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ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

A White Man Shot in the Head by a Negro

near Waco.

Special to the Gazette.

Waco, Tex., March 9.—Mr. W. P.

Shanks, a young man living at Fowles,

Boeque county, was fired at to-night by a

negro. They were tramping on the Texas

Central when a mile above Waco the

negro shot Usank in the back of the

head, and after shooting him two times

and supposing him dead robbed him. Dr.

W. O. Wilks attended him and ex-

tracted the ball from his head. Constable

Jenkins is on the negro's track with

hounds. If caught he will be lynched

before morning. The negro would-be

assassin is nineteen years of age, wearing

light, ragged suit of clothes. The young

man will recover.

DEAD.

William, King of Prussia and Emperor of Germany, Cut Off in the 28th Year of His Reign.

Close of an Illustrious Career—Passes Away Surrounded by the Royal Family—Flags at Half-Mast.

National Legislative Bodies Adjourn—European Courts to Meet—Frederick and Adelaide Throned.



EMPEROR WILLIAM.

William, Emperor of Germany, was born March 22, 1797, and receiving the education of a soldier took part in the campaigns of 1813 and 1815, against France. In 1840 he was made Governor of Pomerania, which post he held until the revolution of 1848 caused him to take refuge in England. When the mild of his brother gave way in 1848 he was made Regent, and being elected to the Constitutional assembly, took his seat and was subsequently made commander-in-chief of the Prussian army which subdued the revolution in Baden. In 1861 he succeeded to the crown of Prussia, his brother dying without issue. By his firmness he succeeded in subduing the feeling of revolution existing in Germany, and by judicious foreign wars detracted attention from home affairs. Much against his inclination he embarked on a still more ambitious scheme and prepared to obtain supremacy in Germany by force of arms. Early in 1866 the scheme was ripe for execution. A treaty of alliance was concluded with Italy, an ultimatum sent to Austria, and an immense army set in motion. War was declared, and in a campaign of but a few weeks that power was completely defeated and compelled to make a humiliating treaty. In 1867 King William became head of the North German Confederation, comprising twenty-two states. The Franco-Prussian war resulted in a complete realization of Bismarck's scheme, and on January 18, 1871, King William of Prussia was proclaimed Emperor of Germany. The meeting of the Emperors of Germany, Russia and Austria took place at Berlin in the autumn of 1872. In October of that year Emperor William gave a decision adverse to England on the San Juan boundary question submitted to his arbitration by the British and American governments. In April, 1873, he visited the Czar at St. Petersburg, and in October visited the Emperor of Austria. In 1875 the Czar visited Emperor William. An attempt was made to assassinate Emperor William while he was driving on the forenoon of May 11, 1878, in Berlin. The crime was committed by a young socialist named Emil Hoedel, he fired two shots, neither of them hitting the Emperor. The man was pursued and finally captured. He said he had no intention of murder, but being unemployed and disabled, had resolved to commit suicide. He was tried, found guilty and executed. A second attempt upon the Emperor's life was made June 21, 1878, on the avenue "Unter den Linden," whilst he was out driving. Two shots were fired, neither of which took effect. The would-be assassin was a Dr. Nobeling, who, after an attempt to commit suicide, was captured and died from his self-inflicted wounds. The Emperor was married June 11, 1829, to Princess Augusta, daughter of Charles Frederick, Grand Duke of Weimar. They have two children, Prince Frederick William and Princess Louise Mary, born December 3, 1858, and married September 20, 1856, to Frederick William, Grand Duke of Baden.

of 125,000 men from Silesia through the passes of the Sudetic hills, an operation of great difficulty and danger. His march from Miletan to Konigsgratz, and his victories in Bohemia established his reputation as an energetic commander. In the war between Germany and France he acted a most conspicuous part. In the latter part of July, 1870, he was on the Rhine frontier with 200,000 men and 500 guns of the Third Army corps. On August 4 he defeated a portion of Marshal MacMahon's corps under General Donay, and on the 6th attacked the united army corps of Generals MacMahon, Folly and Canrobert, drawn into position at Woezth. The French line was turned at two points and their left and center broken. At Sedan he again attacked MacMahon. He entered Versailles September 20, and from there threw his troops on and Paris and remained in position until the conclusion of peace. On October 28, he was created a field marshal of Prussia, and on November 8, a Russian field marshal. After the termination of the war he visited England, accompanied by his wife, Princess Adelaide of Great Britain, to whom he was married January 25, 1858, and by whom he has seven children. The Prince is the 10th of the German army and although his views are looked upon with disfavor by Bismarck, cherishes democratic ideas. He is of a very studious nature, but whether he will be able to put his ideas into practice remains to be seen.

