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THE CLOSING SESSION

Of the Silver Anniversary Encampment of the Grand Army.

INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

And the Election of the National Board Finished up and the Meeting Finally Adjoured---Grand Commander Palmer Issues His First General Orders.

DETROIT, Aug. 7.—The final session of the G. A. R. Encampment opened this morning. The first business was the report of the Committee on the John A. Logan and Phil Sheridan Monuments. The Logan monument fund now reaches about $65,000 and is closed. For the Sheridan the committee has about $50,000 in hand.

Governor Oglesby, of Illinois, reported sdtisfactory progress from the committee on memorial hall at Decatur, Ill. Reports of committees on the Adjutant General's and the other officer's reports were approved. Past Commander-in-Chief Burdett, of Washington, presented reports on a variety of subjects, deprecating in particular the action of members in endeavoring to secure the influence of the organization toward any interference in matters belonging to the various departments of the Government by the G. A. R. The same committee reported adversely on a communication from the Sons of Veterans desiring closer connection with the G. A. R.

An amendment to the rules and regulations was adopted by which posts can change their locations by a two-thirds vote of the members. An amendment was also adopted permitting department encampments to be held as late as July 1. The amendment permitting the election of department officers in December was defeated. The attempt to change the rules so as to reed "those who did not voluntarily bear arms against the United States are entitled to membership in the G. A. R.," was defeated. The per capita tax, which yesterday was established at three cents, was to-day reduced to two cents.

The new officers were then installed by Past Commander-in-Chief Beath, of Philadelphia. Commande-in-Chief Veazey, in turning ovet the command of the Grand Army of the Republic to Commander-in-Chief-elect Palmer, said: "It is now my privilege and pleasure and duty to present you your commission, and in doing it I desire that you will take with it my best wishes, as I am sure you have the best wishes of not only the representative comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, but of the entire body throughout the length and breadth of the land, for a successful administration, filled with pleasure and prosperity." [Applause.]

Commander Veazy then presented the new head of the organization with the new flag, and continued: "I now hand you the new flag of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Cheers.[We have marched under our old flag now for a quarter of a century, and it is so worn that it is not safe to use it any longer, and on the silver anniversary of our order this new one has been obtained. I give it into your hands to be guarded as for twenty-five years the old one has been guarded by your predecessors. I am sure it will be safe in your hands, because behind you will be 50,000 men who will stand by you and by this flag." [Cheers.]

In response, the new commander-in-chief said: "Comrades, let me briefly say I accept this office with a heart of gratitude to the comrades who have chosen me for this high position, and I hope that when I have reached the end of my term of office I may leave as clean a record behind me as the comrade who has served you during the past year.', [Cheers.]

The committee appointed to take action on the death of General Sherman, Admiral Porter, ex-Vice President Hannibal Hamlin and Past Commander Charles Devins, reported appropriate resolutions.

The encampment then adopted by a rising vote a resolution of thanks to the local committee in charge of the encampment arrangements and the citizens in general for the courtesies extended to the veterans.

After the usual resolutions to the encampment officers the twenty-fifth annual encampent of the Grand Army of the Republic was adjourned till the encampment at Washington in 1892.

Among the National Council of Administration of the Grand Army of the Republic, which has been elected, are the following: California, Magnus Tait, Los Gatos; Connecticut, John C. Clark, New Haven; Delaware, William J. Blackburn, Wilmington; Illinois, H. S. Deitrich, Chicago; Indiana, Charles H. Meyer, Evansville; Maryland, A. S. Cooper, Baltimore; Massachusetts, William H. Olin, Boston; Michigan, B. F. Graves, Adrian; Missouri, J. B. Milner, Springfield; New York, P. F. Kniff, Saratoga; Ohio, Ed. S. Grant, Middleport; Pennsylvania, William McClelland, Pittsburgh; Potomac, A. G. Huntoon, Washington; West Virginia, C. W. Hart, Buckhannon.

The new Commander-in-Chief, John Palmer, issued his first general order to-day as follows:

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
DETROIT, MICH., Aug. 7, 1891.

General Order No. 1.

1. Having been elected Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic by the twenty-fifth national (silver anniversary) encampment held in Detroit, Mich., August 6 and 7, 1891, I have accepted the trust imposed upon me with the earnest hope that the grand work of the order in which we are all engaged may be promoted under my administration.

