BANKER DEACON'S CRIME

Frenchmen Say He Should Have Let His Wife Go with Abeille or Shot Both.

Killing for the Offense Charged Too Severe in Their Eyes—Minister Phelps Entertained with Nautch Dances in Egypt

DEACON'S ACT NOT APPROVED.

Frenchmen Think Death Was Too Severe Punishment for Abeille's Offense.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Deacon tragedy calls attention to French official inquisitions, which are not palatable to Englishmen and Americans. Mr. Deacon is now said to be held in extreme aversion for his act by the large majority of the upper society of France. One reason is that M. Abeille, his victim, was popular in the salons, and another that the French think Mr. Deacon should have allowed his wife and M. Abeille to go if he found Mrs. Deacon cared for the latter, or else have shot the two of them. A dispatch from Cannes, it may be added, says Mr. Deacon may not have such an easy acquittal as he expects. The French code excuses the husband for slaying if the parties are found in flagrante guilt, and the whole question will hinge on this issue. Mrs. Deacon is prepared, apparently, to testify that M. Abeille was not guilty, on the occasion at least, when he met his death.

A Paris letter states that in that city sympathy leans strongly towards Abeille, and that influence is being brought to bear on the authorities to treat Mr. Deacon with proper severity. Should it be shown, as intimated by Mrs. Deacon, that her husband had connived in any way at their relations the jury will find that the killing was not justifiable, and fix a term of imprisonment.

The influence of every cavalier servante in France is thrown against the avenging husband; besides, there is the prejudice of nationality, the French being extremely clannish in any issue between a Frenchman and a foreigner. The apparent friendliness of the judge d'instruction and the jailers amounts to nothing. It is the custom of a French examining magistrate to worm all that he can out of a prisoner by appearing pleasant or otherwise, and the same is the way of the police. Mr. Deacon's true friends feel very anxious as to his prospects.

Mrs. Deacon, who yesterday underwent a searching examination before the judge d'instruction at Grasse, was to-day confronted with her husband before the judge, and was again examined as to the details of her relations with Abeille, who was shot and killed by Mr. Deacon, who found him in Mrs. Deacon's room at the Cannes Hotel Splendide here. The examination lasted four hours, and even then was not concluded. Mrs. Deacon placed herself at the disposal of the authorities, and she will be examined again on Monday. After the examination had been concluded Mrs. Deacon returned to Cannes. Mr. Deacon remains confident of a favorable issue.

GOSSIP FROM BERLIN.

Minister Phelps Enjoying Himself in Egypt —More Space Needed at the Fair.

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BERLIN, Feb. 27.—Advices received here report that Hon. William Walter Phelps, the United States minister to Germany, who is now visiting Egypt, will start on his return from Assouan on March 16. He has been to Luxor, where the American consul, a rich old Arab, who has been there twenty-two years, entertained Mr. Phelps and his party with a fete including a dance by Nautch girls. The same consul entertained General Grant when he was on his tour up the Nile. The consul has General Grant's portrait on the wall, and all the windows of his his house are covered with American flags. Mr. Phelps presented him with a handsome watch, which Mr. Jesse Seligman, the New York bankes, had sent to him as a recognition of his services to Americans. The presentation ceremony took place in the presence of a number of turbaned shieks. While the party were at Assouan the garrison there got up races between darkies and camels, and a tug-of-war between semi-nude natives of the Soudan to amuse the party. Major Wissmann, the well-known German officer, who is seeking to regain the health he lost on the east coast of Africa, and in the jungles of that country, also entertained Mr. Phelps when he was at Luxor. Mr. Phelps met Sir Samuel Baker aboard his dahabeah, and was presented to the Crown Princess of Sweden on her dahabeah.

Herr Wermuth, German imperial commissioner to the Chicago Columbian Exhibition, worries over the lack of space for the German department. He was promised more, and has accepted offers from intending exhibitors sufficient to fill all the space offered. On receipt of the plans he finds that nearly one-third of the available space is absorbed by promenades and other things. He has written protesting against it. Herr Krupp, the great gun manufacturer, has notified Herr Wermuth that he intends to make an important exhibit that will involve the expenditure of 500,000 marks.

A man named Howard, who claims to be a member of "Buffalo Bill's" company, has been arrested at Dresden for swindling.

