

H. C. FRICK SHOT.

PROBABLY FATALLY WOUNDED BY A RUSSIAN ANARCHIST.

NOT THE WORK OF A STRIKER.

The Chairman of the Carnegie Steel Association Shot Four Times Without a Moment's Warning—The Wretch is Proud of His Act—The News Causes Great Excitement Throughout the Country.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 23.—H. C. Frick, chairman of the great Carnegie Iron and steel company and the man generally held mainly responsible for the present trouble at Homestead and elsewhere, was shot at 1:55 o'clock this afternoon by a man named Alexander Berkman, who lives on Forty-second street, New York city. He is a Russian Jew and is supposed to be an anarchist.

This morning Berkman called several times at Mr. Frick's office. He stated that his business was of a private nature. Mr. Frick was too busy



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to see callers but finally the man gained admission. Evidently some words were exchanged, and as the pistol was displayed, Mr. Frick turned around the table. This is why the shots all took effect in the back and back of the neck.

The would-be assassin had frequently been in Mr. Frick's office and was admitted to-day without question. Mr. Frick was alone and what passed between them is not yet known. Secretary Leishman rushed in and grabbed the man, who turned on him, but was overpowered. The police was then summoned and the man taken to Central station.

One of the Carnegie clerks who came to the door after the shooting occurred said: "We were all busily engaged at work. The door leading from the hallway stood open. Mr. Frick was alone in his private office. Suddenly we were all startled by a noise which sounded like the swinging of a door. About half a minute afterward four pistol shots broke the stillness of the office and just then a man darted out from Mr. Frick's private office. It was then we realized what had occurred, and, running to Mr. Frick, found him lying upon the floor with his hand near his heart. As the assassin reached the doorway he was intercepted by some men who had heard the shots fired and they stopped him."

David Fortney, the elevator man, said that the would-be assassin had been in and about the building for three days. Six or eight times he had taken him up in the elevator. Each time he asked to see Mr. Bosworth of the Frick company. Fortney said he never liked the looks of the man, whom he described as a Hebrew, with a mean, sneaking look.

The shooting was done with a Hopkins & Allen 38-caliber revolver. Four chambers of it are empty. Berkman said he was a Russian Jew and had been in this country four years. He came here from New York only a few days ago. He worked, so he said, for the Singer machine company. While here he stopped at the Merchant's hotel.

The Wretch Proud of His Act. When Berkman arrived at the Central police station he presented a most desperate appearance and looked and acted the anarchist he is said to be. His curly hair seemed to be standing on end and his sallow complexion was bleached to an ashen whiteness. He was covered from head to foot with blood, and was very much excited, but seemed proud of his deed. When the question was repeated by an Associated press representative as to why he shot Mr. Frick, he said: "Well, I guess you know."

Berkman would not talk further and was hustled upstairs in the police station. He was placed in one of the women's cells, which are closed out from public view and is on the second range. Mr. Frick had no guards about him as had been generally reported. Since the commencement of the trouble he had never barred his office door and was easily to be seen on inquiry of a doorkeeper. Strangers were of course asked their business and if the answer was that it was of a private nature the reply would be accepted and the visitor shown into the room. Mr. Frick walked about his office building and on the streets unaccompanied. He thought no one would molest him.

The excitement over the shooting was intense. The news spread like wildfire, and in a few minutes Fifth avenue in the vicinity of the Carnegie offices, which are located in the same building as the Associated press offices, was thronged with an excited crowd.

Indignation was generally expressed at the cowardly crime and the perpetrator was denounced on all sides and by all classes. As he was escorted to the station a large crowd followed crying, "Shoot him! Hang him!"

Hugh O'Donnell Deeply Moved.

Ex-Sheriff Gray was on the stand when the news reached the court room that Mr. Frick had been shot four

times in his office and the news caused great excitement.

Hugh O'Donnell said: "Oh, that is terrible, that is terrible." He was deeply and visibly affected, and it was with the greatest effort that he could control himself.

At the station, Berkman said that he was a Russian Jew, and that he was proud of his nationality. He was stripped of all his clothing and a new suit put on him. He is evidently a cigarette fiend. His fingers were yellow with nicotine. He had a common plated cigarette box with six bullets in it. He also had just thirteen .38-caliber bullets. He had a cheap plated silver watch, which was twenty minutes slow and stopped shortly after he was arrested. He was very uncommunicative and it was only after persistent questioning that anything was elicited from him.

