

HURRY CALL TO POLICE

Plot to Blow Up Western Union Building

IN CHICAGO THIS FORENOON

Strike Started Last Night When the Operators Refused to Handle the Messages Coming from New Operators in Los Angeles.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—In response to a hurry call from the Western Union company, fifty policemen rushed to the company's building today. It was reported that a plot had been discovered to blow up the company's switchboard. The Union building is now a miniature fortress. All the branch offices are closed and the strike is spreading to the suburbs. General Superintendent Cook stated this morning that a general strike was expected. 1,500 telegraph operators and messenger boys went on strike here. The night force of 250 men left at midnight and this morning the day force refused to work. The cause is the refusal of the men to accept messages from operators taking the places of strikers at Los Angeles, Calif.

MOTHER ACCUSED OF ATTEMPT AT MURDER

Ida Percy, a Lynn, Mass., Domestic, Identified as Mother of Infant Found on Sea Shore Yesterday.

Nabant, Mass., Aug. 9.—Ida Percy, a Lynn domestic, was arrested this morning by the police, charged with the attempted murder of her five month old child found in the surf at Willow beach, Lynn, Mass., yesterday morning. She was identified as the mother of the babe and as having been seen in the vicinity where it was discovered, before and after it was found. The woman will be arraigned in the Lynn court tomorrow morning.

CHILD DISAPPEARED. Mysterious Case Confronts the Police in Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 9.—In the mysterious disappearance of Robert Barker, the three-year-old child, from the summer camp for associated charities, the police are confronted with a situation similar to that of the Marvin boy. While at play with other children the boy suddenly disappeared and no trace has been discovered of him. A systematic search is to be made today.

\$90,000 IN AUTOMOBILES DESTROYED TODAY

Garage and Manufacturing Establishment of Lack Bros. in Brooklyn Destroyed by Fire, Caused by Gasoline Explosion.

New York, Aug. 9.—The fire which broke out early this morning destroyed \$90,000 worth of automobiles in the garage and manufacturing establishment of Lack Brothers, in Brooklyn. The cause is attributed to the explosion of gasoline.

FOUND WIFE UNCONSCIOUS. Mrs. James O'Rourke of South Ryegate Sustained a Shock.

South Ryegate, Aug. 9.—Mrs. James O'Rourke had a bad shock on Thursday forenoon of this week. Mr. O'Rourke had been up to the village and on his return found his wife on the grass in the doorway unconscious. She is seventy years of age, and her recovery is considered doubtful.

MARRIAGE IN MIDDLESEX. Freda Robinson and John Alexander Married Last Evening.

Montpelier, Aug. 9.—There was a pretty wedding at the home of H. W. Nicholson in Middlesex last evening when Freda Robinson, daughter of Mrs. Nicholson, was married to John Alexander. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Edward Wright. The groom is a traveling salesman.

SUDDEN UPRISING. In Which 48 Dutch Infantrymen Were Killed in Island of Celebes.

Amsterdam, Holland, Aug. 9.—A massacre of Dutch soldiers is reported on the Dutch East Indies. Forty-eight infantrymen were killed in a sudden uprising of the natives of the Mori district, island of Celebes.

Fish and Game League Outing. Burlington, Aug. 9.—The officers and committee to arrange the meeting of the Fish and Game League's annual outing at Bluff Point on September 4 are here today and went to the Point to make final arrangements.

Governor Proctor in Burlington. Burlington, Aug. 9.—Governor Proctor was here in conference today with Prof. William Stuart of the University of Vermont for the extermination of the San Jose scale from Charlotte orchards; also to confer with General Gilmore on National Guard matters.

FEAR THAT G. LYNN WILL NOT RECOVER

Was Knocked Off Train and Sustained a Fracture at the Base of the Skull.

Brattleboro, Aug. 9.—The man who was picked up senseless at Bellows Falls Tuesday morning and brought to the Memorial hospital here, recovered consciousness for a few minutes yesterday and stated that his name was George Lynn and that his home was on Harrison avenue, Boston. He then lapsed into unconsciousness again and has not recovered. He was picked up beside the railroad track Tuesday morning and it was then thought that he was drunk. When he did not recover consciousness in 24 hours a physician was summoned, who found that the skull was badly fractured at its base. It is thought that he has been traveling with Walter L. Main's circus and been knocked from a car in some way. Efforts are being made to locate his family in Boston. His temperature yesterday was 106 degrees and grave fears are entertained for his recovery.

