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JOSEPH R. EDWARDS DEAD.

Prominent Attorney and Newspaper Man of Jefferson City, Mo.

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 20.—Hon. Joseph R. Edwards, for many years a prominent attorney and newspaper man of Jefferson City, died here this afternoon at 4 o'clock of complications ensuing from a severe attack of asthma and from an operation performed several days ago.

The deceased was born in 1847 and was admitted to the bar in 1869 after attending the state university at Columbia. Since then he has been in the practice of law and formerly was editor and proprietor of the Cole County Democrat, a weekly newspaper.

He was at one time the prosecuting attorney of this county and served in the legislature as a member of the house in 1892. He was married in 1871 to Miss Mary B. Jefferson of this city and leaves a wife and two children, Mr. J. W. Edwards of Jefferson City and Mrs. John Boone of Kansas City.

A Bomb Into a Bank.

Seattle, Washington, Sept. 20.—A telegram from Skagway, Alaska, says: About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon an unknown man walked into the Canadian bank of Commerce, a revolver in one hand and a dynamite bomb in the other and demanded \$20,000.

The cashier, Mr. Pooley, and the teller, Mr. Wallace, were the only two men in the bank. Wallace ducked to get his pistol and ran quickly to the back room, yelling for Pooley to do the same.

"No you don't," yelled the man and dropped the bomb. The bank was wrecked. The robber's head was injured and one arm was torn off.

Judge Price, formerly prosecuting attorney, who was entering the bank at the time, was hurt, but not dangerously. The bomb thrower died without regaining consciousness. The bank lost about \$1,000, chiefly in gold dust, which was lying upon the counter.

Corn-huskers' sprained wrists, barbed-wire cuts and sprains, or cuts from any other cause, are quickly healed when Ballard's Snow Liniment is promptly applied. Price, 25 and 50 cents.—H. L. Tucker.

King Causes an Outbreak.

Madrid, September 20.—King Alfonso's desire to accept an invitation to visit Mrs. Ogden Goelet's yacht Nahma, anchored in the vicinity of San Sebastian, has precipitated a fresh outbreak of anti-Americanism among the Spanish smart set.

When the queen learned of her son's intentions she peremptorily forbade him to set foot on the American vessel, pointing out that memorials of 1898 were too fresh in the hearts of the Spanish people to permit of such an act of royal graciousness.

The Devil's Soliloquy.

Suggested by hearing a young man speak disparagingly of a young girl

One night as the devil sat musing alone,
In the midst of a cozy warm fire,
Trying to figure the difference in guilt
'Tween a thief and an all-round liar,
His memory turned to the scenes of his youth
And his eyes filled with hot boiling tears;
So he took down his ledger and turned to a page,
Dated back about six thousand years.

"I suppose," he exclaimed, as he glanced through the book,
"I'm doing the best I can,
For my business denotes a continued increase
Ever since the creation of man.
I've cribbed a good harvest for six thousand years.

And should be content with the yield,
And give my opponent permission to have
The gleanings I leave in the field.

"I've gathered a very diversified crop
Of merchants and lawyers galore;
I've bound and politicians in bunches until
The ends of my fingers are sore
I've fiddlers, gamblers and insurance men;
I've murderers, forgers and liars;
And filled up my furnace with green popalists
'Till they actually put out the fires.

"I've railroad conductors and doctors to spare
Horse traders and preachers to spend
Republicans, democrats, Tories, whigs,
And two or three newspaper men.
But there is one class, I am happy to say,
Can never gain entrance here:
Their souls are so dirty, I'm sure that they would
Demoralize hell in a year.

I refer to that 'thing' neither human nor beast—
The carrion crow of the world—
Who never is happy unless he can feast
On the wreck of an innocent girl.
A million of years in my warmest of rooms
His slanders would never alone;
So I give him a match and advise him to start
A set of little hell of his own.

With his fingers he lit an asbestos cigar,
And placing his book on the shelf,
He muttered: "I may be a very bad man,
But I've got some respect for myself.—Ex.

Stops the Cold and Works off the Cold.
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

Pump cheeks, flushed with the soft glow of health, and a pure complexion make all women beautiful. Herbine imparts strength and vitality to the system, and the rosy hue of health to the cheeks. Price, 50 cents.—H. L. Tucker.

Gen. Nord Defeated.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, Sept. 21.—Gen. Nord of the provincial government, at the head of 3,000 men, attacked Limbe at 9 o'clock yesterday morning and after desperate fighting lasting three hours, the general abandoned his position, guns and war munitions and left a great number of dead and wounded, including several generals, on the field.

