

A HORRIBLE BUTCHERY.

A Crazy Husband Kills His Wife and Her Family and Three Suicides.

TWO LITTLE BOYS TORTURED AT THE STAKE

4-yr. Kalamazoo, Mich., As Two Infants Were Burned, Did Their Outrages Attract Attention and They Are Recalled.

SHYBORN, Ind., Nov. 27.—As a result of the terrible tragedy growing out of a family feud five people died last night in the country, seven miles east of the city. Four years ago Clinton Jordan, then 21 years old, married a daughter of Joshua Foster with whom he never lived happily. Last week they separated, and she returned to her father, late Saturday night Jordan met his father-in-law and accompanied him home, contrary to the wishes of the latter, who feared trouble. Jordan soon after his arrival began quarrel, and Foster ordered him out of the house. Jordan fired at the old man, but missed him, the ball striking Miss Cora Foster, aged 17, in the head and killing her instantly. The second shot hit Foster in the head, and he fell, but revived and ran a quarter of a mile to the home of another son-in-law where he died yesterday afternoon. Jordan then turned his revolver toward Mrs. Foster, his mother-in-law, shooting her in the neck, the ball ranging downward and causing a wound from which she died last night. Jordan's wife attempted to defend her mother and he stabbed her repeatedly in the breast, hands and face and ended by shooting her through the head. Jordan then opened his vest and, placing the revolver against his breast, sent a ball through his heart. He dropped dead, falling across the body of his wife. The pistol was placed so close to his breast that his clothing caught fire and literally burned off him, the skin dropping from his body when it was lifted.

Burned at the Stake.

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Nov. 27.—A shocking piece of cruelty was enacted Friday at Oshtego, down the river a few miles from this city. Willie Harvey and Tomasa Wilson, each about 15 years old, took two lads much smaller than themselves to the Kalamazoo river bank and proceeded to offer one as a burnt offering. The lad was gagged, securely tied to a stake and a fire was kindled about his feet. The boy's feet and legs were burned severely when the other lad, who had been taken along, cut the rope and liberated his companion. This displeased the two who had planned the offering, and they seized the young hero and served him in a like manner. His outcries brought help and he was rescued from what might have been a horrible death, but not before he was badly burned.

South Carolina Riot.

COLUMBIA, S. C., November 25.—A riot occurred at Beaufort, S. C., growing out of the seizure of a barrel of beer by two state dispensary constables. As a result Governor Tillman may place Beaufort under martial law. Two constables boarded a steamer on her arrival from Savannah for the purpose of seizing a barrel of whisky. The negroes got wind of the fact and crowded about the steamer to the number of 500. When they learned that the barrel on the ship was beer and not whisky the crowd began to gully the constables and finally began a vigorous assault on the constables with bricks. Nobody was seriously hurt, however.

Loss of Life and Property.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 24.—Edison, Moore & Co.'s drygoods establishment burned yesterday afternoon. Two men were killed and one fatally injured. Four are missing. Loss, \$700,000. Dead: James McKay, clerk; Bradley Dunning, porter; Ed Goucher, entry clerk. Missing: Edward N. Volt, order clerk; Patrick Markey, clerk; Henry Rider, porter; Charles W. Kirchoff, clerk. Luckily the flames were confined mainly to the dry goods building, which was entirely consumed. Considerable damage was done adjoining structures.

A Suit for a Million.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 24.—In the superior court yesterday afternoon C. A. Spreckles and H. M. Woolley commenced suit against the Hawaiian Commercial Sugar company. The suit is for an accounting of all moneys and property in possession of the corporation. An order is asked for restraining the defendants from transacting any business. The plaintiffs ask for the appointment of a receiver to assume control of the company's affairs. The complaint makes serious charges of fraud and other irregularities. The suit involves \$1,000,000.

Killings of Labor.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 25.—At the afternoon session of the Knights

of Labor balloting for the new general executive board commenced. T. R. McGuire of New York was chosen. Ballot after ballot was taken for the other members, but no result was reached. The election had to be declared suspended until this morning. After this adjournment there was a great gathering of the claimants and the claims of each nominee were pressed in the most effective manner. This was kept up even during the dinner hour, and at the reception at the Knights of Labor headquarters last night the festivities did not deter the delegates from arguing the pros and cons of the question and the qualifications of candidates for office. It is said by those on the inside that if peace could be declared for a short time between the hostile factions the affairs of the order might be better looked after. It was enacted during the day that hereafter the secretary-treasurer shall not be secretary of the general assembly. At the hour of adjournment the delegates showed a determination to keep on with the fight against Powderly.

Indians in War Path.

