SUICIDE NOW THE FAD.

Four Army Officers in Berlin End Their Disreputable Careers.

One Was Under Indictment for Murder—Baron Normann's Suicide and the Causes That Led to It.

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Special Correspondence to the Gazette.

BERLIN, Oct. 6.—During the last fortnight no less than four noblemen, all of them officers in the army and occupying very prominent positions in both the social and the sporting world of the city, have committed suicide under peculiarly tragic and dramatic circumstances. The first of the five is Count Kleist of the Garde du Corps, or Imperial Body Guard, who was confined in the great Moabit prison at the time, under indictment for murder. The second was Count von Schleinitz, son of the governor of Silesia and nephew of the famous Countess Schleinitz, whom Prince Bismarck always regarded as his most dangerous adversary. The third was Count Schaumburg, a grandson of the last reigning sovereign of Hesse Cassel previous to its absorption by Prussia in 1866; the fourth was Baron von Normann, the principal of the school of officers and commandant of the imperial palace guard, and the fifth, Baron Oscar von Loeber, a captain of the Second regiment of the Fusilier Guards. Curiously enough they were all live on terms of intimacy with one another, and after having been associated during their lifetime in many a gay bout and frolic, it is, to say the least, strange that they all should be united in violent death by their own hands, the causes of the tragedies being, however, different in each case.

Count Kleist, who is a descendant of the famous Prussian general of that name, and the chief of his ancient family, was a young man

OF THE MOST UNGOVERNABLE TEMPER,

a defect which had during the past five or six years brought him into frequent conflict with the authorities. Three years ago he was condemned by a court-martial to four months' arrest in the military prison of Madeburg for striking with his drawn sword and dangerously wounding his soldier servant. Bare six months have elapsed since he was sentenced here by one of the police courts to a fine of 300 marks for the gross treatment of the chief cashier of the principal bank of this city. The latter, who is a Jew in the last stages of consumption, and who moreover had lost one of his legs,

WAS GASHED, POUNDED AND KICKED

into insensibility by Count Kleist and two gallant companions for having plaintively protested when walking three abreast along the Mohrenstrasse, they had pushed him aside in such a brutal way as to cause him to stumble and fall in the gutter.

About three weeks ago he got again into trouble for having thrown a hotel keeper named Albers over the bannisters of the staircase on to the stone paved floor below, after having punched and kicked him almost into unconsciousness. This outburst of wrath was called forth by the unfortunate man's attempt to prevent the count from making his way upstairs to the room of a female friend whom he had brutally thrashed on the occasion of his last visit. The injuries inflicted by the count upon the hotel keeper, whose establishment is on the "Unter den Linden" avenue were of such a serious nature that he had to be conveyed to the hospital without delay, where his fractured skull was trepanned and his left leg amputated. Count Kleist, although arrested at the time of the assault, had been set free a few hours afterwards. So great, however, was the popular indignation created by the publication of the affair that the emperor himself gave orders for his re-arrest. Four days later

ALBERS DIED AT THE HOSPITAL,

from the effects of the ill treatment to which he had been subjected. On becoming aware of this, the powerful relatives of the count exerted all their influence to get the young man transferred from the jail to a lunatic asylum at Pankow, so as to be in a position to escape from any legal consequences of his crime on the plea of insanity. The emperor, however, would not hear of any such thing, and decided that the count should be held responsible for his offence. Moreover, in view of the young officer's past record of evil doing, he ordered that his name should be struck off the army list. Count Kleist was made aware of this at the same time as of the fact that he had been indicted not for the manslaughter, but for the murder of the hotel keeper. Realizing the critical nature of his case, he determined to commit suicide rather than face the consequences, and accordingly hung himself by a towel to the bars of his cell in the Moabit prison, where he was only discovered after every spark of life had fled.