A second examination was made of Berkman at 4 o'clock and two dynamite cartridges were found in his mouth.

At 4:45 o'clock the physicians sent out word that Mr. Frick was considered out of danger. All three balls had been extracted.

Officer McRoberts who assisted in arresting the man, said: "Mr. Frick was standing up when he reached the room and several of the clerks had the fellow down on the floor bathing him in the blood of the man he attempted to murder. Mr. Frick was one of the bravest fellows I ever saw. I don't really believe he knew he was shot, and when I turned him around I saw that he had a big hole in the back of his coat from which blood was streaming."

Ex-Judge Reed, counsel for the Carnegie company, and Captain Rodgers were admitted, and when Mr. Frick saw them he smiled. Captain Rodgers said: "Keep up your courage, Frick; you are all right."

Mr. Frick smiled and said: "Oh, yes; I'll be all right, I guess."

HENRY CLAY FRICK.

A Brief Sketch of the Career of the Millionaire Coke Manufacturer.

Henry Clay Frick has been chairman of the board of trustees of the Carnegie steel association since July 1, when all of Carnegie's interests were consolidated. Previous to that time he was best known as the head of the H. C. Frick coke company. Although he is only 42 years old he has fought numerous battles with labor at his coke works and has been victorious in every one. Frick has been classed as third in the list of America's great coal kings, Jay Gould and the Coxe family of Drifton, Pa., being respectively first and second. He owns or controls over 25,000 acres of rich coal land in Western Pennsylvania. This enormous bed of fuel is mainly in the Connellsville coking coal region. The H. C. Frick coke company has over 7,000 ovens; its daily output is about 12,000 tons and its total product is larger than that of any other coke producing company in the world. His fortune is estimated at from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000. Twenty years ago he was a bookkeeper on a small salary. He was industrious, saved his money, won the respect of his employers and later entered into business for himself. In 1869 Frick entered his grandfather's flour mill and distillery at Braddock as bookkeeper. While there he discovered the possibilities of the coke business. With the means then at his command he purchased an interest in a coal tract near Brazil and with several other young men built fifty coke ovens. This number was soon doubled, more land was purchased and a second time the number of ovens was doubled, making 200 in all. In 1873 the panic came. Frick's partners, embarrassed by too numerous indentments, were forced to sell their interests, which were purchased by friends of Frick. As the financial distress increased, others in the coke business were forced to sell and Mr. Frick or his friends were on hand to buy. Ovens which he could not buy he leased.

Frick carried on the business in his own name until 1878, when he sold one share to F. M. Ferguson of New York and the H. C. Frick company began its existence. In 1882 the Carnegie company bought a large share in the coke company, and the name was changed to the H. C. Frick coke company. It was then the largest coke company in the world, controlling over 12,000 acres of coal land, more than 4,000 ovens and giving employment to 5,000 men. Several years later Mr. Frick purchased an interest in the firm of Carnegie, Phipps & Co., Pittsburg, and when W. L. Abbott retired three months ago Mr. Frick succeeded him as chairman of that company.

The capital stock of the Carnegie steel association is \$25,000,000, and when elected chairman of the board of trustees Mr. Frick was given absolute control. The Homestead plant is valued at \$8,000,000. Ten years ago Mr. Frick married Miss Ada Childs, daughter of the late Asa P. Childs of Pittsburg, who for many years was at the head of Pennsylvania's cotton mills. The union was blessed with four children. The last of

whom—a boy—was born during the recent riot, and on the same day that the New York Sun published an editorial condemning the action of the strikers. The boy has since been named Charles Anderson Dana Frick.

Senators Discuss the Affair.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—But few senators were in the chamber when the news came of the shooting of Mr. Frick. They were deeply impressed and some of those who had been foremost in the discussions which had taken place on the subject of the relations of capital and labor and the Homestead troubles were plunged into a thoughtful mood. It was with feelings of relief that they received the dispatch announcing that the act was not committed by any of the strikers, although some of the senators who sympathized with the latter feared that the labor organization would be held chargeable for the occurrence by many people who jump at conclusions.

