

LOUISVILLE SENDS THE FINEST OF HER BANDS AS ESCORT FOR THE SIR KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN GATE COMMANDERY

MOB BURNS A NEGRO AT THE STAKE

Tennesseans Avenge the Murder of a Woman. Throw Oil Upon Their Victim Before Applying the Match. Dying Wretch Utters No Outcry as the Flames Rise About Him and He Writhes in Awful Torture.

Special Dispatch to The Call. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Aug. 25.—Henry Noles, the negro who assaulted and shot to death Mrs. Charles Williams, wife of a prominent farmer near Winchester, Tenn., last Friday, was captured early this morning at a water tank near Coan, Tenn. He was taken to Winchester by his captors and placed in the County Jail. Sheriff Stewart made haste to try to barricade the jail and protect the prisoner. Soon a mob of several hundred men gathered about Assistant Attorney General M. N. Whittaker, who appeared and made a speech to the crowd. He appealed to it to assist him in allaying excitement and upholding the majesty of the law. He promised to reconvene the Grand Jury to-morrow to promptly indict the negro and have him speedily tried at the present term of court, assuring the crowd that his conviction and legal execution were a foregone conclusion. This appeal was supplemented by Judge Lynch, Captain Tolley, J. M. Littleton and others.

Mob Overpowers the Sheriff. No sooner had these appeals been made than several hundred citizens from the neighborhood where the crime was committed augmented the crowd to thousands. They swept forward upon the jail, overpowered the Sheriff and his deputies, took the prisoner and started for the scene of the crime, twelve miles distant, at 10:35 o'clock. The mob was orderly, but determined. It seemed that the whole population for miles around had turned out to see the fate of the wretch. A procession three miles in length followed the mob to the Williams home. Arriving at a point in sight of the scene of the crime the negro was placed upon a stump and given a chance to make a statement. He mounted the stump stolidly and laughed as he began his statement. He said: "Tell all my sisters and brothers to meet me in glory. I am going to make that my home. Tell my mother to meet me where parting will be no more."

He was then asked as to whether any one else was implicated in the crime. Noles said emphatically that no one was implicated but himself. "Why did you kill Mrs. Williams?" he was asked. "I just done that because I had nothing else to do."

Meets Death Stolidly. He finished his statement at 1:35 o'clock. He was taken from the stump, carried to a tree near by, bound to the tree by chains and oil was poured upon his body. At 1:40 o'clock a match was applied and instantly the quivering body was enveloped in flames. Fence rails were piled about the burning body and soon life was extinct. The negro made no outcry at any time and died as stolidly as a stone. There were no disorderly scenes about the burning body. At least 600 persons witnessed the horrible fate of the negro. Many remained until midnight, augmenting the blaze until the body was entirely consumed. Then they departed for their homes quietly.

Crime of Mob's Victim. Lying on the floor of the family room, Charles Williams found his wife on Friday afternoon when he returned from marketing his wheat in the little town of Maxwell. A bullet had gone through her head, life was extinct and her two baby children were crying alone in their grief and fear. The oldest boy, aged 5, told what had occurred. The young mother had been shot and killed by Henry Noles, a negro hand on the Williams' place. As the mortally wounded woman sank to the floor Noles shot at the boy, the bullet grazing the child's head. Then he fled to the woods. The motive, it is believed, was robbery, and \$20 was obtained by the assailant. Mr. Williams is a farmer, well to do, and one of the most prominent residents of his section of Franklin County. The dead woman was a member of one of the oldest families in the country.

Negro Probably Lynched. MACON, Ga., Aug. 25.—It is possible that Henry Stewart, a negro hackman of this city, has been lynched. Stewart, it is said, went into one of the suburbs and offered an insult to a young white woman. Some of the men in the neighborhood got after him and it is said they were seen at a late hour to-night, with the negro bound, going in the direction of the swamps.

