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AT RED RIVER.

The Rock Island Express Held Up by Outlaws.

Express Messenger Jumps and Runs Into the Woods.

MADE TO SHELL OUT.

Passengers Are Robbed of 15 Watches and \$800.

Conductor's Life Saved by a Bundle of Letters.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 11.—A special to the Star from Hennessy, Oklahoma, received at midnight last night says: The Rock Island express due here at 5:10 a. m., was held up and robbed at Red River bridge, two miles south of Torrett, I. T., by five men. Conductor Cannon and Engineer Smith had charge of the train and Messenger Harrington was in the express car.

When the train reached the bridge two of the robbers who were secreted on the tender commanded the engineer to stop the train, which was done. The fireman and engineer were marched to the express car where the other bandits joined them. The messenger opened the door and was told by the bandits to throw up his hands and "get out of there." Harrington leaped to the ground and took to the woods followed by a volley from six shooters.

One of the robbers went through the express car and found the through safe locked. All they secured was the messenger's gun. Pullman Conductor Brown jumped off of the sleeper to see what had happened and was met by a volley of bullets. One bullet entered his forehead just below his heart and lodged in a bundle of papers and letters. The robbers then went through the coaches, beginning at the smoker, and taking everything of value the passengers possessed. About \$800 in money and ten or fifteen watches were secured. After the bandits had finished their work they fired several volleys and disappeared in the woods. Deputy marshals are on the trail with bloodhounds.

THE NEWS IN TOPEKA.

What Could Be Learned of the Red River Robbery at the Local General Office.

Only meagre particulars of the Rock Island train robbery at Red River last night have been received at the Topeka office, for the reason that General Superintendent Hitt was in Ft. Worth at the time and is by this time on the ground. The train was No. 2, which is due to arrive in Topeka at 3:30 today and is reported on time. It was delayed 40 minutes by the robbery, which was made up before reaching Wichita.

The holdup occurred at a lonely spot 1 1/2 miles the other side of the Red river bridge, a fine iron trestle bridge over a mile in length. Three men did the work, one of them standing guard while the other two went through the coaches, after failing to get any valuables from the express car. The train was in charge of Conductor Cannon.

The robbery was reported at Terril, the first station this side of the Red river bridge. The robbery occurred in Montague county, Texas.

A Rock Island official here said to a Journal reporter this afternoon: "For several weeks all the express companies have ceased to do a money business on the Rock Island through the territory, although they still do a mercantile business. The robbers didn't know this probably, but it accounts for their not finding any booty in the express car. The express companies can hardly be blamed for refusing to ship money through the territory for the protection is insufficient and the risk is far too great for the profit."

DEATH OF REES PRICE.

Fatal Ending of a Case of Appendicitis.

Rees R. Price of Hutchinson, a son of John R. Price of Topeka, died yesterday afternoon at Hutchinson of appendicitis. Mr. Price was president of the Kansas salt company and was one of the best known young men in Kansas.

LIKES NEW ORLEANS.

Corbett Would as Lieft Fight There if Corbett Were the Last of His Race.

NEW ORLEANS, Ark., Dec. 11.—"I would just as lief fight in New Orleans if my battle with Fitzsimmons cannot take place at Jacksonville," was Champion James J. Corbett's reply to a question on the subject last night. "I have naturally a kindly feeling toward New Orleans, my career beginning there. The fight might have taken place there at first had the Olympic club treated me right."

SANTA FE RECEIVERS.

They Are on a Tour of the "Frisco and Other Roads."

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 11.—Receivers Alfred F. Walker, John L. McCook and J. C. Wilson of the Atchafalpa-Frisco lines are accompanied by several officers of those roads. A conference was held at the "Frisco" general offices with officers of that road on affairs in general. Some time was spent inspecting the new union station and terminal facilities in this city. Before leaving for an inspection trip over the "Frisco" and Santa Fe roads the receivers filed petitions in the federal court, asking to have annulled all contracts with non-paying branch lines and with the Atlantic & Pacific railroad.

See Dr. Learned's lecture advertisements on page 2.

HELD UP AND ROBBED

One of the Worst Cases of Footpads Ever Reported in Topeka.

