

DECLINES THE BEQUEST.

Aged Recluse Leaves Fortune to Woman Who Befriended Him.

New York, Dec. 9.—Gilt edged securities with a market value of \$783,000 have been taken from a safety deposit box by attorneys for the heirs of Maximilian Hershel, an aged recluse and former member of the New York Stock Exchange, who died in St. Luke's hospital last July. Ninety three additional bonds bring the value of the hoard up to \$950,000. Just before he died Hershel announced in the presence of witnesses that he wished all his property to be turned over to Mrs. William Georgi of Brooklyn, daughter of a couple who had befriended him in his youth and who had made his declining years comfortable by numerous attentions, not knowing of his great wealth. Mrs. Georgi attended him in his dying moments, little dreaming that she was heiress to \$1,000,000.

Four relatives of the old man were living in Germany, it was found, and Mrs. Georgi declared that the property should be equally divided, so far as she was concerned. Attorneys for both interests arranged this and the estate will be divided at the end of six months into five equal parts. The heirs living in Germany were unknown to Hershel. They were found through advertising, but have proved their relationship and Mrs. Georgi evinced no desire to keep them from sharing the good fortune.

PLAN ASSUMING SHAPE.

American and French Lawmakers to Exchange Visits.

Paris, Dec. 9.—The plan for a body of American congressmen to visit Paris and for a number of French parliamentarians to visit Washington is assuming a definite aspect through the efforts of Baron de Estournelles de Constant. The latter said to the correspondent of the Associated Press:

"When I arranged for the exchange of visits between British and French parliamentarians I had in mind a similar exchange of visits between American and French. Since then I have gone over the question with my colleagues in the chamber here and I have received letters from Washington concerning the project.

"The idea of the visits is approved and I hope to arrange the details during my approaching visit to the United States, when I will present an invitation in behalf of several hundred members of the French chamber of deputies."

LARGE NUMBER PRESENT.

Manufacturers Meet to Discuss Cotton Mill Situation.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 9.—Cotton mill representatives and delegates from almost every cotton growing section of the United States met in this city during the day to consider the best means for remedying the serious, if not threatening, condition of the cotton mill situation in the United States. Manufacturers of New England, as well as the cotton growers of Mississippi and other cotton producing states, will confer together in this meeting with perfect harmony in their endeavor to meet the situation with some remedy.

Previous to the convening of the delegates it was learned that the representatives of the New England manufacturers would favor as a solution for the present prevalent conditions the curtailment of the manufactured goods. Prominent cotton men from the South are reported to also favor decreasing the production.

A committee was appointed to draft a resolution looking to a curtailment by the running of all mills on short time.

The delegates to the convention represent 949,121 spindles and 24,945 looms.

TWO HUNDRED KILLED.

Russian Troops Defeat Band of Chinese Robbers.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9.—The Russian troops have defeated a band of Chun Chuses (Chinese robbers), killing 200 of them and wounding many more.

After the conflict, reported Nov. 28, between a force of Russian soldiers and a body of Chun Chuses at Tachiao, in which five Russians were killed and nine severely wounded, the Russians pursued the fleeing tribesmen and finally hemmed them in at the Lian river. The great loss of the robbers is attributed in a Port Arthur dispatch to "a panic among the Chun Chuses."

CONFERENCE ENDS IN FAILURE.

Governor Wells and Miners' Representatives Discuss Utah Strike.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 9.—Another conference was held Monday between Governor Wells and representatives of the striking coal miners in an endeavor to reach a basis of agreement for a settlement of the strike, but after several hours' discussion the conference broke up, nothing having been accomplished.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Grandson of Victim Probably Fatally Injured.

Muscatope, Ia., Dec. 9.—Mrs. Emilie Jamieson, aged sixty-five, was burned to death and her grandson, Walter Jamieson, aged fifteen, was probably fatally burned in a fire of unknown origin which destroyed their residence at Morning Sun during the morning.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

Robbers blew the safe in the post-office at Newcastle, Neb., and stole \$225 in cash and a package of money order blanks.

Baron Speck von Sternberg, the German ambassador to the United States, arrived at New York Tuesday on the Kaiser Wilhelm II.

Two sleepers and a diner on the Atlanta and West Point railroad jumped the track near La Grange, Ga. The passengers escaped with a shaking up.

The Iowa Society for Suppression of Disease and Degeneracy has prepared a bill to be introduced in the coming assembly providing for a physician's certificate of examination before a marriage license can be issued.

WORRY CAUSES DEATH.

St. Paul Attorney Connected With Ernst Affair.

St. Paul, Dec. 9.—Albert Mueller, a young attorney whose name has been connected with some of the transactions of Casper Ernst, the financier under arrest for forgery, is dead after two weeks of terrible suffering as a result of tuberculosis and brain trouble.

