

THE NEWS IN IOWA

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Des Moines, Iowa
The United States Supreme Court to pools: "Dry up!"

A child carries its new found happiness to the one it loves best.

Too many members of the Kentucky legislature up and die at critical times.

The New York newspapers need sense or something like it worse than they need censors.

When a girl's heart thumps and palates and her face burns, it does not need an M. D. to diagnose her case.

Since everybody seems to be in favor of using convict labor in improving the public highways why isn't it?

Mr. Cleveland will be at liberty to do ducks anywhere in the purlieu. Princeton, but he must not camp on the campus.

While our senate was busily engaged during the arbitration treaty England's Camperdown was shelling Christian insurgents struggling for liberty.

Lots are to be offered the unemployed of Philadelphia for the cultivation of vegetables. The Pingree idea grows with every new crop of urban potatoes.

The valued Washington Post thinks putting sausage on the free list would be protection to the American dog. Would putting ham on the free list be protection to the American art?

A very wealthy man of New York recently said that the sacrifices made by capitalists in recent years in order that their employes might not suffer hardship would amount in the aggregate to an enormous sum. A manufacturing concern with which he is associated, he said, has suffered to the extent of a little more than one hundred thousand dollars from the determination of himself and his associates to keep their workmen employed.

Miss Shillaber, of Boston, following the example of many others in the field of literature, is about to go upon the "form with reminiscences of her life." Such a venture should be a great success, for there are many who remember affectionate pleasure the sayings of Mrs. Partington, the delightful Mrs. Malpro, which Mr. B. Malpro, laborer created. Mrs. Partington's work was delightfully refreshing and her leader soon learned to love her for goodness of heart as well as for her wits. While Mr. Shillaber's fame is due to his creation of Mrs. Partington, he was a writer of stories which delighted the readers of a generation ago. Their quiet sketches of character, their pathos, and their pure and elevating.

United States Consul Norris, at Trenton, has reported an interesting fact to the State Department regarding the manufacture of incandescent lamps. It is that the most expensive product in the world is the charcoal thread employed in the lamps to furnish the light. This will be interesting news to the people who use electric light night-light without being cognizant of such a proximity of wealth. It is for the most part, manufactured at Paris and comes from the hands of an artist. This product is sold at wholesale by the gramme, and, reducing this price to the basis of pounds, it is easily found that the filaments for lamps of twenty candle-power are worth \$8,000 per pound, and for the lamps of thirty candle-power the fabulous sum of \$12,000 per pound. The former have a diameter of twenty-thousandths of one millimeter, or 7,874-ten-millionths, and the latter less than one-fifth of this size.

Secretary Sherman has sent to the Senate a note received from Mr. Botas, Consul General of Greece at New York, transmitting a cablegram from the Greek Minister of Foreign Affairs. In acknowledgment of the resolution agreed to by the Senate before the expiration of the last session, expressing sympathy with the Cretan revolutionists. The cablegram is as follows:

"To the United States Senate: The warm thanks of the Greek nation, as well as of the government of Greece, are due for the expression of sympathy and assistance to us, toward the accomplishment of our national aspirations." The Consul General adds on his own behalf that the resolution has made a most favorable impression on the Greeks in the United States, "who, while enjoying the blessings of liberty in this country, under her liberal laws, are in hearty sympathy with their motherland in her efforts to free their oppressed brethren."

The money that maintains a gambling house is literally the "price of blood." During the last eleven years more than eight thousand persons are known to have committed suicide in consequence of losses sustained at the fatal tables of Monte Carlo.

Uncle Dana thus coyly expresses a Barkis-like willingness in his Evening Sun: "There are a great many candidates for mayor of the Greater New York. This is natural. The place is worth a try. Who wouldn't if he could?"

A Pittsburg paper chronicles the fact that "somebody has taken a typewriter from the Allegheny high school" and wants the thief "ferreted out and arrested for larceny." Maybe it is just a plain case of elopement.

"Give me \$150,000," says Lieutenant Peary, "and I will find the pole." Give us \$150,000 and we will agree to knock the persimmon without finding the pole.

