcross, the grandfather, was insane. There was but one opinion expressed by the Wilton people who were seen, which was that, pressed terribly and suddenly for money, young Norcross threw the bomb when he knew not his actions.

It was ascertained to-night that during the visit of Norcross's father to his son's office to-day, a letter was found in his desk addressed to his mother, which is believed to have furnished the convincing proof to his parents that he was the bomb-thrower. Mrs. Norcross knew the full contents of the letter as also a few firm friends of the family, but all refuse to divulge its contents. It is said, however, that in the letter young Norcross informed his mother that he was going away on Thursday upon important business; that if successful he should return Saturday night, but if unsuccessful he might never return.

Positively Identified Eleven Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Inspector Byrnes, who has charge of the official work of endeavoring to find out who the bomb-thrower was, said to-day that he had no knowledge that the head at the morgue had been identified. "I can say this," he added, "since the day of the explosion the head has been positively identified, beyond any doubt, eleven times. In each case we found the person supposed to be the bomb-thrower alive and well."

Colonel Slocum said this morning that Mr. Sage had carefully reviewed the events of that fatal Friday and has recalled, so far as possible, all the incidents and circumstances immediately preceding the dropping of the satchel by the dynamite crank, and that he will shortly make a statement in detail of the whole affair. Among other things, Mr. Sage now recalls that his visitor had the satchel in his left hand; that he made a motion as if to throw it; that he was very nervous, trembling with excitement, and the bag apparently dropped from his hand sooner than was intended. The man jumped backward, as if to escape the result, but was too late. Mr. Sage thinks the man had no intention of killing himself.

Russell Sage to-day issued the following card:

"I have received telegraph dispatches, letters and cards numbering nearly or quite one thousand from all parts of the country, including Canada. I regret that I find it impossible at this time to give a personal acknowledgment of these messages of congratulation and sympathy and, therefore, I have taken this method of expressing my profound and warmest thanks to all. I do not regard these messages as wholly personal, but I nevertheless thank those who sent them and all those who at the same time felt kindly towards me in this great calamity. I regard this expression as evidence of a higher and nobler manhood and womanhood, whose sympathy is as broad as the universe. The lesson I leave to the pulpit, the press, to Congress and the States in the Union, and to the courts, the great keystone of law and order and union and liberty. Further I beg to add that we should increase our faith, our love, our hope, our trust in the God that created us, the God of our salvation and redemption. Gratefully,

"RUSSELL SAGE."

NATURAL GAS IN UTAH.

Well with a Pressure of 145 Pounds Drilled In Near Salt Lake City.

SALT LAKE, U. T., Dec. 12.—Trenton rock was reached in the natural-gas fields twelve miles from this city to-day, and a flow of gas with a pressure of 145 pounds to the square inch is the result. The gas reservoir is apparently exhaustless. The strike was accompanied by a conflagration, the gas seeping upward through the ground and igniting, causing a loss of buildings of $1,000. The flame is fifty feet in height and has lit up the surrounding country for miles. In efforts to circumscribe the territory of the fire Manager Smith and several employes were badly burned. A franchise was applied for two weeks ago to pipe gas from the fields to this city in anticipation of making the strike. The friction is 2 per cent. per mile and the cost of the piping is estimated at $20,000.

Another "Hold-Your-Wheat" Circular.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 12.—The Alliance organ, the State, is out this week with another "hold-your-wheat" circular, and presents the usual array of figures to snow that the farmer will profit by following the advice laid down therein. It holds that Russia is entirely out of the race and India practically so, and that present and future deliveries from farmers will fill but a small portion of the requirements. It does not advise the farmer to create an unnecessary scarcity or to repudiate his debts, but to sell only what he is obliged to when the receipts are large and increasing, and when they are on the decline to sell only a certain portion each month. The exporting capacity of the United States is figured at 140,000,000 bushels more than last year, which falls 40,000,000 short of supplying the world's deficit. This 140,000,000 bushels would supply Europe with bread for nineteen and one-half days only. Taking all this into account the author of the circular claims that if the farmer does not get twice what he is now offered for his wheat it is his own fault.