It is possible that the end of Count Kleist was hastened by the receipt of a letter a few hours before his death which had been discovered bearing his address among the papers of his most intimate friend and boon companion, Count Von Schaumburg,

WHO HAD BLOWN HIS BRAINS OUT

two days previously. Young Count Schaumburg was but twenty-three years of age, and one of the most popular and good looking of the young men about town. He was a son of Prince Phillip of Hanau, who was himself the youngest son of the last elector of Hesse Cassel. The only possible motive assigned for his suicide is a quarrel which he had had a few hours before with his belle amie, an exquisitely beautiful girl who had formerly figured in the ballet at the Frederich Wilhelm theater. He shot himself in her presence, and among the papers which he left were found bitter complaints concerning her alleged unfaithfulness. The almost simultaneous death of his friend and crony, Count von Schleinitz, who shot himself through the heart at a hotel on "Unter den Linden" was due to the fact that the latter had reached the end of his financial tether. A considerable older man than young Schaumburg he was known throughout the sporting world of Europe as one of the most successful gentlemen riders in existence. His father, as stated above, was governor of Silesia, and his aunt the famous Countess Schleinitz, who, previous to her marriage with the Austrian ambassador at St. Petersburg, was the principal leader of society in this city. She used to be nicknamed "la Princess Trompette" on account of her enthusiasm for Wagner's music, and her house here was the trysting place for everything that was graceful, witty and clever in Germany, until Prince Bismarck caused the old Emperor William to order her to suspend her receptions on the ground that they constituted the headquarters of the anti-Bismarckian camarilla.

AS TO BARON VON NORMANN'S SUICIDE

it is impossible to say much concerning the causes that led thereto, and it was not altogether of a voluntary nature. He had been discovered by some of his brother officers and likewise by several of the rank and file in the act of committing a most disgraceful and heinous offence. His comrades, realizing the disgrace that would reflect upon the regiment, and indeed upon the entire army, if the matter were allowed to come to trial, stationed a guard at his door and left him six hours time to do justice to himself, failing which he was to be handed over to the civil authorities. When the door was opened his lifeless body was found on the floor and an empty vial that had contained poison clutched in his hand. The official version of his death attributes the suicide to financial troubles, but the true story is well known in all the clubs here. The whole affair has given a terrible shock to Emperor William, as he was one of the most trusted and favorite aides de camp of his majesty. It was he who, as commander of the palace guard, surrounded the palace of Frederschskron at Potsdam with an impenetrable cordon of troops within five minutes of Emperor Frederick's death, an act which gave rise to much discussion and comment at the time, both at home and abroad.

The suicide of Baron Loeper, like that of Count Schleinitz, was due to financial troubles. As a gay young officer of the First regiment of Fusiliers, he had run through a large fortune, and finding ruin and disgrace staring him in the face, preferred to die rather than to face it.

PERSONAL.

L. A. Scurlock of Cleburne is here.

N. R. Lindsay of Comanche is in the city.

Volney Hall of Marshall is at the Pickwick.

Mr. L. T. Reed of Taylor is at the Ellis.

Ethan Allen of Marienfeld is at the Mansion.

R. H. Halsell of Decatur spent yesterday in Fort Worth.

W. B. Norman of Alvarado is in the city, registered at the Ellis.

Thomas Gorman and wife of Wichita Falls were in Fort Worth yesterday.

Mr. P. H. McCrickett, one of the leading citizens of Wichita Falls, is in the city stopping at the Pickwick.

Mr. F. R. Leonard of Gainesville was one of the interested spectators at the Pompeiian show last Saturday evening.

Mr. Arthur L. Bates of Portland, Me., secretary of the Union Mutual life insurance company, has been in the city for a couple of days and goes west to California this morning. This is his first trip to Texas, and he thinks Fort Worth the best city he was ever in.

Mr. Lou J. Burch, manager of Sission's Wild Oats company, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Burch is the managing editor of the Detroit Evening Sun, but is in the show business temporarily and as a means of recuperation. He is much struck with Texas and says he is primed to pour into the readers of his paper the Southern side of the negro question when he returns to his desk.

Miss Sylvia L. Sheldon of Cleburne, Tex., the state secretary of the Y. P. S. C. E., visited the city yesterday. While she came to attend the Pompeii show, she took occasion to make further preparations for the state convention of the Y. P. S. C. E., which is to meet here on November 20 and 21. During her stay she was the guest of the Misses Atwell, on Burnet street.

The familiar face of Judge L. N. Cooper is once more to be seen on the streets of Fort Worth. He returned a couple of days ago from Crockett, Houston county, where, at the home of his father he has been since the Spring Palace fire, treating the injuries he received on that memorable occasion. Both his legs were broken, but they are so much improved now that he has thrown away his crutches. His gallant conduct in that exciting catastrophe which tried men's courage will long be remembered.