From advance notices we are convinced that no less than ten clubs will win the pennant this season.

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IMPORTANT MULCT DECISION.

A Petition of Consent Once Revoked is Worthless.

DES MOINES, April 22.—Attorney General Remy has submitted an important opinion on a question relative to the mulct law which has been raised for the first time. It seems that the people of Gowrie subscribed to a petition of remonstrance to saloons after a petition of consent had been completed and that the petition of consent was thereby revoked, but that now after the lapse of a year the people of Gowrie have changed their minds and want to grant a petition of consent. The attorney general in his opinion holds that the citizens will have to begin anew and obtain a new petition.

DAVENPORT DEFAULTER.

Steals Several Thousand Dollars of Building and Loan Money.

DAVENPORT, April 22.—John J. Ryan, secretary of the Home Protective Building and Loan Savings Association, has departed and an investigation of the funds of the association is being made by the state auditor. The cash shortage so far discovered is between \$9,000 and \$10,000. It is declared that the stockholders will lose anything Ryan's bond of \$5,000 holding over from one year to another during which the depositions were committed. He is supposed to be in Ireland, having left about two weeks ago.

SUIT WITHDRAWN.

Probable End of the Odd Fellows' Orphans' Home Trouble.

DES MOINES, April 22.—J. H. Henderson, of Indianapolis, has dismissed his suit in the Polk county district court against the Odd Fellows' grand lodge, seeking to prevent the building of the grand lodge's projected home for Odd Fellows' Orphans at Jefferson. The dismissal of the case will be greeted with pleasure by nine-tenths of the members of the order throughout the state. It is thought to be the end of the Odd Fellow trouble.

CITY TREASURER, SHORT.

An Ex-Officer of Davenport Short About \$5,000.

DAVENPORT, April 22.—Louis H. Reich, city treasurer for several years, has been found to be an embezzler to the extent of about \$5,000 of the city funds, the money having been taken from various funds in his hands at different times during his service. His bondsmen are wealthy business men of Davenport, and no loss will occur to the city through his depositions.

Burglars at New Hartford.

NEW HARTFORD, April 19.—About 3 o'clock a. m. three burglars were discovered in Bronson & Olmstead's store by Postmaster Lee Caswell, with Nat. Olmstead, gave chase and captured one of the three thieves a block from the store, and lodged him in the calaboose. The thieves had filled their pockets with gloves, suspenders and other small articles, and had on the floor twenty-eight pairs of shoes and some clothing, with which they intended to fill three sacks, which they left in the store when they were scared away. Mr. Caswell fired three shots at the fleeing rascals during the chase, but none took effect.

Sioux City National Bank Shareholders.

NASHUA, N. H., April 21.—Holders of 431 shares of stock of the failed Sioux City National Bank, at Sioux City, Iowa, have received notice from W. H. Farnsworth, the attorney for the receiver, that suit would be instituted against them in the United States courts to compel them to show cause why they should not pay an assessment of \$75 per share which has been levied for the purpose of paying the indebtedness of the bank. The local stockholders will fight the assessment.

Demand Her Share of the Estate.

DUBUQUE, April 19.—Anna Maria Smith, who disappeared thirty years ago, has appeared to claim her share of the estate of her brother, Nicholas Hansen. He died several years ago, and the court held her share until the 14th, when he ordered the administrator to distribute it among the other heirs. Later a bank at Blytheville, Mo., telegraphed that the woman was living there under the name of her second husband.

Run Over by an Engine.

DES MOINES, April 21.—A very sad accident occurred at the Rock Island crossing on East Fifth street, by which Willie Matthews, aged 16 years, will lose his right leg and perhaps his life. It appears that the boy was on his way home to dinner, and as it was raining and blowing hard, he was holding his umbrella over him and did not see the approaching switch engine.

Challenges Budd.

DES MOINES, April 21.—J. L. Winston, of the Austin Powder Company, writes from Washington, Ind., that he accepts the challenge of C. W. Budd, of Des Moines, to shoot for the DaPont trophy, and names Watson's grounds, Chicago, and date, May 1, as the place and time for the said match. The match to begin at 1:30 p. m. and to be at 100 first-class pigeons.

