

THE WEATHER.
Cloudy and colder tonight.
Friday probably fair.

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FINAL ACT TO GREAT NATIONAL TRAGEDY

Big Strike Paralyzes Russia--Revolutionists Show Wonderful Discipline.

The Government Troops Have Been Successful in Places--Moscow Under Martial Law.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—The Pan-Russian strike called for today is beginning with great rapidity and workmen are showing themselves subject to wonderful discipline in quitting their positions at the call of the strike leaders. An indescribable panic has been created among the people generally and everyone is full of foreboding that this is the opening of the last act of the great national tragedy. No matter whether the revolutionists or the government win, the financial ruin of the country appears imminent.

Rojevstevsky Returns.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Admiral Rojevstevsky and the chief members of his staff have returned here. The admiral, whose head was still swathed in bandages, gave evidence of the strain and mental suffering he has undergone. He was visibly pleased with the hearty welcome he received from a large crowd, which included many students and workmen, but he merely doffed his hat and, without speaking, hurried to a carriage.

Massacre by Troops in Siberia.

New York, Dec. 21.—St. Petersburg dispatch to the World, via Vienna, says: A horrible massacre has been perpetrated by order of the military authorities at Krasnoyarsk, the capital of Yencisk government, in Siberia. About 2,000 well-to-do persons assembled in the townhall to determine how to protect the citizens against the crowds of roughs who had been beating and robbing them.

Artillery and infantry surrounded the hall and, without warning, fired into the windows, killing 120 persons crouched up there, wounding 90 mortally and 500 less seriously. So frightful was the scene of slaughter that several men who witnessed it went mad. The whole town of 17,000 is in mourning.

The military commander was murdered in revenge next day.

Armed Workmen Capture City.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Serious riots occurred at Yaroslavl and further trouble is feared there.

Six hundred workmen carrying arms invaded the Korkin factory one of the largest manufacturing plants in Russia and ordered the officers to depart. The workmen declared that in the future the factory would be joint property and workmen and employes share the profits. They are now in control of the city, and the authorities are powerless to oppose them.

Government Troops Victorious.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Imperial troops have retaken Tukum from the revolutionists after a pitched battle lasting twelve hours. Rebels defended the place according to scientific military methods, proving that they were led by military experts. They erected hasty fortifications made more impregnable by the use of barbed wire and placed artillery advantageously. They defended their position stubbornly against the repeated attacks of the government troops. The troops finally stormed the positions and captured the town at the point of the bayonet. Casualties were heavy on both sides.

Martial Law at Moscow.

Moscow, Dec. 21.—As a result of the trouble following the inaugura-

tion of a general strike yesterday, martial law was proclaimed today.

ONE KILLED

IN A WRECK ON THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL YESTERDAY.

The Trouble Resulted From a Freight Train Breaking in Two.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 21.—A freight train on the Illinois Central between Paducah Junction and Rives broke in two, ditching a car. Lee Allen, a young man of Union City, who had been working at Terrell, and who, it is supposed, started home, intending to go by Rives, then up the Mobile and Ohio, was in the wreck and instantly killed. The north-bound passenger on the Illinois Central came over the Mobile and Ohio to Union City and back to the Illinois Central at Gubbs over the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis.

TWO WHITE MEN

Beaten to Death by a Negro Who Used a Piece of Iron Pipe For His Deadly Work.

St. Joseph, La., Dec. 21.—Ora Boe, a young negro, beat two white men to death near here with a piece of iron pipe and fatally injured another and seriously hurt a fourth, using the same weapon. Robbery of \$45 and the clothing the men wore prompted the crimes. The dead men are:

JOHN KELLY, Memphis, Tenn.
CHARLES W. HECKER, of Chicago.

The fatally wounded:
A companion of the victims, name not known.

The seriously wounded:
Calahan, suffering from a fearful gash in his head.
The third man was carried to Waterproof for treatment. He is in a precarious condition.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

A Number Will Be Held in Paducah Next Sunday.

Christmas services will be held Sunday at the different churches of the city, and elaborate Christmas music will be rendered.

Some of the Sunday schools will have their Christmas service on Sunday evening, and others at various times during the week.

At Grace Episcopal church the Sunday school will celebrate on Sunday afternoon and their donations will be for the Rescue Mission Christmas tree. The Broadway Methodist Sunday school will have a tree with elaborate tableaux and musical features on Monday evening.