2. The other officers elected and appointments upon the staff will be announced in future orders.

3. Till further notice all communications for the Adjutant-General will be addressed to Rutland, Vt.

JOHN PALMER,
Commander-in-Chief.

Official.
J. H. GOLDING,
Adjutant-General.

Woman's Relief Corps.

DETROIT, Aug. 7.—The Woman's Relief Corps convention was this morning occupied with committee reports. Officers were elected in the afternoon as follows: National president, Mrs. Sue A. Sanders, Delaware, Ill.; senior vice president, Margaret R. Wiggins, Sabatha, Kansas; junior vice president, Mary L. Reynolds, Covington, Ky.; treasurer, Amelia A. Cheney, Detroit; chaplain, Miss Clara Barton, Washington.

W. E. SCHMERTZ HAS FAILED.

The Well Known Pittsburgh Shoe Manufacturer and Bank President Confesses Judgment to His Wife and Brothers-in-Law to Cover Indorsements.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Aug. 7.—Business and financial circles were startled to-night by the report that W. E. Schmertz, the most extensive shoe manufacturer in this section, and the head of several financial and mercantile institutions, had failed. Upon investigation it was found that he had confessed judgments aggregating $233,000.

The first judgment was in favor of Wm. Loeffler, his brother-in-law and was for $100,000. This was filed in the afternoon, but this evening the following other judgments were entered: E. M. Quimby, $58,248; W. G. Taylor, $30,480 and Amelia A. Schmertz, $54,390. Quimby is also a brother-in-law and Amelia Schmertz is his wife.

The cause of the failure or the liabilities codld not be learned to-night, as Mr. Schmertz is seriously ill at his home and could not be seen. The other parties interested refused to give any information. Mr. Loeffler stated that the judgment to him was issued to cover indorsements made by himself and R. C. Schmertz & Co., and to protect him as surety on a bond given by W. E. Sbhmertz as guardian of the children of R. C. Schmertz, deceased.

There was no connection, he said, in business between R. C. Schmertz & Co., the glass manufacturer, and W. E. Schmertz. Mr. Schmertz is president of the Third National Bank of this city, president of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the National Bankers' Executive Committee. His credit was rated with Dun & Co. as high, with from $300,000 to $500,000 capital. Among outsiders his embarrassment was attributed to the heavy decline in natural gas stocks and the failure of several shoe concerns in the East and here. Those who ought to know say the failure will in no wise affect the Third National Bank.

TO STOP THE SALE.

H. H. Yard, of the Collapsed Keystone Bank, Asks an Injunction Against the Receiver.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Aug. 7.—In a rather unexpected manner H. H. Yard, who is under bail for trial on a charge of conspiracy with John Bardsley, was heard from by R. P. Yardley, of the suspended Keystone National Bank, this morning.

Shortley before noon Mr. Yardley learned that Yard intended to offer the Keystone bank's Sea Girt property at public sale to-morrow. This property formerly belonged to John Lucas, former president of the bank, and was assigned by his widow to the bank, together with the bank building to make up the now famous Lucas deficit.

Yard claims that the bank afterwards sold it to him, but nobody but himself seems to have any knowledge of such a sale. As soon as he heard of the coming sale Mr. Yardley made efforts to prevent it. He held a hurried consultation with his attorneys, one of whom went to Trenton to make application for an injunction restraining Yard from making the sale. McGill, of the John Bardsley estate, took similar notice.

A JEALOUS LOVER

Fires Four Shots from His Pistol into the Body of the Woman who Had Jilted Him.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, Aug. 7.—About 9 o'clock to-night an affair of love, disappointment and jealousy terminated in the murder of a girl by her rejected lover. The victim, Miss Ida Kipp, last September promised to marry Lewis, Levi but afterward rejected him.

Since then Levi had been inflamed with rage and wounded pride. To-night he saw Miss Kipp going with an escort and he followed her near the Fifth street garden. There he emptied three shots from his revolver in Miss Kipp's body, killing her on the spot. Levi was arrested.