The population of Cape Haytien is in a state of anxiety. The enemy, to the number of 4,000 well armed men, is advancing on the place. Another battle before the town is imminent.

No Longer Than Your Hand
is the spot in your back directly affected by lumbago. But it is big enough to prostrate you until a kind friend rubs Perry Davis' Painkiller into your aching flesh. Then the throbbing pain, which has been as bad as toothache, dies away. Painkiller is equally good in relieving sciatica and the various forms of rheumatism. 25 and 50c. bottles.

ALARMING NEWS FROM CHINA.

The United States State Department Fears Another Big Boxer Revolt.

Washington, Sept. 20.—China is on the verge of another boxer revolt which may equal that of 1900, according to mail advices received at the state department from Minister Conger, dated last month.

The troubles appear to arise principally from extortionate taxation combined with resentment against the presence of missionaries, thus justifying the judgment of the department of state, which pointed out to the powers that the demand for excessive indemnities would result in serious internal troubles in China.

Mr. Conger's first advice bears date of August 6, from Peking, and he reports serious anti-foreign riots near Chentu, in province of Szechuan, in which a number of native Christians had been massacred and chapels destroyed.

Mr. Conger addressed a note to Prince Ching at the foreign office stating that there were several American missionaries and many chapels and convents in Szechuan and that it was necessary that immediate provision be taken to stamp out these trouble at their very inception.

The foreign office replied that several edicts have been issued directing the viceroy to suppress the trouble. It had received a telegram from that official stating that the rebel Hsiung Ching He of Jau Chou Hsian made his appearance suddenly at the head of a mob and burned a chapel and some thirty odd houses early in that moon and also killed a christian. Other outrages were also committed whereupon the viceroy dispatched troops to the scene who killed some twenty boxers.

The leader of the riot was also captured and orders were given to have him beheaded and his head exposed. The rebels at other points were also attacked by the government troops and routed. Three or four hundred were killed.

The judge of the province reported that there was no need for the missionaries to seek temporary refuge.

BLOW TO SILVER.

The Massachusetts Democrats Rejected

George Fred Williams and 16 to 1.

Boston, Sept. 21.—At the democratic state convention here yesterday, George Fred Williams, the representative of the silver democrats was turned down as a Massachusetts leader. William A. Gaston was nominated for governor. The minority report for "free silver" was utterly defeated on the floor and the majority report was adopted by an overwhelming majority.

In this battle Mr. Williams was utterly routed, with the predicted result that he is shorn of all power of leadership. The platform adopted is a repudiation of the Kansas City platform, for Mr. Gaston refused to be the nominee if in any way the declaration of principles could be construed to indorse those things most prominently advocated by the party in the last two campaigns.

It might be said that in naming Colonel Gaston to head the ticket precedent was shattered, inasmuch as he was nominated and then given a platform of his own dictation. The ticket was as follows: For governor, William A. Gaston, of Boston; lieutenant governor, John C. Crosby, of Pittsfield; secretary of state, William B. Stone, of Springfield; treasurer, Thomas C. Thacher, of Yarmouth; auditor, J. L. Chalifoux, of Lowell; attorney general, John J. Flaherty of Gloucester.

Kills a Masked Burglar.

Ford City, Pa., Sept. 18.—Charles Andrews, of St. Louis, was killed by Carl Richards this morning after a struggle at the Allegheny Valley Railroad Station. Andrews was masked and had ordered the station agent to throw up his hands. Richards struck the intruder in the face, grappled with him, and both rolled on the floor.

Andrews shot at Richards, the bullet glancing alongside his head, cutting part of his right ear off. Richards wrested the revolver from Andrews and shot him in the side, killing him instantly.

Andrews was known as the "lone burglar," having just completed a sentence in the Western Penitentiary. At his trial he conducted his own case, and at that time it was learned his home was in St. Louis.

RADICAL ACTION BY

SPEAKER HENDERSON.

Withdraws From Congressional Race

Rather Than Attack Trusts by Modifying Tariff—Possibly Anticipated

Defeat by ex-Gov. Horace Boies.

Dubuque, Ia., Sept. 20.—Speaker Henderson has made public a letter withdrawing from the race for re-election to congress. He says he finds that he is out of harmony with the Iowa state Republican convention when it declares for modification of trust-sheltering tariffs. He does not further represent his constituents, he finds, and withdraws as neither partial nor entire free trade in his opinion is the proper cure for trusts.

Des Moines, Sept. 20.—Speaker Henderson refuses to reconsider his decision not to stand for re-election to congress. This announcement is contained in a telegraphic answer to a request wired him by Life Young and S. W. Rathbun. After stating that his decision is final, the speaker says:

"I cannot acquiesce in administering the free trade poison to cure the trust evil, which I abhor."

