

THE WEATHER.
Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday, with probably rain in the southeast portion.

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PADUCAH KENTUCKY, FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 8, 1905.

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COUNT WITTE TODAY OFFERED TO RESIGN

The Czar Became Angry and Refused It--Financial Panic Begins.

St. Petersburg, via Eydtkuhnen, Dec. 8.—Count Witte, who only a short time ago assumed the position of premier of the Russian Empire, today handed the czar his letter of resignation.

A sensational scene ensued, the czar, after reading the document tore it into pieces and flung them at Witte's feet, exclaiming angrily: "Are you such a poor patriot as to desert me in my hour of misfortune? Remain in office until I see fit to relieve you."

The emperor then turned sharply, and left Count Witte standing in the middle of the reception chamber.

The situation at Kiev is described as being an extremely serious one. Some accounts say that a massacre has taken place in which 1,500 persons were killed.

Financial Panic Begins.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.—The financial crash which must inevitably overtake the country is beginning. Three banks have suspended payment because of the impossibility of obtaining assistance to meet the runs started on them, and many cases of bankruptcy of industrial firms are reported from the provinces.

Another Garrison Rebels.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.—A serious mutiny has occurred at Lomsha. Troops rebelled and fired the barracks and attacked the officers. The mutineers are now in control of the town.

Public sentiment is being directed more and more against Premier Witte, and his immediate resignation is being demanded.

THE CHANGES

That Will Be Made in New I. C. Time Card Sunday.

The following changes are made in the new I. C. time card effective Sunday.

Train No. 101 from Louisville to Memphis will arrive at 6:10 instead of 6:40 p. m.

The train arriving from Cairo at 8:30 for Hopkinsville will arrive at 8:10 p. m. and stop here.

A new train will be put on between Paducah and Hopkinsville, leaving at 3 p. m. Conductor John Hicks will run it and it will connect at Hopkinsville for Nashville, making the fastest time on record.

No. 8 the fast New Orleans-Chicago train has her schedule changed and patrons will no longer connect for Chicago at Cairo but will have to leave Paducah at 4:20 p. m. and catch the train at Carbondale where direct connections are made with the fast train.

CLINT HOLLAND.

Former Resident of Paducah Dies in Benton.

After a long illness Clint Holland, a well known young man of Benton, died at 10:25 o'clock last night. The direct cause of his death was dropsy and heart trouble.

Mr. Holland until a few months ago lived in Paducah. He conducted a wagon yard on Third between Kentucky avenue and Washington streets. He was a son of the late Judge W. A. Holland, of Benton. His wife, who survives him, is a daughter of Judge Fisher. A child also is left by him, his mother, and a brother, Mr. Erskine Holland, of Memphis. He was about 30 years old.

The remains were buried at 2 o'clock this afternoon at Benton.

SENATOR MITCHELL DEAD.

Had a Tooth Pulled and Bled to Death.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 8.—United States Senator Mitchell died this afternoon. He was last night moved to a hospital following the extraction of a tooth which caused him considerable loss of blood, and finally death.

Circuit Judge Reed Renders Important Decision in Home Purchasing Cases

Circuit Judge W. M. Reed today sustained a demurrer to the indictment against H. H. Loving, an officer in the Home Purchasing company, charging him with doing business in the state without a license, thus practically quashing the indictment. The demurrer alleged that the law did not hold a ministerial officer of a company or concern guilty in such cases unless it were averred and proven that he did issue contracts.

MRS. GUS COULTER

Alleged to Have Recovered Diamond Ring Through Mind Reader.

A woman entertainer has been given performances or exhibitions for the past three weeks in Louisville and New Albany, and according to the papers, whose articles smack very much of the press agents work she does some wonderful things.

The following story is from yesterday's Mayfield Monitor, and is given for what it is worth:

Mrs. Gus Coulter is in Louisville consulting Anna Eva Fay, the mysterious woman reader.