P. P. Bull, ex-president of the New York Stock Exchange, is visiting his family, who have spent the winter here.

The Americans present at the subscription ball given under the auspices of the imperial court included Mrs. Barnitt and her daughter of New York, Mrs. Hillen of Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bull, the Misses Benedict of New York, Consul-general Edwards, Miss Van Braham, Mrs. Jackson and Mr. Cushing of Boston, and Secretary of Legation Coleman and his wife.

Professor Virchow is engaged in writing an article refuting the renewed charges that there is disease in American pork imported into this country.

Colonel Murphy has started for St. Petersburg under orders from Secretary Rusk to assist in the distribution of food supplies sent from the United States to help the famine sufferers.

An American known as Evans, who has been confined for years in the Plotzensee prison, has suddenly become insane. The authorities suspect that he is shamming. He is a dangerous criminal. When his sentence expires in the Poltzensee prison he will be sent to Austria, where he will be tried on charges hanging over him there. The name Evans is an alias. He belongs to a wealthy Philadelphia family. His real name is kept secret out of regard for his aged mother.

"Mark Twain" was pleased at the treatment accorded him at the banquet given by General Van Voisengen. Mr. Clemens sat at the right of the Emperor, and maintained a lively conversation with him.

PREPARING FOR WAR.

Chili Is Buying Cruisers in England and Big Guns for Her Forts.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The Herald has the following cable dispatches from Valparaiso: Chili has bought new war ships in Europe. The fact was publicly announced today. They were purchased from the Armstrongs. One is of a similar type to the Capitan Prat. Siege-guns are now en route for the forts here and at Talcahuano and also for the new fort at Quinteros bay. New guns have likewise been ordered for forts at Iquique, Coquimbo, Antofagasta, Caldera and Pisagua—some forty in all.

Augustus Matte has been appointed minister to England, and will hold that office conjointly with the ministry to France. Senor Ross is returning to Chili.

It is understood that the United States government has instructed Minister Egan to have the bodies of the Baltimore's murdered sailors — Charles W. Riggin and William Turnbull—brought home. The Chilian law requires the lapse of a year before disinterment is allowed, but it is possible that exceptions will be made in these two cases.

Minister Egan is now taking a vacation at Coronel.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

Emperor Francis Joseph May Permit the Execution of the Schneiders.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Vienna advices state that the Emperor Francis Joseph is in a quandary. His mind is set against capital punishment, but the demands for the execution of the Schneiders, who decoyed and murdered servant girls, is so strong that the Emperor is inclined to yield. It is a noteworthy fact that the Australian Emperor, it is recalled, is the only European sovereign who has had the misfortune to mourn one of his own family as having met death by execution. This refers of course, to the brother of Francis Joseph, Maximillian, for some time Emperor of Mexico, who was shot by the sentence of a Mexican court-martial. Francis Joseph then suffered such agony of mind that he decided that he would never be instrumental, if he could help it, in inflicting the same pain upon others. Executions in Austria have been very few, and capital punishment has practically been abolished. The case of the Schneiders is, however, so atrocious that the death penalty may be revived in their cases.

The New French Cabinet.

PARIS, Feb. 27.—After the unsuccessful attempts made by MM. Rouvier, Constans, Ribot and Bourgeois to form a Ministry to replace the one that resigned last week in consequence of the Chamber of Deputies refusing to vote confidence in the government, M. Loubet was summoned yesterday to undertake the task, and has succeeded in organizing a Cabinet which is made up as follows: M. Loubet, President of the Council and Minister of the Interior; M. De Freycinet, Minister of War; M. Ribot, Foreign Affairs; M. Bourgeois, Public Instruction and the Fine Arts; M. Rouvier, Finance; M. Develle, Agriculture; M. Roche, Commerce; M. Richard, Justice and Public Worship; M. Viette, Public Works; M. Cavaignac, Marine. Defreycinet, Ribot, Bourgeois, Rouvier, Develle, and Roche were members of the former Cabinet, in which they held the same portfolios which they will hold in the new Ministry. The Prime Minister is a stanch moderate Republican. The members of the new Ministry waited upon President Carnot at the Palace of the Elysee this evening.

Methods of Irish Moonlighters.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Crimes of violence are increasing in the west of Ireland, and boycottings are again rife against the holders of farms from which former tenants have been ejected. Moonlight visits to objectionable persons are frequent, although the moonlighters have taken to whipping instead of shooting. The intruder, by grace of the landlord, on an evicted farm gets what moonlighters call "fair warning" in the shape of a notice to quit, with a full-moon face grinning at the top of the notice. If he takes the hint it is well; if he does not, his cow dies, or some other serious injury happens to the live stock. If this not sufficient the moonlighter pays him a visit—not always by moonlight, however. He is called out at night and whipped until his back is raw, then he is made to swear that he will quit before a certain date and is released. The victim seldom waits for a second visit.