Mrs. Harrison Will Assist.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 12.—The Ladies' Hermitage Association, a national organization devoted to the work of restoring the Hermitage, the home of "Old Hickory," is actively engaged in the effort of raising money for the restoration fund. To aid them in this work, Mr. Flagler, the millionaire capitalist, has tendered the association the use of the Ponce de Leon Hotel at St. Augustine, Fla., for a grand Jacksonian historic costume reception, to be given Feb. 3 under the auspices and for the benefit of the association. Patronesses will be appointed in all the leading cities, and Mrs. Harrison has given her consent to become one of the patronesses. Mrs. Levi P. Morton has already sent a handsome contribution of money to be added to the association's fund. It is anticipated that the Jacksonian reception will be one of the grandest events of the kind ever given in this country.

The Tobacco-Growers' Association.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Articles of incorporation of the Tobacco-growers' Association were left for record in the county clerk's office at Covington this morning. The incorporators are W. L. Scott, W. L. Piper and S. E. Hampton, and the capital stock $50,000. The new concern will be known as the Growers' Tobacco Association of Cincinnati. A few days ago the endeavor was made in Louisville to force these outside men into the exchange, but they then went into consultation with T. T. Gardner, president of the Farmers' Alliance of Kentucky, and leading tobacco men of Cincinnati, and the result was the decision to bring the Tobacco-growers' Association to this city. This move is also favored by the Alliance, which forbids any of its members entering the Louisville Exchange. Next Thursday the association will meet in Covington to complete arrangements and organize.

Bloody Riot at a Negro Ball.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Early this morning Erlanger, Ky., was the scene of a bloody riot at a negro ball. The crowd began to get drunk, and a fight between two colored laborers started a general row. Knives and pistols were used, and in the midst of the tumult some one fired fifteen or sixteen shots from a breech-loading shotgun. James Carroll was so badly wounded that, even if he recovers, he will be maimed for life. John Sebastian is believed to have been fatally shot. R. E. Adams had his right arm shattered by a charge of buckshot. Ed Johnson had his hand almost severed by a razor-cut. Two others, whose names were unknown, were shot. No arrests have been made, as the rioters cannot be found. It is said that the shooting was done by construction hands of the Cincinnati Southern. All the participants were negroes.

Senator Quay Ill.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 12.—Senator Quay was taken suddenly ill this morning at the house of United States Marshal Harrah, at Beaver, Pa., and was unable to attend a political conference arranged to be held to-day. The Senator's family is not home and he had been taking his meals at the house of Marshal Harrah since his return from Washington. This morning he ate a light breakfast and then put on his overcoat to come to Pittsburg. He was about to leave Mr. Harrah's house when he was seized with a sudden illness, which grew worse rapidly and prevented his visit to the city. Reports from Beaver to-night are that the Senator's condition was not serious and that he will be all right by Monday.

Searching for Heirs to Alleged Millions.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Mayor Stevens, of East St. Louis, has received a letter from P. S. Hocker, a notary public, of Centralia, Mo., asking for the whereabouts of A. J. Tankersley, who formerly lived in East St. Louis, and saying that he was searching for all the Tankersleys in America that may be descendants of Sir George Tankersley, of Sheffield, Hull and Bunsley, England. The Tankersleys are said to be heirs to an estate valued at $6,000,000. A. J. Tankersley moved to New Mexico some time since.

Dr. McGlynn on the Pope's Encyclical.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Rev. Dr. McGlynn has issued a challenge to Archbishop Corrigan in the following words, which are posted in large letters in the Cooper Institute: "Is the Pope's encyclical on labor an infallible pronunciamento? Will Archbishop Corrigan make an explicit declaration that it is infallible?" Dr. McGlynn denies the Archbishop's claim that it is, and promises in his address on Sunday night he will prove that it is not.

CAPRIVI SCORES A VICTORY

His Treaties of Commerce to Be Passed by the Reichstag Without Delay.

Bismarck's Reasons for Remaining Away During the Debate—Harmless Trichinæ Found in American Pork by a German Doctor.

