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TO SAVE HER SONS.

Mrs. Thomas Stevenson sacrificed Her Life Without Avail.

CABE MAY, N. J., Feb. 20.—The wife and two sons of Thomas Stevenson were drowned in a pond near their home at Eldorado, near here. Two boys, who were ten and thirteen years of age, were playing on the ice, when they broke through. Their screams attracted the attention of the mother, who ran to save them, and all perished.

DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

Decatur, Ala.—Fire this afternoon destroyed the greater portion of one of the main business blocks, causing a loss of \$100,000; Insurance about \$50,000.

Quebec—The remains of the late Ed-ward Mayo, the actor, were taken to Philadelphia last night for interment.

New York—The directors of the National Tube company, at a meeting today, declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the preferred stock.

Washington—The seventy-eighth meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers began here tonight and will continue through Friday.

Boston—The house tonight had its annual debate on woman suffrage, resulting in the defeat of the proposition, 24 to 32, a larger majority than for many years.

Something of a Giant.

Rus J. Whipple, who is accused of killing a man named Moore at Solway, was seen by a reporter yesterday. He is 8 feet 4 inches in height.

Woman's Trials

Increase from girlhood to the grave.

The question of health is always before her. Thirty years of her life is a battle with menstruation, and not one woman in a hundred escapes the ills which lie in wait from month to month.

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GROCERS AT WINOONA

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR THE CONVENTION THAT OPENS TODAY

THE FIRST DAY'S PROGRAMME

Delegations Going Out on the Trains to Meet the Visitors—Mayor Webb to Deliver an Address of Welcome—Annual Address and Reports Will Follow—Arrangements Made to Accommodate a Crowd.

WINONA, Minn., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Everything is now in readiness for the big state grocers' convention, which opens in Winona tomorrow. At a meeting of the local grocers, held this evening, delegations were named to go a short distance up the several railroads and meet the delegates before they reach the city.

Mr. Stevens, of Chicago, ex-attorney and ex-secretary of the Chicago Grocers' association, is in the city already. He gained some notoriety by inducing the Missouri legislature to pass a law to prohibit department stores in cities with a population of 50,000 or more in that state.

The following is the programme of the convention for tomorrow afternoon, which will be called to order at 2 o'clock sharp: Introduction of Mayor—President J. T. Robb, Winona.

Address of Welcome—Hon. E. K. Tarbell, mayor of Winona. Response to Address of Welcome—Mr. J. P. Mahan, of Minneapolis. Enrollment of Delegates. Appointment of committees. Institution of a large curfew. This is the annual address—President P. G. Hanson.

Report of Secretary—Mr. J. H. Tenover, of St. Paul. Report of Treasurer—Mr. Charles F. Rappe, of St. Paul.

BUTTERMAKERS' CONVENTION.

Between Three and Four Thousand Delegates at Lincoln.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 20.—With the arrival today of the Kansas, Iowa and Minnesota buttermakers, all the large delegations expected for the week's convention are accounted for. The estimated attendance would be 3,400. The general sessions will be held in the Auditorium almost continually until Friday night. The convention opened at 10 o'clock.

The initial session of the eighth annual convention of the association was called today by President Boardman, of Iowa, shortly after 2 o'clock. The session was a surprisingly large, despite the number who remained in the exhibit building and machinery hall.

An address of welcome by Gov. Poynter was read by his private secretary. Secretary Allen spoke briefly in favor of pure food.

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LARGE LUMBER DEAL.

Cleveland Parties Purchase a Large Lot of Wisconsin Timber.

DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 20.—Word has reached Duluth of a reliable source of the completion of a large lumber deal that has been pending for some time. The deal involves the sale by W. H. Gilbert, of Ashland, Wis., of 500,000 feet of log run stock, Cleveland parties for a consideration of between \$50,000 and \$700,000. About 30,000,000 feet of the stock will be sawed in Duluth and the balance in Ashland.

"Leading Farmer" Dies.