A Husband's Affections Worth \$1,500.

CENAR RAPIDS, April 21.—In the district court the case of Mrs. Frances Fry against Mrs. Jane Stinson was brought to a close, the jury awarding plaintiff damages in the sum of \$1,500. This was a case in which Mrs. Fry sued for \$10,000 damages for the alienation of her husband's affections, and it was very sensational.

Mrs. Blanchard Dead.

OSKAHOJA, April 22.—Mrs. Blanchard, wife of Senator L. C. Blanchard, died at her home here. Mrs. Blanchard was a daughter of Judge M. T. Williams, the first clerk of the courts in Mahaska county.

Baby Choked to Death.

NEWTON, April 21.—The two month old child of C. F. Broderson, a farmer living near Galesburg, choked to death by swallowing the nipple from his nursing bottle. This was their only child.

A MINE OF THEIR OWN.

Miners of Des Moines Have a Scheme to Co-operate and Open a Mine.

DES MOINES, April 21.—A number of Des Moines miners have clubbed together and formed a company for the purpose of opening a co-operative coal mine. The plan is to purchase a suitable piece of land, sink a shaft and open a mine in which each member of the company will work as a miner and receive his pro rata share of all the profits. The land which the company proposes to purchase is on Walnut Creek, just west of the city, where the railroad facilities would be unequalled. Fifty miners are in the scheme and the plan is for each to subscribe \$100 to open the mine and get the work started. Just as soon as the money subscribed is collected the land will be purchased and work commenced at once.

AN EDITOR MURDERED.

John Jamison Crushes the Skull of M. N. Hinton at Albia.

OTTUMWA, April 23.—M. N. Hinton, editor of the Progress-Defender, the populist organ of Albia, is probably fatally hurt. Some time ago Hinton published an article which displeased a coal miner named John Jamison, and he called at the office. While there they got into an altercation and Hinton drove the miner out of the office with a poker. Jamison met Hinton on the street and struck him over the head with a scuffling. Hinton's skull is fractured. He has since been unconscious and cannot live.

COURTNEY SENTENCED.

He is Given Six Years in the Penitentiary by Judge Smyth.

MT. PLEASANT, April 22.—Judge Smyth sentenced H. Arthur Courtney to six years at Ft. Madison. The sentence adds four and a half years to Judge Robert's former sentence. Courtney is the cattle thief who operated near Mt. Pleasant. Two new suits were served on the prisoner before the sheriff took him to Ft. Madison. It is intimated that this is not the end of the case.

CHILD'S HORRIBLE DEATH.

Five-Year-Old Girl Hanged in Falling From a Cherry Tree.

DES MOINES, April 22.—The 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Buckley met death under circumstances of a strange and unusual nature. While playing in a cherry tree she slipped and fell. In falling the strings of her hood were caught on a limb of the tree, and when discovered, ten minutes later she had been choked to death.

IOWA CONDENSED.

Burglars at Dedham a few nights ago secured goods to the value of \$1,000.

Governor Drake has notified the India relief commission of Iowa that he will personally give one car load of corn for the relief of the famine and plague stricken millions in India.

The somewhat noted case of the state vs. C. R. and J. J. McCandlin was on trial at Indianola for fourteen days, and the jury, after being out nearly forty-eight hours, disagreed, and were discharged.

At Independence recently the safe in the lumber office of Blamer & Wackerbath was blown open by tramps in broad daylight and \$900 taken. One was captured and the other will probably be apprehended.

Marshal Brady, having notified Judge Woolson of the federal court, that insufficient funds are on hand to pay the jurors for the Keokuk and Des Moines terms, the judge notified the attorney general he had dismissed the jurors summoned to appear, and would omit jury cases unless the government provided funds to pay the jurors.

John F. Cain and family, of Dubuque, had a narrow escape from death by fire recently. A furious wind was blowing and when the fire was discovered Mr. Cain had barely time to lower his wife and children from the upper story window by means of bed sheets. Everything was burned and the family had nothing but their nightclothes left.