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BERLIN, Dec. 12.—The treaties of commerce are now practically passed in principle and detail by the almost unanimous voice of the Reichstag. The minority drawn from the ultra Conservatives and members of the Reich's Parti, who opposed the proposed measures, found themselves too feeble either to divide on the first reading or to try to cause delay by referring the treaties to a committee. Chancellor Von Caprivi, finding, as the debate proceeded, that only an insignificant fraction of the house was opposed to the government, caused it to become known to the members that he would brook no dally in committee, and the details of the treaties would be in no way modified. The proposals, he let it be understood, must be accepted strictly as they were set forth in the conventions. Telegrams from Vienna were circulated among the members of the Reichstag during the long debate in that body to-day, announcing that the Bungarian Minister of Commerce had declared that the treaties formed a complete transaction, from which all modifications were excluded. The Chancellor dwelt upon the necessity of passing the treaties before Christmas. The results of their operations, he declared, would soon show that no preference has been given to other industries over that of the agriculturist. He with great difficulty kept the corn duties as high as 3½ marks.

Chancellor Von Caprivi concluded his address by announcing that the government, with a view of meeting the dearth of labor in the rural districts, was preparing amendments to the laws relative to the maintenance and housing of rural laborers, and that a bill embodying these amendments would be introduced during the present session of the Reichstag. Upon the conclusion of the Chancellor's speech, which closed a debate of six hours' duration, the Reichstag decided to take the second reading of the treaties in a full sitting of the house.

The Chancellor, by his address, greatly enhanced his reputation as a masterly speaker, displaying great lucidity of statement and quickness in response and dealing effectively with every argument which the opposition put forward. The Freisinnege Zeitung says he is by far the finest debater of the government.

STOLE HERR MIQUEL'S IDEAS.

The strong protectionist papers of the country attack Herr Miquel, the Imperial Minister of Finance, with being the real author of the treaties, and during to-day's debate in the Reichstag several hostile allusions, conveying the idea that the finance minister was responsible for the new measures, were made. If it be true that Chancellor Von Caprivi has thus been prompted by Herr Miquel, he has so assimulated the latter's ideas as to surpass him in the power of exposition. On the Bourse the opinion is general that the conventions will have little effect upon the general business for a long time to come. The term Zollverein, as applied to the treaties, is considered a thorough misnomer. Each of the five states contracting, while making some concessions, retains a string of heavy duties against the others. The value of the measures can only be shown by time. The new tariffs, when announced, hardly caused a momentary throb on the Bourse. In Vienna, however, the case was different. The prospect of an increase in railway traffic under the new tariffs led to large buying of railway securities and gave a general impetus to business, which extended to bank and mining shares. This rise wiped out the last traces of the decline which has prevailed since the recent panic.

In the course of a recent interview Prince Bismarck accused the government of hurrying the treaties through. The Prince would not take part in the debate because the members of the Reichstag, he declared, had not been given sufficient time to study the proposals. Referring to the inscription, "Suprema Lex regis voluntas," placed in the Golden Book of Munich by Emperor William, and to other recent autocratic utterances of his Majesty, Prince Bismarck said he had never been a supporter of absolutism, and expressed regret that the Emperor had made use of such expressions. Referring to the subject of his resignation, the Prince said he declared at the time that General Von Caprivi would be his successor, and that he himself recommended the present Chancellor to the Emperor for appointment.

TRICHINÆ IN AMERICAN PORK.

The agrarian papers continue their endeavors to keep up the fictition that American pork is diseased. Dr. Breakbusch, the noted scientist, has made public the results of examinations of three thousand specimens of American pork. Dr. Breakbusch found traces of trichinæ in about 2½ per cent. of the specimens which passed through his hands. He experimented with cats and dogs, trying to infect them by feeding them with diseased meat, but failed entirely. This the Doctor considered positive proof that the trichinæ survive but a short time after the death of the infected animal. He holds that American pork, even of a poor quality, is perfectly harmless when it reaches Germany.

