PAPER AND PENCIL TO PLAY PART IN MARRIAGE CEREMONY OF TO-DAY

Father James T. Coffey Will Officiate at Wedding of Deaf Mutes, the Bride Having Converted Her Future Husband to Her Religion—Bride Believes Lack of Speech Has Advantages in Matrimony.

MISS KATHERINE SULLIVAN. FREDERICK OSCAR PETERSON.
Deaf Mutes Who Will Be Married To-day.

Paper and pencil will play a leading part in the wedding over which Father James T. Coffey will preside to-day, when Fred Peterson and Miss Katherine Sullivan, both deaf mutes, will be wedded, as a sequel to Miss Sullivan's conversion of Peterson to her own religion.

"Marriage is more likely to prove happier for deaf mutes than for those who have the blessings of speech and hearing, because 'silent people' are not so prone to endanger their conjugal felicity by hasty words and constant bickering."

This is the opinion expressed by Miss Sullivan of No. 1912 Cass avenue, who is to be married this afternoon to Frederick Oscar Peterson of No. 1935 North Second street. Both are deaf and dumb as the result of the same disease—spinal meningitis—which deprived them of their vocal and aural faculties, when children.

Miss Sullivan and Mr. Peterson met while receiving instruction at the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb at No. 1849 Cass avenue two years ago. Despite their affliction they courted ardently. Their nimble fingers conveyed the tender messages.

The ceremony uniting Miss Sullivan and Mr. Peterson will be unique. Father James T. Coffey, pastor of St. Leo's Church, where the wedding is to take place, will write the questions propounded to candidates for wedlock, and the bride and bridegroom will reply with paper and pencil. They have already been schooled in this ceremony.

Announcement of the wedding aroused curiosity in St. Leo's parish, where Miss Sullivan has lived since childhood.

Miss Sullivan is a bright and pretty girl, 19 years old. She is clever with her needle and quick at her studies. Her brown eyes watch intently the lips of a questioner, and hardly is an interrogation framed before she has her pencil and paper ready for a reply.

As a devout Catholic, she was unwilling to marry outside her church, so she began last year to convert young Peterson to her belief. She taught him the catechism, instructed him in Catholic doctrines and last Christmas witnessed his baptism. Later he made his communion and was confirmed.

Peterson is 27 years old. He attended the Illinois State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Jacksonville, and there learned the trade of shoemaker. For several years he worked in the shoe factories of St. Louis, but is now employed by the National Lead Company.

"I am very happy, and I am sure Fred is just as happy," said Miss Sullivan in regard to her coming marriage.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Peterson will live at the home of the bride's mother, No. 1912 Cass avenue.

BRIBERY CHARGE BROUGHT BY WOMAN

Mrs. Swift Accuses International Harvester Company of Violating the Laws in Illinois, Kansas and South Dakota.

Chicago, June 20.—Charges of bribery, conspiracy and fraud, are made against the International Harvester Company by Mrs. Margaret Swift of this city in a bill in chancery filed to-day in the Circuit Court.

Mrs. Swift is the wife of Rodney C. Swift, who was formerly employed by the Harvester Company as the head of the experimental department, and against whom suit was brought by the company, accusing him of appropriating to his use, through the sale of a patent, money obtained from the corporation on alleged false representations.

In her bill Mrs. Swift charges bribery of Legislatures, particularly those of Illinois, Kansas and South Dakota.

She charges that it has been the practice of the company to spend large sums of money in this State, and elsewhere, for the purpose of influencing legislation.

The attorneys for the Harvesting company declared to-night that there is no merit in the bill filed by Mrs. Swift.

Fracture of Skull Sustained.

Charles Mellemont, living at the Casey House, at 8th and Market streets, was taken to the City Hospital last night suffering from a fracture of the skull, alleged to have been inflicted by William Stoehler, 40 years old, of No. 738 Rosalie. Patrolman Gennin arrested Stoehler and his father. William Stoehler, who will be held pending an investigation by the police.

AWAIT THE ACTION OF NATIONAL BOARD

C. W. Stewart, Former Member of Spiritual Association, Says He and Mrs. Folsom Are Prepared to Retaliate.

"Spiritualism is our religion," said C. W. Stewart, who was suspended from the State Progressive Spiritual Association of Missouri, last night. "It is sacred to us. We regret very much that this trouble has originated, because it reflects upon the members. However, we did not start it, we are loyal to our belief, honest in our convictions, and have never made a statement which we could not prove, and we will fight the issue to a finish.