LOCALETTES.

The Kansas City excursion party of bankers and business men leave on their Southern trip on November 18, and will probably be here a couple of days later.

The streets in the city have been patched in many places, and great improvement has been made thereby. Fort Worth has the best graded streets of any city in Texas, and more of them.

A meeting of the local union of the Y. P. S. C. E. has been called for to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock at the Fourth Street Methodist church, to prepare for the coming state convention which meets in the Cumberland church, November 20 and 21. A full attendance from all churches is earnestly desired.

The drawing strength of the Last Days of Pompeii is remarkable. People arriving in the city from different parts of the state say that the people in their sections are all desirous of attending and will attend the great display. Every person who sees it once is an advertisment for it ever after.

Inside of a week it is expected to have the city's electric lighting system in shape for a test. The wires are all strung, and many of the globes for the arc system are in place.

Mr. L. Calhoun of THE GAZETTE returned from the southern part of the state. "I met one enthusiastic admirer of Fort Worth on my trip," he said. "His name is George W. Hickox of Santa Fe, N. M. I met him on the train between Laredo and San Antonio, and he told me he was on his way home to move his plant from Santa Fe to Fort Worth. He is a manufacturer of Mexican filigree jewelry, and employs a good many hands in the manufacture of his goods, for which there is extensive demand.

Cotton Belt Bulletin.

GALVESTON, TEX., Oct. 26.—The following is the register of maximum and minimum temperature, with the rainfall in inches and hundredths, for the places named during the twenty-four hours ending at 6 p. m., seventy-fifth meridian time:

STATIONS.	Max. Tem.	Min. Tem.	Rain. Inch.
Galveston	74	64	.....
Houston	74	54	.....
Hearne	68	44	.....
Waco	82	52	.....
Corsicana	78	46	.....
Palestine	72	54	.....
Longview	80	48	.....
Tyler	78	50	.....
Columbia	74	60	.....
Orange	76	54	.....
Brenham	78	56	.....
Cuero	76	50	.....
Luling	78	56	.....
Belton	76	60	.....
Weatherford	68	44	.....
Abilene	66	46	.....
Dallas	..	..	.....
Howe	..	..	.....
Huntsville	..	..	.....
San Antonio	.	.	.....
Means	73.8	51.5	.....

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT THE ELLIS.