WHITE EARTH, Minn., Feb. 20.—Negah-wah-wah-abe (Red Lake, Pequot) risked head chief of the Chippewas of Red Lake, is dead. He was about eighty-five years of age. He was not only a brave warrior, but a wise and successful business man. He was a member of the Chippewas of Red Lake, and was a member of the Chippewas of Red Lake, and was a member of the Chippewas of Red Lake.

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Freight Conference Called.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Western freight traffic managers have selected a committee of nine to meet representatives of the Eastern trunk lines in New York next Tuesday for the purpose of making a final argument for a satisfactory settlement of the freight rate war.

South Dakota's Missing Colony.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Feb. 20.—Threats against the colony of the Northern Pacific railway crossing the ordinance submitted by the proposed ordinance of the Northern Pacific legal department, and adjourned until April 10. The ordinance provides for a double track railroad viaduct at Twentieth and the bridge at Church street, and for a double track railway plate girder bridge over the street and University avenue, and will bear all the expense of the grades, which the city is expected to pay.

Minneapolis Breivites.

Bertha Reichel has begun an action for a divorce from Otto Reichel on the grounds of desertion.

An order has been filed by the full bench allowing the final account of James D. Shearer, as receiver of the Minneapolis Savings bank, \$500 for his services.

Officer Thomas Collins, of the First precinct police, was on the carpet before yesterday afternoon charged with neglect of duty.

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was held this evening under the auspices of the Liberal-Edgemoor club, at Bethnal Green, London. The hall was decorated with the Transval colors. Thirty policemen were present. There was no interference with the proceedings. Resolutions were passed protesting against the war in South Africa as unjust.

TRiumPHAL ENTRY.

How Gen. French was Received by Kimberley People.

MODDER RIVER, Monday, Feb. 19.—Although the rapid march of Gen. French's division was marked by a number of conflicts, the actual entry into Kimberley was unopposed. When the British were still eight miles off the siege line, a messenger brought a message from the beleaguered garrison to Modder River, saying: "The Boers are shelling the town."

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The reply satisfied the defenders of Kimberley that the anxiously awaited succor was at hand. A few hours later Gen. French, at the head of the column, made a triumphant entry into the place, the people surrounding the troops and intermingling with them, cheering wildly, grasping the soldiers' hands, waving flags and banners, and exhibiting in a hundred ways the intensity of their joy.

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Editor Ford's Troubles.

PARIBAUT, Minn., Feb. 20.—E. B. Ford, editor of the Referendum, was arrested this morning on a charge of criminal libel, prepared by Dr. A. T. Rogers, superintendent of the institution for the insane.

Miss Belle Van Eman, the school teacher whom Ford accused of whipping Albert K. Ford, a 12-year-old boy, with a horse whip, has brought a civil suit for damages of \$5,000. It is said she had a large crowd of people on the morning the criminal libel suit brought against Ford by B. B. Sheffield was continued for a few days.

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Marriage at Moorhead.

MOORHEAD, Minn., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Edward L. Morris and Miss Della Doolittle were married this morning at the residence of the bride's parents, on an extended wedding trip. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bodkin, of this city.

Fifteenth Regiment Man.

LIVERNE, Minn., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—First Sergeant J. E. Preston, of the Fifteenth Minnesota regiment, and son of Mr. and Mrs. James Preston, and Miss Frances, of the Millington, Minn., were united in matrimony at the home of the bride's parents this evening.

Bird Island Blaze.

BIRD ISLAND, Minn., Feb. 20.—M. Hodgson's confectionery store, and restaurant burned early this morning. Loss, \$1,000. Insured in American Newark for \$500.

Frightful Accident.

ELLSWORTH, Wis., Feb. 20.—The five-year-old son of John Brenner, residing near here, fell in a vat of boiling water and was fatally scalded. The child died after many hours of suffering.

For Another Creamery.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The Business Men's league, of Faulk county, has appointed a committee to investigate the advisability of establishing a creamery in that city.

GIVEN UP FOR LOST.