HOW TO PREVENT LYNCHING. Rev. T. Brown's Advice to His Colored Brethren. The Rev. T. Brown, pastor of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, took as the subject of his sermon last night "A Plea for the Protec-

HAYS' PLACE WILL NOT GO TO HARAHAN

Vice President of Illinois Central Denies Rumors. Has Not Been Offered Post as Head of the Southern Pacific. Says He Is Comfortably Situated Where He Is and Is Not Going Out of His Way to Seek Another Position.

Special Dispatch to The Call. NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—P. Harahan, vice president of the Illinois Central, who returned from a trip to Europe on the St. Paul on Saturday, denied to-night that he would become president of the Southern Pacific. Mr. Harahan was seen at the Waldorf-Astoria by The Call correspondent and said: "I will not be president of the Southern Pacific Railway. The position has not been offered to me. I am comfortably situated as it is and am not seeking on my own part such offices. I have been abroad a month and a half partly on business and partly on pleasure. It is my custom to spend the summer or as much of it as possible abroad. This year I wanted to complete the working arrangement between the Illinois Central and the Radcliffe line of steamers between New Orleans and Rotterdam. "I succeeded in completing this arrangement by guaranteeing the Radcliffe people rates on trade between New Orleans and Rotterdam which are satisfactory. This new traffic deal will aid greatly in establishing direct trade with Europe for the cotton shippers of the Central South. New Orleans being a great cotton center, it has always been the hope of the shippers there to secure traffic arrangements between the railroads and some line of steamers direct to Europe."

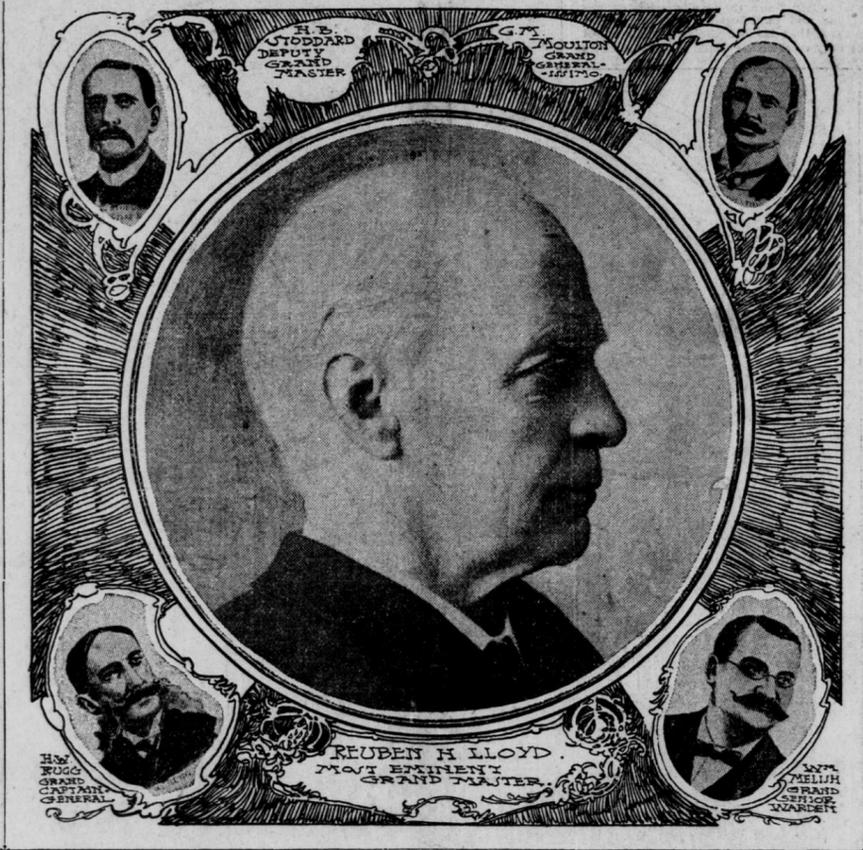
Mr. Harahan denied that the Illinois Central would establish a line of steamers from New Orleans to South American ports. He said that the steamship lines already connecting South Atlantic States with South America had proved themselves thoroughly capable of handling the trade between New Orleans and ports in South America.