On last Tuesday while preparing to attend the woman's club meeting, Mrs. Coulter suddenly missed her finest diamond ring, valued at \$400. The house has been thoroughly gone over, but the diamond could not be found, so Mrs. Coulter decided to go to Louisville and consult this medium.

LATER—Mrs. Coulter today telegraphed from Louisville the result of her interview with Anna Eva Fay. The latter told Mrs. Coulter that the ring was in the bath room on the floor. Upon receiving this word Mr. Coulter went to the bath room and there found the diamond. Mrs. Coulter will return at once.

INSTALL TONIGHT.

Beavers Dam Will Be Built—About 100 to Be Charter Members.

The long-talked-of Beaver Dam will be built tonight in the Elks' hall, and more than one hundred of Paducah's leading citizens will be given a chance to become "read" Beavers. The organizers, Mr. Tripp and Mr. English, deserve great credit for the membership they have secured, and it goes without saying that these two gentlemen know their business when it comes to "Dam Building."

Shipped to New York.

The body of Dennis O'Connor, who died on his pleasure gasoline launch at the foot of Elizabeth street two days ago, was shipped to New York City today at noon for interment. A telegram was received from a brother of the deceased last night directing the disposition of the body. The two brothers who started on a tour with the launch, were without funds. It is said, and were waiting for a communication from their brother in New York.

Silver Wedding Anniversary.

Invitations have been received here to the silver wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Ramsey, formerly of this city, but now of Memphis, Tenn., on December 21, at 8 p. m. at their home, 1293 Monroe street, Memphis. The invitations are prettily gotten up in silver and have the dates 1880-1905, Edward B. Ramsey and Julia Steel. The popular couple have a host of friends here to give them good wishes.

Hopkinsville Newspaper Change.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 8.—C. D. Graves, of Harvey, Ill., has leased the Hopkinsville Messenger, Republican, organ of Christian county, and will take possession January 1. The plant is owned by Curtis A. Brasher, Ed Lawson, who has been running the paper for several months, is in bad health and will retire from newspaper work at least for the present.

Came to See His Daughter.

Mr. Thomas F. Shay, of Cincinnati, O., is here to visit his daughter, Miss Rose Cecilia Shay, who will sing "Paul Jones" tonight. Mr. Shay has not been to St. Louis on business and has been seeing his daughter for sometime he came here on his way home. He is a guest at the Palmer house.

You can't take the pride out of some people even by seeing them slip down on the ice.

This was not alleged in the Lovington indictment, and Judge Reed accordingly sustained the demurrer.

The decision means that all the indictments against officers and directors of the Home Purchasing company, who were indicted for doing business without a license, will be quashed in the same way if the court's decision sustains Judge Reed in his decision today. An appeal, it is understood, will be taken.

PREMATURE BLAST KILLS TWO MINERS

Boiler Explosion in Ohio Takes 2 or 3 Others.

New York Doctor Murdered and a Cincinnati Man Is Found Dead On His Father's Grave.

A RAILROAD WRECK AND FIRE

London, Ky., Dec. 8.—Gomer James was killed and Mitchell Morton probably fatally injured this morning in the Blue Gem Coal mines at Jellico, by the unexpected discharge of a blast.

Killed in Explosion.

Marion, O., Dec. 8.—Joseph Goon was instantly killed and Harry Hector, and William Phillips fatally hurt by the explosion of a boiler at the Fairbanks quarry today. Goon was blown ninety feet against the wall of the quarry, and his head crushed.

New York Doctor Murdered.

New York, Dec. 8.—The body of John Matthewson, a prominent physician, was found on a lumber pile this morning with all his valuables missing. The police believe he was murdered and claim to know who is responsible for his death.

Suicided On His Father's Grave.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 8.—Thomas McDonough, for twenty years a member of the city council, and who was in poor health, disappeared Wednesday. This morning his body was found on his father's grave in St. Joseph's cemetery, with a bullet hole in his head.

Two Killed in Wreck.