FOUR LIVES LOST IN A COLLISION

Fireman Who Escaped by Jumping Said That Accident Was Caused by the Failure of His Crew to Read Their Orders.

Dalton, Ga., Aug. 9.—Four trainmen were killed and three seriously injured in a head-on collision between freight trains on the Western and Atlantic railroad near here yesterday. The dead: J. L. Heggie, engineer; John Roach; C. F. Colbert; Tom Bartenfeld. Fireman Suddeth, who escaped by jumping, said that the collision was caused by the failure of his train crew to read their orders.

THREE COACHES HURLED INTO DITCH

Twentieth Century Limited Crashed Head-on Into a Freight Train on The Lake Shore Railroad.

South Bend, Ind., Aug. 9.—It was reported this morning that the Twentieth Century Limited on the Lake Shore R. R. today collided, head-on, with a freight train at 8 o'clock this morning. Three coaches and a passenger engine were derailed. The casualties are not available.

WAS NOT LYNCHED. Story at Highland Falls, N. Y., Was Not According to Truth.

West Point, N. Y., Aug. 9.—A report that a lynching had occurred just outside the government reservation there in the adjoining town of Highland Falls into considerable excitement last night. An Italian was said to have been strung up to a tree by a mob of infuriated fellow countrymen after he had assaulted and robbed one of their number. There have been repeated assaults and robberies recently among the Italians employed on the reservation, and reports of these attacks frequently rouse the foreign colony to a high pitch of excitement. The basis of tonight's lynching rumor was the arrest by soldiers of two Italians charged with a brutal assault during the afternoon. An Italian workman had left the adjoining town of Highland Falls in a motor car, and reports of his comrades from a spring in the woods nearby. While on his errand he was set upon, unmercifully beaten and robbed of his watch and what little money he carried. Other workmen, alarmed by his protracted absence, found the man unconscious where his assailants had left him. After he was able partially to describe the robbers and the laborers began a systematic search of the surrounding country. The matter was also reported to the officer of the day of the West Point Military academy and a detail of soldiers was sent to search thoroughly all the academy grounds.

MARYLAND DEMOCRATS. Nominated Austin L. Crothers For Governor.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 9.—At an adjourned meeting last night the Democratic state convention nominated Austin L. Crothers of Cecil county for governor; Joshua N. Hering of Carroll county for comptroller; Isaac Leeb Straus of Baltimore city, for attorney general; and C. C. Magruder of Prince Georges county, for clerk of the court of appeals. The chief interest was in the nomination for the governorship. The only other nominee besides Crothers was Joseph D. Baker of Frederick county. Few votes went to him in the balloting, however, and when the result of the first ballot was announced the nomination of Crothers was made unanimous. The latter is judge of the second judicial circuit. The platform adopted declares against illiterate negro suffrage. The convention adopted a resolution declaring in favor of the nomination of the next United States senator by the people in primary election and another to the effect that the governor of the state shall not be eligible for any other office during his term as governor.

BARRE MAN UP. At Least, Peter Donery Said He Was From Here in Brattleboro Court.

Brattleboro, Aug. 9.—Daniel Manning stated in the municipal court yesterday morning that he preferred to serve a jail sentence than equal on a man who furnished him booze and was sentenced to jail for 115 days. Manning is a deaf and dumb laborer, and having been posted at all the local drug stores, is unable to obtain liquor himself. Peter Donery of Barre was also sent up at the same time for 15 days for drunkenness and the two went off with the officer arm in arm like old cronies.

DEATH CAME TO HIS RELIEF

Ira Heath's Injuries Proved Fatal

INJURED ON QUARRIES

Groton Boy Leaves Wife and Small Child — He Was Frightfully Hurt at Ryegate Tuesday Afternoon.

Groton, Aug. 9.—Ira Heath, the young man who was so terribly injured at the Ryegate granite quarries Tuesday afternoon, died at his home in the village yesterday afternoon, forty-eight hours after the accident. Mr. Heath was born in Orange twenty-five years ago and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Page, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heath by adoption, they taking the little one into their hearts and home at the death of his mother, three or four days after his birth. He has always been a steady, industrious boy, loving and kind to his foster parents. About three years ago he married Miss Mary O'Neil, who with a baby daughter, one and one-half years old, survives him. The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their affliction. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon, with burial in the village cemetery.