Will be Properly Received.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 7.—The Secretary of the Treasury has been advised that a bold attempt would be made during this month to rob the treasury by a "stong and determined band of men organized for that purpose." The plan is to start fires in various parts of the city for the purpose of diverting the attention of the police and then overpower the treasury watchmen and loot the money vaults. The information was given in a letter signed by the "King of the Tramps," who explained his knowledge of the plot by the statement that he was leader of the band. The letter was referred to the captain of the watch with instructions to give the visitors a proper reception.

Has not been Commenced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 7.—The attention of the State Department Officials was to-day called to a dispatch from the City of Mexico to the effect that the family of Gen. Barrundia had won there indemnity claim of $800,000 against the United States government. The department officials say that no action had been taken on claims therefore it could not have been allowed.

Mr. George Jones Dangerously Ill.

LEWISTON, ME., Aug. 7.—Editor George Jones, of the New York *Times*, had a bad night, and his physicians to-day say that his condition is dangerous, but they hope for the best. His wife and daughter are with him at Poland Springs. His advanced age, seventy-nine years, makes his complaint more serious than it otherwise would be.

Bad Lamp Explosion.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Two deaths are the result of a lamp explosion last evening at 7370 Third avenue. A mother and a daughter died in Bellevue hospital this morning. Felicia, the mother, was sixty-three, and Raffaela, the daughter, twenty-seven years old. The father, Salvatore Ferraro, is reported as being much better this morning.

Everything Still Quiet.

OMAHA, NEB., Aug. 7.—There is practically no change in the strike situation in any of the trades, but at a meeting of the smelter employes and the threat was made that unless the company came to terms soon there would be trouble in the Denver branch of the institution.

ROYALTY WILL COME

To Attend The Great World's Fair at Chicago in 1893.

KING WILLIAM AND THE ENGLISH

Royalty Will Honor the Fair With Their Presence and the Lord Mayor of London Will Come Next Spring to See How She's Getting Along---Other Matters of Interest From Over the Pond.

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LONDON, Aug. 7.—The close of the session of Parliament brings to the ministers only a brief cessation of work and to politicians only a short respite of speech making. The recess will be the liveliest experienced in many years, each side working in view of the fact that it will be the last campaign before the dissolution of Parliament.

Mr. Balfour will open the campaign on Monday at Plymouth when it is expected he will give a further inkling of his solution of the problem of Irish county government to which the cabinet is now distinctly pledged. The burden of the work of recess rests uoon Mr. Balfour. In his Irish local government bill, it is understood the feature will be the franchise, the electors of the county boards being confined to persons actually paying rates. The measure will bear the smallest possible resemblance to a Home Rule measure. The leading principle will prevent boards created under its provisions from being controlled by the masses.

It the presence of royal persons can ensure the success of the World's Fair in Chicago, its success now seems to be assured. It is certain that several members of the English royal family are showing such an interest in the progress of the preparation as indicates an intention on their part to visit the Fair, and communications have reached London from Berlin, which leave little doubt, if Europe is at peace at the time of the fair, that the German Emperor will indulge himself in the greatest voyage of his life in seeing America. The keen and growing interest taken in London on the Fair rendered it probable that an invitation from the mayor of Chicago to the Lord Mayor of London, asking him to inspect the site and preparations for the Fair this year would find acceptance. If the pending arrangements result favorably the Lord Mayor will be enabled to see Chicago next spring.

Mr. Dillon, while here conferred unceasingly with Parnellites with the view of ending the schism in the Irish party. He found them resolutely opposed to Mr. Parnell's retirement as a condition of reunion. Several intimated their intention to withdraw from public life, but during the tenure of the House of Commons they will adhere to their old leader. The meeting of Messrs. Dillon, O'Brien, McCarthy and Sexton to deliberate on the future leadership of the party resulted in an agreement that Mr. Dillon should be formally invested with the leadership when Parliament reassembles. Meanwhile Mr. McCarthy will be the nominal chief, though Mr. Dillon will be the virtual leader. This arrangement settles rumors ascribing to Mr. Sexton an intention to contest the presidency of the party.

Lord Salisbury has instructed his solicitor to press the bankruptcy case against Mr. O'Brien to the rapidest possible conclusion. Besides Lord Salisbury, another claimant, George Bolton, to whom a jury awarded £4,000 damages in a libel action against Mr. O'Brien years ago, has revived his demand. It is plain that the object of both sides is to disqualify Mr. O'Brien for Parliamentary life.

THE INSURGENTS VICTORIOUS.