THE EMPEROR DEAD.

BERLIN, March 9.—At 7 o'clock this morning the following bulletin was issued: "After a slight flickering up of his vital powers yesterday evening, the Emperor's weakness increased during the night and he now attained a high degree."

(Special.) VON LAUER-SKUTH LD LATER.—The Emperor William died at 8:30 this morning.

OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED.

BERLIN, March 9.—At the meeting of the Lower House of the Prussian Diet today Herr Von Patkammer, Vice-President of the Prussian Ministerial Council, arose and said: "I have the sad duty to make a most painful communication to the House. It has pleased God to call His Majesty, the Emperor, in the twenty-eighth year of his glorious reign, from his earthly existence by a peaceful death at 8:30 o'clock this morning. You will not meet me at this most solemn moment when sorrow and care so deeply stir our hearts to attempt to depict the feelings with which the whole nation is filled through the loss of our beloved, exalted and venerable ruler. I may, however, safely and confidently say on this day of sore trial, that the Prussian people and their representatives will now, more than ever, be united by the consciousness that the sorrow of our exalted sovereign's house is theirs, and that the deep universal pain at the decease of our ever-remembered King, stronger and more indelible, will be a link uniting Prussia's sovereign house and Prussia's people in good and evil days. I leave it to yourselves to take such resolutions as are suitable to the gravity of the situation."

Herr von Koeller, President of the House, closed the sitting with the words: "God protect the royal house and the fatherland."

EMPEROR FREDERICK WILLIAM.

SAN REMO, March 9.—The Emperor of Germany, Frederick William, passed a fairly good night. During the early part of the night he was restless, but he slept better afterward.

FLAGS AT HALF MAST.

LONDON, March 9.—Queen Victoria and the Prince of Wales were informed of the death of the Emperor at 9:30 o'clock this morning. The news reached the clubs before the members assembled. Special messengers informed the ministers, the Prince of Wales, the foreign ambassadors, various members of the House of Lords and persons prominent in political circles. The excitement of yesterday has been renewed, and the German Embassy besieged by callers. In consequence of yesterday evening's conflicting rumors, the definite news of the Emperor's death was at first cautiously received. Flags on the public buildings were placed at half mast, and notice of the Emperor's decease was posted on the bulletin boards of the newspapers.

A MESSAGE FROM THE QUEEN.

LONDON, March 9.—At 11:10 o'clock this morning, Prince Henry of Battenberg, conveyed a message from the Queen to Count Von Hatzfeldt, German Ambassador, expressing Her Majesty's sorrow at the Emperor's death. The balls which were to have been held at Dublin Castle to-night and on St. Patrick's day have been postponed.

LEFT FOR LONDON.

BRUSSELS, March 9.—The King and Queen of Belgium left here on their way to London to attend the silver wedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales, just before the news of the German Emperor's death arrived.

WILL ADJOURN AS A MARK OF RESPECT.

ROME, March 9.—The Chamber of Deputies will adjourn as a mark of respect for the dead Emperor. The general impression is that there will be no change in the political situation so long as Prince Bismarck lives.

KING FREDERICK.

BERLIN, March 9.—When the Reichstag met today, Prince Bismarck, with deep emotion, informed the members of the death of the Emperor. He also announced that the new King would assume the title of Frederick.

PROCLAMATION OF HIS DEATH.

BERLIN, March 9.—The Staats Anzeiger publishes the following proclamation: "It has pleased God to call His Majesty, the Emperor and King, our most gracious master, from this after a short illness and after a richly blessed reign. The whole nation mourns with the royal house the decease of our deeply beloved and venerable monarch, whose wisdom has ruled so long and gloriously over its fortunes in peace and in war."

(Signed) "MINISTER OF STATE"

DEATH BED SCENES.

BERLIN, March 9.—Eye witnesses of the scenes at the death of the Emperor state that during the last few hours of his life he suffered no pain. Shortly after 3 o'clock all the members of the family staying at the palace, the court dignitaries, Generals and the Ministers of State were summoned to the chamber in which the Emperor lay dying. The Em-

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THE STRIKE.