Chillicothe, O., Dec. 8.—Two Baltimore and Ohio freight trains collided at Roxabel this morning and Engineer Mullen and Fireman Sampson were killed and brakeman Taylor was fatally injured.

All the Guests Escaped.

Arcanum, O., Dec. 8.—Fire early this morning destroyed the general store, and postoffice and Young's hotel at Pittsburg, a village near here. All the guests in the hotel escaped.

NO CONTRACT

Awarded for the Lease of Eddyville Convict Labor.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 8.—After some difficulty in getting all the members of the state prison commission together for the purpose of opening bids for the hire of convicts employed in the broom factory in Eddyville penitentiary. It was found that there was a misunderstanding and all the bids received were rejected. One of the bidders, the Myers-Bridges Co., of Louisville, bid 50 cents per man a day for the making of brooms, while Norman & Hubbard of Mayfield, and Frankfort, bid 60 cents per man a day for the manufacture of tables. The commission decided that as the advertisement for the bids was rather vague, it would best to call for new bids. These new bids will be opened on December 20.

MANY APPROPRIATIONS

Are Specified in Secretary's Estimates of Expenses.

A Washington dispatch says: The secretary of the treasury has transmitted to congress his estimates for appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907. Among other appropriations asked for are the following: To complete Nashville Public building, \$40,000; for Chickamauga National Park, \$31,000; Shiloh National Park, \$25,000; continuing the improvement of Kentucky river, Cumberland river below Nashville, \$200,000; Tennessee river below Chattanooga, \$240,000; Johnson City, Tenn., Soldiers' Home, \$311,500; Erwin, Tenn., Fish Hatchery, \$1,623; to operate snagboats in the Ohio river, \$50,000.

Body of C. W. Watts Expected.

The body of Mr. C. W. Watts, the prominent Smithland attorney who died suddenly Wednesday at the Brown Palace hotel, at Denver, Col., is expected here in a day or two. It will probably be shipped from Paducah to Smithland by boat. Mr. Watts died from a hemorrhage.

Similar to certain delicate plants which need a soft atmosphere, they are entombed, which come into bloom only under the balmy breath of happiness.

—L. C. Lecher.

\$30,000 ASKED

For the Death of Malcom Greenleaf, the Street Car Conductor Who Was Killed.

J. P. Pierce, administrator of Malcom Greenleaf, who was fatally injured at First and Broadway, November 18th when he was caught between two cars and his right leg crushed, today filed suit against the Paducah Traction Co., for \$30,000 damages for the death of the deceased.

He alleges that the young man died from the injuries sustained in the accident which was due, the petition states, to the negligence of employees of the company and to defective machinery about the car.

NEW TRAIN.

Louisville-Pulmon Passenger Will Be Extended to Memphis, Effective Sunday.

J. J. Gaven, superintendent of the Tennessee division of the Illinois Central, with headquarters at Fulton, Ky.; F. Eldridge, trainmaster, with headquarters at Jackson, Tenn., and T. L. Dabbs, trainmaster at Fulton, are working on changes in the time table.

The most important change already effected by the conference is the extension of the Louisville-Pulmon passenger service to Memphis, effective Sunday, which gives Memphis an additional train in the afternoon.

Priest's 25th Anniversary.

Henderson, Ky., Dec. 8.—The Rev. Edward J. Lynch, priest in charge of the Holy Name church Wednesday celebrated the 25th anniversary of his elevation to the priesthood. Coincident with his silver jubilee the parochial school building, recently erected at a cost of about \$25,000, was blessed by the Rev. William George McCloskey, Bishop of Louisville, assisted by some eight or ten visiting clergymen. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Joseph Horgan, of Lebanon.

A Small Blaze.

A blaze in the bathroom at Frank Just's home on North Sixth did about \$100 damage yesterday afternoon. The fire department prevented a spread of the flames to other parts of the house. The property is between Harrison and Clay and is owned by Railroad Commissioner Mac D. Ferguson.