The Chilean War has not Amounted to Much—A Bad Kind of Financial Policy.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., Aug. 7.—An officer of the United States steamer Pensacola, which arrived yesterday from Chile, stated that progress made so far by either party in Chile is small. The Congressional party has plenty of money while Balmaceda is flooding the country with paper money. At Valparaiso the English sovereign is worth $15. Both parties are well supplied with arms and ammunition. So far, only three engagements have been fought. None of them have been serious and the Insurgents have been victorious each time. Three provinces now recognize the Congressional party.

Killed by a Tarantula's Bite.

SEDALIA, MO., Aug. 7.—While Samuel G. Williams, manager of the Union News Company, was unpacking a box of pears yesterday, which he had received from Southern Texas, a tarantula leaped from the box and fastened its fangs in the end of the middle finger of his right hand. He threw it from him and the reptile was killed. In half an hour from the time he was bitten Williams began to get wild, and his pain was so great that it took three men to hold him. Three doctors are in attendance, but no hope is entertained of saving the man's life.

Shot His Crazy Brother.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 7.—John Huff, an extensive planter, who lives three miles north of Willis, shot and instantly killed his crazy brother, who lives with him, and mortally wounded his own wife. The insane man attacked Huff with a knife and John, in self-defense, shot him three times with a Winchester. One of the bullets passed through the heart. The three bullets passed through the man's body and struck Huff's wife, with the above result.

Both Duellists Dead.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 7.—A special to the *Times-Star* from Frankfort, Ky., says: Jack Estees and Tom Long who fought a duel in this county on last Monday, election day, died of their wounds yesterday. They were desperate men.

A Pittsburgh Canadian Arrested.

TORONTO, Aug. 7.—Hubert Kinney, an insurance agent, has been arrested here, charged with embezzlement and forgery committed at Pittsburgh, Pa. His case will come up on Tuesday.

A BAD BACKER.

He Used the Collateral of His Customers for His Own Private Use and Cashed Notes on Their Credit.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Counsel for H. Myers & Bros., of Savannah, Ga., have obtained from Judge O'Brien, of the Supreme Court, injunctions against the Merchants' National Bank, against Abraham Backer and his assignee, Benjamin F. Einstein. The Merchants' Bank is enjoined from disposing of six hundred bonds of the Savannah & Atlantic Railway Company and a note of the Mucage Real Estate Company, of Columbus, pledged with the bank by Backer. The Central National is restrained from disposing of 163 shares of the National Bank of Savannah, also pledged by Backer. The cases in which injunctions were granted to-day show strange conduct on the part of Abraham Backer, who failed for $4,000,000, and gives the currency to the rumor that criminal proceedings may be taken against him.

It appears that Myers Brothers, of Savannah, were in the habit of sending Backer notes to be discounted. Some times they sent collateral and some times they did not. They sent him notes aggregating more than $72,000, and sent him the bonds, notes and stocks, worth $72,000, mentioned in this suit as collateral. Instead of using the collateral, he had the notes discounted on the strength of the Myers Bros. credit. He informed them, it is averred, that the collateral was pledged for the discount. He, however, pledged the collateral in his own account, and perfected the proceeds. Myers Bros. must therefore pay their notes, and in order to get back collaterals must pay also the sums secured bo Backer on them.

Mary Washington Ball.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. VA., Aug. 7.—The large ballroom was elegantly decorated to-day upon the occasion of the Mary Washington ball, which was one of the most brilliant affairs occurring here for many years. The ball was given as a compliment to Mrs. Roger A. Pryor and for the fund of the Mary Washington Monument Association, of which she is one of the vice presidents. Through the courtesy of Governor Hill, an official flag of the State of New York was sent to Mrs. Pryor, and the Governor of the State of Virginia sent the colors of the Old Dominion to blend with those of the Empire State. Great enthusiasm was expressed for this graceful compliment.

Mrs. Pryor led the opening march with ex-Governor Fitzhugh Lee. She was attired in a costume which was a faithful reproduction of that worn by Mary Washington at the "Yorktown Ball" given after the surrender in Fredericksburg. The kerchief, reticule and fan worn by Mrs. Pryor were lent to her by members of the Fredericksburg Monument Society, and had been worn by ladies who had danced with General Washington at the Fredericksburg ball.