Barge Oakland and Her Crew of Four Men.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—It seems likely that the missing Pomory Coal company's barge Oakland, which was lost on Saturday morning off the New Jersey coast, while in tow of the tug Nathan Hale, on Feb. 18, has been found. The barge, which was carrying 3,000 tons of coal, has been sighted at the bottom. The Oakland's crew of four men follows: Capt. A. B. Crocker, forty-five years of age, of Boston; W. H. Varty, thirty-three years of age, of Norfolk, Va.; Engineer Cesar Ignacio Ferro, twenty-five years of age, of Brava, Cape Verde islands; S. E. Hopkins, deck hand, twenty-three years of age, of Maine.

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BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Rev. W. H. Brooks, D.D., for many years secretary of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts, died at his room in the Revere house today, aged sixty-nine. Dr. Brooks had been secretary of the diocese for twenty-six years. In this capacity he also acted as private secretary to Bishop Brooks and Bishop Lawrence.

Third Avenue Gets Millions.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Treasurer Curtis, of the Third Avenue railroad, announced today that the committee appointed to study the proposed extension of the line to the city had entered into an agreement with a syndicate of bankers from which the company will be furnished with \$2,000,000 cash. The syndicate has made an agreement with other parties for an additional sum of \$2,000,000 cash.

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House of Commons Refuses to Reopen the Inquiry.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The house of commons today was crowded when Mr. David Alfred Thomas, Liberal, moved the reopening of the inquiry into the Jameson raid. Among those in the diplomatic galleries was the United States ambassador, Mr. Joseph H. Choate.

Mr. Thomas disclaimed any personal animosity against Mr. Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, but said the inconclusive nature of the first inquiry had created widespread dissatisfaction, which had deepened the indignation at the disclosure of the contents of newspapers impugning the impartiality of the committee. He said it was in the interests of the nation and the character and reputation of the house of commons, and Mr. Chamberlain, that there should be a full and searching inquiry.

Mr. Chamberlain explained that Mr. Rhodes was charged with two distinct offenses. He was accused, first, of conspiring to bring about the raid, on which he was found guilty, and condemned in the strongest terms by the committee. The second charge was that he had raised the value of his property, and Mr. Chamberlain said that, which should have not been made, and of which Mr. Rhodes was absolutely guilty.

The house rejected the motion to reopen the inquiry by a vote of 286 against 152.

PROBABLE PLANS.

What Spencer Wilkinson Says of War Situation.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Spencer Wilkinson, reviewing the military situation in the Morning Post today, says: "The meaning of the position in Natal is that the Boers have sent the bulk of their force to resist Lord Roberts' advance. The plan is to push on to Laing's Nek, or to send back two divisions to reinforce Lord Roberts, retaining two in Natal to complete the recovery of the northern frontier."

"It is hoped that Lord Roberts will overcome Gen. Cronje before the latter is reinforced. Otherwise the British commander may find himself facing a Boer army equal in strength to his own, as all Boers appear to be hurrying toward Cronje. The British commanders ought to be able to free both Natal and Cape Colony from the enemy. The actions now in progress are the decisive battles of the war, and every effort must be made to reinforce Roberts."

FATAL AFFRAY.

One Man Killed and Two Wounded in a Kentucky "Blind Pig."

CORBIN, Ky., Feb. 20.—In a shooting affray in a "blind pig," in this city, today, George Harp was shot through the heart, dying instantly. Lieut. A. B. Early was shot in the elbow and back, not dangerously. The shooting was a result of a dispute over a game of craps. It is uncertain who killed Harp.

BY GERMAN VETERANS.

Washington's Birthday Will Be Celebrated at the Capitol.

The following is the programme for the celebration of Washington's birthday by the German-American Veterans' association at representative hall, state capitol, tomorrow afternoon. J. C. Sudheimer will preside.

Prayer, by Rev. Herman Zeigler. Song, "The Star-Spangled Banner," by Miss Ella Henniger, accompanied by Miss Nellie Seeger.

Oration by Gen. John B. Sanborn, accompanied by Miss Flora Polster, accompanied by Miss Boettcher.

Song, "The Star-Spangled Banner," by Miss Schaller and Miss Lulu Enderlein, accompanied by Mr. Lindner.

Recitation by Miss Alice Schoch. Remarks by Maj. John Egan. Song by Cornelia E. Brownwell. Recitation by Miss Fannie Dean. "America" by the audience.