Died in Louisville.

Charley Card, son of Mr. John Card, died in Louisville last Tuesday from typhoid fever. He was about 14 years old. He was an exceptionally bright child. Mr. Card until a few months ago was foreman on the News-Democrat and went to Louisville to enter the job printing business.

Scotty, the Croesus of Death Valley is Believed to Have Been Murdered

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21.—Walter Scott, man of mystery of Death Valley, holder of the transcontinental train record and aspirant to theatrical honors, is believed by his brother, William Scott, to have perished on the desert near the foot of the Funeral Mountains.

This information is contained in a letter which William has written to Rol King, "Scotty's" theatrical manager in this city. The letter, which is dated December 10, and was sent by

courier from Bennett Wells, the Scott's camp in Death Valley, says that "Scotty" left camp December 1, December 7, his mule "Slim" returned to the Wells riderless. The saddle was smeared with blood and a rifle hole pierced the cantle.

Accompanied by a guide, "Bill" at once to trace back over the mule's trail but owing to a heavy sandstorm the tracks were covered and he was forced to return without having located his brother.

ABE HUMMEL GETS ONE YEAR AND \$500

He Was Immediately Sentenced and Taken to the Tombs.

Later His Attorney Secured His Liberty On a Bond of \$10,000.

WILL ASK FOR A NEW TRIAL

New York, Dec. 21.—Abraham H. Hummel, the lawyer, yesterday was convicted of conspiracy in connection with the Dodge-Morse divorce case. He was sentenced within a few minutes after the jury's verdict had been pronounced to one year's imprisonment and a fine of \$500, which is the maximum penalty for the misdemeanor of which he was adjudged guilty.

A motion of his lawyers for an arrest of judgment for twenty-four hours was denied and Hummel was taken to the Tombs prison preparatory to going to the penitentiary. He prepared to spend the night at the Tombs but later was released on bail following the issuance of a writ of reasonable doubt by Justice Woodward of the supreme court.

The rapidity of this entire proceeding coming as it did against one of the most prominent and successful of New York lawyers caused great surprise. One of the unexpected consequences of the trial's ending was the fact that one of Hummel's own counsel, Jno. B. Stanchfield, made the first proposal for a speedy sentence.

Depending upon the result of this case are actions in other indictments against prominent persons which have grown out of the Dodge-Morse divorce case.

A charge of subornation of perjury is still pending against Hummel, in connection with which he is under bond in the sum of \$2,500. Just what action will be taken by the district attorney's office on the second indictment will depend largely upon the final disposition of the conspiracy case.

Hummel was released from the Tombs at 10 o'clock last night under \$10,000 bail on a writ of reasonable doubt secured from Judge Woodward of the supreme court in Brooklyn.

SAFE BLOWN

At Vine Grove, Ky., and the Postoffice Robbed.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The safe in the postoffice at Vine Grove, Ky., was blown open yesterday morning.

Deputy Marshal Candiff received information of the robbery in a telegram sent by Postmaster Reesor. The cracksmen carried several mail boxes and drawers from the postoffice and rifled them in a lot not far from the building. All money and papers were taken from the safe. The amount of cash and other articles of value secured by the cracksmen is not known.

A few minutes after the safe was blown open, citizens, led by Postmaster Reesor, began searching for the thieves. At daylight the postoffice papers and boxes were found. Postmaster Reesor placed a guard at the spot and no one was permitted to approach.

Tracks of the thieves were visible in the soft earth and showed the trail taken by the fleeing burglars.

WORST STORM OF YEAR.

Raged Along the Atlantic Coast--Much Damage to Ships.

Norfolk, Dec. 21.—A terrific storm swept the coast this morning. The wind blowing 50 miles per hour. The government seacoast wires are down and many steamers are delayed. Pears and entertained for their safety, as the storm is the worst of the year. There was great damage here from the wind.

HONEST CONFESSION

Is Made by the Insurance Commissioner of New York.

New York, Dec. 21.—Insurance Commissioner Hendricks was today examined at length by the insurance investigating committee. He acknowledged that little attention was paid by the department to the irregularities of insurance companies, so long as they were solvent. He was unable to answer many questions, saying that he left the bulk of the work to subordinates.

WARRANTS ISSUED

For Obstructing the Streets Vehicles—Ordinance to Be Enforced.

