

DEADLY SMOKE.

Four Dead and Two Hurt in an Early Morning Fire.

The Tenants Unable to Make Their Escape by Way of the Stairs.

A Fireman Knocked From the Ladder by a Burst of Flames—A Woman Leaps From the Window and is Killed—Others Suffocated by Smoke.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Four persons were killed and two injured early Sunday morning in a fire at No. 374 Hudson street. The building is a three-story brick house used for dwelling and store purposes. The upper two floors sheltered four families. The dense smoke deterred some of the tenants from descending the stairways. Miss Margaret Ryan, 60 years old, with a companion, Miss Kate Higgins, ran to a window. A fireman in ascending a ladder to rescue the women was knocked off by a burst of flame shooting from a second story window and was badly injured. The women then became hysterical, Miss Ryan leaping from the window. She fell on the sidewalk, breaking her back and died on the way to a hospital in an ambulance. Her companion fell out of the window and broke her leg. The fireman could not rescue everyone in the building owing to the immense quantities of smoke. After the fire had been extinguished three bodies were found of people who had been suffocated. They were Miss Mary McMahon, 23 years old; Thos. Mallory, 23 years old, a fireman on the steamer St. Louis, and Archibald Grogan, 35 years old. Their bodies were not burned. The damage amounted to \$10,000, the building being almost entirely destroyed.

Anti-American Feeling in Spain.
NEW YORK, March 30.—A special cable dispatch to the Herald from Madrid says: Minister Taylor is rather worried over the action taken by the United States congress in regard to Cuba. There is a noteworthy revival of the anti-American spirit in Spain. The decision of the government not to send a Spanish squadron to Cuba has been the subject of much adverse criticism in official and other circles. No one appears to put any faith in the ministerial explanation that the decision has been arrived at in the interests of economy, and those best informed state openly that the real explanation is to be looked for elsewhere.

FOR FREE SILVER.

Four Democratic Conventions Held in Missouri Favor It.

ST. LOUIS, March 30.—Democratic conventions were held Saturday in five counties of Missouri and each of them passed free silver resolutions. In Madison county the following resolutions were offered in jest, but was taken seriously and passed without dissent: "Resolved, that we congratulate our worthy chief executive, Hon. Grover Cleveland, upon his newly acquired reputation as a successful duck hunter and that we greatly regret he has not given more time to waging an unsparring war upon the flocks of threatening and dangerous mallard, sprig tails and canvass backs and less time to co-operating with foreign money lenders for increasing the bonded indebtedness of an already overburdened people by additional issues of interest-bearing bonds, payable only in gold."

LIVES CRUSHED OUT.

A Huge Rock Rolls From the Mountain Side and Crashes Through a Dwelling.

HINTON, W. Va., March 30.—Jim and Frank Tilman and Luck Law were instantly killed by a rock crashing through the house where they were stopping at Echo, a station 40 miles west of here Sunday morning. Two other members of the family were seriously injured. The house was situated at the foot of the mountain on the banks of the New river. An enormous ledge of rocks broke loose on the mountain side, passing over coke ovens, tearing up the track of the C. & O. railroad and breaking through the house. Henry Law, one of the occupants who escaped, had the presence of mind to rush out and flag an east-bound express train which was just due and would otherwise have been wrecked on the rocks.

Racing at Montgomery, Ala.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 30.—A number of the best known and wealthiest horsemen in the country have leased the fair grounds and race track in this city for a term of years. They will prepare the grounds for a meeting this fall. The purses will be of sufficient amounts to insure good racing. This will place Montgomery in the regular circuit, and make it a wintering place for horses and horsemen.

Fatally Wounded by His Wife.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—John Martin, a local republican politician, was shot and fatally wounded Monday morning by his wife in the corridor of the city hall. The cause of the shooting was revenge for desertion and abuse.

IN CONGRESS.