Mexican Prisoners Murdered.

CHIHUAHUA, Feb. 27.—A detachment of Mexican troops has arrived here from Ascencion, bringing ten prisoners who were participants in the rebellion that recently occurred at that place. Masques Duran, Juan Marbeno and Felipe Lopez, who are alleged to have led the attack, were not brought here by the soldiers for the good and sufficient reason that they were killed by the officers during the journey. The latter assert in justification of their action that the men attempted to escape. It is, however, an open secret here that the murder of the three prisoners was arranged before leaving Ascencion, and that the crime has the sanction of the federal and state officials.

Cable Notes.

The differences between the Argentine Republic and Chili regarding the frontier have been settled.

The players in the chess match at Havana have agreed that should Tschigorin succeed in scoring his ninth victory the match be prolonged until one of the combatants has scored twelve games won.

A man giving his name as Strassing has been arrested in Paris charged with committing extensive frauds under the guise of an agent for the Chicago fair. The police say that he is an old offender.

Miss Helen Dauvray, the American actress, made her English debut Friday at a matinee performance at the Prince of Wales Theater, London. She appeared as Suzanne in a "Scrap of Paper." Her work is favorably commented upon by the press.

Some Austrian frontier guards at Sandomierz yesterday fired upon and wounded three Russian spies as the latter were crossing the river Vistula, which forms part of the boundary between Austria and Russia. The spies succeeded in making their escape.

There have been 150,000 bushels of corn received at Torron, Mex., from the United States, for distribution among the half-famished people of the State of Durango. Heavy rains have fallen during the past few days, and it is believed the prolonged drought is now thoroughly broken.

THE COMING BIG GUN.

Successful Trial of the Powder Chamber of a New Kind of Heavy Cannon.

BIRDSBORO, Pa., Feb. 27.—The system of great gun construction known as the Brown segmental tube wire-wound method, which, it is claimed, is destined to revolutionize the fabrication of heavy ordnance, has undergone a completely successful trial under government auspices at the works of the Pennsylvania Diamond Drill and Manufacturing Company. The Brown gun consists of a tube formed of accurately-adjusted segments of steel, extending from breech to muzzle, wrapped with many layers of steel wire applied under heavy pressure and lined with an inner tube to carry the rifling. The complete gun has not yet been finished, but a sample cylinder, representing the powder chamber of a five-inch gun, was subjected to the trial. The external diameter of the cylinder is under six inches and its length about two feet. It was encased in a cast-steel jacket, both ends of which were closed with screw plugs, the upper one of which was perforated by a vent one-half inch in diameter. The crusher gauges were screwed into the lower plug and a preliminary charge of one pound of coarse-grained black cannon powder was fired to warm up the piece. It exploded without report, but with a fizzle like a colossal squib. Two pounds and a half of powder were then placed in the tube, the explosion being accompanied by a sound resembling the sudden release of steam from a safety-valve, and a jet of flame and smoke shot up into the air for thirty feet. The gauges registered a pressure of 35,200 pounds to the square inch. The next charge, two and three-quarter pounds of powder, gave 42,387 pounds pressure; three pounds of powder gave 47,726 pounds and three and a quarter pounds of powder gave the enormous pressure of 52,550 pounds to the square inch. The highest pressure used in modern guns does not exceed 35,000 pounds. All the experts agreed that the trial was most successful.

Novel Craft with a Submarine Gun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The House committee on naval affairs for some days has had under consideration a bill providing for the addition to the navy of a novel craft, which, if the assertions of its designers are realized, will revolutionize the present practice of harbor defense. Cramp & Sons stand ready to guarantee the performance of the vessel. The vessel is to be known as the Berdan iron-clad destroyer. The feature of the design is found in an enormous submarine gun carried at the bow below the water line. Submarine guns have been tried before this, but the projectors of the pending bill feel that they have successfully overcome the difficulties encountered in these attempts and have now practicable means at hand to drive an enormous shell loaded with an explosive charge of gunpowder or gun-cotton into the hull of any iron-clad afloat and explode it in the very vitals of the ship.