Hon. William Walter Phelps, the American minister to Germany, opened the social season here last evening with a grand dinner. Herr Eisendecker, who for a long time held the position of German minister at Washington, and Mrs. Eisendecker have been guests of Mr. Phelps for several days. They have taken lunch with the Emperor, and were entertained by the Empress Fredericka, the Grand Duchess of Baden, and the Princess of Baden and the Princess of Saxe-Meiningen. Among the guests at the last dinner given by Minister Phelps were the Baron and Baroness Von Marschall, Baron Von Zedwitz and wife, Baron Von Rothenburg, Count Zeckendorff, M. Herbette, the French embassador, and the Misses Halstead and Hutton.

The German textile exhibits for the Chicago world's fair promise to be extensive. Iron and steel manufacturers and jewelry and toy firms are making great preparations. The royal Berlin and Dresden china factories will also send fine specimens of their productions. The Deutche Banke and the International Banke fur Deutschland will support the project for the erection between Jackson and Washington Parks of a mediæval German village. Dr. Virchow and Director Voss, of the Royal Museum, are assisting the plan with suggestions. Herr C. B. Schmidt, who is the business manager of the parties having the plan in charge, will shortly start for Chicago.

W. H. Edwards, United States consul-general here, has discovered in the national gallery a painting of Columbus, which he is trying to secure for the Chicago exposition.

Among the 3,000 students whose names have been enrolled at the Berlin University this term 300 are in the American music schools. Of the total number of students 800 are American.

The noted aristocrat Prince Yesenberg has gone to the bad. The Prince, who is a member of a great family, dissipated a large fortune and contracted heavy debts and then fled from the country.

Mrs. Melville W. Fuller, wife of Chief-justice Fuller, of the United States Supreme Court, is in this city nursing her daughter Mary, who is recovering from a severe illness. The latter, when able to be moved, will be taken to the Riviera.

Col. W. H. Lamont, at one time the law partner of President Lincoln, and Mrs. Lamont are visiting Berlin.

Big Libel Suits Dismissed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—In October $1,800,000 worth of libel suits were begun against the Chicago Evening Journal and John R. Wilson. To-day, on the defendants showing that declarations had not been filed, Judge McConnell dismissed the suits. The litigation grew out of the publication of a bill filed against the United States sugar refinery in the federal courts. The plaintiffs claimed the defendant went outside the sworn allegations and compared the refinery business to a notorious New York swindle. On this ground the following libel suits were begun: United States sugar refinery, $1,200,000; Thos. A. Jeff, $200,000; William A. Jeff, $200,000, and William H. Kennard, $200,000.

MADAME MODJESKA ILL.

The Distinguished Actress Suffering from Bronchitis at a Philadelphia Hotel.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—It was learned to-night that Madame Modjeska, who is stopping at the Continental Hotel, is seriously ill. She arrived in this city Thursday last, and at once proceeded to the Continental, where she engaged a suite of rooms. She was then somewhat indisposed, suffering from a cold, which has since developed into a severe attack of bronchitis. Dr. Da Costa has been attending her. To-day the Doctor made several visits to the hotel, and this gave rise to the belief that the distinguished actress was dangerously ill. It was learned to-night on very good authority that, while not dangerously ill, Mme. Modjeska's condition is such that dangerous symptoms may develop at any time.

A Pittsburg dispatch says: Harry Schwabe, manager of the Duquesne Theater, where Mme. Modjeska is billed to appear next week, received a telegram from Philadelphia, to-night, stating that Modjeska would, in all probability, be able to fill her engagement at that theater next week. Members of her company, who arrived this evening, say Modjeska was to leave Philadelphia for Pittsburg at midnight to-night.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Private Sloss shot private McDonald at Fort Sheridan, Ill., yesterday.

Hugh Jones and James Kitterick were fatally burned by an explosion of gas in a mine at Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Daniel Egan, "the Montana Kid," was knocked out in ten rounds yesterday by Joseph Lansy, of Memphis. The battle took place at Wadsworth, Ill.

Wm. Peake, ex-city treasurer of Kansas City, who has been on trial during the past week, charged with having embezzled $20,000 of the city's money, was acquitted yesterday.