The Business to Be Transacted by the Law-makers This Week.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—It is expected that consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill will be the first business of the house this week. The radical changes made by the bill will doubtless cause much discussion and several days may be spent over it. The reduction of the appropriation for continuing contract river and harbor work and public buildings in course of construction onto a basis of eight months' operations, on the theory that the remainder of the year can be provided for at the next session of congress, will be attacked by the democratic members of the committee on appropriations. Other provisions not so radical, will also be the subject of criticism, but no serious addition to the total carried in the bill is anticipated. When the sundry civil bill has been gotten out of the way, Mr. Hitt will call up the conference report on the Cuban question, which recommends that the house agree to the senate resolutions.

The coming week in the senate will be devoted to the consideration of appropriation bills and routine business. The bill to approve the compromise between the United States and the state of Arkansas, which has been the unfinished business for two weeks, but which has not been passed, will be considered Monday. There appears to be little hope of its passage, and there likewise appears to be a disposition to devote Monday only to its consideration. The post office bill will be laid before the full committee Monday and an effort made to report to the senate during the day. If this is done it will be called up in the senate Tuesday. The Indian and naval bills are before the committee on appropriations and it is believed that the Indian bill will be reported before the week is out, although the house action relative to the appropriation for Indian schools is likely to cause some debate in committee. After the post office bill is disposed of the senate will probably renew the discussion on Mr. Cannon's resolution directing the secretary of the interior to obey the law opening the Uncompahgre reservation to settlement. This, several days ago, was made the unfinished business after the Arkansas matter should be disposed of. The bill to protect fur seals from extermination is demanding attention, and an effort will be made to get it up. The remainder of the week will be probably devoted to consideration of bills on the calendar.

HOT CAMPAIGN.

The Contest in the Sixth Congressional District of Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 30.—The most notable campaign for a nomination for office that has ever taken place in Indiana is drawing to a close in the Sixth congressional district. It looks now as if the contest would come to an end without a personal encounter between H. U. Johnson and James E. Watson, the principals, though the friends of each did not see a week ago how trouble could be averted. The contest will be decided Wednesday by the primary elections in Henry county, which has been the battle ground for the last week. All the other counties in the district have held primaries, and the two candidates have come to Henry with about equal strength. During the past week Johnson has made 14 speeches in the county and Watson has made 12. The republican voters in the county have become so excited over the contest that neighbors have quarreled until they no longer speak. Family relations have even become strained on account of the bitterness engendered by the contest. Saturday night the friends of the two candidates gathered in Newcastle in large numbers and fights were numerous. Both candidates will return to their seats in congress immediately after the Henry county primaries.

St. Louis Banks to Consolidate.

ST. LOUIS, March 30.—Two of the leading banks of this city, the Commercial and the St. Louis National, which have since January been negotiating a consolidation, have agreed upon terms and the union will soon be announced. The Goulds own large blocks of stock in each bank, and their interests have pushed the project to conclusion through the mediation of the Mercantile Trust Co. of New York.

Flood at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., March 30.—The Niagara river has burst its banks on the Canadian side, and half the town is under water. The Grand Trunk railroad station is surrounded by a lake. Hackmen are charging fearful and wonderful prices.

English Battleship Launched.

LIVERPOOL, March 30.—The new British battleship, Mars, was launched from Laird's yards at Birkenhead Monday. The Mars is a first-class armored battleship of 14,900 tons and 12,000 horse power, and will carry 10 guns.

Rough on Senator Sherman.

MADRID, March 30.—A violent attack upon Senator Sherman is published in the Imperial, which calls him a former slavetrader and asserts that he wants the Cuban rebellion to succeed in order to re-establish slavery in Cuba.

Earthquake in South America.

NEW YORK, March 30.—A cable dispatch to the Herald from Lima, Peru, says: There was a strong earthquake Saturday morning. News is looked for momentarily as to what disturbances have occurred in Chile.

Died in His Chair.

FLEMINGSBURG, Ky., March 30.—Benny Mills, born in 1790, died here Sunday morning while sitting in a chair. He was the oldest citizen of the county and was quite active up to the time of his death.