Mr. Mueller's death is attributed by his mother, Mrs. Lena Mueller, and other members of the family to worry over the connection of his name with the Ernst transactions, this worry having become so great as to affect the young man's brain and hasten his death.

Mr. Mueller was thirty-seven years of age and had known Casper Ernst intimately for seventeen years. Years ago they were clerks together in the office of Jacob Malmzer, where each of them got their business start in life.

Mr. Mueller had the most explicit confidence in Ernst and had loaned him \$400 just a few days previous to the arrest of the banker.

THOUSANDS ARE DYING.

Fearful Ravages of Strange Epidemic in Africa.

New York, Dec. 9.—The American board of commissioners for foreign missions has issued a statement concerning the ravages of the strange epidemic known as the "sleeping sickness," now prevalent in certain parts of the Dark continent. The facts were gathered by the board's missionaries in Africa. The disease appeared in Uganda three years ago, probably coming from the Congo regions. It prevails on the islands and shores of Lake Victoria and inland from these shores a dozen miles. No less than 68,000 persons have died, 10,000 within the last five months. A commission sent from England has decided that the disease is scattered by a fly called tsetse. No antidote has as yet been discovered.

The first symptom of the presence of the disease is headache, with swelling of the glands of the neck, followed by protracted sleeping.

EMPLOYEES WEAR UNION BUTTON

No Discharge of Street Car Men for Violation of Order.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—Although the order prohibiting buttons other than company badges or insignia to be worn on the uniforms was made effective during the day according to the new rule book of the Chicago City Railway company no man was disciplined when he appeared wearing the union button in open violation of the edict.

At every barn specially selected committees of union men scrutinized every employe who appeared to see if the union button was prominent and standing ready to take action in case any member of the union was discharged for disobeying the rule.

The company barn bosses and division superintendents, who were also at the barns, appeared indifferent to the order and made no mention of the rule or the open violation which was received.

GRAND JURY AT WORK.

Affairs of Nebraska National Guard Being Investigated.

Omaha, Dec. 9.—The federal grand jury has begun the investigation of matters in the department of the adjutant general of Nebraska. Adjutant General Culver, S. D. Davis of Lincoln and A. Q. Smith, the latter connected with the adjutant general's department during the last state administration when General W. L. Colby was at the head of the department, have been summoned as witnesses. The investigation is in connection with the appropriation of money to reimburse the government for blankets supplied to the state penitentiary after the fire at that institution two years ago.

New witnesses were also called in the land fencing investigation, in which several indictments are anticipated within a short time.

REPELLED HIS ADVANCES.

New Yorker Kills Printer's Wife and Suicides.

New York, Dec. 9.—Lester C. Fitzgerald, member of a glass manufacturing firm of this city, shot and killed Mrs. Matilda Wood at a hotel in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn early in the day and then committed suicide with the same weapon. Mrs. Wood was the wife of a newspaper compositor, who said he believes that Fitzgerald committed the crime because Mrs. Wood repelled his advances.

Fitzgerald was married, but his wife had secured a divorce from him and had since remarried.

EMPLOYEES LOCKED OUT.

Fifty San Francisco Restaurants Close Their Doors.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—About fifty restaurants, including the best patronized places in the city, closed their doors during the day and it is announced that they will not reopen until a satisfactory adjustment of the trouble with the Cooks and Waiters' union is effected.

Between 1,500 and 2,000 men were locked out.

RUSSO-CHINESE TREATY.

Convention Provides for Government of Manchuria.

Peking, Dec. 9.—Prominent officials here assert that China is concluding an agreement with Russia for the government of Manchuria. It is expected that the arrangement will include most of Russia's supplementary terms for the evacuation and will nominally confirm Chinese sovereignty while giving Russia an advisory share in the government.

Wheaton, Minn., Dec. 9.—O. H. Olson, a well-to-do farmer living west of here, drove off the road into Lake Traverse and, in trying to extricate his horses, was drowned.

SCANDAL IN COURT LIFE.

Austrian Princess Seriously Wounds Handsome Actress.

New York, Dec. 9.—Prince Otto of Windisch-Graetz, his youthful and immensely wealthy wife, the Princess Elizabeth Marie, whom he married only a year ago, and a pretty actress of the opera at Prague are the central figures in an extraordinary story cabled from Vienna to the World.

The princess, who is the granddaughter on her father's side of the emperor of Austria and on her mother's side of the king of the Belgians, only twenty years old, a royal personage who renounced her rights to the throne of Austria in order to marry as her heart dictated, is asserted to have shot and seriously wounded a handsome actress with whom the prince is alleged to have had a rendezvous.