REGAINS VOICE WHEN HER TOOTH IS PULLED

Shock Accompanying Loss of a Molar Restores Speech to a Bath (N. Y.) Woman. BATH, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Mrs. George Ferris, who lives on the old Ferris place at Harrisburg Hollow, near here, rejoices in the restoration of her voice, which left her in a peculiar manner some time ago. A dinner horn that was hung on a peg in the kitchen of the Ferris home for years became mute twelve months ago and Mrs. Ferris had to use her voice to summon the help to meals. As the place is a large one, she was forced to strain her voice to do it, and one day early in May she called so loudly that something in her throat gave way and her voice sank to a whisper and then disappeared altogether. Last Wednesday Mrs. Ferris, accompanied by a friend, came to this place to have some teeth extracted. The first one was removed without any episode, but when the second one came out Mrs. Ferris could stand it no longer. "You mean man," she exclaimed, "I'll never have another tooth pulled if they kill me."

Then she realized that her voice had returned, and down from sheer happiness over this she sat down in the dentist's chair once more and had him extract the others. She can now talk as well as ever.

Armour's Condition Improved. CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—Kirk B. Armour, head of the extensive Armour enterprises in Kansas City, and who was recently stricken with a critical illness at Watkins Glen, N. Y., passed through Chicago to-day, en route to his Kansas City home. He was in a private car and was attended by a physician and trained nurses. Dr. Griffith stated that Armour was resting comfortably.



FIVE CHIEF OFFICERS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE IN LOUISVILLE, AND WHO TOOK PART IN THE IMPRESSIVE RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES CONDUCTED YESTERDAY BY THE VISITING SIR KNIGHTS IN THAT CITY.

Special Bearing the Californians Arrives in St. Louis After a Record-Breaking Run Through the State of Missouri.

St. Louis, Aug. 25.—Golden Gate Commandery, Knights Templar, of San Francisco, will go into Louisville to-morrow noon in style. The city's finest team, meet the special train at North Vernon, Ind., to-morrow morning and there don the habiliments of the California Commandery. This band will be on hand during the conclave, at the exclusive service of the San Franciscans. Sir Knight Theodore Reichert, who went to Louisville in advance, wired to-night that the California Commandery would meet Golden Gate Commandery at the depot and escort it to the Galt House, where both are quartered. The weather at the conclave city is reported to be cool.

The Golden Gate special arrived at St. Joseph at noon after a run through Nebraska. An hour was spent in seeing the town this afternoon. The Burlington crew put the train through in fast time, through the beautiful rural region of northern Missouri. At times a speed of sixty-eight miles an hour was maintained. Hannibal was reached on time at 8 o'clock, and the way then led down the west bank of the Mississippi to St. Louis. Here the train goes on to the Baltimore and Ohio Northwestern tracks for Louisville. Peter Harvey has come all the way from San Francisco to see that the special and its passengers go safely over the Baltimore and Ohio. Colonel W. D. Sanborn of the Burlington route, who is in charge of the special, has won praise for getting the train through exactly on schedule time from Oakland to its destination. Eminent Commander J. C. Long of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 gave a banquet this evening in the dining car to Grand Commander McKee, Grand Secretary Davies, Acting Commander R. B.