Mrs. Lizzie Dennis, alias Smith, has been held to await the action of the grand jury on the charge of kidnaping little "Junior" Beals, of Kansas City. Bail was fixed at $5,000.

A scaffold fifty feet high at the Anamosa, Ia., penitentiary, upon which five convicts were at work, gave way yesterday. John Gillroy, of Clinton county, died an hour afterward. Wm. E. Grove and Ed Curran were fatally injured. F. N. Hull was badly hurt.

Workmen digging the Harlem ship canal at the upper end of Manhattan Island, while at work sixteen feet below the river-bed level, in an incipient peat formation, have found the tusk of a mastodon. It is four feet long and six inches in diameter at the butt. It must have lain where found through many centuries.

The remains of Bishop Gallaher, of New Orleans, reached Louisville yesterday. A committee of the ex-Confederate Association, a number of Episcopal clergymen and vestrymen, and many personal friends were present to meet the casket. The burial will take place at Cave Hill to-day. Among the pall-bearers will be ex-Governors Knott and Buckner and Gen. Basil Duke.

James Mack, probably the oldest confidence man in the country, was arrested yesterday while enticing Sergeant Edward O'Rourke, of the Seventeenth United States Infantry, stationed at Fort Russell, Wyo., away from the Polk-street depot, Chicago. Mack is seventy-five years old, and his beard and hair are as white as snow. In his pockets were found a bogus $1,000 gold certificate and a bogus bill of lading, which were to be used on his victim.

A Prisoner's Clever Escape.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SEYMOUR, Ind., Dec. 12.—Thursday night officer Jesse White, with a posse of men, surrounded the home of Albert Short, in the country, and arrested him on the charge of stealing a gun from Martin McCauley last October. They started to this city with their man in a wagon, but on passing the house of William Short, Albert was allowed to go in and ask for some money his uncle owed him. White going along to guard him. The hospitable family set a basket of apples out, and while the officer was eating apples the prisoner left the room and made his escape through the back door.

Dead Tramp with Four Suits of Clothes.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 12.—Oscar Crockett's engine, pulling Panhandle freight train No. 86, killed a tramp about seven miles east of here last evening, and the body was brought here to be prepared for burial. He had on four complete suits of old clothes, even to underclothing, but had no money nor nothing to reveal his name except a memorandum book, in which were written the following names and address: "Ariwa Elenhurst," "George Mangoldt," "254 Elm street," "329 Race street" and 169 West Fourth street, the place not being mentioned.

The Five-Million Loan Not Indorsed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The National Board of Control resumed its secret session to-day. It has become known that Commissioner E. B. Martindale offered a solution of the predicament of the board in the $5,000,000 loan matter. The controllers say they did not want to favor the director's plea for the gift, because the national commissioners would not sanction it. Mr. Martindale offered a resolution that circulars, stating the facts and predicament of the local body be sent to each commissioner to secure his answer as to what course the control board had better pursue. His idea was voted down, and the controllers voted to refuse the directors their support to get the gift of $5,000,000 from Congress.

Arrested for Stealing a Coat.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENSBURG, Ind., Dec. 12.—Yesterday a man registerd at the Hotel DeAmond as L. B. Bryant, from Albany, N. Y., and represented himself as a buyer of fine horses. This morning landlord Dunn suspected that the man was about to "jump" his board bill and followed him about town until Marshal Smith, upon information by telephone from Rushville, arrested Bryant for the theft of an overcoat from a drummer at the Windsor Hotel of that town. A deputy sheriff came down and took the man back to Rushville.

Police Take Possession of a Race Track.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Intense excitement was caused at the Garfield track to-day by the sudden appearance of a large body of police. For a time it looked as if the whole establishment was to be "pulled." As it was the races all had to be run over the three-quarter-mile track, the police taking possession of the full course and enforcing to the letter the ordinance prohibiting gambling within four hundred feet of a boulevard. This was the last day of the so-called meeting, and the demonstration, it is understood, was intended by the authorities as a notice that any attempt to reopen the place in the spring would be futile.