The affair is said to have taken place in the palace of the estate of the prince's family at Prague.

It appears that Prince Otto had been secretly paying attention to the actress, whose beauty had been causing a sensation in Prague. The princess, presumably informed by a disappointed suitor of the footlight favorite that a rendezvous had been arranged in the palace, was thrown into a passion and hurried to the prince's apartments with a small revolver he had given her and refused her admittance. She drew the revolver and fired, it is stated. The valet fled, screaming at the top of his voice. Entering the rooms the princess confronted her husband, who attempted to hold her arm, but she is then said to have been at the height of rage and to have fired point blank at the actress, who cowered in a corner. The woman fell, severely, but not fatally wounded.

WARRANTS FOR BROKERS.

Violations of Minnesota Warehouse Laws Are Alleged.

St. Paul, Dec. 9.—The state railroad and warehouse commission has had warrants issued in Duluth for the members of the firm of Edwards, Wood & Co., grain brokers.

The firm is charged with violating the state warehouse laws.

The firm has been in business for the past five years and has offices in various Western cities.

RELIEF URGENTLY NEEDED.

Missionary's Report of Conditions in Monastir.

Zoston, Dec. 9.—The American board of commissioners for foreign missions has received a report from the Rev. E. B. Haskell, one of its missionaries, who has made a canvass of the vilayet of Monastir, devastated by Turkish soldiers. The report tells of villages burned, men, women and children killed, churches and monasteries demolished and emphasizes the need of relief for the stricken people. The following is a summary of the canvass:

Burned villages 17, burned houses 1,300, houseless people 7,330, villages partly looted or injured 3, unarmed men killed 87 (ten after surrender), women killed 9, children killed 4, families injured 1,366, women dishonored 38, total persons injured 7,563, 4 churches and 1 monastery torn down, 14 churches gutted and defiled, 6 schools burned or torn down, 1 school gutted, 2,206 persons have no food.

WOMAN LION TAMER KILLED.

Torn to Pieces in Sight of Great Crowd of People.

Dessau, Germany, Dec. 9.—Frau Fischer, a lion tamer, was torn to pieces by four lions in a menagerie cage and in sight of a great crowd of people. She was trying to make a lion spring through a hoop and struck it with a whip, whereupon the animal leaped upon her and disemboweled her at one stroke. The woman shrieked once and the other three lions joined in the attack on her and fought among themselves for fragments of her flesh. There was a frightful panic among the spectators and many persons were injured. Finally the lion tamer's assistants, armed with iron rods and hooks, succeeded in dragging the animals from the woman's mangled body. The children of Frau Fischer were in a box witnessing the performance when their mother was killed.

DENIED BY MINING MEN.

Say There Is No Truth in Stories of Yaqui Uprising.

Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 9.—The Arizona and Sonora chamber of mines has adopted a resolution requesting the Associated Press to deny as totally false the "articles purporting to give accounts of the Yaqui Indian disturbances in the state of Sonora, Mex., and more particularly of an engagement purported to have taken place at Rapairo, near Susqui Grande, on Nov. 15 last, between Mexican troops and a band of fifty Yaqui Indians, in which it was said the entire troops were annihilated or taken prisoners."

GERMANY GROWING RAPIDLY.

Increase in Population in 1902 Great- est on Record.

Berlin, Dec. 9.—The growth of the population of Germany in 1902, regarding which statistics have just been tabulated, was the greatest ever known, amounting to 902,312, or 15.61 per 1,000, compared with 15.09 in 1901, and 14.63, the average for the last ten years. The number of births during the decade increased only slightly, remaining just above 2,000,000 yearly. The gain, therefore, is due exclusively to the diminished death rate, which was 20.56 in 1902, compared with 22.68 for the previous decade.

FUNERAL OF WILLIAM M. SPRINGER.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The funeral of Senator Representative William M. Springer of Illinois was held at the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal church during the day. Rev. F. M. Bristol, pastor of the church, officiating. Presiding Elder Naylor told of his experience as Mr. Springer's pastor for some years. There was a large attendance at the services, including many members of both houses of congress.