The Feeling at Homestead.

HOMESTEAD, Pa., July 23.—Strikers in Homestead are shocked over the shooting of H. C. Frick at the hands

of a crank in Pittsburg. The first unthinking moment of some of the men was one of condemnation of Frick but the cooler heads, and without exception the American leaders of the strike, sternly suppressed these manifestations and were most outspoken in their denunciation of the attempted murder.

Near the Western Union office, a brawny steel worker dropped on his knees on the sidewalk with clasped hands and uplifted eyes to thank God. Friends quickly hustled him away.

MORE MAY GO OUT.

Pressure Being Brought to Bear on the Edgar Thompson Employees.

HOMESTEAD, Pa., June 23.—This morning a general, concerted movement of the strikers on the Edgar Thompson steel works at Braddock, the greatest of the Carnegie plants now in operation, was begun and every train from here to that point was more than crowded. The strikers all believe that the Edgar Thompson men can be induced to quit work and the Amalgamated association is ready to promise everything to the Braddock men if they will join the sympathy movement.

Despite the gloomy reports from the coke region the men here do not intend to abandon that region without an attempt to secure aid. For that purpose it is proposed, if the Braddock men strike, to make personal appeals to the coke workers, send up Slav orators and agitators, and scatter broadcast pamphlets bearing on the strike and appeal to the men to take advantage of this time and organize. What with borough officers, special watchmen of the Amalgamated association, coal and iron police, Carnegie watchmen, deputy sheriffs and militia, this certainly is the most policed town in the world. There are far more coperservators of the peace than probable law breakers.

Arbitration to Be Sought.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 23.—There was no change in the situation at the city mills of Carnegie to-day, and everything was quiet.

It is stated that the attorneys of the Amalgamated association will file a petition in court asking that the present troubles between the former workmen at Homestead and the Carnegie Steel company be settled by a board of arbitration to be appointed by the court under what is known as the voluntary arbitration act of 1883. The company's officials say arbitration must be requested by both sides, which has not been done. Besides the names of the strikers have been stricken from the pay rolls and they are in no sense employees. One hundred non-union men were taken to Homestead to-day by the steamer Tide.

O'Donnell to Go on the Stage.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., July 23.—Samuel W. Boyd of this city returned from New York to-day where he went last Tuesday for the purpose of securing a contract with Hugh O'Donnell, leader of the Homestead strikers, for his appearance in the capital and labor play, "Underground," which will soon be produced at Pittsburg. D. L. Hart of this city, author of the play, telegraphed O'Donnell offering him an engagement.

Carnegie Blamed for Cruiser Delays.

PHILADELPHIA, July 23.—Work on the cruiser New York is being delayed on account of the non-receipt of plates from the Carnegie works. The boat will be launched next week. No armor for the Massachusetts is here, the Carnegie people being the contractors.

BOLD, BUT NOT EXPERT.

Would-Be Bank Robbers in Kansas Felled by Their Inexperience.

WICHITA, Kan., July 23.—A bold attempt to rob the bank at Derby was made last night by two strangers who hired a buggy here yesterday afternoon. The charge of powder which blew open the safe was, however, so noisy that the neighborhood was awakened and the burglars only just managed to get away themselves without taking any swag. The buggy was found hitched near by.

—The reputation of Garfield Tea is encircling the globe, orders coming in for it not only from Europe but far India.

MEADE'S RECORD MAKER.

The Atchison Absconder's Principal Victims Women—A Dying Man Deceived.

ATCHISON, Kan., July 23.—The whereabouts of R. C. Meade, the missing insurance agent, still remains a mystery. A private box belonging to Meade was opened yesterday by Mrs. Meade's attorney. It contained several thousand dollars in worthless mortgages on imaginary property. Meade's victims are mostly women, and he got away with at least \$10,000 of their money.

The saddest case is that of Mrs. Pilkington, the widow, who lost \$2,400. The day before George W. Pilkington died Meade called at the house and talked with the sick man a long time. When he left he bent over the invalid and imprinted a kiss on his forehead. After Meade had gone Pilkington called his wife to his bedside and, with tears streaming down his face, told her to trust everything to Meade, and she did. She received \$2,400 from the A. O. U. W. as insurance on her husband's life and she gave it to Meade to invest.