"I have been in spiritualism for thirty-five years, actively engaged in the work, and I have never before had my honor questioned.

"We have prepared and filed our brief and specifications with the Board of Trustees of the National Spiritual Association at Washington. We have stated the history of the trouble briefly and await the decision of the board.

"The actions of Doctor Whittier was unconstitutional and I am convinced that the board will not sanction his actions."

In the brief and specifications which have been sent to the Board of Trustees at Washington Mr. Stewart states that a conspiracy is charged.

Mrs. Folsom, who was also suspended, left last night for a ten days' visit with friends in Hopewell, Ky.

When a reporter called at Miss Preston's residence last night it was stated that she "was giving a lesson and could not be seen."

SKIN DISEASES SPEAK FOR THE BLOOD

Skin Diseases speak for the blood and tell of the acid-laden, poisonous condition of that vital fluid, and of its effort to throw off and rid the system of the poisons and waste matters that have accumulated in it. Eczema, Tetter, Acne, Salt Rheum, Psoriasis, Boils and diseases of this type are all caused by a weakened and polluted blood circulation, and though they may have lain dormant in the system during the cold weather, at the coming of Spring and Summer, when the blood is reacting and making extra efforts to expel all morbid and poisonous matter, they make their appearance. External remedies cannot cure; they soothe and give temporary relief, but often clog the pores and glands, and the poison causing the trouble is thus shut up in the system to break out afresh later on. S. S. S., a purely vegetable blood remedy, cures all skin diseases by going down into the circulation, driving out all poisons and waste matters, strengthening the blood, leaving the skin soft and smooth, and building up the entire system by its tonic effect. S. S. S. cures Nettle Rash, Poison Oak and all skin diseases that enter the system through the pores and glands, as well as those that have their origin in the blood. Book on Skin Diseases and any advice wished, without charge.

In 1896 I experienced at times patches on the inside of my hands that itched and burned, causing much discomfort. I was convinced I was afflicted with a type of Eczema. I consulted several physicians, and used several external applications, receiving but slight temporary relief. I decided to try S. S. S., and soon I found myself entirely cured. Station A., Kansas City, Mo. W. P. BRUSH.

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HAPPENINGS IN ILLINOIS CITIES AND TOWNS

HOMESICK WOMAN DROWNS HERSELF

Unfulfilled Longings for Fatherland Cause Mrs. Selma Seifert to Take Her Life in Cistern—Leaves Three Children.

Melancholia and a longing for the fatherland were the worries that caused Mrs. Selma Seifert to take her life yesterday by drowning herself in a cistern on a farm of her husband, Ernest Seifert, ten miles east of Edwardsville.

The distracted woman had been in the United States only about a year, coming to this country from Germany with her husband and their children to seek a home.

The strange people, language and scenes filled her with a longing for her old home, however, and she constantly begged her husband to return. He refused, believing that in time she would become accustomed to the new country.

Her homesickness grew and developed into a settled melancholia, and yesterday, while her husband was absent, she went to a cistern on the farm and threw herself into it, drowning before help arrived.

Mrs. Seifert was 22 years old, and was the mother of three children.

Believes Dead Man Her Husband.

Coroner Marks of Madison County yesterday received a letter from Mrs. D. McNutt of No. 2912 Morgan street, stating that from the description of the body of the man found last Saturday night near the East St. Louis and Suburban tracks under circumstances indicating murder, she believed it was that of her husband, whom she had not seen for three years. The body has been interred and probably will not be exhumed.

LIFE CONVICT LOSES HIS SUIT

William Schlueter, Who Killed His Brother, Sued His Lawyers for His Inheritance.

William Schlueter, who is serving a life term in the Chester Penitentiary for killing his brother, Henry Schlueter, in Belleville, three years ago, lost the suit yesterday for his share of his mother's estate which had been conveyed to Borders, Webb and Webb, the attorneys who defended him in the murder trial.

Schlueter after his conviction attempted to break his contract with his attorneys and filed a suit by petition in the Belleville Circuit Court. He maintained that he did not know that he was signing away any property and that part of the agreement was that he should be cleared.