New Oil Well at Hartford City.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., Dec. 12.—A fifty-barrel oil well was drilled in six miles northeast of this city yesterday. The well is owned by the Salamonia Gas Company, of Fort Wayne, and it was drilling for gas. The rock was barely punctured when the flow set in. If the well were deepened it would doubtless prove to be the best in the field. The untried territory northeast, it is thought, will be good oil territory, which proves Hartford City an important oil point in the State.

Louisiana Democrats Owned by the Lottery.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—Every parish save West Baton Rouge has elected delegates to the Democratic State convention. A careful review of the situation shows that the faction favorable to the lottery will be in control. On the governship the delegates stand: McEnery, lottery, 371; Adams, anti-lottery, 273. Sixty-five of the McEnery and forty of the Adams delegates are contested, leaving the uncontested delegates: McEnery, 306; Adams, 233. On the lottery question the convention will stand: Anti-lottery, 300; pro-lottery 373, without taking any of the doubtful parishes into consideration.

Woman Shot Down in the Street.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 12.—This afternoon Charles Dowd and his wife Catharine, of No. 120 Third street, were walking along Third street, when they were met by a man known as "Sacker" Feeny, who, reeling in a drunken gait, applied a vile epithet to Dowd. The latter knocked Feeny down. Feeny jumped to his feet rather unsteadily, pulled out a revolver and fired two shots. The first entered Mrs. Dowd's left eye and the second plowed a furrow in her scalp. With a piercing scream she fell to the ground unconscious and will die. Feeny was arrested.

Killed by an Italian Boy.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 12.—Marchino Sangachino, an Italian boy, aged sixteen years, while driving to the List Agricultural-works this afternoon, became involved in a quarrel with some boys who threw stones at him. Sangachino jumped from his wagon and grabbed one of the boys, named Daniel Dooley, by the throat. Dooley's companions attempted to aid him, whereupon the Italian drew a pistol and shot Dooley through the neck, inflicting a wound from which he died a short time after being taken to the hospital. Sangachino was arrested.

The New Bishop of Cleveland.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Official notice has been received from Rome of the appointment of Rev. Dr. Horstmann, chancellor of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, as Bishop of Cleveland to succeed the late Bishop Gilmour. Dr. Horstmann was ordained June, 1865, after completing his education at Rome. He is president of the Catholic Historical Society of America, chaplain of the Catholic Club, of Philadelphia, and president of the Tabernacle Society.

FOUR PERSONS MURDERED.

Their Throats Cut in a Cottage on the East Coast of Florida, Where They Were Wintering.

NEW SMYRINA, Fla., Dec. 12.—Miss A. H. Bruce, Mrs. L. D. Hatch and her little son, and Master Frank Packwood were found murdered late to-day in a cottage recently leased by them for the winter six miles below this town on the east coast of Florida. The throats of all four were cut from ear to ear, and they had been dead apparently from eighteen to thirty hours. There is no clew to the murderer. As several tramps have been in this neighborhood lately suspicion naturally rests on them. A posse of nearly fifty men has been organized, and it started to-night on horseback and a-foot for the scene of the tragedy. The victims had recently come from the North to spend the winter here, and were not known generally. No further particulars are procurable to-night, as the Packwood cottage is nearly seven miles from a telegraph office.

Bloody Work by a Negro.

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 12.—A report of a triple murder in Bossier reached here late to-night. The details are meager and to the effect that this evening a negro named Joseph Patterson killed his wife on the Sewell place, and a few minutes after the deed Patterson started on a run, and when he reached J. D. Lay's store was stopped by David Wallace, who inquired why he was fleeing. In reply Patterson fired a shot at Wallace, the ball taking effect in the shoulder and passed through the left side. The negro fired a second shot, which took effect in Lay's abdomen. The negro escaped, but a party of citizens are in pursuit. Wallace is reported fatally shot. Lay's wound is dangerous, but not fatal. Wallace was recently nominated for the Legislature.