WOODWARD, O. T., Nov. 24.—Word reached here yesterday afternoon by courier that a company of United States troops has started from Fort Simally to head off a band of Indians who are making for Cheyenne, forty-five miles west of here, to wreak vengeance on one Tom O'Hara for killing one of their tribes. The Indians are under a fierce Cheyenne chief and number eighty men. The sheriff of Cheyenne county has O'Hara under his charge, has organized a posse of twenty-five heavily armed men, and is equally determined that no harm shall befall the prisoner. As the Indians have a good start on the troops it is feared, however, that many innocent whites may suffer before the troops can arrive. O'Hara is a Texas ranger and while in search of cattle thieves supposed to be in hiding in Cheyenne county he got into a dispute with a band of Cheyennes, which resulted in his shooting and killing an Indian named Red Moon. O'Hara escaped to town and is now in jail.

Great Loss of Life.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 23.—The steamer Empress of China from Yokohama brings news that the floods devastated the harbor of Nagasaki and did considerable damage as far as Yokohama and Tokio. The number of lives lost was not ascertained, but was known to be very heavy. The district visited most severely are those on the west coast bordering the inland sea. In Okayama prefecture 157 lives were lost and 2400 houses were destroyed. In Yamaguchi prefecture 320 fishermen were drowned. Large numbers of unrecognized bodies drifted ashore. Chinese pirates are very active and during the last month have seized eleven junks. The authorities are powerless against them. Reports from Ichong state that quiet prevails at present, though missionaries and foreigners are still insulted.

Operator Killed.

DAVISVILLE, Cal., Nov. 23.—H. M. Eaton, a night operator was mysteriously shot and killed Tuesday night. The indications are that he was shot by some person concealed on the platform of the depot when leaving the telegraph office. Yesterday morning Charles Dodge, a resident of Davisville, walked into the sheriff's office and gave himself up, saying he had got into trouble. It is supposed he is the man who killed Eaton. Dodge admitted the shooting, but said it was a painful matter, and he did not wish to talk about it, one in which his sister is implicated. His sister was a student in the telegraph office in which Eaton was an operator.

Packed Grand Jury.

EL RENO, Ok., Nov. 23.—On the challenge of a panel of the grand jury of Canadian county, yesterday it was developed that the list was largely manufactured by interested officials, and that the grand jury was packed in the interest of certain accused persons. The court sustained the challenge and discharged the grand jury and cited the officers to appear and answer to the charge of contempt. The officials admitted their acts and divulged sufficient to show a very rotten condition of county affairs.

Banishment of Poles.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 25.—The rumors of the arrest and banishment of Poles from the western provinces of Russia are confirmed. Eleven priests have been suspended from their duties and placed in prison and scores of citizens are detained in the citadel at Warsaw. Fifteen persons, including ladies and young girls, are on their way to Siberia although their friends have no knowledge of the nature of their offense.

Four Men Killed.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 22.—A south-bound freight train on the St. Louis and San Francisco ran into an open switch at Long Bell lumber mills near Van Buren yesterday afternoon. Four men, J. W. Brown, W. T. Swain, W. T. Spozard and W. H. Bennett were killed.

MR. MORGAN'S REPORT.

Exact Condition of the United States Treasury Given to the Public.

SEPTEMBER 30 THERE WAS \$49,240,260

Of Available Cash Only—The Long Tailed of Jaro 600 is Finished at Last—Congressmen Returning to Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—United States Treasurer Morgan has submitted his annual report. It shows the net ordinary revenues for the fiscal year 1898 to be \$859,819,628, or \$30,481,844 over the year before. The net ordinary expenditures were \$829,147,654, an increase of \$35,464,623. Surplus revenues \$30,441,674. Total receipts \$792,871,214; total expenditures \$778,007,398. The public funds amounted June 30, 1892, to \$786,361,895, and June 30, 1893, to \$746,538,055. After setting apart the sums of gold, silver and United States notes held for redemption of certificates on deposit and treasury notes, there was left the reserve for general fund of \$187,012,740 in 1892, and \$168,167,391 in 1893. These amounts, however, include certain sums of certificates of deposit, bonds and coupons unavailable for any other purpose than in settlement of treasury accounts and which, if canceled, would have left the actual available working balance \$165,945,886 and \$156,295,695 respectively. By September 30 the balance had diminished to \$19,240,260, owing to the deficiency in revenues.