O. B. Haynes, an Arizona horseman, was robbed of \$1,800 near the Rock Island depot last night by two footpads. He had been about the city most of the day with State Veterinarian Pritchard and with Elwood Mileham at whose home he stopped last night.

Mr. Haynes said: "Elwood and I went up town in the evening and I went to the Rock Island depot to make some inquiries about the time of my train today and about my ticket. It must have been soon after 8 o'clock that I left the Rock Island depot and concluded to go up to Jackson street and around that way to the Mileham's."

"The thought of danger never occurred to me, as I have been around stock yards and railroad yards all my life nearly and was never held up. I was walking leisurely up the track when I was suddenly grasped by the throat by some powerful man and forced quickly to the ground. I tried to call for help, but the fellow said he would beat my face off if I made a sound, and as he tightened his grip on my air tube I concluded I had better not say anything much and I didn't."

"In my left inside pocket I had a pocket book that contained nearly \$1,800. \$120 of this was in new bills and the rest was in certified checks on eastern banks. On the right side I had an empty pocket book and the thieves—there were two of them, the big one holding me and the little one doing the searching—got that first."

"It was nearly empty and although I felt as though I might lose my senses from the choking, I thought they had made a mistake and would leave me alone, but they examined it as best they could in the darkness and the smaller of the men swore. Try another pocket, said the larger man, and the next search brought out the bills."

"The fellows then got off me and ran in the direction of Turner garden. I could have shot one if I had had anything to do it with. I did not give chase because I did not want to run the risk of being killed or hurt for \$120, and the rest of it is all right because I have already telegraphed and stopped the payment of the checks. I don't think the thieves are Topeka men because I have not had the pocket-book out since I bought my ticket in Kansas City yesterday morning for Topeka. I took a \$10 bill and a \$5 bill and the only money they left me was the \$7 or \$8 in silver I got in change. I think they followed me from Kansas City."

Mr. Haynes left for Kansas City this afternoon and will go to Arizona.

He reported the matter to the police but they say the story sounds "daisy" which sometimes the way the police talk about robberies they can't ferret out.

Haynes made negotiations for a stable belonging to C. H. Lindsey on Madison street but the deal was not closed. Haynes' throat was sore this morning and there was a bump on his head where he supposed he struck his head on the ground. He does not remember anything about that, however. Haynes is a typical horseman. He is about 40 years of age, smooth shaven and dresses much in the style of a westerner which has much to do with horses, especially racing stock. He is not a horse dealer but owns fast horses and tours the country with them every year during the racing season. At present he has only two horses, having disposed of a few in the east as blooded stock.

ANOTHER HOLD UP.

Charles Young, an Asylum Cook, Knocked Down and Robbed in Anburlade.

Charles Young, a young man who works at the state insane asylum as a cook, was knocked down and robbed of \$7 in silver on the Anburlade bridge last night at about 9 o'clock, as he was returning home from town.

He was crossing the bridge when he was suddenly confronted by two men, who demanded that he hold up his hands. This he refused to do and showed fight. He is not very big, but was giving his assailants a lively time when a third man struck him in the back of the head with a club or sandbag. He fell to the bridge floor and they held him there while they went through his pockets. Then they got up and ran.

Young's leg had been wrenched in the scuffle and hurt a good deal, but he finally managed to get to the asylum.

He had also been choked and has been confined to his room all day as a result of the affair.

Young says one of the men was large and two of them small. He thinks one of them was colored and one of the others were a long overcoat.

LOCAL MENTION.

The city council adjourned last night to next Friday evening when the water works question will be considered.

The claim of M. W. Kimes for \$10,250 for personal injuries received from a defective sidewalk on August 3, was reported from the committee on claims and accounts at the council meeting last evening with the recommendation that the claim be rejected.

Mrs. Keeley, the mother of Mrs. Wm. Grant, died at Wakarusa, Indiana, Sunday. She was for a number of years a resident of Kansas and of Topeka. She was nearly 75 years old. Four children survive her.

Councilman Fellows proposed at last evening's council meeting that a committee be appointed to provide entertainment for representatives of the cities of the first class who will meet here January 3, 1895. The council agreed and the mayor was authorized to appoint the committee. He named Councilmen Fellows, Bradford and Stephenson.