IMPOSING RELIGIOUS RITES. Knights Hold Services in a Louisville Methodist Church.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 25.—Commanderies of Knights Templar poured into Louisville to-day and to-night from the four corners of the United States. The city is rapidly filling with its plumed guests, although the triennial conclave proper does not begin until the grand parade starts Tuesday morning. Imposing religious exercises were held this afternoon and this was the only formal event to-day. At 1 o'clock the Knights assembled at their various commanderies and at 2 o'clock marched to the Galt House, where the general formation, was made for the march to the Broadway Methodist Church, where the services were held at 3 o'clock. The column was led by the Templars of De Molay and Louisville commanderies of this city and the entire body formed an escort for the grand master of the Grand Encampment, Reuben H. Lloyd, and the other grand officers. The ground floor of the church was reserved for Knights Templars in uniform accompanied by ladies. The form of service had been prepared by Sir Knight, the Right Rev. Thomas U. Dudley, Episcopal Bishop of Kentucky. With a few changes it was the form of worship used by the Grand Commandery of Kentucky. The services opened with a special musical programme. At the opening of the anthem the Knights arose and stood while it was being sung

and while Grand Prelate J. C. W. Cox of the Washington (Iowa) Commandery delivered the ritual exhortation. This was followed by prayers, the "Gloria" and "Te Deum Laudamus," and the reading of Bible passages. The most striking part of the service then came, when the grand prelate delivered the faith of the Knights, who, with swords uplifted, recited with him the Apostles' Creed. After the coronation hymn Grand Prelate Cox delivered his sermon, his text being "What Think Ye of Christ?" After the taking of a collection, to be delivered to the almoners of the Louisville commanderies for distribution to the poor, the hymn, "St. Hilda," was sung, and after prayers the service closed with the benediction. To-morrow will be taken up with the reception and escorting to their quarters of arriving commanderies. From 8 p. m. to 12 p. m. the Grand Commandery and the subordinate commanderies of Kentucky will hold a reception at Kentucky headquarters at the custom-house in honor of the officers and members of the Grand Encampment and their ladies. Hon. W. C. P. Breckinridge of Lexington, Ky., will deliver Kentucky's welcome to the Knights Templar at the opening meeting of the Grand Encampment on Tuesday afternoon. Honolulu Commandery No. 1 of Honolulu, H. T., is represented at the Triennial Conclave by Grand Commander Archibald F. Gillilan, Past Grand Commander H. H. Williams and Standard Bearer B. T. King. These Knights have traveled more than 4000 miles for the purpose of attending the grand encampment in Louisville. Their commandery was organized in 1870, and now boasts sixty-six members, twelve of whom are natives. Mr. Gillilan is a member of the Hawaiian Legislature.

BOILER TESTING RACE CAUSES PRESS COMMENT

It Is Generally Admitted That a Decisive Opinion Cannot Be Formed From the Contest. LONDON, Aug. 25.—The report issued by the Admiralty regarding the boiler testing race between the British cruiser Hyaenthe, fitted with water tube boilers, and the cruiser Minerva, having cylindrical, or Scotch boilers, is the theme of extensive comment. It is generally admitted that the contest was not under conditions that would enable the formation of a decisive opinion. Considerable doubt is again thrown upon the speed superiority of the tube boiler. It is urged that even if the superiority of this boiler should be established, the delicacy of the mechanism accompanying the Belleville creates a liability to serious derangement. On the whole the press considers that the Admiralty was overhasty in adopting the Belleville boiler without further experiments of an exhaustive character. WILL ATTEMPT SWIM FROM BOSTON TO NEW YORK BOSTON, Aug. 25.—To swim from Boston to New York is the feat that Peter McNally will attempt, making the start next Sunday, the entire distance to be covered within thirty days.

HOW THE SULTAN WAS BROUGHT TO TERMS

Ultimatum From the French Ambassador That Brought Quick Response by Turkey. CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 25.—M. Constans, the French Ambassador, sent a note to the Porte last Thursday to the effect that he would leave Constantinople on August 26 unless the French claims were settled. Thereupon Tewfik Pasha, the Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs, called at the French Embassy and informed M. Constans that the Porte had abandoned the idea of purchasing the quays, first, because convinced that the purchase would be a bad speculation for Turkey, and second, on account of the financial difficulty involved, as the Ottoman Government had no hope that the Paris market would take up a loan to cover the purchase. M. Constans then gave the Ottoman Government until Monday (to-morrow) to issue an irade granting the quays company full rights and indemnity for the two years during which the company had been deprived of those rights. LONDON, Aug. 25.—Although the French papers hail Turkey's yielding as a great triumph for France—more especially as it was largely believed that the Sultan's obduracy was due to the supposed

DEATH SUMMONS AMERICA'S MOST FAMOUS BEAUTY

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 25.—A private telegram from Charlottesville, Va., announces the death of Miss Maude Coleman Woods in that city. Miss Woods was pronounced the most beautiful woman in America by a committee from the Pan-American Exposition, and her profile adorns all the medals issued by the board of awards.