Obituary.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Miss Julia E. Ames, editor of the Union Signal of Chicago, the official organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, died this morning at the Homeopathic Hospital in this city after a short illness. Miss Ames attended the recent convention of the W. C. T. U. in Boston, and was an indefatigable worker. She took cold at the convention and became so ill that a removal to the hospital was necessary. Miss Ames was a native of Evanston, Ill., and was about thirty years old. Brief funeral services will be held to-morrow morning and the body will be sent to Evanston on the 10:30 o'clock train.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The widow of Rev. Charles Kingsley, late chaplain in ordinary to the Queen, is dead. In 1876 Mrs. Kingsley published a biography of her distinguished husband.

Deed of a Drink-Besotted Man.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARION, Ind., Dec. 12.—Thomas C. McKee attempted to commit suicide here to-day by cutting his throat with a butcher-knife. The windpipe and jugular were grazed and the injury is a serious one, though he will probably recover. After the wound was dressed by the surgeon he tried to tear open the stitches, but was prevented from doing so by the attendants. He had been drinking heavily and was on the border of delirium.

Arrested a Fugitive from Justice.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENSBURG, Ind., Dec. 12.—Sheriff Dickey and a deputy returned about noon to-day from Madison, where they arrested Thomas Goins and brought him here. Goins says he will plead guilty and throw himself on the mercy of the court. Young Welch, whom Goins shot last Monday night, is still confined to the house, and the final result is yet uncertain, as the course of the ball has not been determined.

A Colored Girl's Terrible Deed.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 12.—Delia Coleman, colored, reported last night as Morgan, whose car was filled with molten lead, was conscious this morning, but will probably die. There is little room to doubt that her own daughter did the foul deed. The latter is a wayward girl of sixteen, and, offended by her mother's strict discipline, it is supposed she sought revenge. She was arrested this morning.

Wants $25,000 Damages.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SEYMOUR, Ind., Dec. 12.—To-day Mrs. Laura Nichols claimed damages in the sum of $25,000 against Jackson county. She received internal injuries in a fall from a bridge the 29th of last October, and will be a hopeless invalid for life. She claims that the county was at fault for not protecting travelers by side-guards.

Successful Quaker Evangelists.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

NORTH VERNON, Ind., Dec. 12.—Nathan and Esther Frame, Quaker evangelists, are holding a very successful protracted meeting in the M. E. Church. They have converted many citizens. A young woman vocalist accompanies them in their travels and assists in their work.

Decatur County Pioneer Dead.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENSBURG, Ind., Dec. 12.—Thomas B. Draper, one of the pioneer farmers of Jackson township, Decatur county, is dead at his old home near Sardinia. He was eighty-three years old. His wife, who was about the same age, died five years ago.

Thieves Shot by Cowboys.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 12.—Hand Lovett and his partner, two noted cattle and horse-thieves, who have made life a burden to the stockmen for the past five years, were shot by cowboys yesterday. This makes four thieves shot within seventy-five miles of here lately. Cattle-owners are determined to stop this kind of work.

Goes On Forever.

Philadelphia North American.

Isn't it notable? Holidays come and big financial institutions, commercial-houses, factories, foundries and all sorts of business establishments cease operations; sickness and death come, and theatrical stars are compelled to retire temporarily, and the public is disappointed. But through sickness, death, holiday or financial reverses, the morning newspaper makes its daily appearance recording the pleasures, misfortunes and disasters of life, with seldom a word of its own experience or temperamental existence. Isn't it a great and good profession?

How Blifkins Did It.

Judge.

Mr. Blifkins (to Miss Dorothy, with whom he is deeply smitten and cannot find a way to propose)—I hate these weddings with so much fuss and feathers, so many guests and flowers, and music, and all that. When I'm married there'll be no one present but myself, the bride and the minister.

Miss Dorothy—Oh, I'm so sorry! I was hoping to get an invitation to your wedding. Such an old friend as I should not be left out.

Mr. Blifkins—When I'm married you will be there.

Dear, Dear.

Philadelphia Record.

Sir Edwin Arnold says that there is a curious little brown birthmark on the poet Tennyson's neck—a spot that looks as if a drop of wine had fallen there and stained the skin.

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