Timothy Byrnes Acquitted.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 27.—The jury in the case of Timothy Byrnes, charged with forgery, returned a verdict this afternoon, after being out but fifteen minutes, of not guilty. But one ballot was taken.

LILLIE JOHNSON RELEASED

Admitted to Bail in the Sum of $10,000 on the Ground of Failing Health.

Judge Dubose Thinks the Evidence Shows She Abetted Alice Mitchell in the Murder of Freda Ward—Interest in the Case.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 27.—Judge Dubose this morning set the public mind at rest for a time at least, admitting to bail Miss Lillie Johnson, who is charged with being an accessory to the murder of Miss Freda Ward by Alice Mitchell in this city on Jan. 25 last. The required bond, $10,000, was promptly forthcoming, and Miss Johnson will spend Sunday at her quiet home on Vance street, instead of in the gloomy jail of Shelby county.

It was known yesterday that the decision would be given this morning, and long before the hour set for the opening of court every seat and available bit of standing room in the Criminal Court had been taken. It was a curious throng that thus patiently awaited the entrance of the judge and the principal figure in this preliminary trial. A mixture of people of all classes and situations in life was here represented. A few women were present, and their bright toilets lent an air of cheerfulness to the scene. By the side of society belles sat the staid matron of forty, and crowded uncomfortably near them was the colored dame, arrayed for the occasion.

A little before 9 o'clock a rear door of the court-room opened and Miss Johnson entered, leaning upon the arm of her father. Following her came her twin brother "Jim," and an older brother. They took their accustomed places by the window in the corner of the room, to the left of the judge's seat. Miss Johnson was becomingly attired in a walking suit of dark brown material and a light hat, and when she lifted her veil her countenance, though ghastly pale, bore a cheerful expression. She seemed to know, as if by intuition, that the judge would that morning pronounce the words which would allow her to return, at least for a time, to her home and friends.

A few minutes after 9 o'clock Judge Dubose entered and took his seat. The clerk's gavel fell three times and court was in session. The habeas corpus case was the first business of the morning, and it was at once proceeded with, the ruling being read immediately. After reciting the law in the case, the judge said in part: "The court is clearly of opinion that the proof is evident that the defendant aided and abetted the commission of the crime of which she and her co-defendant are charged—a crime the most shocking and malignant ever perpetrated by a woman. It appears from the proof taken in this proceeding that the defendant, Johnson, has been in precarious health since a mere child; that she suffers continuously with headache, and often with nervous prostration, and the confinement in the atmosphere of the prison would no doubt greatly aggravate her malady, and thereby endanger her life. For this reason, and this reason alone, the court will admit the defendant to bail."

Immediately after Judge Dubose had finished reading his ruling the bail was fixed at $10,000, with Dr. H. L. Williford and Hon. Martin Kelly as securities. Miss Johnson received the congratulations of friends and relatives, and immediately left the court room. A carriage was in waiting, and in company with her father and brothers the young woman was driven to her home on Vance street, where the party arrived at a few minutes after 11 o'clock.

The general public expected that Miss Johnson would be admitted to bail, but that part of the judge's ruling in which is stated her relation to Miss Mitchell in the commission of the crime has created a sensation. It is therefore evident that the State has in its possession evidence which has not been made public which will hold Miss Johnson for trial on the charge of aiding in murder instead of the mere form of a release from bail, as was sanguinely expected by her friends. Interest in the most deplorable tragedy is much heightened in consequence.

Miss Johnson's incarceration has told greatly upon her health. Accustomed, as she was, to her daily drives about the city with Miss Mitchell, the close confinement in the cell with her friend, now the murderess, soon began to show itself. She was seen to be failing daily and her always precarious health was seen to be undermined. The young girl, pale and much emaciated, is now but a shadow of her former self. Her condition arouses the deepest sympathy and causes great anxiety among her friends.

It is not known when the next move in this famous affair—the proceedings in the writ of lunacy in Miss Mitchell's case—will be commenced. Gen. Luke E. Wright, chief counsel for the defense, said to-day that he thought it would be thirty days before the inquisition of lunacy would begin. Other court attaches give it as their opinion that the matter will be taken up in ten days.

The tragedy has taken a firm hold on the Memphis public, and the court proceedings are eagerly watched by all classes. Among the young people and pupils of the different schools it is noticeable that the papers are perused with great avidity which threatens to interfere with lessons. The principal of a leading female college ordered, a few days ago, that no newspapers containing accounts of the proceedings in the case should be brought to school, and requested the pupils to refrain from reading them at home while the tragedy and court proceedings were being discussed in their columns.