Warrants were issued today against Fletcher Terrell, Charley Clark, Sam Nell and George Katterjohn, all but the latter being charged with violating a city ordinance by leaving vehicles standing on the street in front of their places of business. Mr. Katterjohn is alleged to have failed to place lights on material he has in the street in front of the new Elks' home.

The board of works has issued orders that these ordinances be rigidly enforced and the police intend to get warrants for all violators. Many merchants are in the habit of leaving dry goods boxes in front of their stores and Patrolmen Terrell and Cross, who got out the warrants mentioned, say they do not intend notifying anybody else of the law but will get out warrants and let the cases be settled in the police court.

HER FRANK

Will Cause Mrs. Barry Loss of Her Eyesight, It Is Thought.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Sallie Barry will probably be totally blind from ammonia thrown to dislodge her from the toilet room of a Frisco passenger car at Girard, Kan., recently, where she for four days stood off the entire police force at the point of a pistol.

The left eye, the sight of which was destroyed at the time, has been removed at Dr. John Puntton's sanitarium here, where she has been undergoing treatment for insanity. It is not believed the surgeons will be able to save the right eye.

HELD UP IN I. C. YARD.

Henry Johnson, Colored, Robbed by Two White Men.

Henry Johnson, colored, who is employed by Alderman W. T. Miller to make fires at his home every morning, was held up and robbed in the I. C. yards here this morning while en route to Mr. Miller's residence.

He was making a cut through the yards when two white men jumped from behind box cars and ordered him to throw up his hands. He did so, when the men throwing a pistol in his face, and they searched him. Two dollars and a half were taken in cash and some keys, but they gave back the keys. Johnson was told to run after the highwaymen, had finished with him and he did. The robbers were probably hoboes.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Woman Married Three Years Persistently Refused to Live With Her Husband.

Buffalo, Dec. 21.—Wm. McCoy shot and killed his wife last night and then killed himself. The couple had been married three years. The wife took an aversion to her husband on the wedding day and refused to leave her home with him. She never made known the cause.

Dr. F. T. Fort Returns.

Dr. F. T. Fort, I. C. surgeon at Louisville, but for several years at Paducah, has returned from a four months' trip abroad. While gone Dr. Fort visited a number of the principal cities of Western Europe, but spent most of his time in the German cities, especially Berlin.

The Porte to Send Ships.

Constantinople, Dec. 21.—The Porte is arranging to send five ships to the Black Sea to remove Turkish ships from points of danger in Russia.

TODAY'S MARKET

Wheat—	Open	Close.
May	88	87 1/2
July	83 1/2	83 1/2
Corn—		
May	44 1/2	44 1/2
July	44 1/2	44 1/2
Oats—		
May	32	32
Pork—		
May	13.40	13.50
Cotton—		
Dec.	11.57	11.49
Jan.	11.62	11.54
Feb.	11.92	11.85
May	12.12	12.00
Stock—		
I. C.	1.76	1.76
L. & N.	1.51 1/4	1.51 1/4
Rdg.	1.37	1.36 1/2
T. C. I.	1.38	1.38 1/2

DOES your suit need pressing for Xmas? Phone 578-a and we will call for and deliver to any part of the city.

MRS. ELLA GHOLSON KILLS WM. M. PRYOR

Trouble Over a Tree Results in Sensational Shooting.

Widow Slays Neighbor and Coroner's Jury Says Unjustifiable Homicide.

BROUGHT TO TOWN BY SHERIFF

William M. Pryor, aged 57, was shot in the breast and almost instantly killed this morning about 9 o'clock by Mrs. Ella Gholson, aged 30, as a result of a dispute over cutting down a tree in the Clark's river section of the county about five miles out the Benton road.

The shooting created a tremendous sensation in that section owing to the prominence of those involved. Pryor lived on the old "Doctor Saunders" property, now owned by Mr. S. A. Fowler, of Paducah. Mrs. Gholson resides across the road. Their property joins, and it was about at the junction of the farms that the tragedy was enacted.

As near as could be ascertained, Mrs. Gholson wanted a certain tree cut down, and yesterday morning had two negroes go out to cut it.

Pryor is alleged to have gone out and stopped it, claiming that the tree was on his property. He is said incidentally to have used abusive language towards Mrs. Gholson. The negroes were prevented from chopping down the tree yesterday, but today were again sent out by Mrs. Gholson to cut it.