O D Harris, Whitney; J D Nicks; W E Simmons, Boston; H Y Bell; Matt Lonegan, Chicago; R C Gardner, Galveston; Jo Abbott, Hillsboro; J H Ewald, St Louis; J M Ferguson, Detroit, Mich; Oscar P Sisson, Lon J Burch, Frank Burt, Geo T Meech, Ed R Longhead, Frank Thomas, Dick Hollywood, Miss Edna Urlins, Miss Capitola Urlins, Miss Addie W Burt, Miss C Strong, Wild Oats Co; J W Alison and wife, Kansas City; W L Mower, New York; Miss Lillian Calif, Jim Bowie, Miss Gertie Calif, Miss Jennie Cleveland, A D Covington Combination; Harry T Leonard, New York; J P Shields, J B Wilis, New York; J B Crosby, Albert Taylor; Edwin Garrick, Rube Rasbery, New York; S S Allen, St Louis; A A Messer, M Wells, Texas; Roy W Scott, Philadelphia; F L Robertson, Chicago; W E Willis, Temple; F R Leonard, Gainesville; Fred Earl Whittaker, Shreveport; P M Welsh, J Mayer, Texas; J H Bronson, Chicago; Dr A C Puckett, Springfield; Jas Kincanon, Mississippi C M Wicker, New York; L L Reed, Taylor; John Graybill, Boston; Miss Ada Moss, Miss Mollie Moss, Gainesville; A Gans, St Louis; A Henderson, Tex; A R Mignon, Paris, France; M M Jewett, Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway; J G Deeny, wife and daughter, Columbia, Mo; W R Bacon, Ben P Wright, Austin; J H Morgan, N R O'Neal, Greenville; W W Davis and wife, H D Miller and lady, Waco; C G Reeves and wife, Shreveport, La; John R Griffin and sisters, Itaska; Corbin Johnson, Texas; F W Schumacher, Waco; J P Bord and wife, Chillicothe; James W Petty, Weatherford; C J Hindley and wife, Miss Sallie Jackson, Miss Ease Durham, Miss Della Jesinger, Commerce; E Cherry, M L Means, Sherman; S F Norman, Quanah; W B Norman, Alvorado; I Ivy, Hico; Buck Chisbee, J W Rankin, Jas K Duke, Henrietta; J H Crane, Wells Fargo Express company; W G Stephens and wife, New York; Wm Radley, Illinois; I I McCannon, Corsicana; S I Peritz and wife, St Louis; C M Robinson, Amarillo; H Simmonds, New York; Mrs F M Taylor, Coleman; Miss Minnie Allen, Platonia; Dr C E Smith, LaGrange; W G Eustes and wife, Henrietta; W C Heckman, Fort Wayne, Ind; H Mox, Kansas City, Mo; W H Hill and lady, Vernon; R L Browning, Vernon; W H Cogswell, Galveston; E L Anderson, Cincinnati, Ohio; H C Robinson, St Joe, Mo; Charles Myer, New York; George L Hurley, Texas; T F Merrill, Boston; A C Puckett, A J Devall, Waxahachie; J R Bennett, Dallas; J B Lees and wife, W W St Clair, Granbury; W R Sanner, Texas; H Davenport, Massachusetts; L J Conwell, Baltimore; J H Miller, Portland; F M Covert, Ein F McCarty, Austin; Geo David, St Louis; D R Wallace, Terrell; A Anderson, Connecticut; Mrs Wilson, Terrell, Tex; Mrs Rice, Dallas, Tex; Miss Lizzie Reynolds, Dallas; T E Hyde, wife and daughter, Mrs W H Stewart, Woodville, Tex; A M Ramsey, Baltimore; J J McCollough, Van Horn, Tex; N R Lindsay, Comanche; G W Peers and wife, Sherman; T B Johnson, San Antonio; James A Landon, Chicago, Ill; Charles W Roberts, Denver, Col; H D Ingersoll, Denver, Col; J B McClelland, wife and nurse, Colorado; Mrs J M House, Dallas; Mrs J H Nibb, Dallas; Mrs Charles Sykes, Dallas; Mrs Hurd, Dallas; Miss Porter, Dallas; H M Hamilton, Boston; F A Eldridge, Rochester; J Dillon, Chicago; W S Rather, Jr, and wife, Vernon, Tex; Williams Williamson, Texas; C H Smith, Chicago; H T Keenan, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railway; Charles Clarke, Miss H Err, Weatherford, Tex; J F Van Swan, New York; W W Kellog, Troy, N Y; J P Miller and wife, Chicago; H F Cerf, Atlanta, Ga; A Baker, Galveston; W F Ayer, Miss Minnie Swan, Waco; W W McCrar, Miss Mamie Barr, Aurora; A R Jackson, Boston; W A McCutney, Texarkana; A Wasson and wife, S Pacharear, wife and lady, T E Hush and lady, Gainesville; H H Halsell, Decatur.

AT THE PICKWICK.

W P Daniel, Palmer; J G Sargent, St Louis; J Banker Phelps, Soup Bubole; R W Curtis, Denver; H C Alder, Frank J Boot, I G Zaiser, Denver; W L Dalos, Decatur; J W Buchanan, Texas; J M Brigham, Comanche; B G Johnson, Dallas; D B Gately, Louisville; Daniel Boone, St Louis; M Oppenheimer, Dallas; J F Johnson, Decatur; W S Dennis, New York; J F Williamson, Chicago; F G Bean, Weatherford; B B McReynolds, Dallas; John B Moore, Dallas; W B Owen, Gainesville; J F White, Texas; Miss Emma Ropening, Gainesville; F J Murphy, St Louis, Mo.; R Daniel, Kansas City, Mo.; William Cohen, New Orleans; Syd Reeves, Little Rock; F L Gassell, Little Rock; Thomas Gorman and wife, Little Rock; Dan Lacey, Gainesville; Otto Vilth, Gainesville; Miss Maltie, Pistole; H C Young, Calvert; R D Weir, Missouri Pacific railway; George A Black, Omaha; Ed C LeClare, Chicago; A J DeLamere, San Francisco; Califiorda; P H McCrickett, Wichita Falls; W E Chocley, Texas; M Halff, San Antonio; T Hishire, Vernon; W H Bragg, Wichita Falls; M F Beaumont, Wichita Falls; F A Scharlock, Cleburne; L Jackson, Colorado Springs; B Heingschel, Waco; A Ockander, Waco; T B Turner, Weatherford; J L Johnson, Sweetwater; L C Belz, North Topeka; J Fry, Texas; Lawrence Harris, Burlington Hawk-Eye; Chas J Silverstein, New York; P K Stoeler, Chicago; C Leffler, St Louis; M L Certer, Clinton; I Green, Vernon; G K Lyon, St Louis; L R Leonell, Quincy; H H Budde, St Louis; I F Johnson, Vernon; D Kriecklaw, St Joe; L C Purdy, Kansas City; W H Nelson, Decatur; R S Gibson, Denver, Col; G A Gibbons, Houston; J M Kinfred, Amarillo; R B Trowbridge, Texas and Pacific railroad; C C Jones, Kansas City, Mo; B R Higgins, St Louis, Mo; K McFadden, J S Downey, Clifton; Volney Hall, Denison; R N Goode, Washington City; J B Grey, Omaha.