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6:55 a. m. Lv. Kellier	Ar. p. m. 7:50	6:55 a. m. Ar. Hovey Junction	Lv. p. m. 7:55
7:10 a. m. Lv. Blackduck	Lv. p. m. 8:50	7:10 a. m. Lv. Blackduck	Lv. p. m. 8:50
7:27 a. m. Lv. Walker	Lv. p. m. 8:31	7:27 a. m. Lv. Walker	Lv. p. m. 8:31
7:42 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 8:46	7:42 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 8:46
8:20 a. m. Lv. Hacksack	Lv. p. m. 9:50	8:20 a. m. Lv. Hacksack	Lv. p. m. 9:50
9:38 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 11:05	9:38 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 11:05
10:25 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 11:40	10:25 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 11:40
10:46 a. m. Lv. Pine River	Lv. p. m. 12:11	10:46 a. m. Lv. Pine River	Lv. p. m. 12:11
11:05 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 12:52	11:05 a. m. Lv. Bemidji	Lv. p. m. 12:52
12:05 a. m. Ar. Brainerd	Lv. p. m. 2:00	12:05 a. m. Ar. Brainerd	Lv. p. m. 2:00
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1:05 p. m. Lv. Brainerd	Ar. p. m. 12:05	1:05 p. m. Lv. Brainerd	Ar. p. m. 12:05
2:05 p. m. Lv. Little Falls	Lv. p. m. 12:05	2:05 p. m. Lv. Little Falls	Lv. p. m. 12:05
3:04 p. m. Lv. St. Cloud	Lv. p. m. 11:05	3:04 p. m. Lv. St. Cloud	Lv. p. m. 11:05
4:37 p. m. Lv. Anoka	Lv. p. m. 8:46	4:37 p. m. Lv. Anoka	Lv. p. m. 8:46
5:20 Ar. Minneapolis	Lv. p. m. 8:46	5:20 Ar. Minneapolis	Lv. p. m. 8:46
5:50 Ar. St. Paul	Lv. p. m. 8:40	5:50 Ar. St. Paul	Lv. p. m. 8:40
1:10 p. m. Lv. Brainerd	Ar. p. m. 12:35	1:10 p. m. Lv. Brainerd	Ar. p. m. 12:35
1:33 p. m. Lv. Duluth	Lv. p. m. 11:40	1:33 p. m. Lv. Duluth	Lv. p. m. 11:40
1:42 p. m. Lv. Carlton	Lv. p. m. 9:50	1:42 p. m. Lv. Carlton	Lv. p. m. 9:50
4:38 p. m. Lv. West Superior	Lv. p. m. 8:56	4:38 p. m. Lv. West Superior	Lv. p. m. 8:56
4:55 Ar. Duluth	Lv. p. m. 8:40	4:55 Ar. Duluth	Lv. p. m. 8:40
1:25 p. m. Lv. Brainerd	Ar. p. m. 12:45	1:25 p. m. Lv. Brainerd	Ar. p. m. 12:45
6:40 Ar. Fargo	Lv. p. m. 8:00	6:40 Ar. Fargo	Lv. p. m. 8:00
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Duluth, Dec. 8.—Wheat—To arrive—No. 1 hard, 81½¢; No. 1 Northern, 80½¢; No. 2 Northern, 77½¢. On track—No. 1 Northern, 80½¢; No. 2 Northern, 77½¢; No. 3 spring, 74½¢; Dec. 79½¢; May, 81½¢. Flax—In store, on track, to arrive and Dec., 95½¢; May, 99½¢; July, \$1.00½.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.
St. Paul, Dec. 8.—Cattle—Good to choice steers, \$3.75@5.00; common to fair, \$3.25@3.65; good to choice cows and heifers, \$2.50@3.25; veals, \$2.00@4.50. Hogs—\$4.00@4.35. Sheep—Good to choice yearling wethers, \$3.50@4.00; good to choice lambs, \$4.50@5.00.

Chicago Union Stock Yards.
Chicago, Dec. 8.—Cattle—Good to prime steers, \$5.15@6.00; poor to medium, \$2.50@4.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.00@4.25; cows, \$1.50@4.00; heifers, \$2.00@4.75; calves, \$2.60@6.75. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$4.30@4.60; good to choice heavy, \$4.45@4.60; rough heavy, \$4.20@4.40; light, \$4.20@4.45. Sheep—Good to choice wethers, \$3.75@4.25; Western sheep, \$3.00@4.25; native lambs, \$4.00@5.65; Western, \$3.50@5.50.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.
Chicago, Dec. 8.—Wheat—Dec., \$2¼¢; old, 82½¢; May, 82½¢; July, 77½¢. Corn—Dec., 40½¢; Jan., 42½¢ @ 42½¢; May, 42½¢; July, 42½¢ @ 42½¢. Oats—Dec., 34½¢; May, 36¢; July, 33¢. Pork—Jan., \$10.90@10.92½¢; May, \$11.27½¢. Flax—Cash, Northwestern, 97¼¢; Southwestern, 90½¢; Dec., 91¢; May, 95¢; July, 98¢; Sept., \$1.00. Butter—Creameries, 16 @ 25¢; dairies, 16 @ 21¢. Eggs—23 @ 25¢. Poultry—Turkeys, 12¢; chickens, 9¢; springs, 9¢.

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