The salesman of S. A. Rider & Co. will remain till tomorrow night at the Topeka Cash Dry Goods Company with that wholesale display of jewelry and silverware samples.

Children's Novelty Caps, sold at 75c to \$1.50, now 35c.

PALACE CLOTHING CO., 709 Kansas ave.

See Dr. Learned's lecture advertisements on page 3.

BANKERS' IDEAS.

New York Financiers Before the House Commission.

They Tell How They Would Reform the Currency.

A BILL IS SUBMITTED.

Horace White Has One On the Baltimore Plan.

He Does Not Think Mr. Carlisle's Scheme is Good.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The hearing before the house banking and currency commission on the question of a reorganization of the currency laws was resumed in a room of the ways and means committee, but did not move off very promptly. Among those present were Mr. Horace White, of the New York Evening Post; Mr. G. G. Homer of Baltimore, chairman of the committee of national bankers to formulate the so-called Baltimore plan and R. P. Hepburn of New York, ex-comptroller of the currency.

These gentlemen represent the city ideas embraced in the Baltimore plan. It was expected that Secretary Carlisle would present his currency bill, and continue his statement of yesterday, but as the secretary was late in arriving, Mr. White opened the hearing.

In answer to a question he stated that he had drafted a bill on the lines of the Baltimore plan and it was arranged that this should be placed before the committee.

Mr. White's statement was read from manuscript and was a carefully prepared review of the banking question. At the close of Mr. White's statement he submitted his bill on the lines of the Baltimore plan. Mr. Homer states that the committee of national bankers had not yet formulated their bill. Mr. Johnson, of Ohio, asked Mr. White's opinion on Secretary Carlisle's currency plan.

Mr. White answered that he did not think the secretary's plan would give the elasticity it sought to secure. It compelled banks to put up 30 cents every time they issued 70 cents.

Mr. Walker of Massachusetts, asked if the bill presented by Mr. White would secure a safe and uniform currency.

"It will have that tendency," said Mr. White.

"That is not it," said Mr. Walker. We don't want to provide a tendency toward a safe currency but an actual safety.

"I am not omniscient," suggested Mr. White. He added that in his judgment the bill would secure an elastic currency.

Secretary Carlisle came in at this point and was an interested listener to Mr. White. Mr. Warner of New York, asked what restrictions should be imposed on state banks.

Mr. White said he would adjust state banks to the same regulations as those imposed on national banks.

Mr. Cox of Tennessee asked if this would not do away with the need of state banks.

Mr. White answered that it would. He said he believed in one uniform banking system—not of systems, there being 43 states.

Mr. Carlisle then resumed his statement begun yesterday. He presented the bill he had prepared, submitting to the committee, commenting on it as he proceeded.

He said he did not believe in government responsibility further than in providing the best safeguards.

The secretary spoke of Comptroller Eckels' currency plan. Without wishing to criticize he thought his fatal defect was in requiring national banks to take out two different kinds of circulation notes.

Mr. Hall of Missouri, asked in regard to Mr. White's statement that the treasury plan lacked elasticity. Mr. Carlisle said there was no difference between the plans as to the amount of circulation which could be taken out.

A MASSACRE CERTAIN.

Fears that Chinese Will Butcher Foreigners When Japs Reach Pekin.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The Globe this afternoon prints a letter from a British resident in China who occupies an important position which brings him in touch with the mandarins and the masses. The writer says: "A tragedy may occur any day, and when the Japanese come within sight of the capital, I feel certain that every foreigner will be massacred."

The foreign ministers will incur a perfectly insane risk if they remain there after the ice has closed the port of Tien Tsin. The greatest danger is in the fact that nearly all the soldiers are members of secret societies which are ready to break out at the first chance.

Pekin, Dec. 11.—The angry feeling of the Chinese population here against foreigners is increasing.

ASKS FIRE PROTECTION.

Potwin Place Axious to Pay for Services by Topeka's Department.

A committee consisting of Mayor Forbes and councilmen C. B. Hammon, Geo. W. Parkhurst and C. S. Ogilvy, Potwin appeared before the city council last evening and asked that the city allow the fire department to go to Potwin in case of fire alarms.