FIENDISH CRIME.

An Aged Couple Cruelly Murdered in Their Bed Chamber.

Two Daughters and Hired Man Likely to Die of Their Wounds.

The Murdered Couple Were Members of the Wealthiest Families in Northeastern Ohio—Robbery Not the Object—Suspicion Rests on a Neighbor.

CLEVELAND, O., March 30.—At one o'clock Sunday morning the most fiendish deed that has ever claimed entrance to the criminal history of Ohio, was perpetrated near Tallmadge, a village five miles north of Akron. Alvin Stone, aged 69, and his wife, aged 62, while asleep at their home were brutally murdered by a fiend, who literally beat their heads to pieces, after which numerous knife thrusts were made into the bodies of the dead. Two daughters, Hattie, aged 29, Emma, aged 27, and the family servant, A. F. Stillson, were also attacked. All three of these are fatally injured and are unconscious and bleeding at the home awaiting death. They had been beaten about the head with a blunt instrument which of itself must have been large and of great weight.

Alvin Stone and his wife were members of the wealthiest and most prominent families in Northeastern Ohio. The object of the murderous assault was not robbery as numerous articles of value, including the two gold watches of the aged couple, which were on the bedroom dresser, were not taken. The crime is shrouded in mystery and the whole county is agitated. The only suspicion as yet rests on one John Smith, who is employed at Woodward Parker's blacksmith shop, one-eighth of a mile from the Stone homestead on the Kent road. Smith was discharged by Alvin Stone two weeks ago. The former was a chimes man about the place. The two men had words and Smith departed in great anger. He is now under police surveillance.

One member of the family alone escaped injury, a daughter, aged 16. She is laboring under intense excitement, but was able, between tears and hysterical sobs, to tell what she knew of the affair. The old folks, she said, occupied a chamber on the lower floor. Hattie and Flora slept upstairs, Emma across the hall and the hired man at the rear end of the hallway on the same floor. At about 1 o'clock Sunday morning, Flora heard an agonizing scream from Emma. She jumped from bed, and, opening the door started to cross the hall. Hattie followed her. Flora turning before she entered Emma's room, the door of which was open, saw a masked man strike Hattie over the head with what looked like a crowbar. Hattie, with a groan, fell senseless to the floor, while Flora in terror ran back to her room and hid under the bed clothes. Hattie, who is a woman of remarkable vitality, despite her frightful injury, arose and going into Flora's room asked her to throw something over her head. Flora was too frightened to move. Hattie left her room and entering that of her sister, noticed the window was open and that a ladder reached up to it from the ground. She wrapped a quilt around her and went down the ladder running to Charles Sackett's farm, a quarter of a mile away, where she told her story and collapsed. Two of the Sackett's hurried to the Stone house, while another summoned a physician. When they arrived the house was pitch dark. The side door was open. Entering the room occupied by the old folks they were confronted by the two horribly mutilated bodies of the father and mother. Emma was found unconscious on the floor of her bed room. She had been struck a fearful blow over the forehead and still lies as one dead. The hired man was found in his room in the same condition. He had also been struck over the forehead. Flora was found under the bed clothes in speechless fright. In a few minutes the whole neighborhood for miles around was aroused and hundreds assembled about the Stone homestead. The scene was terribly impressive. The rage of those who for so many years had lived with and loved the amiable, honest Stone family knew no bounds. The Akron police department was notified and Detective Dunn, Marshal Mason, Sheriff Griffin and First Deputy Hart hurried to the scene. They arrived at 9 o'clock. They found what appeared to be tracks of a man leaving the side door, which was open, and ending at the road. The rain, which had steadily poured all night, had, however, obliterated the tracks along the road. Bloodhounds were put into service, but they could do nothing, owing to the rain. The impression seems that Smith is not the right man and committees are organizing to scour the country in every direction. From all the indications of those who are starting to hunt down the murderer it is idle to attempt a forecast of what will happen if he is caught. There is but one fate in store for him if he fell into the hands of the citizens who are looking for him, aided by the bloodhounds.