The guests of White Sulphur Springs were dressed in antique costumes, with powdered hair, &c., and the scene as they followed Governor Lee and "Mary Washington" in grand procession was a a brilliant one.

Mr. Blaine Has Not Seen Them.

BAR HARBOR, ME., Aug. 7.—Inquiry at the hotels fails to reveal the presence of either ex-Collector Erhardt or Dr. Baldwin in Bar Harbor. Inquiry at the Blaine cottage elicited an absolute denial of any knowledge of the immediate whereabouts of either of these gentlemen. Mr. Blaine refuses to see any one who comes upon a political mission, or to talk politics at all. Therefore it is exceedingly doubtful if he would see Collector Erhardt should he come. Dr. Taylor, Mr. Blaine's physician, says the report that Mr. Baldwin was sent for is absurd and untrue. There is no need for seeing him professionally as Mr. Blaine has no need of a physican's services, except to guide and restrain him from too much exertion. He is gaining constantly, and his progress is all that could be expected.

The Letter Carriers' Petition.

DETROIT, MICH., Aug. 7.—At the letter carriers' convention yesterday resolutions were adopted providing that the letter carriers of the United States petition the President of the United States to extend the civil service rules to all the free delivery cities of the country and asking tne President to regulate the salary of letter carriers as follows:

First year, $600; second year, $800; third, $1,000; fourth, $1,200.

The report of the secretary showed that there were 235 branches in good standing with 6,000 members. All debts are pain and over $1,000 is in the treasury.

Officers Elected.

DETROIT, MICH., Aug. 7.—The national association of letter carriers to-day elected the following officers: President, T. C. Dennis, Boston; Vice President, A. E. Smith, San Francisco; Secretary, J. F. Victory, New York City; Treasurer, E. W. Crane, Indianapolis; Sergeant-at-Arms, D, W. Walington, Nashville, Tenn.

Senator George is Safe.

CANTON, MISS., Aug. 7.—The report that Senator George is defeated in the primaries is utterly without foundation. He failed to carry his county (Carroll) yesterday, which was largely due to a large fanatical Alliance majority. The vote stands to date: George, 66; Barksdale, 22. It requires 90 to elect, and George is certain to get 120 instructed voters. Even Barksdale's friends concede George's election, and their only hope now is to elect Barksdale as Waltham's successor.

Storm at Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, Aug. 7.—A heavy storm accompanied by severe thunder and lightning, passed over this province last night. Several fatalities are reported. Mrs. Davis was instantly killed at Moose Jaw, and another woman named Martin.

Webster Gives Himself Up.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Bertram Webster, the sporting man who shot and killed Charles E. Goodwin Sunday, appeared at his lawyer's office this morning and with him proceeded to police headquarters and gave himself up.

An Advance Announced.

BOSTON, Aug. 7.—It is announced that the price of all refined sugar except cut loaf and crushed, has been advanced 1 1-16 per cent by the American Sugar Refining Company.

"JACK, THE RIPPER"

Is Again at Work Among Residents of Whitechapel.

THE FIEND BAFFLES THE POLICE.

After Cutting the Throat of a Seventy-Year-Old Woman in the Street He Makes Good His Escape, Leaving No Clue---Inspector Byrnes's Capture Don't Seem to End the Business.

LONDON, August 7.—Much excitement was accasioned in the Whitechapel district this morning when a rumor was rapidly passed from mouth to mouth that the dreaded "Jack the Ripper" had again appeared and committed one of the butcheries that has made his name a household word in this most ill-favored portion of London.

That there was reason for the excitement there can be no denial. At an early hour this morning, as one of the denizens of Whitechapel, an old woman named Wolf, was passing through one of the numerous dark alleys with which the region abounds, she was set upon by an unknown man armed with a sharp knife.

The place where the assault was made was dark and dismal, and, as the hour was early, the usual prowlers had sought refuge in doorways or under arches where they lay in drunken slumbers. As rows are of nightly, almost hourly, occurrence in Whitechapel, no attention was paid, if indeed a noise was heard, to what was, of course, taken for one of the usual drunken scuffles. But for the old woman it was a scuffle for life.