Judge Holder, however, upheld the attorneys' claims and said that he believed that the paper was signed in good faith. The share of the estate amounts to about $400.

William and Henry Schlueter were tailors in Belleville. They quarreled one day and the result was that Henry was shot. William was convicted and given a life sentence. His mother died in the West about a year ago. Henry Schlueter's share of the estate went to his widow.

WOMEN THROWN UNDER BUGGY IN RUNAWAY.

Mrs. C. D. Bond and Mrs. Sexton of St. Louis, and Miss Effie Bond Injured.

Mrs. C. D. Bond and Mrs. Sexton of St. Louis and Miss Effie Bond of Jersey County, who recently removed from St. Louis to Jerseyville, were painfully injured yesterday morning in a runaway on Prairie street.

Miss Bond, who resides on a farm four miles west of Jerseyville, came into town yesterday morning to meet Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Sexton, who had come from St. Louis for a visit.

As the trio were on their way home the horse became frightened near the plant of the Jerseyville Shoe Manufacturing Company in Prairie street and ran away. The horse had gone but a short distance when the buggy struck a high crossing and the seat was broken, throwing the three occupants under the rig. Miss Effie Bond sustained a fracture of her right shoulder and Mrs. Sexton sustained an ugly scalp wound. Mrs. Bond received bruises about the body and hands.

The injured women were carried into a nearby residence, where Doctor H. R. Gleihill dressed the wounds. They were later taken to the country home.

DEATH OF DOCTOR J. F. GARY.

Well-Known Jersey County Practitioner to Be Buried To-Day.

Doctor James F. Gary died Monday night at his home at Delhi after a lingering illness.

Doctor Gary was 55 years old and a native of Blue Mound Township, Macoupin County, Illinois. He leaves two sons and one daughter.

The funeral services will be held to-day at 12:30 o'clock from Asbury Chapel, near Greenfield. The Reverend Mr. Jarmes of Greenfield will officiate.

Sunday School Picnic.

A big picnic was given yesterday at the Pisga Chautauqua by the Sunday school of the West Presbyterian Church, St. Louis. The excursionists, 300, went to the Chautauqua in special cars over the Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis Railroad. The excursion was in charge of F. M. Hanson, and the train was in charge of H. A. Williams of St. Louis, the general passenger agent of the railroad. At the Chautauqua grounds special events were held, including games and races, as well as band concerts. At noon the excursionists enjoyed a basket dinner.

HOT SPRINGS PHYSICIANS MAY SOLICIT PATIENTS.

Law Against Scrolled "Doctor Drumming" Is Declared to Be Unconstitutional.

Hot Springs, Ark., June 20.—In a lengthy opinion to-day Chancellor Curl decided as unconstitutional the act of the State Legislate against what is known here as "doctor drumming." Also the State act ceding to the Federal Government exclusive jurisdiction over the United States Reservation embracing the Hot Springs. He also held as unconstitutional the recent act of Congress increasing the powers of the Secretary of the Interior in so far as it authorizes him to prescribe certain rules affecting the practice of medicine here, where physicians proved to be in the habit of paying agents to send them patients, are prohibited from prescribing the hot waters, or the patient of such physician from using the hot water.

The decision is far reaching, and occasioned a sensation in this city. A perpetual injunction was granted against what is locally known as "The Visitors' Protective Association" and the superintendent of the United States Reservation from interfering with the business of physicians who have heretofore been prohibited from prescribing the hot water under the rules of the Interior Department.

The Visitors' Protective Association is an association of physicians who have been opposing the practice known as "doctor drumming."

Burns Foot With Carbolic Acid.

While applying carbolic acid to a corn on his foot last night, Thomas Talty, 62 years old, of No. 6a Market street, accidently spilled a quantity of the fluid over his right foot and was severely burned. He was taken to the City Hospital.

BATHING MIX-UP CAUSES TROUBLE

Lack of Dressing Rooms at Chautauqua Creates Confusion Among Girls' Costumes.

When the steamer Corwin H. Spencer returned Monday evening with the big crowd of Baptist Sunday school excursionists from up-river points, the young ladies, or many of them, looked like they had been patronizing some misfit clothing store. Some of them were fearfully and wonderfully attired.