JAY GOULD IS FEELING BETTER.

His Family Say He Is Only Suffering from a Cold and a Slight Indisposition.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Mr. Jay Gould, who has been confined to his residence since Tuesday evening last by a fit of illness which attacked him after a reception of members of the Church Extension Society of the Presbyterian Church, of which the financier is a member, had been held at his house, was said to be somewhat improved to-day. Dr. Munn, Mr. Gould's physician, is in almost constant attendance upon him. At Mr. Gould's house, this morning, it was said that Mr. Gould was only suffering from a cold and a slight indisposition. It was also said that he would be able to leave on his contemplated Southern trip on Monday, unless some unexpected developments should arise. Mr. Edwin Gould said that there was nothing serious the matter with his father. He had a cold and did not feel very well, but he would be all right soon. There was no foundation for the alarming stories published.

It was stated to-night at the residence of Jay Gould that the latter's attack of illness was passing away, and that he would undoubtedly be able to leave for the South in the early part of the present week. Mr. Gould's son Edwin said that his father was not confined to his bed, but was able to be up and about the house.

The Coming Ryan-Needham Fight.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 27.—The sale of seats for the Ryan-Needham contest, at the Metropolitan Club, has been very large and the management report that very few are left. As the time approaches and crowds of sports are arriving, excitement over this match is manifest. Thousands of dollars will change hands on the result. Betting is still in favor of Needham at about $100 to $90. The last finishing touches are being administered to both men. They have been below weight for some time and now have only to take a moderate amount of exercise to be in the best condition.

Two Hundred Fishermen Probably Lost.

OPORTO, Feb. 27.—A terrific gale is raging in this vicinity. Many boats have been wrecked, and it is feared that a large number of fishermen have been drowned, the number being placed as high as two hundred.

President Warfield Selected.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ELKHART, Ind., Feb. 27.—The Elkhart Street-railway and Electric Lighting Company, which has been a losing investment almost from it inception, in its election of officers, has made Louis Warfield, president of the Detroit Electrical Company, also president of the company here. Detroit capital is also interested in the plant here, and it is now expected that the investment will be a paying one, as Detroit people who have both money and experience become responsible for everything connected with the business.

BARRED FROM THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Queen Isabella Association Cannot Have Space for their Proposed Pavilion.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—The Queen Isabella Association, it was virtually announced officially this evening, is to be barred out of all participation in the world's fair. An application was some time ago made by the association for space within the fair grounds for the erection of a statute, heroic size, of Queen Isabella and also for a pavilion for the use of the association. The application was referred to the committee on buildings and grounds and chief of construction for action. Mrs. Potter Palmer, president of the board of lady managers, in a communication upon the subject, heartily recommended the granting of the site for the statue, which was to be of bronze, and the work of the famous sculptress Harriet Hosmer, and also recommended that the grounds and buildings committee and chief of construction give such favorable consideration to the application for the site for the Isabella pavilion as was possible within the rules of the exposition applying to clubs or associations of men; in short, that the exposition company should deal with this application by the Isabella Association as it would deal with any application from an organization of men. The grounds and building committee have since had the matter under consideration, and finally decided it, basing their action upon a communication from Chief of Construction Burnham. The decision is that the committee declined to grant the space asked for. In his communication, Chief of Construction Burnham stated that the exposition had no space which could be devoted to any building which would be of the character of a club-house, and in this view the committee acquiesced.

Progress of the World's Fair Buildings.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Forty-eight hundred men have been employed in the world's fair grounds during the present week, the largest force since the building began. The first steel truss of the manufacturers' building will probably be put in place early in April. The carpenters are still working on the pavilions and connecting walls, and are well advanced with the work. Ground has been broken and work begun on the annex of the horticultural hall.

MORE TROUBLE FOR BOYD.

Alleged Conspiracy to Prevent Him from Calling the Legislature in Extra Session.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 27.—A conspiracy of the regulation railroad brand has just been discovered. When it leaked out a fortnight since that Governor Boyd contemplated the calling of an extra session it coincidentally happened that Justice Maxwell, of the Supreme Court, filed an amendment to his decision in the Boyd-Thayer case, holding that Thayer never had any right to assume the duties of Governor when Boyd was ousted, but that Lieutenant-governor Majors was the proper person to intervene in case Mr. Boyd was not a citizen of the United States.