It is understood that Mrs. Gholson informed Pryor that she would have the tree cut this morning and wanted him not to interfere. She sent Bob Waterfield, colored, and his son out to do the work, following them from the house. She had an old 38 Colt's pistol which cannot be shot off by revolving the cylinder with one hand and pulling the trigger with the other. It is defective and cannot be cocked except in this way. It is alleged. The evidence showed that she was placing cartridges in the cylinder, the weapon being "broke," as she walked. When she came up to Pryor he is alleged to have tried to take it from her, and in the scuffle it went off. The ball went through his breast, coming out of the back three inches below where it went in.

Pryor staggered back and in falling clutched the pistol. He had his arm around the woman's neck as he tried to get the weapon, and when she shot him. He fell and the pistol was taken from his hand by Charles Johnson, white, who had come with Pryor. The other witness was Mrs. Gholson's little son, who followed her out of the house into the field. He lived about fifteen minutes.

Coroner Charles Crow went out this morning with Sheriff Lee Potter and held an inquest. Johnson was the only witness heard and the jury returned a verdict after hearing him.

The verdict reads:
"We, the jury, empaneled and sworn to inquire into the death of W. M. Pryor, find after hearing all the evidence, that he came to his death from a pistol wound inflicted at the hands of Mrs. W. B. Gholson, the shooting to have been without provocation, further that it was unjustified."
(Signed).

S. A. FOWLER,
J. H. BEARDEN,
T. H. COOPER,
E. R. JONES,
O. D. HARGROVE.

Sheriff L. D. Potter arrested Mrs. Gholson and brought her to the city, arriving shortly before 1 o'clock. She was taken immediately to the office of Attorneys Campbell & Campbell to hold a consultation relative to the case.

Coroner Crow stated that he could locate but one eye witness to the shooting, and this was Johnson who was employed by Pryor. Sheriff Potter got the names of the other witnesses. Waterfield and his son and Johnson's boy. These were the only ones present at the shooting.

Sheriff Potter and others who examined the pistol say that it is impossible to shoot it without deliberately turning the cylinder with one hand and pulling the trigger with the other. They say that Mrs. Gholson will not talk about the matter but that it was probably an accidental shooting.

Johnson, after taking the pistol from Pryor, who had wrestled it

away, returned it to the woman. The pistol was taken by Sheriff Potter and is being retained as evidence.

Mrs. Gholson returned home after the shooting and immediately notified those living near, and waited for officers to come after her.

The principals in the killing are among the best known people in the county. Pryor had lived here for many years, and had for several years been selling the city gravel. He was well known in the city.

Mrs. Gholson is daughter of M. T. Hurt, of Tyler, on the Benton road and is 30 years old. She has six children, the oldest being 13 years old. Her husband, Will Gholson, was a prominent young farmer when he died, and was a nephew of Dr. J. G. Brooks, of the city.

Mr. Pryor had lived in McCracken county for about six years. He was born in Owen county, Kentucky, and leaves an invalid wife and several children.

Mrs. Gholson has a brother in Paducah, Mr. Roy Hurt, the well known saloon keeper of South Third street.

Mr. Pryor's family has made no arrangements for the funeral.

This afternoon County Attorney Eugene Graves went before County Judge R. T. Lightfoot with Coroner Crow and swore out a warrant charging Mrs. Gholson with murder, which is not ballable. She was permitted to remain at her attorneys' office in consultation until after 2 o'clock when she went to a restaurant with Constable Sheltyn and relatives for dinner, after which she was taken to jail.

Mrs. Gholson refused to make a statement to the press, saying her attorneys had instructed her not to. Her attorneys, however, stated that they would set up the plea of accidental shooting, the woman having carried the gun out to protect her property, or what she thought to be her property, and Pryor tried to force the gun away from her and it went off accidentally while the two were scuffling.

Mrs. Gholson seemed nervous and greatly affected by the killing. A great many sensational reports have been in circulation about the shooting, but most of them are without any foundation.

A gentleman who was at the scene this morning said that Mrs. Gholson was fully 300 yards from her own home and was 200 yards from Pryor's home. She had loaded the pistol as she came, he said.

It will also be shown, it is alleged, that one of the negroes engaged to cut down the tree asserted yesterday that they were going to clear that land today, and that if Pryor interfered "there would be a funeral."

Mr. S. A. Fowler, owner of the land on which Pryor lived, was on the coroner's jury, and is alleged to have said that the tree is on his land.