The explanation came later, after the girls had arrived at their homes and changed clothes. At Chautauqua, the bathing pool was patronized by scores of the girls, and dressing-rooms were not numerous enough. Everything went merrily until dressing time came.

Then it was found that there had been a general mix-up of clothes, and the long, lean girl got hold of the short, stocky maid's attire and vice versa. Some of the first comers dressed in anything handy when they failed to find their own clothes right away, and in consequence many girls who came last, while they did not have to be taken home in a barrel or a bathing suit, came dangerously near to it.

One girl who enjoyed the experience and poohpooed the ones who became angry said: "I could not find enough of my own clothes to cover me. I am stout, you see, and everyone's clothes would not fit me any way. My stockings were on someone else by that time and the only pair I could find were small and soaking wet. It would need a pitchfork to get me into those stockings, and so I wore none."

COUNCIL'S MISTAKE LEAVES ALTON WITHOUT A MAYOR.

Alderman Sparks Will Have to Be Elected Again for Temporary Executive.

Alton is just now without a Mayor, and the City Council has been urged to call an extra session to remedy an oversight made in the regular June meeting, when Alderman Hosea B. Sparks was elected by the Council to act as Mayor during the absence from the city of the regular executive, Edmond Beall.

For some time the meeting nights of the City Council were fixed by ordinance for Saturday, and the last meeting of the Council was held on Tuesday night, without the Saturday night ordinance having been repealed. A resolution was adopted changing the meeting night, but as a resolution cannot repeal an ordinance, all the acts of the City Council at the June meeting are of no force, according to the opinion of leading attorneys, including the Corporation Counsel.

City officials decided not to publish the minutes of the last meeting, but to wait until the regular Saturday meeting in July, when the minutes of the June meeting would be approved and re-enacted, and the ordinance repealed fixing the meeting night as Saturday.

The election of Mr. Sparks is as illegal as any of the other acts of the Council at that meeting, and a special meeting is being urged for the purpose of electing Mr. Sparks Mayor pro tem.

SEVERAL ALTON MARRIAGES.

Couple Elope to St. Louis and Others Will Wed To-Day.

Miss Blanche Carhart, daughter of Mr. George Carhart, and W. McHenry, a popular young Alton glassblower, went to St. Louis yesterday and were married by the Reverend John W. Lee of St. John's Methodist Church. They will reside in Alton.

Miss Barbara Huebner, daughter of Mr. John Huebner of Alton, will be married to-day in St. Louis to Frank Kehl, manager of a file and letter company. Mr. J. F. Hart, a conductor on the Alton Granite and St. Louis Railway, will be married this morning at the cathedral in Alton to Miss Kate C. Clampitt, daughter of Mr. Thomas Clampitt of Belle street.

TO DONATE MICROBES TO SCIENCE.

Alton Carpet Cleaner Has 25 Barrels of Bacilli Collected in Course of Business.

There is a carpet-cleaning establishment in Alton conducted by William Neermann and he has on hand about twenty-five barrels filled with microbes of various kinds and bacilli of all colors, ages and sexes, which were separated from carpets during the cleansing performance.

Mr. Neermann will send these microbes, etc., to any scientists, organization of physicians or body or individual interest free of charge and claims that, while he is in the carpet-cleaning business and does not like to knock, he is satisfied that carpets are not the most sanitary things to have about one's house, and that they are, in fact, veritable microbe incubators.

BUSTLE PROVES TO BE POOR BANK

May Hurst Admits Taking $300 Which Madge Driscoll, a Waitress, Had Stowed Away in a Receptacle.

Women have been known to conceal their valuables in fancy hosiery, but it remained for Madge Driscoll, a pretty waitress, living at No. 138 North Eleventh street, to press a bustle into service to hide $300, her earnings for the last three years.

Last night she reported to the police the theft of the bustle and, incidentally, the $300 contained therein.

In making her complaint to Lieutenant McKenna of the Central District Miss Driscoll stated that a woman friend had visited her the previous evening and that, while she was dressing, the visitor offered to treat her to a glass of beer.

The bustle was on a chair near the door, Miss Driscoll claims, and she did not discover that it had been stolen until after her friend departed. She had known her visitor for several months and did not suspect her until she failed to return with the beer after a lapse of thirty minutes.