FOUND DEAD

WILLIAM NOLAND, COLORED, DIED DURING NIGHT.

He Complained of Asthma and the Coroner's Jury Said Death Was From Natural Causes.

William Noland, colored, age about 30, was found dead in bed this morning at his residence, 431 South Seventh street. He had been complaining of attacks of asthma and it is presumed the disease caused his death while he slept.

The deceased was employed at the Andy Watkins Undertaking establishment on South Seventh street, as hostler and was born and raised here. He slept in a room with two companions. One, who works at the St. Bernard docks, gets up first. He arose as usual about 6:30 and when dressed called to the others.

Noland failed to respond and an examination showed him to be dead. The companion who found him dead remembered last night on retiring that Noland complained of asthma and asked for something that would relieve him.

Coroner Charles Crow held an inquest this morning, the verdict being that Noland came to his death from natural causes. The deceased leaves a sister in Paducah, she being his only relative.

The remains will be buried tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, services at Burk's Chapel, interment at Oak Grove.

IN THE COURTS

Wheat—	Open	Close.
Dec.	80	79 5/8
May	81 1/2	81 1/2
Corn—		
Dec.	40 1/2	40 1/2
May	40 1/2	40 1/2
Oats—		
Dec.	30 1/2	30 1/2
May	31 1/2	31 1/2
Pork—		
Jan.	13.45	13.50
Cotton—		
Dec.	11.86	11.67
Jan.	11.98	11.77
Mch.	12.26	12.05
May	12.34	12.18
Stock—		
I. C.	None.	
L. & N.	1.52	1.51 1/2
Rdg.	1.36 1/2	1.37 1/2
T. C. I.	1.29	1.38
Money—	18 @ 25	

SEVERAL BILLS HAVE BEEN FILED

Among Them is One Regulating the Admission of Immigrants.

A Penny Postage Bill Introduced by Congressman Smith, of Illinois.

OTHER MEASURES OFFERED.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Among bills introduced in congress were in the senate—to amend the act to regulate the immigration of aliens. It included the measure familiarly known as the educational test introduced two years ago.

Providing the death penalty for an assassin of the president, vice-president or any ambassador or minister of a foreign country to the United States. Also provides a sentence of not less than 10 years for attempts at assassination of these officials.

In the house: By Jenkins (Wisconsin) extending all United States extradition laws to the Philippines. Murdock (Kansas) creating a commission of five senators and five representatives to investigate railway capitalization.

Shackelford (Missouri) to printing papers and wood pulp on the free list. Smith (Illinois) For one-cent letter postage.

Copper (Wisconsin) Setting aside forty per cent. of the money realized from land sales in the Philippines for school purposes in the islands.

The subject of campaign contributions by insurance companies occupied the major portion of the time of the senate. It came up in connection with Tillman's resolution calling for an investigation of national banks' aid in politics and was explained by the South Carolina senator in a speech of some length. The address dealt with the president's recommendations for the punishment of bribery in elections with Senator Platt's testimony for the New York investigating committee and with various other pertinent matters. It was couched in characteristic language and attracted considerable attention. The resolution directing the secretary of the treasury to report whether the reports of national examiners show that the banks have made campaign contributions in recent years was adopted at the close of Tillman's remarks.

An appropriation of \$11,000,000 was voted toward the consideration of the Panama canal. The amount was a compromise between \$16,500,000 carried in the bill under consideration and an estimate of something over \$6,000,000 recommended by Williams, the democratic leader, to carry on the work until the middle of January. Hepburn in charge of the bill suggested something over \$11,000,000 would carry on the work until March.

Williams offered several unsuccessful amendments all seeking to abandon the policy of issuing bonds for canal work on the grounds there is sufficient available funds in the treasury to meet all needed demands for canal work. Overstreet did not succeed in amending the bill so that \$10,000,000 already expended in canal construction might be refunded to the treasury from the sale of the canal bonds.

EELS AND FLOUNDER.