DR. BLISS' LECTURE.

A Large Audience Greeted Him at the Capitol.

A large and enthusiastic audience greeted Dr. Bliss on his lecture on "Public Ownership," delivered at the capitol last night.

The subject of Dr. Bliss' lecture tonight is "Woman's Work and Wages, or the Coming Woman and the Going Man."

MOZART'S ANNUAL BALL.

It Will Be Given at Mozart Hall Monday Evening.

The fourth annual subscription mask ball to be given by the Mozart club at the Mozart hall next Monday evening promises to be the most brilliant and enjoyable affair of its kind of the season. The programme is:

8 to 9 O'clock—Promenade concert by the Danz orchestra.

9 O'clock—Procession of Prince Carnival and cortege.

9:30 O'clock—Carnival scene from the opera "Stradella."

Subscription lists and tickets with Mrs. P. J. Gleason, of Washburn street; Paul Reichel, Seventh and St. Peter streets; Henry Backstrom, 11 East Seventh street; Emil Geist, 50 East Seventh street; P. H. Mittlens, Ninth and Washburn streets.

DISTRIBUTING TROUT FRY.

State Game Commission Preparing for the Spring Work.

The state game and fish commission is preparing for its annual distribution of trout fry. Executive Agent Beutner said yesterday that the commission would begin shipments of fry by April 1, a much earlier date than usual. Last year 370,000 young trout fry were sent out, and this year it is expected that over 3,000,000 will be distributed over the state.

Louis G. Stevenson, of Detroit, a member of the commission, will make a special effort this year to secure a large number of pike fry, and all available sources will be worked as early as possible in the spring.

GRAND LODGE, I. O. F.

It Will Hold Its Annual Meeting at Elks' Hall Today.

The grand lodge meeting of the Independent Order of Foresters will be held today at the Elks' hall. J. A. McMillan, supreme secretary, of Toronto, and Louis G. Stevenson, of Detroit, a member of the supreme council, will be present. It is expected that there will be 100 delegates and officers in attendance.

IN THE RESCUE WORK.

The Rescue meeting at the Helping Hand Mission last evening was an enthusiastic one. C. C. Palmer, Rev. Mr. C. C. Palmer, of Detroit, a member of the mission, will address another meeting at the same place this evening.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

Two Men Killed and Three Others Badly Injured.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 20.—A dynamite explosion occurred in the Union Pacific gravel pits, thirty miles west of Cheyenne, today, in which two men were killed and three injured. The injured are: Robert Parker, laborer, both legs torn off, died shortly after the explosion. John Louinger, laborer, stomach blown away. The injured are: George Parfrey, legs shattered, skull fractured, will die. Paul Porgan, legs mangled and back injured; may die. James Edward, hole in the neck, will probably recover. "The men were thawing out dynamite with hot water when the explosion occurred. The laborers were blown away from the track, but not injured. Little damage was done railroad property."

Through Tourist Sleeping Car Service to Texas, Old Mexico and California.

Via Chicago Great Western Railway to Kansas City and Missouri, Kansas City, Texas, San Antonio & Aransas Pass and Southern Pacific Railways through Dallas, San Antonio, El Paso and Los Angeles to San Francisco. Only three car lines from the Northwest to Texas points, and connecting at Spofford Junction for all points in California. These cars are in charge of an experienced official and leave St. Paul every Friday at 11:20 p. m., and San Francisco on Monday, El Paso, Tuesday, Los Angeles at noon Wednesday, and San Francisco, early Thursday morning. These are Pullman Touring Cars similar to those run on all transcontinental lines. Only three regular berths are about half those regularly carried. Persons who have made the trip to California via other routes, if they wish to change, can do so at any of the following points: San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Antonio, El Paso, Dallas, St. Paul, and Chicago. For full information consult the agent at St. Paul, or the agent at any of the above points.

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children growing nicely? Stronger each month? A trifle heavier? Or is one of them growing the other way? Growing weaker, growing thinner, growing paler? If so, you should try Scott's Emulsion.

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