

ATTEMPT TO BURN LINCOLN'S HOME

Torch Was Lighted by Rioters in Springfield.

WOMAN PUTS OUT FIRE

Discovered in Nick of Time to Save Homestead.

City Comparatively Quiet Last Night and Citizens Hold Meeting and Pledge Support to Officials to Maintain Law and Order—Outbreaks Late in the Night Quickly Suppressed by the Militia.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 18.—It developed to-day that an attempt was made at Saturday night to burn the house of Abraham Lincoln. A torch had been lighted and applied to the building, but it was discovered in time by a woman living in the neighborhood, and the fire was extinguished with little damage.

ANOTHER WORLD FLEET.

London Telegraph Hears of Second American Squadron.

London, Aug. 18.—The Telegraph says that at the moment when attention is focused on the cruise of sixteen modern battle ships in the Pacific, the United States government has determined to send another naval force on a prolonged voyage in the same ocean.

CITIZENS OFFER SUPPORT.

Citizens of the better element to-day decided to take a hand in the suppression of mob violence, when a demonstration of the most remarkable character ever witnessed in Illinois was held in the rooms of the chamber of commerce. It was a mass meeting of the chamber of commerce and the Business Men's Association, to which the public was invited.

ARTHUR UPSON ENDS LIFE.

Protage of Hall Caine Drowns Himself at Twenty-nine.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 18.—Arthur W. Upson, former president of the University of Minnesota, and a poet of some note, drowned himself to-day, and his body was found in the river at Bemidji, Minn.

TEST ON COMMUNION WINE

Georgia Prohibition Law Assailed as Unconstitutional.

Brewing Company Takes Case to Court on Grounds that It Restricts Religious Worship.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 18.—Alleging that the prohibition law of Georgia is unconstitutional, because it restricts from worshipping according to the dictates of conscience, the Christian Moelein Brewing Company, of Cincinnati, has filed a bill in the United States court, asking that the law be declared null and void.

WILL PROTECT HIS SERVANT.

"I have received a threat that I must get rid of my colored servant. I want to say here I will keep him in my employment, and I will protect him to the last ditch."

CORK LEG LIFE-SAVER.

Pittsburg Cripple Able to Defy the Trolley Wire.

Pittsburg, Aug. 18.—Harry Pinkerton, a police alarm operator, was able to save a man's life last night because he is a cripple, having two artificial legs.

KETCHELL WINS IN SECOND.

Knocks Out Joe Thomas and Wins Fourth Victory Over Him.

San Francisco, Aug. 18.—Stanley Ketchell knocked out Joe Thomas here to-night in the second round of a bout scheduled to go twenty rounds.

BIG TIMES AWAIT FLEET.

Many Austrians Flock to City to Honor Americans.

Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 18.—Sydney is awaiting the arrival of the American battle-ship fleet on the tip-top of expectancy, and the seven days that the vessels will be here will witness a series of entertainments more elaborate than ever before given in New South Wales.

Over the land office there is an immense boarding bearing the words "Soas do not divide us," and there are other striking displays on Macquarie street, George street, and Martin place.

The programme includes receptions, dinners, balls, garden parties, excursions inland, a gymkhana of Australian sports, baseball and football matches, a military review, fireworks, theater parties, concerts, and a church parade.

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RETIRING ADMIRAL HONORED BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE, GOV. HUGHES, AND RESISTORS AT LAKE MOHONK—YOUR FLAG WILL ALWAYS FLY, FRIENDS WIRE—EVANS HAS DONE HIS DUTY.