At Dubuque recently in the case of Edwards versus the Illinois Central company, an action to recover damages under the interstate commerce act for alleged overcharges on grain shipments, Judge Shiras overruled the defendant's demurrer. He held that claims for damages to property rights are assignable and that the action need not be in the name of the original claimants. The case comes from the Sioux City division.

The jury in the Von Dresky conspiracy case, on trial at Muscatine, returned a verdict of not guilty. There was no direct evidence in the case, it being wholly circumstantial, and mainly based on the declarations of the defendant, which the jury seemed to have regarded as made looser, and inconsiderately. The verdict is a general surprise. Von Dresky was charged with conspiracy in connection with the Mahin dynamite outrage.

Mrs. James Hickey, who lived with her husband some five miles east of Mt. Airy, committed suicide a few days ago by drowning in a small pond of water near her home. When found by her husband and father she was dead, and the water was so shallow that her clothing was floating on the surface of the water, the pond not being deep enough to conceal them. The deceased was a bride of only a few weeks. There is no cause known for her actions.

At the Erhardt shooting tournament, at Atchison, Kansas, some very good averages were made. Out of 100 targets, C. W. Budd, of Des Moines, and R. O. Heikes, of Dayton O., broke 152 each. W. S. Duerr, Hastings, Neb., 149; Fred Gilbert, Spirit Lake, Ia., 147; Charles Grimm, Clear Lake, Ia., 146; and J. W. Barre, Louisiana, Mo., 146. Budd got in on the side parse for the five high runs on each day of the shooting and made the best average.

THE WAR IN EUROPE.

SEVERE FIGHTING BETWEEN GREEKS AND TURKS.

Tuesday, the Second Day After the Commencement of Hostilities, the Chances for the Future Seemed to Be in Favor of the Greeks.

Athens is wildly rejoicing over the latest news from the Turkish frontier. Gen. Smolnitz, ex-minister of war, is in command of 14,000 Greeks at Reven, not far from Tynavos, northwest of Larissa. At this point Edhem Pasha, closely pressed, was nearly taken prisoner. Gen. Demopoulos, at the head of one Greek division, forced the Turkish line at Boughazi, close to Tynavos and Gen. Mavromichale broke through at Konikos. The two generals united their troops near Damasi.

The news of this success at Reven and of the imminent fall of Preveza has changed the dismay caused at Athens by the loss of Milouma into the wildest rejoicing. The Greeks report that the Turks lost 7,000 killed and wounded at Reven, but this estimate is probably excessive. It is stated that the Turkish forces attacking Reven numbered more than 10,000 men.

Tuesday the Greeks, after a desperate battle, captured and burned Damasi. Another division of the Greek troops traversed the Reven pass and captured three blockhouses. This division has almost reached Damasi, where it will effect a union with the force that captured the town. Twenty thousand troops under Gen. Smolnitz displayed the greatest bravery.

Taking a general survey of the field the fortunes of war thus far are pretty evenly divided, but the chances for the immediate future are decidedly in favor of the Greeks.

The government has addressed a note to the foreign ministers and consuls in Greece, calling their attention to the fact that Greece has adhered to the declarations of the Berlin congress of 1850, and expressing the hope that foreign governments will respect the laws of neutrality.

BANK CASHIER KILLED.

Brutal Crime of Robbers at Sumnerworth, N. H.

Cashier Joseph A. Stickey, of the Great Falls National Bank in Somersworth, N. H., yielded his life Friday after a desperate but futile struggle to prevent robbers from taking the bank's cash. The amount of booty secured by the robbers is a matter of conjecture. All the cash is missing, and this is estimated to be \$6,000, though it may be more.

The robbers overtook \$100,000 in United States bonds, kept in one of the drawers of the vault. None of the negotiable paper or bank securities was touched, the robbers having evidently determined to take nothing but cash.

The crime was not discovered until some time had elapsed, and the perpetrators had ample opportunity to escape. Mr. Stickey was a well-known resident of this city, and threats of quick vengeance are freely being made in the event that his murderers are captured and brought here.