AT THE MANSION.

John B Owen, St Louis; W L Dickson; Miss Emma Cummings, Texas; William Parr, Paris, Ky; S B Lancaster, W J Harrell, Thorp Springs; O Halvem, Topeka, Kan; A D Brashea, St Louis; B F Crandall, Kansas City; C C Murphy, M D., Mansfield; T S Camp and wife, E T Johnson and wife, B A Moosnoll and wife, Vernon; S P Britt, Childress; J M Thompson, Mark Miller, Vernon; H M Dickey, Bowie; T J McMurray; Decatur; W H Featherston and wife, Henrietta; F C Graf, Boonville Gap; Oscar Leach, Jacksboro; W E Johnson, Haskell; A B Kapp, Bamin; D Lucy, Gainesville, C V Myers, J L Bailey, Cleburne; Ethan Allen, Marienfield; D Cunningham, Hico, Tex; T C Harris, St Louis, Mo; A H Files, Hillsboro; J D Davis, D H Paine, O B Peek, Denton; H R Hawkins, Wichita Falls; F O Harris, Iowa Park; George W McDaniel, Abilene; R L Robertson, Tyler; F L Daugherty, Wichita Falls; W H Daugherty, Wichita Falls; Mrs W H Ames, St Louis, Mo; P H Miller, DeLeon; A J Beller, R H Hand, Austin; T J Daniels, Corinth, Miss; H C Page, Wichita, Kas; G McGuin, Broadfield, W C Hargrove, Sulpher Springs; H K Haukins, Kansas; Mrs R B Rice, E R Connel, Houston; Mrs W R Wasson Mrs Feuksbury, Dublin; J M Smith and wife, Kansas City, Mo; J M Chandler, Glen Rose; J E Fausto, Grapevine; Mrs R F Panell, Plainrain, Hale Co; R E Thompson, Bosqueville; W C Stereett and wife, J R Gilmore and wife, Miss Lola Palmer, DeLeon, Tex; T E George, Lake Charles, La; C P Simmons, Alvord; A T Edwards, Vernon; W M Holland, Childress, S Suttlemyer, Aurora; Miss Fannie Chenoweth, Aurora; Miss May Neele, Aurora; W Halleburton, St Louis, Arkansas and Texas railway company; Frank Hicklin, Sweetwater; Fred A Beall and wife, Texas; Mrs E Scott, F M Long and family, Sweetwater; J B Daniels, Memphis; U S Weddington, Childress; A C Sherrick, Indian Territory; G W Chandler, Bowie; J Boyle, Dallas; C J Sprague, Denton; C K Correch, De Leon.

The Next Attraction.

Comedian Oscar Sisson and company, who appear at the opera house Tuesday evening in "Wild Oats," were guests at the Ellis over Sunday, leaving this morning for a one night's stand to return to fill their engagement here Tuesday.