Wedged in Hole in Ship's Hull and Prevent Her Sinking.

New York, Dec. 8.—Six eels and one large flounder became so tightly jammed in a hole that had been stove in the bottom of the Scandinavian liner Hellig Olaf, near Copenhagen on November 6, last that it was impossible for any more water to get into the hold of the ship until she was placed in dry dock at Helsingor the following day.

The fish were manded over to Capt. Holst after they had been removed from the hole, and the captain had them for breakfast the next day.

The Hellig Olaf arrived in port today and Capt. Holst told of the remarkable way in which the vessel had been saved.

Senator Piles to Visit Paducah.

Letters from Hon. Samuel H. Piles, senator from the state of Washington, announces that he will probably visit Paducah a few days on his return from Washington, D. C., to Seattle, Wash., after congress adjourns. Mr. Piles formerly lived here and at Smithland, but has not been here for several years.

Caused a Tragedy.

New York, Dec. 8.—Alfred P. Frelich, a pharmacist in the Presbyterian hospital, shot and killed his wife Fannie and her mother Mrs. Anna Hoffmann, in his home in Brooklyn. He then surrendered himself. The doctor who examined the prisoner at the station house said he was suffering from nervous prostration.

MRS. ROGERS HANGED THIS AFTERNOON

Murderess Expiated Her Crime On the Gallows--Dead in 14 Minutes.

Windsor, Vt., Dec. 8.—Mrs. Mary Rogers was hanged in the Windsor state prison this afternoon. She was pronounced dead at 1:28, just 14 minutes after the trap was sprung. Without a trace of fear or show of emotion, Mrs. Rogers went to her death quietly and calmly as she had told Matron Durkee she would do. She made no statement or confession, when given an opportunity before the end came.

The march from the death cell began at six minutes past one. Mrs. Rogers had just concluded a short religious service with Father Delaney when three deputies appeared at the door.

She turned to Mrs. Durkee and said: "I'm ready to go, Mrs. Durkee thank you for what you have done for me." She bade the guards farewell, and walked firmly to the scaffold. The black gown and cap were adjusted, her limbs pinioned, the trap sprung, and the woman expiated her crime. The execution was successful and without sensational incident, and was witnessed by but few people.

Mrs. Rogers killed her husband, Marcus Rogers, in order that she might possess herself of \$600, his life insurance, and marry another man. The murder was committed in Bennington, on August 12, 1902, by the administration of chloroform.

Mary Rogers was deeply loved by her husband. Tiring of her life with this quiet, unpretentious man, she left him. In her unfortunate life that followed in Bennington she met a youth, barely 17 years old, by the name of Leon Perham, a half breed Indian, who became enamoured of her. Perham wanted to marry her. Mrs. Rogers had no mind for that, but kept Perham dangling by her side.

Mrs. Rogers fell in love with a well known citizen of Bennington, who, however, was not aware of her passion for him. As a woman of the street she knew she could not win him, and in her simple way bethought that once in possession of her husband's \$600 life insurance money she would become an object of devotion and attention. With the thought came the plan to do away with Rogers, whom she had left. Rogers, in spite of her life of shame, had oftentimes sent word to his wife to come to him and he would forgive and forget the past.

She wrote that she was ready to come back; wanted to come back and would be forgiven her. Leon Perham turned state's evidence and on the stand he gave testimony, a recital such as has rarely been heard in the courts of law.

According to Perham Mrs. Rogers had written to her husband, from whom she was estranged, asking him to meet her at 9:30 at night.

After the meeting and pretended reconciliation Leon led the way into Morgan's grove, and by a winding path to the river. A great stone wall separated the grove from the river bank. The distance from the wall to the bank was less than half a dozen feet.

"May and I walked along with Rogers until we came to a break in the wall," said Leon. "She went through and we followed. It was cold and I had on a big overcoat. I spread this out on the ground and all three of us sat down. We were only a few feet from the edge of the river."

"May said she had a new trick with a rope."