Now, it so happens that the railroads do not want a special session of the legislature, because the chief purpose of its convening would be to pass a bill reducing freight rates from existing tariffs 20 per cent, and as there is still some process to go through the State Supreme Court in Governor Boyd's case, the decree of the federal Supreme Court having to await the customary thirty days before being issued and returned to the State Supreme Court, hence the conspiracy. The railroads have been plotting to have Lieutenant-governor Majors begin proceedings against Governor Boyd on the ground that the federal Supreme Court decision merely overruled the State court in the matter of Boyd's demurrer to Thayer's motion. It so happens that since the former decision of the Supreme Court there has been a change in its make-up, Judge Post succeeding Judge Cobb. Governor Boyd, at the election in 1891, opposed the election of Post, but he was elected and he, with Norvel, now constitutes a majority of the court. Post could now agree with Maxwell on his amended decision that Majors had a right to intervene, and with Norvel in a second writ of ouster. It is believed in best-informed circles that the railroads will not seriously endeavor to carry out such a programme, but rather seek to hold over the head of the Democratic Governor a club to coerce him with regard to the extra session.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Secretary of War Elkins's New York residence has been sold to Tammany Sachem Kearney for $62,500.

Thomas Kennard, a well-known pugilist, died in the jail at Ashland, Wis., Friday night, death being due to excessive drinking.

The exports of specie from the port of New York last week amounted to $8,359,026, of which $2,592,426 was gold and $366,600 silver.

John Seger shot and seriously wounded Mrs. Elfirs at Byers, Col., yesterday, and then shot and killed himself. Jealousy was the cause of the shooting.

J. B. Bush, postmaster at Dillon, Ia., has confessed to the embezzlement from the government of upwards of a thousand dollars, and has been bound over to the federal grand jury.

Two little negro girls were burned to death at Marianna, Ark., in a shanty adjoining the old jail. The children were locked up in the house alone while their mother was absent.

At Butte, Mont., yesterday, three men were killed in the Anaconda mines, the result of falling ground. The names of the dead are: Jeffrey Kane, Thomas Carroll and Frank E. Doyle.

At Palmyra, Neb., in an altercation resulting over a four-dollar sale of corn Berry Simpson shot and fatally wounded Robert Ford. Ford severely cut Simpson with a pocket knife in the melee.

The driving-rod on the engine of a north bound Kentucky Central passenger train broke yesterday, near Cynthiana, Ky., and, revolving, broke one side of the cab. Fireman Price jumped from the train, and was so badly injured that he cannot live.

The resignation of President William C. Roberts, of Lake Forest (Ill.) University, has been accepted by the board of trustees, and Dr. Roberts will in the near future assume the duties of the senior secretaryship of the Board of Home Missions at New York.

A dynamite explosion occurred near Carlson Postoffice, Minn., Friday night, while some men were thawing out dynamite for blasting stones. Tollek Olsen and a man named Jobson were killed, and Peter Olsen probably fatally injured. Oliver Olsen was badly hurt, but will recover.

Mrs. E. F. Harper, wife of the well-known ex-banker, now in the Columbus (O.) penitentiary for his transactions with the Fidelity National Bank, won a suit at Cincinnati, yesterday, upon a note for $20,000 given by Mrs. Baldwin. Mrs. Harper has been reported to be in destitute circumstances.

Justice Fuller Will Not Resign.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—When Chief-justice Fuller's attention was called to a statement that he intended to resign he laughed heartily over the matter, and good-naturedly said that it was simply ridiculous; that there was no foundation whatever for such a statement.

Snow-Slides in Colorado.

TELLURIDE, Col., Feb. 26.—Three snow-slides have occurred in this vicinity to-day. The first one was started by a Rio Grande train jarring the snow banks, which came down with great rapidity, tearing up the track and destroying the telegraph poles. A train narrowly escaped being caught in it. On the same railroad west of here, a small slide carried about 150 feet of track away. The last avalanche reported was the most serious of the lot. A large pack train was caught in it on the Marshall basin trail and sixteen burros and one horse were instantly killed. The driver of the train was buried several feet under the snow, but managed to escape.

CHICAGO HAS A NOBLEMAN.

