

THE WIFE-KILLER.

Lauer Coolly Testifies That He Did Not Care for His Wife in Her Dying Moments.

The Old Scandal About the Austin, Mankato & St. Cloud Railway Again Revived.

Sparks' Order Suspending Patents Will Be Revoked in a Few Days - Miller's Remains.

Mason City a Candidate For the Iowa Soldiers' Home - News of North-Western Towns.

Sensational Testimony.

Special to the Globe. OMAHA, Neb., March 15.—In the murder trial today the time of the court was occupied hearing testimony of the prisoner, John W. Lauer, and his sister, Minerva Lauer. The large courtroom was again densely packed without accommodation for the visitors. When Lauer took the stand a hum of excitement passed through the crowd of spectators. Lauer himself was the most unimpaired of all. He gave testimony without the slightest faltering or nervousness, and always used the word "tragedy" when speaking of his wife's death. "I did not know my wife's name," he said on a cross-examination question, "Cowing he became badly mixed and was drawn out to say: 'No, I couldn't tell whether it was the head of my wife or your head. I wish it had been your head. No sooner said Lauer the remark than the counsel for the defense, Judge Thurston, appealed to the court on the ground that such examination was "brutal, unprofessional, vindictive and intended to inflame the audience." The most objectionable part of the cross-examination was the following: "When you knelt by her body and found her dying, did you press your lips to hers?" "I did not." "Did you take out your handkerchief and wipe the blood from her forehead?" "I did not." "Did you bring water to cool her parched lips?" "I did not." "No," said Judge Cowing, "expressly, 'of course you did none of these things.' Miss Lauer's testimony was also badly ridiculed. Neither of them produced any points of defence. The evidence will be concluded today.

RAILROAD SCANDAL.

Commissioner Baker on the Austin, Mankato & St. Cloud Sell-Out.

Special to the Globe. MANKATO, March 15.—The old and oft-discussed scandal of the sell-out of the Austin, Mankato & St. Cloud railway project by the board of directors, of which Gen. J. H. Baker was secretary, is being re-examined in this court today. It is being done in order to clear up an explanation of this action, which, it is claimed, cheated the richest and most prosperous section of Blue Earth county out of a railroad. The bill is now open in earnest and unless an explanation is soon made which will dispel all semblance of fraud Mr. Baker will lose much of his standing in this community. The people are after game and will have it in any case. Judge Baker was in the city today and was interviewed by your correspondent. He says that the present agitation results from personal spite on the part of a few of his enemies and is nothing but an old screed. He says that he stands under no delusion which is absolutely unjust and uncalled for. He stated that there never was a more honorable transaction than that of the Austin, Mankato & St. Cloud railway matter. It is his opinion that the whole affair will finally be cleared up and that the project of the present time to spend any time in combatting the flippant attacks of his personal enemies. He said further that he was ready and willing to go before the Mankato board of trade, or any proper authority, and explain the whole transaction.

The Order to be Revoked.

Special to the Globe. WASHINGTON, March 15.—Representative Strait said to your correspondent today that he has not yet received the order suspending patents within a few days Secretary Lamar would revoke it for him. Strait has been indefatigable in endeavoring to have the order rescinded. W. H. Sanborn and wife and Clarke Handover of St. Paul are here.

Senator Miller's Remains.

Special to the Globe. OMAHA, Neb., March 15.—The remains of Senator Miller arrived here to-night on the Burlington. They were accompanied by Senator Jones of Nevada, and Johnson, chief clerk of the United States senate; Congressman Sprigg of New York; Miller, of Maine; Morgan of Mississippi; Luttel of California; Lagson of Kentucky; Hepburn of Iowa; Mrs. Mary Miller, Miss Dorcas Miller and Lieut. Clover. The remains were placed in a casket and forwarded over the Union Pacific. That bearing the remains was full of floral tokens.

Iowa Legislative Affairs.

Special to the Globe. DES MOINES, Ia., March 15.—In the house the concurrent senate resolution relative to the president's veto of the Des Moines river land bill, adopted on Saturday, was reconsidered this afternoon and laid over. When the house proceeded to the introduction of bills and committee reports, owing to the slim attendance, the senate the committee on federal relations reported against the congressional increase of rates on fourth class mail matter. Senator Scott presented a resolution providing for a statute by which the Iowa cities are to be placed in the capital. The bill providing for the consolidation of townships heretofore divided passed.

Mason City's Welcome.

Special to the Globe. MASON CITY, Ia., March 15.—The joint committee of the senate and house of representatives appointed by the Iowa legislature to visit the various cities that are competing for the soldiers' home, arrived here today by a special train from the east over the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul. They were met at the depot by a delegation of citizens, including the mayor and city council, headed by the Mason City brass band. After a grand repast was furnished them at the Dyer house, the committee were driven through the city and shown the fine normal and industrial advantages. Mason City can present for the soldiers' home. They departed highly pleased with the country shown them by our citizens. Many of the members had their wives with them.

Parliament Facts.