Chief Arthur Issues Another Circular Regarding the Justice of the Burlington Strike.

He Says in the Present Fight Engineers and Firemen are Engaged in a Life and Death Struggle.

An Order Granted Restraining the Strikers From Interfering With Traffic of the Burlington Road.

MEETING AT SAN ANTONIO.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., March 9.—At a special meeting held by the engineers of Division 197 in this city, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the strike now existing on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railway, has been brought about by an absolute refusal of the management of said road to discuss wages and rights of the engineers and firemen of said road, and feeling assured that the measures taken by the engineers and firemen of the above named road to secure their rights are just and proper in the eyes of all fair minded people; therefore be it

Resolved, that the engineers of Division 197 this day assembled, employed on the Atlantic system of the Southern Pacific Railway, extend to P. M. Arthur and P. P. Sargent and to the engineers and firemen of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railway our full support; both morally and financially to the bitter end, and

Resolved, that we unanimously endorse the resolutions adopted by the engineers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen at Tammany Hall, New York, on the 4th of March, 1888.

To P. M. Arthur, G. C. E.: Please accept our contribution of to-day which will reach near or quite \$500 and much more can be had if necessary in helping our brothers in their present grievance and troubles.

MUST WIN OR DIE.

CHICAGO, ILL., March 9.—Chief Arthur has issued another circular regarding the justice of the Burlington strike. In conclusion the circular says the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen are now engaged in a life and death struggle. War has been declared between them and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad. The brotherhood cannot recede from their demands on the wages question and maintain their self-respect or their organization. They must win or die. They can only respect the claims of neutrals so long as they remain neutral. They must and will exhaust every honorable means to win the fight.

POSITION OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

CHICAGO, ILL., March 9.—So far as can be learned, the Illinois Central is the only interchange company which will continue to interchange freight with the Burlington. Outside of the willingness of the management to pursue that course, the interchange in this case is imperative unless the company should elect to forfeit its charter, as that instrument provides that it shall receive from and deliver freight to connecting Illinois roads.

NOT TOUCHING BURLINGTON FREIGHT.

OMAHA, NEB., March 9.—All roads running into Omaha are still leaving Burlington freight untouched. It is reported that the Burlington will commence legal proceedings to compel other roads to receive its freight.

COURT PROCEEDINGS POSTPONED.

CHICAGO, ILL., March 9.—All court proceedings by the Burlington Railroad against Chief Arthur and the Washburn Railroad were brought to a sudden halt by Judge Gresham this afternoon. He announced that the whole matter had been postponed until Monday. The reason for the delay is to give the attorneys for the Washburn time to prepare an answer, but the Burlington Company did not particularly oppose the postponement.

A DECISION.

CHICAGO, ILL., March 9.—A dispatch received at the headquarters of the Burlington system in Chicago this afternoon, from the general manager of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad at Omaha, says: "Judge Dunder of the United States court has this day issued an order requiring the Union Pacific Railway Company to take our business in accordance with the interstate commerce law, and restraining the engineers from striking, combining or confederating for the purpose of organizing or advising a strike."

A NOTICE TO THE SANTA FE.

TOPEKA, KAS., March 9.—The grievance committee of the Santa Fe road had a conference today. The following notice was read: To Messrs. Goddard, general manager; White, traffic manager; Judge McGarry and others representing the Santa Fe road: We are instructed by the engineers and firemen of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe system to notify you that on and after 12:50 a. m. Sunday, March 11, they will refuse to handle, receive or transfer any cars of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy system or any consignments of freight or any passenger traffic in the interest of said system."

In reply Judge McGarry and General Manager Goddard said that the interstate commerce law and the law of Kansas for sale of the road from refusing "Q" freight that comes to the Santa Fe's hands in the regular order of business.

The committee, however, was told that no decision in the matter could be made, but that it would be referred to the president and board of directors in Boston for action. Members of the committee and other engineers and firemen say there will be no general strike, though many of the engineers may quit their cars rather than handle "Q" freight.

Democratic National Convention.

ST. LOUIS, MO., March 9.—The local general committee having in charge the preparations for the national Democratic convention held another meeting this afternoon and decided upon the month and day of the exposition building as the place to hold the convention. This move is now being vigorously pushed up.

HEMPSTAD, TEX., March 10.—The

proceedings with a