The A. O. U. W. will make an appropriation to hunt Meade. The insurance companies will compel Meade's bondsmen to settle his indebtedness to them, which is about \$1,500.

NINE MEN FACE DEATH.

Deadly Explosion of Gas in the Tunnel of a Pennsylvania Colliery.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., July 23.—An explosion of gas occurred in the tunnel on the first lift of New York farm colliery at 11 o'clock this morning by which nine men are known to have been killed outright and probably three others whose bodies cannot be found, while at least ten men are more or less badly burned and mutilated, some of whom will die.

Deacon Seeks Divorce.

PARIS, July 23.—Edward Parker Deacon, who is serving a one year's sentence at Grasse for shooting and killing M. Abeille at the Hotel Splendide, Nice, has opened proceedings against his wife for divorce for adultery with Abeille. This action is taken by Deacon in consequence of Mrs. Deacon's application summoning her husband to permit her to have access to the children. According to the French law, if Mrs. Deacon is found guilty of the charge her husband makes against her, she will be liable to a term of imprisonment.

Gratitude in a Substantial Form.

BOSTON, July 23.—Clayton C. Clough of this city about a year and a half ago in Halifax stopped a pair of runaway horses attached to a carriage in which Herford Drummond of London and his only daughter were riding. Drummond wanted to show his gratitude in some substantial way, but Clough declined a reward. Yesterday he received notice that Drummond, who had just died, had left him \$25,000.

Nearly a Million Stolen.

PUEBLO, Mex., July 23.—The people of this state are greatly stirred up over the revelations of corruption in state finances being made by Austin Mora, acting governor of Pueblo. An investigation made into the accounts of the general treasury of the state, which has just been completed, shows a shortage of \$900,000.

A Notorious Outlaw's Ignoble End.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., July 23.—Jack Cooley, a member of the famous Cooley gang of outlaws that had terrorized the counties of Fayette and Westmoreland for years, died this morning from the effects of a wound received from a trap gun Thursday night, while robbing the henry of Thomas Collins, near Fair Chance.

Light Peach Crops.

DAYTON, O., July 23.—The peach crop in southwestern Ohio will not amount to much and what there is will be late. Lake Erie orchards have none. Some parts of Michigan will have good peaches. There will be few apples in Michigan; none in Southern Ohio. Pears are good everywhere.

A Springfield Leader Skips Out.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., July 23.—B. T. King, a prominent real estate agent and late Democratic candidate for mayor, has skipped for parts unknown. It is claimed that he left a large number of creditors and that he also had trouble in his family.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Train loads of Kansas and Nebraska corn are being sold in Mexico for \$3 a bushel.

Two boys at Brazil, Ind., wound up a highwayman act by fighting a bloody duel with knives.

A woman in Ohio scalded herself to death by upsetting the coffee pot on herself at the breakfast table.

The bill granting amnesty to all political exiles has passed its third reading in the Brazilian chamber of deputies.

Joseph D. Boone, grandson of Daniel Boone, fell from a load of hay on his farm near Oak Grove, Mo., and died a few hours later.

Four tramps were arrested at Lexington, Mo., and when searched 60 gold rings and two watches were found. They are supposed to have stolen them at Liberty.

The British minister to Guatemala has telegraphed to the foreign office in London that the government of Honduras has closed its coast to foreign commerce.

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Mollie and Anna Make Up.

TOPEKA, Kan., July 23.—After a separation of many months Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lease and Mrs. Anna L. Diggs met here this morning at the home of Dr. S. McLellan, Mrs. Lease coming from Wichita and Mrs. Diggs from Washington, and the celebrated female populist party leaders, who had been enemies since the Cincinnati conference and had at various times spoken sharply of each other, formed a new friendship, which is as enthusiastic as it is feminine.

Worried for Gladstone.

LONDON, July 23.—"Mr. Gladstone," the Times says, "will meet with no obstruction from the government; but before he thinks of selecting a cabinet he must consider whether he ought to undertake the duties of the cabinet at all. It is idle to pretend that he is not showing signs of the increasing pressure of old age."