As there were about four eye witnesses to the shooting, it will probably be easily shown how it happened when the preliminary trial is held.

ENGLISH VILLAIN

Gets Five Years For Trying to Have His Divorced Wife Murdered.

London, Dec. 21.—Hugh Watt, the financier and former member of parliament was found guilty today of the charge of offering a bribe to a private detective to murder Watts' former wife and Sir Reginald Beachamp whose divorced wife is now Watt's wife. Watt was sentenced to five years imprisonment.

GET \$2,500.

Robbers Blow Safe in the Deposit Bank at Corinth.

Corinth, Ky., Dec. 21.—The safe of the Corinth Deposit bank was blown with nitro-glycerine last night, and \$2,500 secured. No one was awakened by the explosion, and there is no clue to the burglars. It is thought to be the work of the gang that has been operating in Indiana and Kentucky.

LEGISLATORS AT FRANKFORT

Arranging For Quarters and Meeting Friends.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 21.—Among the legislators here are the Hon. Henry Lawrence, of Trigg, candidate for speaker; Mr. Morris, of Oldham and Trimble; W. H. Southard, of Christian, and Senator-elect Ecton, of Winchester. They are here arranging for quarters during session, and meeting friends.

New Road Ordered.

A public road known as the Dowdy road was ordered today by County Judge R. T. Lightfoot. The road leads from the I. C. railroad crossing to the Mayfield gravel road. The petition had been pending some time for the road.

QUIET BY FORCE ABOUT SHANGHAI

Marines There are Preserving Good Order at Present.

The British May Make Both a Land and a Naval Demonstration.

NATIONS NOW INTERESTED

Washington, Dec. 21.—The state department has received a cablegram from Shanghai announcing the arrival there last evening of the men from the Baltimore.

The state department advices of this morning are to the effect that the British were preparing for a large demonstration by both army and navy. German, Japanese and Austrian cruisers were on their way to Shanghai. Quiet prevailed yesterday, but only because of the armed forces controlling the city.

The mixed court was still closed. The Chinese authorities were trying to effect a compromise (but demanded a removal of the British assessor, which demand was refused. There was no report of trouble at the outposts, but the missionaries were becoming alarmed and many were arriving in Shanghai.

It is clear to the officials here that the trouble in Shanghai is not due to anti-American feeling, and especially to the boycott, so that other nations at least have now a personal interest in doing what they can to restore order in the treaty ports.

The dispatches show that in Shanghai at least the ebullition of anti-foreign feeling was caused by the conflict between the mixed courts and the municipal authorities, and that the British were the principal objects of Chinese aversion.

Quiet at Shanghai.

Shanghai, Dec. 21.—All is quiet in the town today. Business has been resumed but the volunteers and sailors of the warships in the harbor remain on duty as a precaution against a renewal of the rioting. The United States gunboat Villalobos has arrived to reinforce the Baltimore and the British cruiser Andromeda is expected to reinforce the Diadem.

The deadlock growing out of the mixed court dispute continues. The taotal adheres to his demand for the dismissal of the British assessor and police inspectors while the British consul refuses to intercede. The foreign residents support the consul's attitude.

PADUCAH YOUTH

Lost a Leg at Bridge Junction, On the Illinois Central.

John Little, aged 19, white, giving Paducah as his home, was run over at Bridge Junction last night near Cairo, on the I. C. extension.

He stated that he was en route home to see his parents and while attempting to board the train his foot caught and went under the wheels. The member is badly crushed and may have to be taken off.

The boy is the son of Mr. William Little, who works in the planing mill of the Paducah I. C. shops, and his mother is seriously ill at her home, having become a mother last night. The father has telegraphed to give the son every attention.

CAUSE SENSATION.

Will Day Gives Startling Evidence in Breathitt Contest Case.

Jackson, Ky., Dec. 21.—The taking of depositions in the Breathitt election contest cases has continued from Monday without interruption. Will Day, the last witness for the contestants, made startling statements in his deposition in regard to a conversation with S. S. Taulbee on the night before the election, in which he said Taulbee gave him a pistol and \$100 in money, and asked Day to stand in with him.

KILLED FOR \$200.

Citizen Slain While Sitting Before His Fireside.

New Galilee, Pa., Dec. 21.—Hugh McCoy, was killed by robbers last evening while sitting at his fireside. The thief secured two hundred dollars but overlooked twenty-five hundred. Six posers are searching for the murderer declaring that will touch him if captured.