He Was Recently a Poor Carpenter, but Now He Has Great Wealth and a Title.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A genuine Chicago nobleman is in this city. He is at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, and he has come here, it is reported, to be married. This interesting Westerner, whose full title is Sir George W. Northedge, Baronet, and whose fortune is estimated at a million and a quarter dollars, was less than a month ago, a poor carpenter occupying a plainly-furnished room, at No. 3529 State street, Chicago, and having as little notion that he would today be a nobleman and rich as that the heavens would fall.

It was late in the afternoon of Feb. 4 that Northedge was finishing some work on the roof of a barn in the rear of No. 4426 La Salle street. He was weary with his day's work, and anxious to get through. Just then a man called him from the foot of the ladder and congratulated him on being the heir to a large fortune. The carpenter supposed the man was in the confidence line. A few hours later Northedge realized that everything he had been told was the truth. And in his case good fortune was added to good luck. He soon learned that he was not only the heir to one fortune of $900,000, but to another of $250,000, and not only that, but he was also the heir to an old and honored English title—Sir George Northedge, Bart. This second piece of good news came to him from another source entirely, an English advocate, a De Lorimer, of Montreal, writing him that he was one of the three heirs to a fortune left by one of his grandfathers thirty-five years ago.

Long before this Northedge had locked up his tool-chest, given away his overalls, fitted himself out at a fashionable tailor's and taken rooms at a first-class hotel, regardless of expense. Then he had his life insured for $100,000, and finally began to look about him for a wife. Many of Chicago's fair dames and misses, dazzled by the stories of his wealth and importance, had written him scented notes, telling him of hearts waiting to be loved, but Sir George did not want that kind of a wife. He kept up his search for a wife, and it is whispered he has found his ideal in this city, and has come here to see her, and be married before going abroad, to take his first look at his property.

FANNY DAVENPORT ILL,

Suffering from a Severe Cold and Threatened with Congestion—Her Condition Serious.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Fanny Davenport, who has been playing in "Cleopatra" at the Amphion Theater, Brooklyn, was taken seriously ill at the close of the afternoon performance to-day. She had been suffering from a severe cold, and was threatened with congestion. It was only with the greatest exertion that she continued during the afternoon. She was so exhausted at the end of the performance that she fainted. After being revived she was hurriedly conveyed to her hotel. No performance was given to-night.

TWO MAIL CARS BURNED,

Along with Four Passenger Coaches Belonging to the C., H. & D. R. R.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 27.—The United States Express Company's depot on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad tracks, near Baymiller street, caught fire to-night from some unknown cause. Before the blaze was extinguished mail-cars No. 33, of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, and No. 28, of the Michigan Central road, were consumed. Four Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton passenger and baggage car and two freight cars loaded with merchandise were more or less damaged. The amount of mail and express matter burned is not known. The total loss will probably exceed $100,000.

Heavy Loss at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Fire early this morning, which broke out in the establishment of Patterson & Co.'s marble-works, on Eleventh avenue destroyed that building and also the Braumuller Company's upright piano factory. Other property in the vicinity was also destroyed. The loss is estimated between $500,000 and $750,000.

Other Losses by Fire.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 27.—Fire at Forest, O., this morning destroyed the Scott House, a four-story building, and a two-story building adjoining. William Woodside, son of J. C. Woodside, proprietor of the Scott House, aged twenty, was struck by a falling timber while trying to save property from the burning building and was knocked into the flames and burned to death. Loss, $10,000.

MOLINE, Ill., Feb. 27.—Fire late last night burned the electric-light plant and caused considerable damage to the property of the water company adjoining. The total loss is $50,000. It is thought the fire was started by the dropping of a telephone wire on the trolley wire of an electric street railway.

WABASH, Ind., Feb. 27.—Early this morning the extensive band saw-mill of J. A. Brown & Co., at Pierson Station, this county, was destroyed by fire, together with many thousand feet of lumber piled in the yard. The total loss is estimated at $6,000; no insurance. Origin unknown.

SULLIVAN, Ind., Feb. 27.—Fire last night destroyed the packing-house of Stivers & Bland, entailing a loss of about $3,500; insurance, $2,200. It is supposed to have caught fire from the pit in which fire was placed for smoking the meat.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 27.—The Indian boarding-school at the Winnebago agency was destroyed by fire last night with all its contents. Loss, $15,000, with no insurance.

Opposed to Free Coinage.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 27.—The Detroit Board of Trade, in open session to-day, unanimously adopted a memorial and series of resolutions to Congress, protesting against the passage of a free-coinage bill and instructing Senators and Representatives from the State to defeat, by all honorable means, any such measure. The resolutions close with the indorsement of the proposition to settle the question by international conference.