"Wild Oats" is one of those jingling musical farce comedies which have been raging for the past few years, with very little plot but a fund of bright humor, catchy music and clever specialties. The company has been touring Texas for the past three weeks and is kindly spoken of by the press everywhere. The San Antonio Express says: A bright clean comedy in the hands of twelve strong artists, creates one continuous and almost hysterical laugh from the rise of the curtain till the finish of the third act. The comedy is funny, the comedians funnier, the girls are uncommonly pretty, the music is catchy and the songs are new. The specialties introduced in the second and third acts are pleasing, especially Sisson as "Billy Simpkins," and the sisters Uriine in a neat and graceful skirt dance.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27, 1 a. m.—For Eastern Texas: Fair weather, northerly winds, becoming variable, warmer by Tuesday morning.

Yesterday's Local Weather Report.

Corrected daily by J. P. Nicks.

At 7:00 a. m. ..... 56—Clear.
At 10:00 a. m. ..... 59—Clear.
At 12:00 m. ..... 68—Clear.
At 3:00 p. m. ..... 74—Clear.
At 6:00 p. m. ..... 67—Clear.
At 8:00 p. m. ..... 65—Clear.

Count Dillon, the intimate friend and adviser of Gen. Boulanger, arrived in New York on Sunday. He says that his visit has no connection with politics.

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HE IS DEAD.

Joseph H. Brown, One of the Fathers of Fort Worth.

An Announcement that Will Cast a Gloom Over This City—A Brief Biography. The Circumstances.

Joseph H. Brown is dead.

He passed away at St. Louis yesterday morning.

The sad intelligence was received yesterday afternoon by wire by Mr. William Brown of this city, brother of deceased.

The intelligence while not entirely unexpected by those who knew of Mr. Brown's physical condition recently, comes with crushing suddenness, as does news of all great calamities.

Mr. Brown occupied a high niche in the memory and estimation of the people of this city and of all the surrounding portion of Texas. He was one of the fathers of Fort Worth and for years occupied a leading position in the commerce of the northern part of Texas. His personal friends were all who ever met him; his business friends were all merchants and traders in a hundred rich counties surrounding this city.

Joseph H. Brown was born in Scotland, at Dundee, on November 22, 1842, and was therefore in his forty-eighth year at the time of his death. He was the son of J. William Brown, a grain merchant of Dundee, and Margaret Brown, his wife. Mr. Brown was educated at Dundee. His brothers are George, William and James, all of Fort Worth, and his only sister, Mary, who still resides in Scotland.

Early in life Joseph Brown evinced an inclination for mercantile pursuits, and when a youth he clerked for his father.

At the age of seventeen he came to America to push his fortunes in a country which afforded greater opportunity for the exercise of his abilities than overcrowded Scotland. In 1859 he found himself in Chicago occupying the position of clerk in the cigar and tobacco house of James Duffy. He continued there until 1863, when he went into business with N. G. Tucker under the firm name of Tucker & Brown, which partnership existed until 1865, when the senior partner died, and the business continued under the style of J. H. Brown & Co., Mr. J. H. McChesney being the silent partner. But in 1867, owing to losses through unfortunate and unavoidable fluctuations of the tobacco market, they closed out, paying every dollar of indebtedness and retaining the confidence and esteem of their business associates.

Until 1873 Mr. Brown remained out of active business, but in that year he found himself in Fort Worth, where he began operations in a small but vigorous way. His capital was not large, nor at that time was the market extensive enough to employ a large investment, but Mr. Brown pushed out and extended his trade, gradually widening the scope of the market until he became a leading force in North Texas commercial circles and succeeded in not only building up a gigantic business for himself, but also in making of Fort Worth the commercial center of a territory as large as an empire. To accommodate his vast trade he was compelled to erect the mammoth and magnificent pile at the foot of Main street, which shall for years remain a monument to his commercial greatness.

His success was due to his indomitable energy and concentrativeness. His every moment was devoted to the interests of his business and of his city, for he was a man of unbounded spirit, and to him Fort Worth owes much of her present financial greatness. But his labors were too heavy for one man to bear, and the long strain had its effect.

It is about a year ago now that as the result of ill health induced by too great application to business he was forced to retire from active life and to go forth to seek recuperation of his overtaxed energies.

Since leaving Fort Worth he undertook a trip to Europe, in hope that change of climate would have the desired effect upon his health, but that journey was too great for his strength and had to be abandoned. To Northern Michigan he was taken but still with no favorable result. He was taken back to Kansas City where he could be best cared for at the home of his wife's relatives, but he continued to sink, and recently, by the advice of physicians, he was carried to St. Louis for treatment. Still he continued to grow worse and yesterday morning he died, surrounded by his wife and family and ministered to by the most skillful physicians that could be procured.