Two men were arrested at Waltham, Mass., charged with the crime, but they proved an alibi.

WANTS NO TERRITORY.

Turkish Commanders Do Not Contemplate a March to Athens.

London cable: The outbreak of hostilities on the Greek frontier has caused but little sensation here. The prominent officials and the Turkish embassy have received no information beyond the fact that war has been declared.

The correspondent of the Associated Press understands that Turkey has no idea of territorial conquest, for she knows the powers would not sanction an advance to Athens. She probably will first attempt to capture Larissa and then march on Trikala and Pharsali. If these are captured Turkey could compel Greece to comply with the demands of the powers. The Turkish fleet, however, is still in the Dardanelles, where it is likely to remain as long as the Greeks continue active. It is reported that the powers, instead of blockading Greek ports, will allow Col. Vassos and his army to return to Greece if he desires to do so.

Strong Churches May Unite.

There is a national movement on foot looking to the union of the Congregational and Christian denominations. Complete union is not looked for at present, but it is thought that plans may be made drawing the denominations more closely together in work and fellowship and finally result in a union.

Mad Dog Bites Children.

Seven children were bitten at Chicago Tuesday by a dog believed to have been suffering from hydrophobia. The victims were attacked by the animal in the street in front of their homes, and in some cases the lacerations were so painful as to be serious, though no deaths are expected.

Cold Wave in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 22.—The cold wave which swept over Indiana Monday night did much damage to fruits. There was hard freezing in every part of the state. In some localities the temperature was as low as 16 degrees above zero.

Congressman Holman Is Recovering.

Washington, April 21.—Representative Holman of Indiana showed much improvement Tuesday and Dr. Burwell, his physician, now regards his condition as favorable for recovery.

After Taking a Glass of Beer together.

Sampson Harriman and Frank Davis walked out of a Newark, Ohio, saloon, Harriman returned a moment later, shot through the body and may die. Davis says Harriman tried to rob him and he fired in self defense.

Fire swept the mill town of Tomahawk Lake, seventeen miles southwest of Rhinelander, Wis.

About ten buildings were destroyed, including the Draves hotel and Lake Shore Lumber company's store. Loss estimated at \$15,000.

CASUALTIES.

A snowslide occurred Monday at the mines of the Consolidated Mining Company, four miles north of Brigham City, resulting in the death of Fred Wolhaupter, Ed Maw and William Turner.

Representative Holman of Indiana, who is suffering from serious complications following a fall from a street car, is better, but still in a dangerous condition.

A Great Northern eastbound passenger train struck a broken rail near Bear Creek, east of Kallsburg, Mont. Both engines broke loose, and were hurled down the side of the mountain. Four of the crew were hurt, Engineer Smith seriously.

Rev. D. Corbett, a Roman Catholic priest attached to the cathedral parish of St. Johns, N. B., fell from the third-story window of the bishop's residence and was instantly killed. It is presumed he was taken with a weak spell, raised the window to get air, lost his balance and fell out.

William Spitzler of North Judson, Ind., fell from a wagon and broke his neck.

Fire at the University of California destroyed the building occupied as the college of agriculture. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.

Orlando F. Herrick was killed by the cars at Princeville, Ill. He was 61 years old and came to Dixon from Canada fifty-seven years ago.

Weston Miner, aged 35 years, was killed, and Richard Cummings, aged 40, was fatally injured by a premature explosion while blasting rock at Charlestown, Ind. Both were married.

William Price, a saltmaker at Pomery, Ohio, fell into a vat of boiling brine four feet deep and was literally cooked from the waist down. He ran half a mile to his home in a nude condition. He will die.

William H. Fortner, until a few months ago superintendent of the Muncie, Ind., police force, was killed at the Elm street crossing of the Big Four railroad.

Wells Finch, a flour broker and member of the New York produce exchange, accidentally shot and killed himself while cleaning a revolver in his office in the produce exchange building.

A hurricane has devastated the country near the Ouachita River, Ark. Several plantations were swept clear of houses and stock. The wind was followed by hail, which destroyed crops.