O'Donnell's Case Fought.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 23.—The hearing of the application for the release of Hugh O'Donnell and Hugh Ross, the Homestead strike leaders, was set for 10 o'clock this morning. The prosecution opposed the release on bail and witnesses were introduced to show what part they had taken in the riot.

Big Fire at Birmingham.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 23.—Fire last night destroyed the plant of the Missouri car and foundry company, about seven miles east of Kansas City, at Birmingham. The loss is estimated at \$100,000 with an insurance of \$25,000.

Cincinnati in Hard Luck.

CINCINNATI, O., July 23.—Five of the largest breweries in the city have entered a combination to sell beer at \$7 per barrel. The price heretofore was \$4 per barrel.

MR. STONE'S CAMPAIGN MANAGER.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch:

Harvey W. Salmon, who is to manage the campaign of Mr. Stone, as chairman of the state committee, is a banker and stock raiser of Clinton. He is numbered among the ten richest men in the state, and is easily worth half a million. He goes into politics because he likes it, and to help his friends, and he never asks for anything himself. At least three times in the last twenty years he could have been nominated for governor, but each time when his friends went to him at the beginning of a campaign, he would say he didn't want the nomination. But there is never a state campaign in which his hand is not felt.

At a caucus of the friends of a candidate, just before a convention begins, Mr. Salmon shows those who don't know him his wonderful knowledge of the politics of the state and the politicians. "How is this county?" inquired one man in the caucus.

"Oh, that's all right," says another. "I've seen both the delegates and they're with us."

"How is Blank?" asked Mr. Salmon, naming a man in the county who is not a delegate and perhaps is not known at all by the other men in the canvass.

"Blank? Who is he?" the man says who thinks he has got the county fixed.

"Well, we won't have the votes of that county unless he says so," Mr. Salmon replied. "Never mind the delegates. I'll see him."

Then the caucus, directed by Mr. Salmon, goes down the list of counties, and he marks on the list the name of a man who must be seen. He lets the delegates alone for the most part. He knows the real leader of the county politics and gives all his attention to him. When the caucus is over, each man in it has several

men to see, hardly any of them delegates. In a few hours the caucus meets again and each man reports. Then Mr. Salmon makes up his estimate and it is seldom inaccurate.

It was the work of Salmon that Supreme Judge Gantt was nominated at St. Joseph, and it was there that the St. Louis politicians found out what a manager he was.

Personally Mr. Salmon is a very popular man. He is a trifle under fifty and his dark hair and mustache are graying. His face is good humored and strong and his complexion florid. He is of medium height and heavy build, but not stout, with square shoulders and a solid way of walking. In this kind of weather he likes to wear a straw hat, low quarter shoes and a gray suit with a sack coat.

WILL SELL OUT BODILY.

New York, July 23.—Representative Wm. McAlister of Mississippi, who as a leading alliance man distinguished himself in the fight against the sub-treasury and land loan schemes in the campaign in his state last year, which resulted in the reelection of United States Senators George and Walthall, is at the Fifth Avenue hotel.

"I have been in Washington several days," said Mr. McAlister, "and from the way the republicans and third party are hobnobbing together it does not bode any good for the democrats. These third party bosses are in politics for money only, and they will sell out to the side that offers the most. John McDowell, who holds a fat office as a democrat in Tennessee, has gone over to the third party body and soul. He is in Washington now, and he and Dr. W. C. Maoune were in conference with Republican leaders all day yesterday. Ex-Congressman William R. Moore of Tennessee, a rabid republican, is playing the nurse to McCowell, and I learned that he was assisting the third party people to raise money to start a paper in Memphis. The deal is for the republicans to vote for the third party candidates for state officers and the third partyites to vote for the republican electors. The latest renegade to the third party is Frank Burkitt, lecturer of the alliance in Mississippi, recently nominated democratic elector at large. He has resigned and the executive committee has been called together to fill the vacancy."

"I speak of these things to show how absolutely necessary it is for the democrats to be on the alert in this campaign. The republicans are desperate. The only hope they have to win is to fuse with the third party and draw off the democratic votes by trading. There is genuine enthusiasm all over the country for Cleveland and Stevenson, but enthusiasm alone does not win in political campaigns."

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