INFLUENCE OF AMERICA AVERTS WAR

The Belligerent Republics Afraid to Open Hostilities. Fear That the United States Would at Once Command a Halt. This Government Will Act Promptly on the Arrival of Its Fleet of Warships at the Isthmus. Special Dispatch to The Call. CALL BUREAU, 1406 G STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Information received in Washington indicates that President Castro hesitates to plunge his country into a war with Colombia, the outcome of which no one can see. It is believed here that there has been a slight improvement in the South American situation within the past few days, and it is hoped that war between Colombia and her neighbors may be averted. There is reason to believe that President Castro has been much disappointed in his expectations of support from Nicaragua and Ecuador and that he will pause before taking a step in which he would not have the united support of Venezuela and in which he might encounter the opposition of the United States. If peace is maintained it will be largely due to the influence of the United States. The strength of the position of this country lies largely in the fact that the administration has not given a hard and fast definition of the policy which it will pursue under the treaty of 1846, by which it is bound to maintain the sovereignty of Colombia over the Isthmus of Panama. The Governments of Venezuela, Nicaragua, Ecuador and of those European nations which are looking anxiously for an opportunity to meddle in South and Central American affairs all know that the Government at Washington is keeping a close watch on the situation and that there is a line somewhere that cannot be crossed without bringing from Washington a vigorous command to halt, backed up, if need be, by the entire power of the United States. As long as this line is not closely defined President Castro and all others will be disposed to move slowly, as they cannot know what step may bring them face to face with the United States. The arrival of the Machias at Colon to-morrow will put this Government in a position to speak with authority in regard to the Isthmian situation and it is believed that her mere presence, with the knowledge that the battleship Iowa and the gunboat Ranger are rapidly nearing Panama, will be all that will be necessary. While it is believed that some Nicaraguans have been participating in guerrilla operations on the Isthmus, it is not now believed here that they are supported by the Nicaraguan Government, the latest information received at the various legations seeming to indicate that the Nicaraguan Government is holding aloof. Nicaragua is evidently afraid of becoming involved with the United States and does not propose to allow Castro to use her to pull his chestnuts out of the fire.

DEATH SUDDENLY CLAIMS A PROMINENT ATTORNEY

Physicians Believe That His Life Was Shortened by Overwork in a Senatorial Campaign. MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 25.—Robert G. Evans, United States District Attorney for Minnesota, died suddenly to-day from heart disease, on the balcony of his home on Queen avenue, Kenwood. He had been apparently in the best of health. Evans was 47 years of age. He was a prominent candidate last winter to succeed Senator C. K. Davis in the United States Senate, and his physician believes that his death was due more than anything else to overwork in that campaign. His wife died four months ago and it is believed by his closest friends that this loss hastened his death. Evans had been entertaining Senators Fairbanks of Indiana, Quarles of Wisconsin and Clapp of Minnesota the past week, and in a runaway accident eight days ago, Senator Fairbanks and Evans were badly bruised and shaken.

PLANS FOR A SURPRISE PREVENT THEIR MEETING

Husband Misses Wife and Wife Misses Husband While Seeking Early Reunion. TACOMA, Aug. 25.—Mrs. J. F. Lyons of Tacoma returned from Scotland this week after an aggravating experience. As the time approached for her return she resolved as a surprise to return a few weeks in advance of the time her husband was expecting her. At the same time Mr. Lyons resolved to go to Scotland to meet his wife as a surprise to her. Several days after Mrs. Lyons reached New York and while she was at the dock she saw the steamer on which she had returned pulling into the stream for the return trip and on board was her husband. It was too late for him to return and she was unable to join him. There remained nothing for her to do but to return to Tacoma and wait her husband. He has cabled that he will start back very soon.