Special to the Globe. FARRISBURG, March 15.—The majority question is assuming shape. Already the names of six candidates have been mentioned by their friends, as follows: W. R. Baldwin, Lee Wood, E. N. Levens, H. E. Barron, D. D. Newcomb and R. A. Scott. Baldwin seems to have the most friends, and without a doubt if he should consent to enter the race, and should be elected, he would make a good officer. Dyer Wood's name is heard often, so also is Levens'; but the friends of the other three gentlemen, for reasons best known to themselves, do not boom their favorites very strongly. Judge B. Quinn, an old and highly respected resident of Farrisburg, but now located in Minneapolis, met with a serious accident in that city a few days ago while stepping from a Fourth avenue car at his residence, corner of Fourth avenue and Nineteenth street. He slipped and fell on the ice, dislocating his shoulder and cutting several gashes over his left eye. He will be confined to the house for a number of days. The new building trustees of Sabbath school will build this season will cost about \$60,000. It will be of stone, three stories and a basement, and is to be known as Sturtevant hall. The cornerstone will be laid at the June commencing. Mrs. R. P. Williams, Chicago; Rev. C. H. Fitzwilliams, London; Rev. D. G. Wright, Boston; Rev. R. L. Mize, N. Tipton, Boston; and Frank Rose, Cleveland, were registered at the Arlington today. W. W. Snyder and family returned from Minneapolis yesterday, where they have been attending the six-day bicycle race. As will be seen in another column of this morning's GLOBE, Mr. Snyder issues a challenge to Earl Bell for a fifty-mile race at the Fair-

hull rink Saturday next. It will be one of the fastest rides in the West. Will Turner, the express messenger who "ran against" Nichols, the murdered expressman on the Rock Island, is an old Farrisburg boy. Turner met Nichols at Morris every night and was one of the first to discover the crime.

Winona Falls.

Special to the Globe. WINONA, March 14.—William Empe had the intention to break his leg by the knee while playing a game of pool in the main hall of the city. He fell on his back, and was promptly carried by a surgeon and taken to the hospital. The fracture was a compound one, and the patient is now in a bad way. The number of patients in the hospital seems to be daily increasing. The trial of J. McGuire, who was arrested on a charge of an attempt to pass a counterfeit silver dollar, was examined by United States Commissioner C. H. Berry today. The evidence showed that McGuire was well aware that the money was a counterfeit, having been made at Winona. The case was postponed until Monday. The polo game between the Winona and Green teams will be called at 9 o'clock Monday evening. J. McGuire, who was arrested on a charge of an attempt to pass a counterfeit silver dollar, was examined by United States Commissioner C. H. Berry today. The evidence showed that McGuire was well aware that the money was a counterfeit, having been made at Winona. The case was postponed until Monday. The polo game between the Winona and Green teams will be called at 9 o'clock Monday evening.

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OWATONNA, Minn., March 15.—Three converts were immersed at the Baptist church last night. The number of converts is growing larger every week. The ladies' aid society is holding a meeting for the purpose of raising money for the purchase of a piano for the church. The case was postponed until Monday. The polo game between the Winona and Green teams will be called at 9 o'clock Monday evening.

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Two Shots in His Eye. A Wahpeton Hotelkeeper Quarrels With His Family While Drunk and Then Commits Suicide.

J. H. Bream of Taylor, Dak., Swindled Out of \$300 by a Celebrated Bank Steerer.

Woods, the Murderer of a Mail Carrier, on Trial at Bismarck--Gilbert's Case.

Fargo Democrats Nominate a Winning Ticket for the Great Enthusiasm--Notes.

Result of a Quarrel.

Special to the Globe. WAHPETON, March 15.—Shortly after 6 o'clock this evening Anton Peitz, keeper of a small farmers' hotel, committed suicide by firing two shots in his left eye. Death was almost instantaneous. At the inquest to-night it transpired that Peitz was under the influence of liquor and had been quarreling with his little boy, and upon his wife remonstrating with him, became indignant and asked if he hadn't anything to say in his house. Afterwards he got his revolver, and upon being asked what he was doing he told his wife to get out of the house when he killed himself. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of death by pistol shot from his own hand. He leaves a wife and three children in poor circumstances. His wife is frantic with grief. The event has caused considerable excitement in town.

A Dakota Bank Steerer.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—A middle-aged man giving the name of J. H. Bream of Taylor, Clark county, Dak., an extensive farmer and stock raiser and justice of the peace, complained to the police today that he had been swindled at the "saw-dust" game in New York. He fell in with a party of three men who talked him into a game of "The" Davis, brother of "Tom" Davis, who lost his life while trying to play the same game on James T. Holland of Texas. Bream paid \$300 for \$1,000 in alleged counterfeit money. His friend kindly made a list of the names of the parties who had been swindled, and he is now in Philadelphia, whither Bream was going. When Bream got the bag from the express company it contained only pebbles.

A Murderer on Trial.

GILBERT'S ACQUITTAL--Bismarck's Political State. Bismarck, Dak., March 15.—In the United States district court today, the trial of Charles A. Woods, for the murder of Fleury, the half-breed interpreter and mail carrier, commenced. Woods was a soldier in the United States army and shot Fleury in a quarrel, resulting from a dispute at a dance at Fort Buford. Woods was acquitted. The case was postponed until Monday. The polo game between the Winona and Green teams will be called at 9 o'clock Monday evening.

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A Drawn Game. NEW ORLEANS, March 15.—The fifteenth game of chess for the world's championship between Zukertort and Steinitz, and the sixth game of the series in this city, was played this afternoon, and ended in a draw after forty-nine moves by Zukertort, who played with the white men, and fifty, Zukertort, 1:12; Steinitz, 2:14.

Truth Telling Requires Practice. "I am going to tell you the truth, sir, and no hypocrisy about it," said the tramp. "I want 10 cents to get a drink of whisky. I can get all the bread I want; but I haven't had a good corker of old rye for three days."

"That is the awfulest lie you ever told," replied the citizen. "for I am the man who gave you the drink only ten minutes ago. No more for me, old man."

Moral: It requires constant practice to tell the truth truthfully.--Burdette.

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