OLIVER PIKE'S DEATH.

Believed to Be the Fifth of a Series of Murders Committed to Get Possession of Property.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30.—A well dressed man, presumably a detective, arrived in Columbus Monday morning to get information in connection with the finding of the body of Oliver Pike in Chicago. It is thought Pike formerly lived here. The gentleman stated that the mother of Pike, who lived at Fayette, O., was telegraphed and will go to Chicago at once to identify the body. If the body proves to be that of Oliver Pike, it is claimed that sensational developments will follow, as it is believed to be the fifth of a series of murders that have been committed in order to get possession of a large fortune, and if the identification is positive important arrests will quickly follow.

Teachers Independent.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30.—The teachers of this city are very much opposed to the bill by Senator Pluemmer, of Cincinnati, to pension common school teachers throughout the state after a certain period of service. They want to be independent of public charity, which, it is believed, the Pluemmer bill would confer upon them. Inspired by this sentiment they will meet next week to form a mutual benefit association, wholly independent of the schools.

Muddle Between Pastor and Congregation.

CHAGIN FALLS, O., March 30.—Owing to his liberal views and disagreement over the salary question the Disciple congregation ousted the pastor, Rev. James Watson, and a bitter war resulted. Watson's friends will give him a complimentary benefit of the receipts at his lecture, "Society Unmasked," and the congregation is trying to keep the lecturer out of the opera house.

Two Reed Delegates.

SALEM, Mass., March 30.—The Sixth district republican convention held Monday, selected two Reed delegates to the national convention.



A crown of tartar Baking Powder. Highest of all in leavening strength—Latest United States Government Food Report. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 106 Wall St., N.Y.

Sheriff Griffin, of Akron, was here Monday, and says the murderer undoubtedly came to Kent, as a horse was found here Sunday morning, covered with mud except where a man had sat upon it. Mr. Stone once had trouble with a man, and quiet search is being made to learn that man's whereabouts on the night of the murder.

CRAZED BY JEALOUSY.

A Columbus Man Fires Three Shots at His Wife and Calmly Cuts His Throat.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30.—Fred Gorrell, aged 22, attempted to kill his wife Sunday afternoon, and supposing he had been surrounded, killed himself. He came from Mt. Vernon last fall and married the daughter of his employer, Sylvester Eggleston, a contracting painter. He was insanely jealous of her and because of quarrels resulting from this she left him some days ago. Gorrell went to the house of his father-in-law, where his wife was staying Saturday, and asked her if she would go back and live with him. She refused, and he drew a revolver and shot her twice. One bullet entered her hip and the other pierced her left breast just below the shoulder. Gorrell then snapped the revolver at his own head repeatedly, but it would not go off. He then went to the kitchen and seizing a butcher knife tried to cut his throat, but it was too dull. He then ran to his father-in-law's room and securing his razor, cut his throat. He made such a desperate stroke at his throat that the head was almost severed from the body and he fell dead. Mrs. Gorrell, notwithstanding the two wounds she received, seems to suffer little pain and will probably recover.

REMOVED THE NEEDLE.

It Had Traveled Through a Man's Body for Many Years.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30.—A simple operation performed in the hospital of the state prison Sunday afternoon ends a most interesting surgical and pathological history. Prison hospital surgeon Tharp removed from the body of James Morris, a federal prisoner serving a term for counterfeiting, a needle which was swallowed by the patient when he was a boy 11 years old. As he is now 33 years of age the needle has been in the body 42 years. In that time it has traveled undoubtedly through nearly every part of the body below the waist. He has made several applications to have the needle removed since he has been in the prison, but it could not be located with sufficient accuracy. Not long ago it was in his right knee and he claimed he could feel the point of it. He suffered great pain from it all the time.

TOOK POISON.

A Cleveland Man Commits Suicide in Detroit—Lost His Money in Speculation.