They said the city would agree to pay liberally for the service. The city attorney, the committee on judiciary and the committee on fire department will consider the matter.

Mr. Fellows at the council meeting said there was a legal question whether or not there were enough lot owners who wanted Twelfth street paved between Topeka avenue and Tyler street to secure the pavement. He thought the matter should again be considered by the council and the question was again referred to a committee.

JAPAN TO ACT HUMANELY.

She Will Conduct War in the Manner of Civilized Nations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The instructions given by Lieut. Gen. Sakuma to the second Japanese army governing the treatment of the enemy in the pending war are contained in an issue of the Yokohama Mail summary recently received here.

General Sakuma said that Japan being the "first country of the east which had adopted civilization as her path, held the responsible position to lead other hitherto uncivilized nations into the way of civilization. So whatever way the enemy may act, Japan must tread the way of justice and while carrying reform into a barbarous country, the dignity of Japan must be upheld in the world."

He then specifies a number of conditions, among them being that prisoners shall not be mutilated or insulted, fires shall not be set without cause and soldiers shall refrain from all acts of brutality.

This Doesn't Sound Civilized.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 11.—Before considering any peace proposals from China, Japan insists on the surrender for execution of all the Chinese officials who have offered money rewards for Japanese heads.

MILLIONAIRES AT LAW.

The Goulds Wish to Intelligently Direct Their Estates.

The young ladies Gould are certainly progressive. For many years people knew that Jay Gould lived on Fifth avenue, had a big family and was a very good domestic sleepless little man who boiled milk on a gas stove for insomnia and made enough money to keep the wolf from coming in the oak front door. The public knew nothing further about the domestic life of the Goulds. Then George married an actress. She was good, beautiful, young, and old Jay Gould was very fond of her. That was all the public knew about it. Then Jay Gould died. Helen made her debut and George bought a yacht. Helen was philanthropic and entertained but little; she preferred poor boys and mission houses to society people and dances. She soon left the "world" for home and charitable works. George raced the Vigilant against the prince of Wales and got badly beaten.

Now Helen and Anna, two of the wealthiest young women in the country, are about to take up a law course. They are both said to have inherited their father's business instincts, and are devoting their time to spending in ways wise, judicious and charitable the fortunes which were left to them. Helen is interested in the building of houses for the poor, and has much property as well as countless philanthropic schemes which she attends to herself.

Anna has been seriously thinking of becoming a princess, and wants to know how to keep her royal husband within bounds. They are going to take a full law course under the tuition of Professor Russell. Of course, in a very short time they will know the difference between American and Roman law, the rights of property holders and how to creep out as well as into a lawsuit, and these fair women will not force Howard to pay out \$10,000, or wicked lawyers will not impose on the young millionairesses and foreign noblemen demand their purchase price down, or the young ladies will "know the reason why."

AT THE DENTIST'S.

The Forceps-Wielder Is Told a Rather Unpleasant Thing.

A well-known Chicago dentist tells an excellent story on himself that will bear the light of day. The gentleman is the owner, among other possessions, of a cottage on Congress street and, as with most old-fashioned buildings of the kind, it has an out-house and other primitive conveniences in the rear of the premises. A new tenant of the cottage made it a sine qua non that before he signed the lease the service of a scavenger should be engaged and accordingly one of those useful but extremely malodorous functionaries was engaged.

About a week after this a well-dressed man called at the doctor's office at the corner of Madison and Ashland boulevard with a bill. It was the scavenger. The doctor promptly paid the bill, remarking that the work had been well done. The man lingered around a few moments and finally said:

"Doctor, you're a dentist, ain't you?"

"Yes."

"You have to pull and fill teeth?"

"Certainly; have you anything you wish attended to?"

"Naw," drawled the scavenger, "but I couldn't help thinking you must be in an extremely unpleasant business."

"I could have stood this from pretty nearly anybody but a scavenger," declared the doctor.

A BURNS STATUE.

The Scottish Society Want to Put One Up in Topeka.

The Topeka Scottish society has taken the initial steps in securing a monument of the Scotch poet, Robert Burns, for Topeka.