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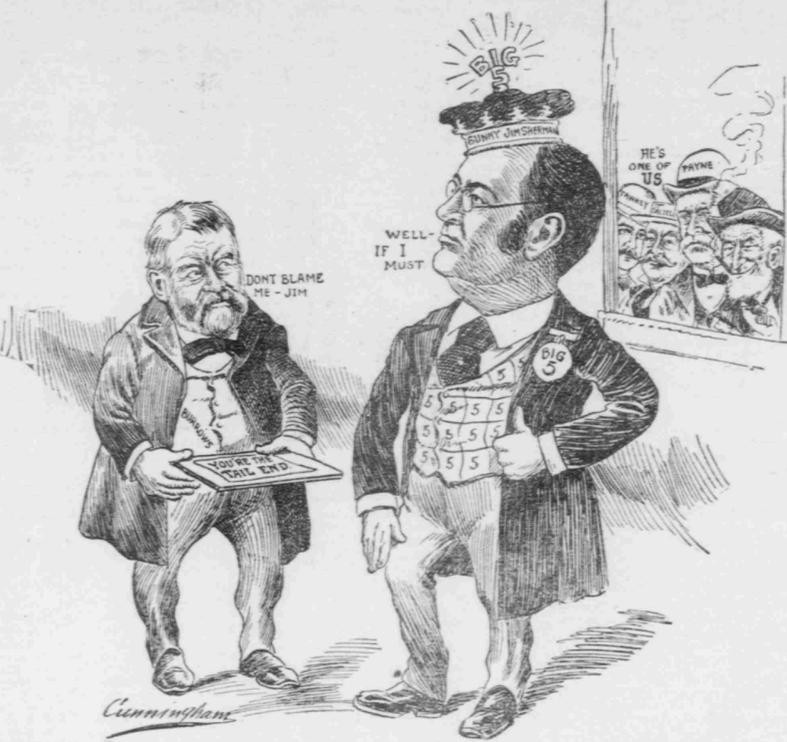
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USED A BLANK CARTRIDGE.

Tall Young Man Startles Crowd in Front of Flatiron Building.

New York, Aug. 18.—While the crowd in front of the Flatiron Building was at its greatest this afternoon, shortly before 5 o'clock, a tall youth standing on the fifth avenue side of the building drew a revolver from his pocket, waved it in the air, and then deliberately placing the barrel to his breast pulled the trigger.

STEAMER REPORTED SAFE.

Good News Received from Vessel Named Good News.

Baltimore, Aug. 18.—About three months overdue, the barkentine Good News, bound from Wilmington, Del., to Tacoma, Wash., has been sighted. She is reported in a partly disabled condition off Cape Flattery, Oregon.

The Good News sailed from Wilmington for Tacoma on January 15. The fate of the vessel and crew had aroused much apprehension in local shipping circles.

The report received by the local maritime exchange is very meagre and beyond the above facts simply states that the vessel was sighted last night. It is supposed that the boat has not yet reached a dock or made a landing.

TOOK CHILD AS HOSTAGE.

But Grocer Gets Arrested Instead of Payment of His Bills.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 18.—Kidnapping as a means for collecting bad debts was tried by John Barnish, a grocerman, of this city, and as a result he was arrested this morning and the little child he had taken was found in his possession.

The novelty of the case appealed to Mayor Knafsen, and as it was shown that Barnish did not act maliciously, but merely upon a mistaken notion of a new scheme in bill-collecting, he escaped with light punishment, a \$5 fine and costs.

FALLS FROM MOUNTAIN.

Polish Actress Killed, Violinist Hurt on Austrian Peak.

Innsbruck, Austria, Aug. 18.—As Leontine Roman, a Polish actress, and Posselt, the violinist, were ascending the Gerlos peak to-day they fell over a precipice. The actress was killed. Posselt was severely injured.

WRIGHT TRANSFERS AIRSHIP

To Fly at Danvours After Military Practice.

Treats Lightly a Criticism that the Machine is Not as Stable as French.

Paris, Aug. 18.—Wilbur Wright, the American aviator, broke camp here this morning. He loaded his bed and other personal effects on a four-horse wagon for conveyance to Danvours, where he is to be allowed to use the field employed by the army for maneuvering for his flight with his aeroplane.

The aeroplane was placed on a pair of bicycle wheels after it was hitched to a motor car and started for its destination. The journey was made without incident, and it gave practical proof of the ease with which the aeroplane can be transported, which greatly struck the officers present.

As a cuirassier regiment will be practicing shooting for the next three days, beginning at 6 o'clock in the morning, Wright will be compelled to separate himself from his idolized creation, as outsiders are not allowed on the grounds during the shooting, which ends at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

CITY TROLLEY LINE FAILS.

Receipts Far Below Debts of the Metropolitan Company.

New York, Aug. 18.—Adrian H. Johns and Douglas Robinson, receivers for the New York City Railway Company, submitted to-day to Judge Lacombe a statement of their receivership from September 25, 1907, to June 30, 1908. It appears that there has been a deficit of about \$5,000,000 in nine months.

The gross earnings were \$1,545,147, but the operating expenses were \$2,323,533, considered a heavy amount. Taking into consideration other expenses, the deficit was about \$1,325,500, but for the nine months period the company has defaulted \$4,720,113 in rentals to lines leased or other agreements.

TAFT GIVES BRYAN \$5.