From what can be learned of the circumstances surrounding the butchery, it appears that the man, whom the people of Whitechapel are firmly convinced was the famous "Ripper," used his knife with fiendish ferocity. He grasped the woman by the head, and drawing her backward, he, with one hand across her mouth, silenced the cries she would naturally have tried to make, while with the other hand he drew the keen-bladed knife across her tightly drawn throat, inflicting a terrible wound. Then, using the knife as a dagger, he plunged it into her body again and again. There is a deep wound on the woman's arm, which, it is believed, was received while she was attempting to ward off the ferocious blows aimed at her body.

When released from the grasp of her assailant the woman dropped to the ground with the blood pouring from her wounds, and when, shortly afterward, she was discovered by a passing policeman, she was unconscious and in a dy-condition. She is seventy years old.

The police are, as usual, hunting for some clue that will lead to the identification of the murderer, but, as in all the other Whitechapel crimes, the assassin has disappeared, leaving no trace save his mutilated victim.

The woman was taken to a hospital, and after she recovered sufficiently to tell of the attack made ou her. She is a German, and unlike the other women murdered and mutilated in White Chapel. She was not in the company of the man who attacked her, but was passing along the street, when without warning the assassin sprang upon her. She saw the glitter of the upraised steel blade, but was unable to escape from the grasp of her assailant.

It is understood that the police found a razor covered with blood near the scene of the crime. One man has been arrested on suspicion of being the assassin, but the evidence against him is very slight.

EFFECT OF THE BILL

On American Imports from Germany—The First Half Year Shows a Decrease.

BERLIN, Aug. 7.—Consul General Edwards has just finished his statement showing the value of the declared exports from the Berlin Consul's jurisdiction to the United States during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1891.

The total exports from the Berlin consular district during the year ending June 30, 1891, amounted to $59,753,201, as compared with $66,056,987 of the preceding year, thus showing a decrease of nearly $6,500,000.

In the Frankfort consular jurisdiction, plate glass, window and mirror glass also fell from over a million dollars in 1890 to $900,000 in 1891. Americal imports from southern Germany $185,000 worth of hair and over $500,000 worth of hops. The latter article has increased about 33 per cent this year. Iron ware steel and cutlery have fallen from $1,640,548.84 to $902,365.02 a decrease of nearly 50 per cent. Of wines, brandy, beer and liquors America took during last half year $725,469.53 worth.

From this mass of figures it is, however, next to impossible to draw any definite conclusions as to the workings and effects of the McKinley bill. In anticipation of the passage of the McKinley bill heavy shipments of all kinds of goods were rushed across the ocean and the American market was overstocked, and in consequence the first year of the bill's existence will show a decrease in exports from Germany to the United States. This prevents the possibility of judging the effects of the bill a this time.

Opposed to Cohensley.

ROME, Aug. 6.—Prof. O'Gorman, of Washington University, has had an audience with the Pope. His Holiness made many inquiries about the university and its courses of study, and about Archbishop Ireland and Bishop Keane, rector of the university.

Prof. O'Gorman has had interviews with many ecclesiasts high in rank. He found them all opposed to any such scheme as that proposed by Herr Cohensley, and hopeful that the Pope's prompt decision would keep the matter out of politics in America.

Going Into Another War.

PARIS, Aug. 7.—A telegram received in this city to-day from Buenos Ayres asserts that Chile will declare war against Bolivia because the government of the latter country has recognized the Congressional party of Chile as belligerents.

M. Henri Litolff Dead.

PARIS, Aug. 7.—M. Henri Litolff, the well known musician and composer, is dead.

POSTAL THIEF CAUGHT.

For a Year he has Demoralized the Country Trade of Big Chicago Firms.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Capt. James E. Stuart yesterday arrested Henry E. Barlow, a mail carrier of the Chicago Postoffice, who has been robbing the mail of Montgomery, Ward & Co. for the last year.

Lapp & Flershem, Montgomery, Ward & Co., the Chicago Supply Company, and a number of other local business houses have complained for many months of the loss of mail. The Post Office department was set to work about eight months ago, and every device employed to ferret out the thief and etop the leakage, but the work met with no success.

Recently a list of 500 or more postal notes, which were sent to Montgomery, Ward & Co., but never received by them, was given to Captain Stuart. The number of these notes were sent to the Department at Washington, and the chief of the Department there finally concluded that a man who signed "Jamss E. Black," James A. Blotten," and "James A. Rice," was the person who was causing Montgomery, Ward & Co. all the trouble.