The society met last night and after discussing the subject, appointed this committee to take preliminary steps: Ex-Judge John Guthrie, Thomas Page and Dr. McKinley.

A meeting is to be held in the middle of January and a permanent association formed. The legislature will be asked for permission to erect the monument in the state house square. It is to cost \$10,000.

SEELY CAUGHT.

The Suspect Arrested at Chicago Confesses His Identity.

He Admits That He is the New York Defaulter.

FOOLED THE OFFICERS

His Cool Denials Had Just About Baffled Them.

But at Noon He Told Them His Real Name.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The New York suspect under arrest here admitted shortly before noon today that he is Samuel C. Seely the absconding book-keeper of the National Shoe & Leather bank. He declined to talk of his case, but said he was ready to go back to New York and would make no trouble. Seely's remarkable coolness and persistency in baffling the detectives had completely defied the officers and they had determined to await the New York officers before making further efforts, when about noon the prisoner told his guard that he wished to see the men in charge of the detective force.

Inspector Shea and Lieutenant Haas promptly responded, entering the inspector's private office where the suspect had been confined. "Be seated, gentlemen," Seely said affably as the officers appeared, and somewhat dazed at his nonchalant they sat down.

"Now, gentlemen," he continued, "I wish to thank you for your courtesy and kindness since our meeting last night. I have told you repeatedly that my name is Dale, but I have become tired of the deception. I had no sleep last night. I am weary. My name is Seely—Samuel C. Seely—late book-keeper of the National Shoe and Leather bank of New York. That is what I wished to say to you."

"Do you care to say anything about your case?" asked the inspector.

"Not a thing. I am ready and willing to go back to New York. I will not make any trouble about extradition. So soon as the proper New York officials arrive I will go with them."

The officers attempted to secure some sort of a statement from Seely regarding his connection with the great steal, but he carefully avoided making either admissions or denials. Finding his efforts in that line unavailing, Inspector Shea ordered the man taken to the Harrison station where he was locked up in a cell to await the arrival of the New York officers.

H. E. MacFarland, the young man whose information led to Seely's arrest, said that Seely met him on the street, invited him to the races, and after several days' companionship calmly informed him that he was Samuel C. Seely, wanted in New York for aiding in the theft of \$354,000.

It was believed by many of the detectives that the informant was an old acquaintance of the fugitive and that the allurements of the \$5,000 reward had got the better of his friendship. On this subject, however, Seely was as silent as a clam.

THREE OUTLAWS LYNCHED

A Gang of Alabama Moonshiners and Robbers Cleared Out.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 11.—Three of the notorious Meachamite gang in Clark county have been sent to eternity by the rope and limb route. The Meachamite gang has for many years run illicit stilleries, made counterfeit money and committed robbery and murder. For a person to give them away meant sure death. No less than ten men met their death in that way.

The Report Denied.

WHEATLEY, Ala., Dec. 11.—There is no truth in the report of the lynching of the Meacham gang. The men charged with killing Murphy Pink are still in jail and are safe. There is no mob and all is quiet.

WILL RAISE PRICES.

Lumbermen Are in Session With That Object in View.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 11.—Lumbermen of Arkansas, Missouri and other states met at the Hotel Richelle in this city today behind closed doors for the purpose of forming an agreement to raise the price of their product. The proceedings today were not of a final character, definite action being held in abeyance until the arrival of several Missouri lumbermen.

Opening a New Alley.

Councilman Fellows called up the question at the council meeting last night of opening the alley between Taylor street and Western avenue and Second and Third streets and an appropriation from the general improvement fund to pay for the opening of the alley was made. There was a clerical error in the assessment, which prevented the opening of the alley unless the money was taken from the improvement fund. It will be repaid when the assessment is made.

His Old Army Friend.

Major G. W. Burge, balliff of the Shawnee county circuit court, has had for a guest during the past few days an old war friend, Lieutenant Colonel A. J. Morrison, of the major's old regiment, 27th Indiana. The old veterans had not met since the war and after thirty years had the pleasure of again fighting the battles in which they took part in defense of the union. The colonel is a man of seventy years, but hale and hearty. He was a Mexican soldier as well as a defender of his country during the rebellion. His home is near Indianapolis, and he is here on a visit to his children, who live in Lyon county.