"He laughed. May laughed, too, and drew out a piece of clothes line. Then she said she'd bet she could tie me so that I couldn't get loose."

"I'll bet you can't," I said.

"She tied my hands loosely and I broke away. She tried it again and I broke away again."

"Try it on him," I said.

"I'll bet you can't tie me," said Rogers.

"He was as strong as an ox. May tied him and tried to tie him tight."

but he just gave a heave and broke away. She tried it a second time, and he broke loose without any trouble. She was getting worried. She tried it a third time, and when he broke loose again I saw that she couldn't tie him.

"Let me do it," I told her.

"I took the rope—a piece of clothes line, I said to Rogers:

"Kneel down and put your hands behind you."

"He thought it was fun and knelt down. I tied his hands behind him and he struggled but could not get loose. His back was towards May."

"I gave her a signal and she drew the vial of chloroform and the handkerchief from her bosom. She poured a few drops on her handkerchief—not very much—and put her arms around his neck. Suddenly she drew his head back in her lap. The move threw him on his hands which were behind him, so he was doubly helpless. Then she put the handkerchief to his nose. He sputtered. Suddenly she empties the vial on the handkerchief, completely saturating it. He began to struggle."

"May, what does this mean!" he asked, heaving his body. "What does it mean?"

"Jump on his legs," she said.

"I jumped on his legs to hold him. May had him gripped around the neck and pressed the handkerchief against his nose. His struggles were terrible. He threw me off as if I had been a kitten. He got one hand free and used it to help himself."

"But May clung to him and never once did the handkerchief get away from his nose. She had the grip of a tiger. He struggled and flung himself and I came on the ground, and every time I came near him a heave of his legs or his free arm would throw me off."

"While he struggled, his breath was deeper. Struggled he became more quiet, and in a moment he was limp. May clung to him, even after he was quiet, pressing the chloroform soaked handkerchief down over his face. When all was over she got up."

The body was rolled into the river. A note was left, purporting to have been written by Rogers, that he had drowned himself. Mrs. Rogers' unseemly haste in her efforts to collect the life insurance and other

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12 YEAR OLD BOY

Falls in Love With Actress and Plans Big Robbery.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 8.—Because he fell in love with an actress in the stock company at one of the theatres here, Joseph Famularo made up a scheme to rob all the dry goods stores here, and as a result the twelve-year-old boy spent the day in jail and was only released after his mother had testified that his unlawful acts were only actuated by his love for the actress, and that he did not know the consequences of his action. The boy had been securing positions as cash boy at one store after another, and whenever he secured a large bill he would run out of the door instead of taking the account to the cashier's desk for change. All the money that he gained in this manner was spent in buying candy for the theatrical girl.

AUTHORESS DYING

Miss Mary Johnston, of "To Have and to Hold" Unconscious.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—Mary Johnston, author of "To Have and to Hold," is dying here. She is suffering from acute Bright's disease, which has attacked her brain. She is unconscious and her death is momentarily expected.

Kentucky Congressmen Get Good Places On Congressional Committees

Washington, Dec. 8.—Several members of the Kentucky delegation are slated for places upon good committees. Orlie M. James the ranking democrat of committee on elections, No. 1, will probably be retained on that committee. Should the next house be democratic this would make Mr. James chairman of that committee on agriculture. South Trimble may be put on the committee on agriculture. G. G. Gilbert, it is said, is slated as member of the committee on insular affairs. A. O. Stanley will probably be on the committee on labor, and James M. Richardson the committee on printing.

strong factor in the fight against the ship subsidy bill. David H. Smith will probably be retained on the judiciary committee. F. A. Hopkins, of the Tenth district, will be a member of the committee on invalid pensions, and may be made a member of the committee on agriculture. South Trimble may be put on the committee on agriculture. G. G. Gilbert, it is said, is slated as member of the committee on insular affairs. A. O. Stanley will probably be on the committee on labor, and James M. Richardson the committee on printing.