Miss Driscoll then thought of her bustle. It was gone. She at once notified the woman with whom she boarded, and they left the house in search of the woman, who, the latter said, went north on Eleventh street in the direction of Locust, although there are two saloons on the east side of Eleventh and Pine streets.

Miss Driscoll says that the woman may have hidden the bustle in the pitcher as she was leaving the house.

Mary Hurst of No. 1123 Franklin avenue is locked up in the detention room at the Four Courts.

She confessed to giving the money to Mollie Litterst, 11 years old, of No. 1117 North Eleventh street. The later said she gave the money to her brother William Litterst. He was found in a poolroom at No. 1139 Olive street, and when searched, the $30 was found on the police man. The Driskol woman had written her name on one of the bills which was found in Litterst's possession.

Find Girl's Body in Surf.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 20.—Missing from a hotel for days, the body of Mary Schuster, 21 years old, was found in the surf. Miss Schuster, who was a school teacher in Wilmington, Del., had been sent to the sea shore to recover from an attack of nervous prostration. Her father said she had been despondent for several weeks.

Man's Body Found in Union Station.

The body of a man supposed to be William Kuelmer of Kirkwood was found in Union Station last night and taken to the morgue by Patrolman Schmolinski of the Central District. A bottle of whisky was of the dead man was found several also found with the body. In the pockets books bearing the name of William Kuelmer. Death is supposed to have been due to heart failure.

PROTESTS AGAINST HANGING WOMAN

Captain Lloyd Clark Asks Governor to Turn Brother's Picture to the Wall if the Execution Takes Place.

St. Joseph, Mich., June 20.—Captain Lloyd Clark of the United States Supply Station here, a brother of Admiral Clark, U. S. N., who commanded the battleship Oregon during the battle of Santiago, and when the battleship made the famous voyage from Pacific waters to join Admiral Sampson's fleet, to-day sent the following telegram to Governor Bell of Vermont protesting against the hanging of Mrs. Mary Rogers:

"Governor Bell, East Hardwick, Vt.: Vermont is again threatened with the horrible disgrace of twenty-two years ago. The reputation and honor of the old Green Mountain State is in your hands alone and every true Vermonter believes in that highest justice that is the sister of mercy. Should this poor weak woman meet her doom on Friday in a State where my brother has been so greatly honored, please face his picture toward the wall. Every real Vermonter would hang his head in shame before the world. Have the mercy of the Master, and may that peace of the bravely merciful be always yours.

"LLOYD AND ALICE CLARK."

Soon after Admiral Clark's daring performance of bringing the Oregon to Cuban waters, the Vermont Legislature voted an appropriation to have a life-sized picture of Captain Clark placed on the Capitol walls. It is with his brother's consent that Captain Lloyd Clark makes his request. He declared to-day that he had made provision to see that it is carried out.

VERMONT GOVERNOR SAYS HE SHALL STAND FIRM.

Essex Junction, Vt., June 20.—Governor Charles Bell arrived here to-night from Windsor, where he had been in conference with the prison officials regarding the arrangements for the execution of Mrs. Mary Rogers. When shown the despatch telling of a telegram sent to him by Captain Lloyd Clark he said:

"I have not yet received such a telegram, but if it comes all right. I, as Governor, do not propose to accept advice from any ex-Vermonter who wishes to disgrace His native State in this way, and especially from one whose brother has been so highly honored by the State as Admiral Clark has been. The picture is the property of the State of Vermont and it will not be tampered with by any outsider. It will hang in the Statehouse just as it has hung. Vermont is in the habit of standing on its own bottom and it will do so now."

ALEXANDER-HYDE CONTROVERSY ENDS

Paul Morton, New Chairman of Equitable Board, Accepts Resignations of President and Vice President.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, June 20.—Paul Morton, the new head of the Equitable Life, removed to-day the two most prominent figures in the controversy within the society by accepting the resignations of James W. Alexander and James Hazen Hyde as president and vice president of the company.

This action on the part of Mr. Morton was not accompanied by any explanation as to why he had changed his mind about waiting for the report of Superintendent of Insurance Hendricks before announcing his decision regarding the resignations placed in his hands on the day of his election as chairman of the society's Board of Directors.