Washington, Sept. 20.—Speaker Henderson's withdrawal on account of the tariff-trust question fell like a bombshell in political circles here. Republicans are dismayed, for if Henderson has sincerely stated his reason for his action, a wide split, of utmost importance in the congressional elections, is evident.

Democrats are jubilant for the same reason, and moreover, because they believe that Henderson's action insures the election of ex-governor Horace Boies, his Democratic opponent. Henderson has placed a strong card in their hands. One of the leading Republican representatives withdraws rather than take action which in popular opinion would do much to curb the trusts. He withdraws to private life rather than attack them even in that small particular.

Secretary Edwards, of the Democratic congressional campaign committee, said:

"The withdrawal of Henderson at this time is worth 25 seats to us in the next house. It shows that the Republicans do not care to stand up and face the issues presented. Governor Boies will be elected by a handsome majority."

Henderson was not popular among many members of congress because he ruled with too strong a hand. The house, under his speakership, was the speaker. The average congressman amounted to little. Henderson would have had a hard fight for re-election to the speakership under any circumstances, and it is predicted that his successor as presiding officer, be he Republican or Democrat, will not have the power Henderson had.

Henderson's withdrawal comes at the same time as the announcement that the political conference of leading senators with the president at Oyster Bay had decided that the tariff should not be tinkered with during the coming winter.

The possibility of defeat by Boies and the possibility of defeat for the speakership are urged by Democrats as two reasons which impelled the speaker as strongly as did the one he states in his letter.

Tragedy in Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 20.—Representative C. L. Pool, of Calhoun county, was in the city to-night and related meager particulars of a bloody tragedy which occurred in the western part of Columbian county last night. Mr. Pool's informant was unable to give the names of the parties, but related the facts about as follows:

A citizen of the county sold a tract of land for \$300 cash Monday, and two of his neighbors, being aware of the transaction, went to his home the following evening and proposed an opossum hunt. Not suspecting any harm, the man who had the \$300 in his house departed with his neighbors. Soon afterward a peddler drove up to the house and requested lodging for the night. The housewife, thinking her husband would soon return from his hunt, told the peddler to take his team to the barn and return to the house, which he did in a short time. When he reached the dwelling he found what appeared to be two negro men inside, who had just murdered his hostess by severing her head from the body with a knife. The peddler shot and killed the two negroes and immediately aroused the neighbors. An ex-

MALARIA An Invisible Enemy to Health

Means bad air, and whether it comes from the low lands and marshes of the country, or the filthy sewers and drain pipes of the cities and towns, its effect upon the human system is the same.

These atmospheric poisons are breathed into the lungs and taken up by the blood, and the foundation of some long, debilitating illness is laid. Chills and fever, chronic dyspepsia, torpid and enlarged liver, kidney troubles, jaundice and biliousness are frequently due to that invisible foe, Malaria. Noxious gases and unhealthy matter collect in the system because the liver and kidneys fail to act, and are poured into the blood current until it becomes so polluted and sluggish that the poisons literally break through the skin, and carbuncles, boils, abscesses, ulcers and various eruptions of an indolent character appear, depleting the system, and threatening life itself.

The germs and poisons that so oppress and weaken the body and destroy the life-giving properties of the blood, rendering it thin and watery, must be overcome and carried out of the system before the patient can hope to get rid of Malaria and its effects.

S. S. S. does this and quickly produces an entire change in the blood, reaching every organ and stimulating them to vigorous, healthy action. S. S. S. possesses not only purifying but tonic properties, and the general health improves, and the appetite increases almost from the first dose. There is no Mercury, Potash, Arsenic or other mineral in S. S. S. It is strictly and entirely a vegetable remedy. Write us about your case, and our physicians will gladly help you by their advice to regain your health. Book on blood and skin diseases sent free.

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amination revealed the astounding fact that the supposed negroes were in reality white women disguised as negro men, and were the wives of the two men who had an hour previously gone hunting with the woman's husband.

The latter failing to return, a search was instituted, and his body was found in the woods, where he had been murdered by his treacherous neighbors. A posse at once went in pursuit of them, but had not effected a capture at latest accounts.

EXPLORER RETURNS.

Important Discoveries Made by Robert E. Peary.

He Declares the North Pole Can be Reached.