In St. Louis on November 26, 1879, Joseph H. Brown married Nellie M., daughter of Mr. W. H. Chick, wholesale grocer of that city, and niece of Mr. Joseph Chick, a bank president in Kansas City. During her husband's protracted physical prostration, Mrs. Brown has proved herself the faithful and loving wife. To her and to the family the sympathy of this community goes out. What the people of North Texas feel as a public calamity, is to them a personal blow. They have numerous sharers of her sorrow.

The remains are to be conveyed to Kansas City for interment, the obsequies to occur on Tuesday morning. Yesterday evening Rev. R. M. Tinnon of Fort Worth, the clergyman whose services the deceased attended so often in this city, received a dispatch requesting that he proceed to Kansas City to perform the funeral services, and he did not hesitate to comply. At the close of his services last evening he announced the death of Mr. Brown and delivered a brief but fervid eulogy of the dead citizen, and the audience was much affected. Mr. Tinnon took the 9 o'clock train last night for Kansas City.

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A WORD TO TENANT FARMERS.

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DALLAS, - - TEXAS.

A PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

A Young Lady From Fort Worth Injured at Dallas.

The friends of Miss Lena Long in Fort Worth will learn with sorrow of an accident which befell her at Dallas on Saturday evening.

Miss Lena is the sixteen-year-old sister of Miss Morgan Long of this city and sister-in-law of Chief Clerk Murdock of the Mansion.

The accident occurred on Main street near Exposition avenue. Miss Lena attempted to catch an electric street car while it was running at quite a rapid rate, but missed her hold and fell under the wheels which passed over and broke one of her legs. She was removed to a residence near by where surgical aid was summoned. The surgeons decided that the limb could be saved without amputation.

Miss Lena had only been in Fort Worth a few days, having come from Georgia to visit her relatives here.

Her sister, Miss Morgan, has gone to remain with her during her trouble.

The Union Bethel.

The two Sabbath schools of the Bethel Mission were well attended yesterday, the afternoon meeting having an attendance of 121, the largest in its history; and Station A, held in the morning on the East Side in the Chambers addition, had an attendance of seventy-six. The afternoon school has grown within the last three months from a membership of twenty-six, and from only three since its organization, on June 15, last. The work has steadily grown until to-day the rooms are too small and a larger building is necessary. Next Sabbath will be celebrated as Children's Day.

Weekly prayer meetings are also held, led by Mr. J. H. Hodge, the superintendent.

Two normal classes for the study of the Bible, under the direction of Mrs. Delia Collins, are held on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, respectively, at 3 p. m.

A free reading room, and in connection with it a free employment agency, where employers are urged to send their addresses when in need of help, are located at the headquarters of the Bethel, on Fourteenth street, near Main.

A Sad Loss.

Yesterday morning the spirit of Mrs. B. C. Wells of this city winged its flight to the unknown beyond. She died at 5 o'clock in the morning. She was a most estimable woman and wife, and the bereaved husband and son have the sympathy of all who know them.

The funeral will take place this morning from St. Andrew's church at 10 o'clock.

James Pease, who acted as Gen. Fremont's guide in 1846, was drowned last week near Redwood City, Cal. He was ninety-eight years of age and the oldest resident of San Mateo county.

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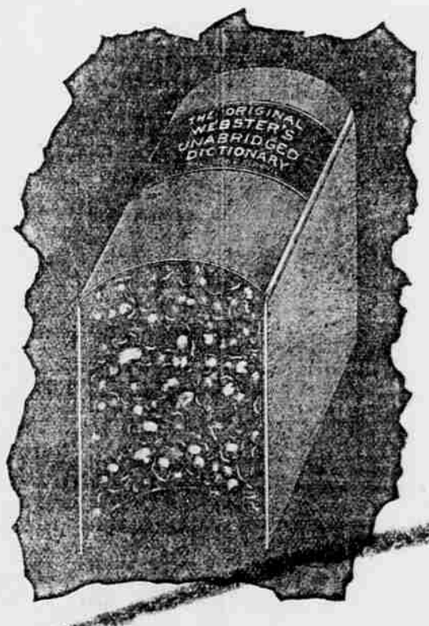

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