CILLINGHAM'S ATTRACTIVE PLANS FOR NEXT SEASON.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, June 20.—Charles B. Dillingham has signed a contract to star Mr. Thomas W. Ross for five years. He will make his appearance next season in a new play by Mr. Henry M. Blossom, "A Fair Exchange."

Miss Fritzi Scheff will return to New York in August and appear in a new light opera by Messrs. Henry M. Blossom and Victor Herbert entitled "Mlle. Modiste."

RIVER NEWS.

Rise and Fall of the Rivers

For 24 hours ending at 7 a. m.

St. Louis, Mo., June 20, 1905.

Stations.	Danger.	Gauge.	Change.
Pittsburg	22.0	5.0	*2.0
Parkersburg	26.0	3.8	*0.3
Cincinnati	50.0	16.4	0.5
Louisville	28.0	5.7	0.1
Nashville	40.0	8.4	*2.5
Chattanooga	52.0	4.2	
Florence	16.0	2.1	*0.1
Johnsonville	21.0	3.1	*0.1
Evansville	35.0	10.2	0.0
St. Paul	14.0	10.1	0.0
Dubuque	17.0	2.8	*0.1
Davenport	15.0	2.9	*0.3
Keokuk	15.0	11.9	*0.5
Hannibal	13.0	11.6	*0.1
Beardstown	22.0	13.3	
Grafton	25.0	13.9	0.1
Alton	23.0	13.4	*0.1
Omaha	21.0	13.0	0.1
Kansas City	18.0	11.7	*0.4
Glasgow	25.0	11.3	0.2
Boonville	21.0	11.2	0.2
Hermann	30.0	9.5	0.1
St. Louis	30.0	17.0	0.3
Chester	30.0	17.0	0.3
Cairo	40.0	19.4	*0.1
Memphis	34.0	15.1	0.1
Little Rock	23.0	5.0	0.4
Vicksburg	43.0	20.5	0.1
Shreveport	29.0	24.7	0.8
New Orleans	16.0	14.1	0.4

*Rise. Fall.

EDWARD H. BOWIE,
Local Forecast Official.

River Forecast.

The Mississippi River and the Mississippi, south of Grafton, will remain about stationary; the Illinois River will fall, and the Mississippi, between Hannibal and Grafton, will rise during the next 48 hours.

To-Day's Weather.

Cloudy, with thunderstorms.

Arrivals.

C. H. Spencer	Alton
Dubuque	Keokuk
Spread Eagle	Grafton
Bald Eagle	Illinois River
India Green	Hamburg
Lora	Missouri River
The barge Norman	Missouri River

Departures To-Day.

Spread Eagle	Alton
Dubuque	Davenport
Chester	Cape Girardeau
Stacker Lee	Memphis

River and Business.

The gauge registered 20.1 yesterday at 4 p. m., indicating a rise of .2 since 8 a. m. The recent heavy rains in the Upper Mississippi are responsible. About a foot and a half of water is yet to come.

The business on the Levee yesterday was brisk. All departing boats took out big trips, both freight and passengers, and the arriving steamers reported with large cargoes and many passengers.

The weather yesterday was wet and warm, and difficulty was had in loading outgoing steamers on account of the heavy downpour at intervals during the day. The Stacker Lee, due to leave at 5 p. m., got away half an hour late on that account.

River Rialto Brevities.

—Business was exceedingly brisk on the wharves yesterday. Men, women and children crowded all outgoing boats and the roustabouts were worked overtime loading freight. The excursion rates offered by the packet companies to pleasure-seekers are being taken advantage of. All departing steamers yesterday sold all staterooms early and especially was this so with the Stacker Lee, which departed for Memphis on its regular trip.

Cairo, Ill., June 20.—River gauge reads 22.1 feet, showing a fall of .2 of a foot during the last 24 hours. Weather cloudy and warm. The S. H. H. Clark departed for St. Louis at 8 a. m. with a tow of coal. The Dick Fowler made her usual trip. The H. M. Hoxie arrived from St. Louis at 10 a. m. The Rees Lee arrived from Cincinnati at 2 p. m. and cleared for Memphis at 4 p. m.

—The City of Savannah, which is due to leave Friday at 5 p. m., will not be able to get back in time to make the regular trip. She is now at Johnsonville, Tenn. The City of Memphis, now anchored here, will depart in its stead on Friday at the usual hour.