But He is Howard William and Not William Howard.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 18.—Howard William Taft has contributed \$5 to the fund which a local paper is raising for Bryan. He is a machinist and no relation to the Republican candidate for President.

LIES AND INFAMY BACK OF BULLETS

Father-in-law of Capt. Hains Reveals a Past.

HE BLAMES BROTHER

Angered by Reported Death Confession of Clubman Annis.

"Not Only Is the Whole Fabric a Network of Calumny and Jealousies," Declares Charles Libbey, "But Rumors Must Be Originated to Satisfy the Craving of the Scandal Loving Public."

Special to The Washington Herald.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 18.—"It is utterly ridiculous, further, it is the grossest injustice to my daughter, that the impression should have gone forth to-day, through the utterances of unscrupulous falsifiers, that William Annis admitted before his death that there was foundation for Hains' jealousies and actions, and that he was paying the price.

"Our burden is hard enough to bear, without having coils heaped upon the innocent head of my daughter. Not only is the whole fabric of Hains' contention one network of jealousies, lies, and infamy, but we are forced to bear the brunt of ill-founded rumors that must be originated to satisfy the cravings of the scandal-loving."

Thus spoke Charles Libbey, the father of beautiful Claudia Libbey Hains, when told to-night of the rumor that William E. Annis had admitted before his death that he had wronged Peter C. Hains, his slayer.

To Establish Her Repute. Since the sensational shooting Mr. Libbey has secluded himself and is heartbroken over the whole affair. His wealthy brothers, Walter M. and Everett Libbey, shoe manufacturers in Lynn, have offered their aid in establishing the good name of his daughter Claudia, and nothing will be spared in the fight to clear the Libbey name of the smirch of wrong-doing and sensationalism.

"For a year after this marriage," said Mr. Libbey, "the couple lived happily. Then the captain began to abuse my daughter, although she never told us a word about it until this trouble started last June. We have blamed Thornton Hains all along. He evinced a hatred for Claudia from the first, although we knew that the Hainses were averse to the marriage, as they did not think we were aristocratic enough for their son.

"My daughter has never been alone with Mr. Annis in her life. Whenever she has gone with him, the officers' wives at the fort or her mother always accompanied them, and whenever Mr. Annis came to Boston he would visit friends here in Waltham. His daughter would join in the crowd when they went for a boat ride or automobile trip.

Cunning of Jenkins. "This miserable affair was stirred up and kept alive by Thornton Hains, the captain's brother, who has blamed Annis for the turning down of several of his stories. He even went so far as to write Annis letters threatening his life, and on the strength of these threats of personal violence Annis told me when he visited Boston last July that he was going to see Thornton Hains for criminal libel and ask for a warrant for his arrest.

"When my daughter and her mother were leaving Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, in June, Thornton Hains and the captain opened the blinds from the outside and pushing in their revolvers ordered all the police officers and their wives who were hiding their good-bye, to leave the house or they would shoot. I think that they were both under the influence of liquor at the time. The first of this month all but one these officers present were detailed to other stations.

Threatens to Shoot Wife. "On several occasions the captain threatened to shoot his wife, and he often flew into rages of abuse.

"Thornton's animosity for Annis inspired him to fill his brother's war full of trash, and we have no doubt that he was the principal cause for rousing him to do the shooting.

"Annis was a good-natured fellow, and a man who never, in my opinion, knowingly wronged any one. As far as being responsible for turning down Thornton Hains' stories, Annis said he didn't have a thing to do with it. The stories were accepted or rejected on their own merits.

"When the captain filed his libel for divorce, he requested my daughter to make a formal answer, and the only thing I can think of why he should break out in a rage, was the fact that instead of following his bidding, we got an attorney to file a counter libel.

"We have plenty of witnesses and good grounds on which to base our case. The captain had none. His libel was a pure manufacture."

NETHERLANDS HAVE SWAY.

Given Free Hand in Dealings with Castro.

The Hague, Aug. 18.—With the single proviso that no military occupation of territory must occur, the government at Washington is understood to have given the cabinet of the Netherlands a free hand to deal as it sees fit with President Castro, of Venezuela.

The recent interview between Arthur M. Breaupre, the American minister, and the Netherlands prime minister was most cordial. Mr. Breaupre was able to assure the Dutch statesman that the Netherlands had the sympathy of the Washington State Department, and that no objections would be raised to a blockade or other maritime measures against Venezuela; in short, that the United States was ready to allow the Netherlands fleet perfect liberty of action, provided no territory was seized.

The Netherlands cruiser Friesland does not sail for the Caribbean before the end of next month.

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