Obituary.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 27.—Judge Van B. Young, presiding justice of the Kentucky Superior Court, died to-night at the age of fifty-six. He was attacked with grip several weeks ago, but it had not been serious until pneumonia set in a week ago. He was a nephew of ex-Chief-justice B. J. Peters, of Mt. Sterling.

Failure of a Preacher.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The Right Rev. Spencer Richardson, Bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and holding the degree of D. D. from the University of New Brunswick, has failed. Liabilities and assets small.

Movements of Steamers.

THE LIZARD, Feb. 27.—Passed: Bohemia, from New York for Hamburg.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Arrived: Rhaetia, from Hamburg, and La Champagne, from Havre.

Failure at Montreal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 27.—Henry Holland & Co., wholesale fancy goods, have made an assignment. The liabilities are about $100,000.

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DIED.

BACHMAN—Mrs. Louise Reutsh, wife of Frederick Bachman, at 1:30 p. m., Friday, Feb. 26. Funeral services from her late residence, 670 North Meridian street, Monday, Feb. 29, at 10 a. m. Friends are cordially invited to attend.

WILLIAMSON—Katie Williamson, wife of C. D. Williamson, at family residence, No. 50 Cedar street, at 3 o'clock Friday. Funeral Monday at 10 o'clock A. M. Friends invited. Burial at Greencastle.

FOOLS NOT ALL DEAD.

Wealthy New Jersey Business Man Pays $5,000 for a Worthless "Gold" Brick.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 27.—Patrick Martin, a wealthy business man of Bordentown, learned to-day that he had been buncoed out of $5,000 here yesterday. He was persuaded by confidence man No. 1 to come here to buy for the sum named gold bricks of the value of $21,000, which, he was told, were held by an Indian who found the treasure in the West. Besides the Indian, a third confidence man, who passed as an expert tester figured in the swindle, he pronouncing the bricks genuine after apparently testing them. Martin took the bricks for $5,000, and to-day received a letter from the swindlers telling him he might spare himself the trouble of his intended visit to the Philadelphia mint to sell the bricks, as there was no gold in them. The swindlers are on their way to Canada, they say.

Iron Trade Greatly Depressed.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 27.—Following the suspension of work in the puddling department of Painter & Son's iron-mill yesterday, on account of the depressed condition of the iron trade, comes the announcement to-day that the management of Jones & Laughlin's American iron-works has closed down thirty-seven puddling furnaces and discharged two hundred men for the same reason. The employes were notified that no definite information could be given as to when a resumption would be made, and that it was to their interests to seek other positions. In the current issue of the Iron Age the fact is cited that never before were prices in iron so low as at present, and that it seems to be indicated that the manufacturers are steadily progressing to a cheaper basis.

Contagious Diseases Among Immigrants.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The steamship City of Chicago, from Liverpool, which arrived here yesterday, had a case of small-pox on board. A Russian steerage passenger was taken sick on Feb. 23, and was promptly isolated and put in hospital. The ship is detained at quarantine for disinfection and vaccination of the steerage passengers. The cabin passengers were allowed to land this morning.

Jacob and Meyer Shapiro, the children of the proprietor of the boarding-house, No. 5 Essex street, at which the Russian immigrants were stopping, were found this morning to have developed typhus fever and were sent to Riverside Hospital. During the past week there were reported to the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, two cases of typhus.

Close of the Y. M. C. A. Conference.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—The delegates to the international conference of the railroad department of the Y. M. C. A. completed their labors to-night. C. H. Newton, of Fort Wayne, Ind., presided. Contrary to expectation the conference at its close did not pass a resolution on the question of closing the world's fair Sundays. Among the resolutions of thanks for courtesies extended during the delegates' Chicago visit was one to the world's fair officials.

A Fortunate University.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—President Wm. R. Harper, of the University of Chicago, was at the Murray Hill Hotel yesterday, having come to this city to meet his family, who arrived from Europe on the steamer city of Chicago. In speaking of the finances of the institution Mr. Harper said the institution has now received more than $4,000,000, and there is a great deal more—at least a million—promised, about which he is not at liberty to speak.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

THE FUNERAL OF J. ANDY WALLACE, eldest son of ex-Sheriff Wm. John Wallace, will take place from Crown Hill Chapel, Sunday, Feb. 28, at 3 o'clock.

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