—The Chester got away on time yesterday with a big trip. Many passengers were aboard to make the trip to Cape Girardeau and return. The steamer will return to the local landing Thursday and leave the same day, 4 p. m., on its return trip.

—Many women and children formed the excursion party aboard the Corwin H. Spencer when it left the local landing yesterday morning for Alton. They returned last night at 7. The Spencer will make daily trips to and from Alton from now on, excepting Saturday.

—The Fred Herold will arrive from Memphis to-morrow morning, leaving the next afternoon at 5 on its return trip. This boat connects with the Rees Lee, the Cincinnati packet, at Cairo, and they transfer many passengers on each trip.

—The Lumbermen's Exchange will enjoy an excursion up the river Thursday on the steamer Cape Girardeau. The boat leaves at 9:30 a. m. and returns at 9 p. m.

—The Steamer Kennedy passed up the river yesterday for Grafton. Besides a good trip she towed an empty barge.

—The steamer Lora brought in a barge of lumber from the Missouri River yesterday. It also had a good trip of freight and passengers.

—The Spread Eagle will extend its trip up the Illinois River to Hartin about July 3.

—The towboat Louisiana came in from Grand Tower again yesterday.

—The Bald Eagle leaves at 4 p. m. to-day for Peoria, returning Saturday.

—The Bald Eagle had a good trip in from Peoria.

By Telegraph.

Memphis, Tenn., June 20.—The Mississippi River is now at a stationary stage, the Memphis gauge showing 15.7 feet above low-water mark. The weather is warm and showery. Business was good on the Memphis wharf yesterday. Arrivals were: The James Lee from Friar's Point, the Georgia Lee from Ashport and the City of St. Joseph from Randolph. Departures were: Lucile Newland for the Arkansas River and the City of St. Joseph for O. K. Landing. The towboat L. E. Patton arrived from the St. Francis River with a tow of logs for the Memphis mills. The towboats Sprague and the J. R. Finley are expected up to-day with tows of empties. The tug N. M. Jones is undergoing general repairs.

Burlington, Ia., June 20.—The river is 10 feet 7 inches above low-water mark, a rise of 10 inches. Weather fair. The Eloise in and out from Keokuk. The Helen Blair in and out from Davenport. Boats up: Gallardo, Eloise. Boats down: Eloise, Percy Swain.

Paducah, Ky., June 20.—The gauge reads 10.2, on stand. Weather cloudy and cool. Steamer John S. Hopkins in from Evansville on time. Rees Lee passed down at 9 a. m. Clyde came in from Tennessee River. Dick Fowler to Cairo on time.

Wheeling, W. Va., June 20.—River 9 feet 9 inches, and falling slowly. Cloudy and hot, with showers. Reported: Queen City, Pittsburg, 4 a. m.; Keystone State, Cincinnati, 6 a. m.; H. K. Bedford, Parkersburg, 11 a. m.

Chester, Ill., June 20.—Gauge 17.3 feet; rising. Weather, cloudy and warm, with rain. Cape Girardeau down 7 a. m. U. S. steamer King, 6 p. m. Luciana 6:15 p. m. Nick Sauer up at 9 a. m.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., June 20.—Gauge 21.8 feet, stationary. Cape Girardeau down at 11 a. m. Out for Commerce 1 p. m. On return 6 p. m. She will take out an excursion tonight.

St. Paul, Minn., June 20.—Steamer Sidney came in at 1:30 and left at 5 a. m., to-day for St. Louis. She took out a large list of passengers.

Grand Tower, Ill., June 20.—H. M. Hoxie down at 3:30 a. m. Cape Girardeau down at 8 a. m. Russell Lord up at 4 p. m. The gauge reads 20 feet and rising. Weather, showery.

Warsaw, Ill., June 20.—Gauge reads 14.1 feet, a rise of .6 in the last 24 hours. Cloudy and cool. Columbia up and down with an excursion. Silver Crescent in and out.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 20.—River at Davis Island dam 7.4 feet, stationary. Cloudy and warm.

Louisville, Ky., June 20.—River stationary; at Cabel 5.7, on falls 5.5, below locks 11.8. Rain.

Evansville, Ind., June 20.—River 10 feet; falling. Cloudy; rain.

Cincinnati, O., June 20.—River 16.9. Three departures, including Virginia for Pittsburg.

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