Sidney, N. S., Sept. 18.—The arctic relief ship Windward, with Lieut. and Mrs. Peary on board, arrived here this morning. Lieut. Peary, after having pushed into the arctic regions for four years, comes back again without having discovered the pole. He, however, went further north than ever before. On his previous journey Peary reached latitude 83 degrees 27 minutes. This time he got to latitude 84 degrees 17 minutes, or within 343 miles of the pole. A degree of latitude is sixty nautical miles and a minute is one mile. This record of Peary's has been exceeded by but two explorers. Nansen reached latitude 86.14, and Capt. Cagni of the Abruzzi expedition reached latitude 86.33.

Lieut. Peary says that the pole can be reached from Franzjosef, and from Grantland, in latitude 83 degrees, if the winter quarters are established as far north as possible. He says that he would just as soon winter at Cape Hetha as at Sabine or Etah.

A reception was tendered to Lieut. Peary by citizens of Sidney to-night. The hall in which the reception was held was filled with a representative gathering of leading men and women of the town, and the great explorer was given an ovation when he appeared on the platform with Mayor Crowe. The mayor, introducing Lieut. Peary, expressed the strong interest which was felt in the work he had accomplished by the people of Canada, and paid a high tribute to the ability and courage shown by Lieut. Peary in his work.

In reply Lieut. Peary spoke beautifully of his work in the north, and gave all credit to the Arctic club. "The pole can be discovered," he said, "and will be discovered in a few years. I wish that I was in a position to continue the work and make the discovery."

PEARY'S LAST DASH.

Sidney, B. C., Sept. 18.—"My last dash for the north pole was the most successful I ever made. I was fifty miles further north than latitude 83.27, my previous record, for I reached latitude 84.17," said the daring Arctic explorer, Commander Robert S. Peary, United States navy on landing here to-day. The explorer seemed in excellent health, though suffering slightly from an injured leg, hurt in an accident last winter.

"Our expedition did not reach the north pole, but we made most important scientific discoveries. We are all well and glad to get back to civilization. Our expedition, in my opinion, was the most successful that has ever tried to find the pole." Many curiosities from the "region

of the midnight sun" are aboard the Windward, not the least among them being instruments, chronometers and the Arctic library abandoned by the Greely expedition.

There are also many of the dogs used by Peary in his sled travels across ice packs. These dogs are remarkable for their intelligence and fidelity and are greatly attached to Commander Peary, his wife and daughter.

Among the natural history specimens are a living bear, a musk ox, a walrus, an Arctic hare and an Eskimo dog, intended for the zoological garden of Central park, New York.

The Windward was out fifteen days from Port Payer, Cape Sabine, during which time considerable fog was encountered, compelling the ship to harbor at several Labrador ports. When the Windward arrived at the appointed destination Peary had been waiting three weeks.

For digestive weakness, nervousness, pains in the side, flatulence, dizziness, wakefulness, headache and other annoying accompaniments of constipation, Herbine is a prompt and unequalled remedy. Price, 50 cents.—H. L. Tucker.

DE ARMOND AT KEYTESVILLE.

Great Crowd Braved Rainstorm to Hear Congressman Speak.

Keytesville, Mo., Sept. 20.—A large crowd of enthusiastic democrats and many republicans, and the teachers and children of the public schools came out through the rain and mud this afternoon to hear Judge DeArmond discourse the political issues that divide the two great parties.

The large circuit court room was filled with an attentive audience most all of whom seemed to weigh every word of the speaker, meeting the many good points he made with rounds of applause and the waving of flags by the school.

Judge Tucker, congressman from this district, was very felicitous in his introduction of his congressional colleague. No speaker was ever listened to with more attention in this town than was Judge DeArmond.

He made a splendid impression and sowed democratic seed that will bear a good yield next November.

No Substitute Wanted.

No! I did not ask for a bottle any cheaper, or two as large, or one made by yourselves. I did ask for and will not have any substitute for Perry Davis' Painkiller. I have used it, my father used it and I would not be surprised if my grandparents did so too; there it no imitation that can equal it. That I am sure of—for stomach ache.

He Was Suspended in Midair.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—McNaughton Wright, a member of the board of trade, hung this morning between life and death for twenty minutes at the top of a grain chute in the Rock Island elevator. When rescued Mr. Wright was exhausted and upon the point of releasing his hold, which would have meant a fall of 100 feet to the hard floor of an empty bin, and almost certain death.

He had entered the elevator to inspect some wheat. Making a mistake he fell into the chute, but succeeded in clutching the edge and hanging by his hands. Mr. Wright's calls for help were finally heard by an employee. He fainted and was unconscious for nearly an hour.

Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment is not a panacea, but is recommended for blind, bleeding or protruding piles, and it will cure the most obstinate cases. Price, 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents.—H. L. Tucker.