After a long search through the books it was discovered that these orders were being cashed by the Chicago Postoffice. Capt. Stuart then took all the clerks in the postal note department into his confidence, and instructed them when any person signing the names of Black, Rice, or Blotten should present a note to detain him.

The opportunity arrived yesterday. Shortly before noon Mail Carrier Henry Barlow came in from his second delivery. He left his pouch in the carriers' room and slipped off his gray uniform coat. Thrusting his arms into the sleeves of a black alpaca coat, he walked out of the room and down the corridor to the postal note window. He presented a note for $4.99 from a town in Texas. He signed "James A. Black." The clerk detained him, and a messenger was sent for Capt. Stuart. Just as Barlow was stuffing the money into his vest pocket Stuart placed him under arrest.

Barlow's method of robbing the mails was simple. The letters which contained money orders, drafts, or checks were destroyed, as only postal notes were of any use to him. When he returned to the Postoffice he would have the notes cashed. This system of stealing he practised daily for a year, the notes ranging from $1 to $5. The loss of the money was not so difficult for the firms to bear as was the fact that their business was demoralized. Thousands of letters which did not contain postal notes were destroyed, and all of them contained orders for goods.

INSTITUTE CLOSED.

The Berkeley County Meeting Wound Up Auspiciously.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Aug. 6.—The Berkeley County Institute was brought practically to a close as nothing remains on the program but examinations, and part of them were gotten through with this evening. In the morning professors Miller and Wade and ex-Superintendent Dodd made addresses on various topics embracing general school work. A board of examiners were appointed, composed of E. W. M. Tabler, J. W. P. Evans and P. T. Keeseecker.

William Grim, J. W. Schirley, A. M. Graham and A. W. Smith and Lee Siler were appointed a committee to draft resolutions commending the action of the last Legislature. It applied to the changes in the school law, especially the amendments relating to new branches and examinations, recommending that teachers be paid at least one dollar per month for each new branch added to the free school course, including the graded institute course, and should also be secured a tenure of office commensurate with the certificates granted at examinations. The resolutions are complimentary to the efficient work of the retiring superintendent, D. H. Dodd, and tendering a vote of thanks to the instructors, Professors Miller, Wade and Crago, for the excellent and instructive manner in which they conducted the institute. Professors Wade and Miller returned this evening to their respective homes at Morgantown and Fairmont, and Professor Crago left for a few days sojourn at Mountain Lake Park. All are strongly impressed with their intellectual abilities and methods of conducting the institute.

PROTESTING HIS INNOCENCE.

James Thoroughgood Dies on the Scaffold Declaring That He Was Not Guilty.

DOVER, DEL., Aug. 7.—James T. Thoroughgood, colored, was hanged in the jail here at 1:30 this afternoon for assault upon an eight-year-old girl, the daughter of William Buffington, colored, on Sunday morning, January 18, 1889.

Thoroughgood was led from his cell moaning and shouting and leaning heavily on the arms of his spiritual advisors, Dr. Gibson and Dr. Jackson. He was scarcely able to walk to the scaffold. Rector Gibson read the service for the man, but his voice was drowned in Thoroughgood's piteous appeals to heaven.

As he walked, he kept his eyes straight above him shouting "Glory to God." He was assisted up the steps to the scaffold, averting his eyes from the noose. After every preparation had been made for the drop, Rev. Jackson asked: "Did you do it? You know what I mean."

The negro on the verge of eternity replied: "I am not guilty." Just as the black cap was drawn over his head Thoroughgood shouted, "I am not guilty, thank God, and as I stand here on the scaffold I declare to God I have never done injury to man or woman. Living God have mercy on my soul."

Scarcely had the words died away when the hatchet fell and the doomed man shot through the trap. There was some muscular contortions, but his neck was broken and he was pronounced dead in six and a half minutes and cut down in fifteen minutes.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For Western Pennsylvania and Ohio continued warm weather, southwesterly winds, fair except probably local showers in the evening on the lake shore.

For West Virginia southwesterly winds; no decided change in thermometer.

TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

as furnished by C. SCHNEPF, druggist, Opera House corner:

7 a. m.	65	3 p. m.	89
9 a. m.	73	7 p. m.	86
12 m.	87	Weather—Clear.	