FOREIGN.

The pope has elevated the archbishops of Lyons, Rennes, Rouen and Santiago de Compostella to the cardinalate and formally proclaimed the previously named bishops of Buffalo, Cheyenne, Wilmington and Mobile.

The name of Baron Courcel, the eminent French jurist and diplomat, will probably be suggested as the fifth or final arbitrator on the court of arbitration between Venezuela and Great Britain.

In view of the very satisfactory tests of American armor plate heretofore sent to Russia, the Russian government has asked the Carnegie and Bethlehem companies to submit proposals for furnishing armor plate for two large battleships.

Signor Chiardina, a member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, and Signor Dalmati, the well-known advocate, who will attend the international congress at Washington as the representative of Italy, have started for the United States.

During a gale in the English channel the British steamer Moyne, 3,016 tons, outward bound for India and the east, was driven ashore at St. Catharine's Point, Isle of Wight. The passengers and crew were rescued by the bucket apparatus.

Aubrey Beardsley, the artist, has been formally received into the Roman Catholic Church. His health, which has been precarious for a long time past, is now better, and he has gone to the Riviera.

Owing to a slight accident to the Italian warship Liguria, she has been replaced by the cruiser Dogali, which sailed to be present at the ceremony of dedicating the Grant mausoleum.

A dispatch from Essen-on-the-Buhr, Germany, announces that ten persons were killed to-day through an explosion of fire damp in the Oberhausen pit.

CRIME.

The second trial of L. D. Baldwin, charged with conspiracy to bribe a juror in the Crum and Evans case at Marion, Ohio, resulted in a verdict of acquittal. The jury was out two hours and the verdict was reached on the second ballot.

Jerry Brown, a member of the Montgomery, W. Va., gang of murderers, was sentenced to hang June 25 for the murder of Mrs. Isaac Radford.

At Wanataha, Ind., Rev. J. J. Higgs, a clergyman, and Mrs. Priscilla W. Wood's name to a note in payment for a horse.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

Des Moines, April 16.—Private bills will not be examined or required to report to the auditor of state. The senate so voted, 33 to 13. The house had already voted that way. But the Healy amendment that all corporations doing a banking business must comply, in all important particulars, with the banking law, was particularly, with the banking law, was adopted. The senate stood by the Berry substitute for Temple amendment by a viva voce vote, without opposition, and a conference committee was appointed. The bill relating to the editing, printing, annotating, publishing and distribution of the code passed. The bill provides for the state publishing its own code for getting out its own annotations, for copying, printing the annotations and arrangement, for the prohibition of any private publication issued prior to the state's edition coming out, and for a state printer and binder to do the work.

HOUSE.

Representatives Funk, Cornwall, Wool, Baker and Byington were delegated to act as a committee to draw up a bill amending such economies in the state as suggested by the Funk investigating committee's report. The house had the insurance bill before it, concurring in nearly all the senate amendments. The senate substitute for the Blanchard anti-combine law was not accepted. The senate amendment allowing foreign accident insurance companies having \$100,000 capital and \$100,000 surplus to do business in Iowa was rejected.

SENATE.

Des Moines, April 17.—Bill relating to construction and operation of telegraph and telephone companies passed without material amendments. Bill in relation to notes and bills was taken up and a substitute for the house bill passed. The old law was re-enacted about word for word.

SENATE.

Des Moines, April 17.—The senate received from its amendment which made the office of the supreme court reporter appointative and the law in regard to that office now stands just as it has been for years. The senate spent most of its time on the bill in relation to towns and cities, but no action was taken and the bill went over until tomorrow.

HOUSE.

The house held a very brief and uninteresting session. The bill in relation to special charter cities was read, but it went over until tomorrow.

SENATE.

Des Moines, April 20.—The conference report on the elections bill was adopted. As the bill now stands the senate section prohibiting fusion remains in its original form, the house having receded from its position. The senate also went into the contest over the passing of the Lelliot Senate spent most of the day in consideration of the bill relating to cities and towns, but no important action was taken.