DETROIT, Mich., March 30.—W. E. Streibinger, of Cleveland, O., committed suicide at the Randolph hotel here some time Sunday by taking poison. Streibinger was last seen alive about the hotel Saturday night. His non-appearance for breakfast and dinner aroused the suspicions of the clerk, and falling to receive a response to repeated knockings on the door of the room occupied by Streibinger, it was forced open and his dead body was found lying on the bed. He had evidently been dead for some hours. A business card was found which gave his address as 25 Euclid avenue, Cleveland. Streibinger also left a note which said that he had lost all his money in speculation. He was about thirty-four years old and was well dressed.

Ruehrwein's New Job.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30.—Representative Ruehrwein will assume the duties of the office of state labor commissioner Tuesday. George D. Gessamen, of Youngstown, who was chief clerk in the office under Fassett, is being pushed for chief clerk under Mr. Ruehrwein. J. L. Lewis, of Perry county, is also a candidate for the place.

Lost and Insane.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30.—Jacob Michaels, living on a farm five miles northeast of this city, notified the police Sunday that an insane woman, giving her name as Brooks, came to his house Saturday evening. His family is taking care of her, but anxious to know who she is. She does not belong at the Central insane asylum.

Charged With Embezzlement.

WOOSTER, O., March 30.—O. J. Searight, administrator of the estate of Lucinda McCulloch, is under arrest for alleged embezzlement of \$4,500 belonging to the estate. Mr. Searight is a highly respected citizen of Frederickburg, was elected mayor and is a Knight Templar.

Daniel Bookwalter Dead.

MIAMISBURG, O., March 30.—Mr. Daniel Bookwalter, sr., one of Miamisburg's most prominent citizens, and a manufacturer of wide reputation, died suddenly from the effects of a fall received two weeks ago, in which he had two ribs broken.

Hurt in a Runaway.

SPENCERVILLE, O., March 30.—Mrs. Christina Mack was seriously injured in a runaway accident. As she attempted to alight from a buggy the horse became frightened and ran away, dragging Mrs. Mack several hundred feet.

Arrivals and Departure of Trains.

B. & O. S. W.	
DEPART—6:00 a. m., 10:40 a. m., 2:00 p. m., 4:45 p. m., 7:00 p. m., 11:25 p. m.	
ARRIVE—3:05 a. m., 5:10 a. m., 12:25 p. m., 4:25 p. m., 6:40 p. m., 8:55 p. m.	
T. & O. C. Ex.	
LEAVE..... 2:15 p. m., 9:00, 4:00 a. m.	
ARRIVE..... 12:30, 7:05 p. m., 7:45 a. m.	
C. & M.	
LEAVE..... 6:25 a. m., 2:55 p. m.	
ARRIVE..... 11:15 a. m., 7:05 p. m.	
Z. & O.	
LEAVE..... 6:20 a. m., 2:40 p. m.	
ARRIVE..... 10:40 a. m., 8:55 p. m.	
O. R. R. (Eastern Time)	
SOUTH..... 10:25, 2:50 a. m., 7:15 p. m.	
NORTH..... 11:15 p. m.; 3:40, 7:25 a. m.	

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FOR MEN:

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Our Easter Price **\$11.50**

Youths' Suits

In All wool Black and Blue Cheviots and Cassimeres. In plain colors and stylish, Fancy Patterns; sizes from 12 to 19 years.

Our Easter Price **\$4.75**

Boys Fine Suits

Made of Fancy Cheviots, Galashields and hard Twisted, serviceable Tweed Cloths.

In Combination Suits: Coat, two pairs of pants (double knee and seat) and cap to match.

Our Easter Price **\$4.00**

LATEST STYLES MEN'S PANTS FOR SPRING.

Men's Pants in Gray and Black Cheviot, well-made, a real \$2.00 value.

Our Easter Price **\$1.25**

Men's Pants in the new Spring Patterns, stripes and checks in Cassimeres and Scotches, regularly sold for \$3.75.

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