CONSPIRACY OF OFFICIALS WIDESPREAD

Further Arrests of Chinese Inspectors to Be Made. Government Has Evidence Implicating Men in High Station. Hopes to Break Up Gang That Has for Years Been Smuggling Orientals Across the Mexican Boundary. Special Dispatch to The Call. CALL BUREAU, 1406 G STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Further arrests on account of the smuggling of Chinese across the Mexican border are expected to be made to-morrow. Secret service officers who are at work on the case report that they expect to have evidence sufficient to justify the arrest of several more officers of the Chinese inspection service, but the Treasury Department will not give the names of the suspected officers in advance of the arrests being made. In the case of at least one high official, secret service men report that they are fully satisfied that he is implicated, but they have not yet obtained evidence that would justify them in making his arrest. The conspiracy involved men not only along the Mexican border but also along the line of railway from Nogales clear into California. It is hoped by Treasury officials that the unearthing of this conspiracy will put a stop to most of the smuggling of Chinese across the Mexican border which has been going on for several years. The department has known that Chinese were getting across, but it was not supposed that the very men relied upon to keep them out were helping them to come in. It was supposed that they eluded the officials along the long and thinly settled frontier. Recently, as a means of decreasing the influx of Chinese from Mexico, the department has refused to allow Chinese bound for that country to land at San Francisco and other ports and go overland to Mexico, unless absolutely satisfied that they intended to remain in Mexico. None of those who passed through the United States in transit to Mexico stopped off before crossing the border. The railroads carrying them were compelled to give bond, and in consequence every train carrying Chinese to Mexico carried guards, and the Chinese were always delivered on the Mexican side of the frontier. Most of them speedily got back into the United States, however. PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 25.—The arrest here yesterday of William M. Hoey, customs collector at Nogales, and that at Tucson of B. F. Josey, Chinese inspector, charged with implication in the scheme for smuggling Chinese from Mexico into the United States, continues to create a tremendous sensation. For a long time it has been known that secret service men under orders of the Treasury Department were investigating wholesale smuggling of Orientals, but Hoey and Josey apparently have been the most active in the efforts to stop the practice. It is charged that they had an arrangement with several Chinese to let contraband Celestials come over the border at a rate ranging from \$50 to \$500 each. The highest price was paid for girls, who were provided for sale to wealthy Chinese. Several girls had been captured recently, but it is believed that hundreds of them have been secretly brought in.

STARVATION TROUBLES MANY POOR FAMILIES

Steps Taken to Give Immediate Relief to the People of Zapata County. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Aug. 25.—Reports to-day from Zapata County confirm the news that the poorer classes there are facing starvation. They must have immediate help in the way of food, or the results will be terrible. Range water has failed and cattle are too weak to travel and are dying rapidly. The country is literally burned up by drought. There is not a green thing to be seen except cactus plants. Zapata County is fifty miles from the nearest railroad and whatever in the way of food is sent to the farmers in the famine-stricken place must be hauled from Laredo, a two days' trip at best. Mayor Hicks of this city has started a relief fund, and has already sent a small sum of money to Laredo to be used in buying food for the sufferers. Relief work will be continued here. Nothing has been heard here from the War Department in answer to a request for rations sent by Congressman Kleberg.

Lord Herschell's Successor.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Lord Strathcona and Mountroyal, the Daily Chronicle believes, will be appointed successor to the late Lord Herschell as head of the delegation, representing British interests in the Joint High Commission.

Sugar Bounties Cause a Deficit.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—The sugar bounties having occasioned a deficit of 14,000,000 francs, the Minister of Finance has issued a decree reducing them by 55 per cent, with a view of covering the deficit.