A Message to Cipher.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Secretary Gresham received a cipher message yesterday afternoon from Willis, giving a complete report of the Hawaiian situation up to the time of the departure of the Alameda from Honolulu. The message was put on the wire at San Francisco as soon as it arrived there and was delivered at the state department shortly after noon. Being in cipher it required several hours to translate it, and then it was taken at once to President Cleveland, who read and discussed it with the members of his cabinet. As yet the exact contents of the message no one outside of the president and his cabinet knows. It is a closely guarded state secret and will be held until the president desires it to be made public. The message is said to contain claims outside the Hawaiian islands which Willis had computed for the restoration of the throne. It is those who stand in the way of the restoration that should Willis continue to be successful in carrying out his instructions as he had been up to the day the Alameda sailed the vast majority of the American people will take sides with the president and sustain him in the course he has pursued when they become apprised of all the facts.

Tariff Bill Finished.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The Democratic members of the committee on ways and means completed the tariff bill late Saturday night. Near midnight the last item was finally acted on, being the sugar schedule, which when promulgated to-day, will show the following changes: Duty on refined sugar reduced from 10 to 10 per pound. Raw sugar remains free of tax. The McKinley bounty act is repealed progressively one-eight, so at the end of eight years it is to cease entirely. It is at last concluded that the income tax provision will form a part of the bill. It was practically decided to increase the whisky tax, not to exceed 10 cents per gallon if any increase is made.

Ways and Means Bill.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The prospects are now that the Democratic members of the ways and means committee will give their bill to the Republican majority of the committee on Monday and it will also be given the public at that time. A part of the committee is at the house of Mr. Tom Johnson of Ohio, the great single tax and income tax man, and this is taken as evidence that the income tax proposition will be put in the bill. For the past week there seems to be a universal opinion that there will be some kind of an income tax put in the bill.

Congressmen Returning.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The senators and members of congress have begun to return. Many are making arrangements for the winter. There is a general impression that little will be done before the holidays. There are several matters pending in both houses which can occupy the time even if the tariff bill does not come up at once. There are a number of members who would very much like to have the Hawaiian matter come up early, and there are others who prefer that it be handled by the state department.

The Tariff Measure.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—The Democratic members of the ways and means committee are expediting much more quickly in their endeavors to complete the new tariff bill and have it ready for submission to their Republican colleagues at the meeting of

the full committee Monday next. There is still considerable difference of opinion in the committee upon certain items of the bill, and at this stage the details of the internal revenue schedule and the income tax provisions are yet incomplete and somewhat indefinite. Indeed strong influence has been brought to bear within forty-eight hours to induce the committee to abandon altogether the income tax provision, but the position of Messrs. McMillin, Bryan, Whiting and others has been so resolute in favor of this policy that it appears impossible for the committee to abandon the income tax fully without hopelessly dividing the Democratic party. Such action on the part of the committee would result in a minority report being presented to the house. It seems probable, however, that the income tax provision will not be of the sweeping character at first contemplated. The present plans are to impose a tax on legacies, on income of large corporations, on incomes of real estate and other property in this country owned or controlled by aliens, as well as to require the stamping of certain documents and the special licensing of certain classes of business. The members freely admit that the details of the income tax provision will be the last agreed upon. As the work of the committee nears a close the pressure of various industries likely to be affected for some information of the character of the measure, or for a hearing in protest against the contemplated legislation, becomes more and more intense. Most of them, however, are unsuccessful in getting the ear of Chairman Wilson or any other of the committee, as the sessions are held behind closed doors and the officers of the committee are instructed to permit no cards to be handed in.

Guess Little Is Queen.

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Florida Beans.

Florida beans, which when highly polished, are used as charms, are the seeds of the *Eutadea scandens*, a rank-growing, climbing shrub common on the shores of the West Indies. The pods are frequently from six to eight feet in length, flat and woody, divided into numerous joints, each containing one of these nuts. When ripe these pods burst with great force, throwing the nuts an almost incredible distance. When thrown into the sea they are carried by the strong oceanic currents, not only to the Florida, but occasionally to the coast of Finland.

Walnut Timber in Demand.

There is a steady demand for walnut timber and purchasers are scouring the Atlantic coast region in search of large trees. While metallic coffins, usually called caskets by the undertakers, have displaced walnut coffins, the wood is increasingly applied to other uses. The trees are scarce in most parts of the East and many are jealously guarded against ax and saw.

The Russian Autocrat.

The original designation of the Russian ruler was autocrat, a term borrowed from a title of the Greek emperors. The title czar was taken first by Autocrat Waldimir about 1120. The Russian rulers were called czars or grand dukes until the sixteenth century, when they claimed the title of emperor.

An Antidote for Dogs.

Caged lions and tigers, human and jaguars take no notice of the lion and women passing in front of them, but let a dog be brought anywhere near the cage and they show their savage nature at once, and spring up glaring out savagely.