See Sampon.

James Long brought suit this afternoon against Chas. H. Sampson for \$5,000 damages for injuries from an alleged assault committed October 31.

See Dr. Learned's lecture advertisements on page 3.

WELL CAVES IN.

Five Men Buried, But None Were Hurt Dangerously.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the wall of the large well being excavated near the state insane asylum under the direction of the state board of charities caved in and five men were buried under the bricks and sand. They were rescued without fatal injury to any of them, all though for a time things looked serious.

Those who were buried in the well were: Ed. Nightingale, 325 Hancock street, internally hurt, but it is believed not seriously; Bert Harris, 428 Branner street; E. W. Moody, address not known; W. H. Christian, 804 Branner street; D. L. Shelton, 1917 Van Buren street.

CHAMP CLARK, HUMORIST.

He Keeps the House Laughing With His Anecdotes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—At the opening of the session in the house today, Mr. Breckinridge, Democrat of Kentucky, from the committee on appropriations reported the urgent deficiency bill.

In the morning hour Mr. Mallory again called up the bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue cutter service which provoked Champ Clark's remarks on "Saturday" and today, the Missouriian again took the floor in parance of his avowed intention of talking the bill to death.

Mr. Clark then took off his cuffs and for five minutes kept the house in a roar with humorous and stirring anecdotes of "obscure heroes" paying rough and ready, but eloquent tributes to the gallant deeds of Silas Adams of Kentucky; General Siskie of New York; W. C. P. Breckinridge of Kentucky, General Black of Illinois and Jerry Simpson of Kansas. In conclusion Mr. Clark said he expected to be flayed by 100 newspapers tomorrow.

NOW LOOK OUT, BOYS.

The City Fathers Evidently Need Looking After When They Are Away.

Mayor Harrison while in Kansas City attended a performance of the "Dazzler." There is talk connected with this visit that none of the inside will tell, but it is said that some in the Topeka party were accused of winking at the girls on the stage and that the mayor knows who it was.—Capital.

Mayor Harrison says that it is a fact that some of the Topeka boys did wink at the girls on the stage at Kansas City and he knows who it was, and the worst of it all is that the girls actually winked back at the Topeka boys. But the mayor absolutely refuses to give the boys away.

Cyclone in Florida.

WESTVILLE, Fla., Dec. 11.—A cyclone passed five miles north of this place early Sunday morning. It struck the farm of J. N. Skinner, the representative elect from Holmes county, and demolished every building on the place. Every member of Mr. Skinner's family was injured, and his wounds, it is thought, will prove fatal.

Trailered to Prison.

W. H. Anderson, the man who wrote up his own pension affidavits instead of securing them from the witnesses, went before Judge Foster last evening and pleaded guilty to forging the pension papers. He was sentenced to one year and three months in the penitentiary. Deputy Marshals Gray and Henry Dillard left with him this afternoon for the penitentiary.

Troops Arrive in Madagascar.

TAMATAVE, Madagascar, Dec. 8.—The Peiho, with 700 troops on board, has arrived here from Reunion. It is rumored that M. L. Devillers, the French special envoy, has sent another ultimatum to the Malagasy government.

Mrs. Culp's Divorce Granted.

Mrs. Josephine Culp, formerly McGrath, has been granted a divorce by Judge Hazen in the district court. The divorce was granted on formal grounds and was not contested. Allmon was not asked for, Culp pays the attorneys' fees and Mrs. Culp pays the costs.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Congressman Norman A. Mezley of Missouri, who was born in 1866, will be the baby member of the house.

Money and beauty are tempting baits. Miss Anna Gould is said to have already turned down three princes, one count, one judge and an actor.

Jepson, the man who went with Stanley to find Emin Bey, is soon to be married to the daughter of A. R. Hoag, a San Francisco millionaire.

Alexander Melville of New York, who died recently at the age of 88, was buried in a coffin that he had constructed for himself several years ago.

It is said that the latest victim of golf in England is the Marquis of Salisbury, who,