WAS 87 YEARS OLD. Mrs. Lucinda Chase of Groton Was Quite Active for Her Years.

Groton, Aug. 9.—Mrs. Lucinda Chase died Tuesday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Heath, at the age of eighty-seven years. She had been remarkably well and active for one of her years until ten days before her death, when she sustained a shock of paralysis. The body, accompanied by Mrs. Heath, and her sister, Mrs. Hattie Sleeper, and Miss Flora Sleeper, was taken to Canaan, N. H., yesterday, where the funeral services were held and burial was beside her husband.

TAKEN WITH CRAMP AND WAS DROWNED

The First Fatality of the Season at Joe's Pond Took Place Yesterday Afternoon—St. Johnsbury Man.

St. Johnsbury, Aug. 9.—The first drowning accident of the season at Joe's pond in Danville occurred yesterday afternoon, when Harold Smith, aged 23, the bookkeeper at the St. Johnsbury Gas company, lost his life. He went out in the boat with some companions just after dinner, and almost as soon as he had jumped into the water for a swim he said he had a cramp in his foot and disappeared. It was nearly two hours before the body was recovered and brought to St. Johnsbury. He was unmarried and his parents live in Passumpsic.

"SILENT ED" GEERS WON TWO RACES

And Took Third Money in Another at Buffalo, N. Y., Track Yesterday Afternoon.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 9.—Ed Geers, the "silent man" from the South, won two races and got third money in another race at Kenilworth park yesterday afternoon. The feature of the day's card was the 2:05 pace, valued at \$1,000. Blacklock did not start and Geers Adelle went to the wire a hot favorite. She rewarded her owner by winning in straight heats. The best time was made in the last heat when Cox, driving Nervola, forced Adelle to pace the mile in 2:05 1/4. Wilkes Heart, which sold in the early pools at \$35 on the 2:12 trot, taking the race in straight heats, Berico, the favorite got second money. Byron Kay, driven by Geers, won the 2:18 pace rather easily, although Geers had to drive his horse out in the final heat to stall off Judge Wilson. Byron Kay stepped the last mile in 2:08 3/4.

DAN PATCH MISSES IT. Paces Against The Broncho's Track Record of 2:02 at Pekin.

Pekin, Ill., Aug. 9.—The first day's races of the Pekin trotting association were held yesterday after two postponements on account of rain. An immense crowd was out to see Dan Patch go against the track record, 2:02, held by The Bronchos. Dan made the circle in 2:03 1/4.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Lyman Jay of Hardwick is visiting friends in the city for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Dutton of East Calais are visiting friends in this city for a few days. E. K. Knowlton returned yesterday from Augusta, Me., where he has been for the past week.

W. E. Lampron, who is camping at Highgate Springs this week, is in the city on business today. Frank N. Worthen, who has been visiting friends in this city for a few days, returned to his home in Hardwick yesterday. Miss Bessie Jenkins, who has been visiting relatives in this city for the past few weeks, returned to her home in Belleville, Ont., yesterday.

FIVE DECISIONS RENDERED. Supreme Court Affirmed Judgment in Only Two.

Montpelier, Aug. 9.—The judges of the supreme court, who have been in the city for several days conferring on cases, have completed their work and departed to their homes. Recent decisions are: In the case of Eleanor F. B. Nicholas vs. the estate of Saira R. Nicholas, a petition to bring forward a case that was stricken from the docket, judgment of county court was affirmed and the plaintiff, the Countess Eleanor Langdon Nicholas, mother of Bishop, the mind-reader, loses her suit. Cairia Nicholas was her mother-in-law, the mother of Lucas Nicholas, a nephew of James R. Langdon. She claimed to have loaned Cairia Nicholas various sums of money, from \$10,000 up, and alleged that the notes had been destroyed or lost. The case was decided against her in county court, then a motion for continuance was asked to prepare the specifications. As certain conditions were not complied with, the case went off the docket. This case was a petition to have it reinstated, it being alleged that there were certain irregularities in the entry. The case has attracted considerable attention. The Langdon estate a short time ago came into possession under foreclosure of the celebrated Nicholas block, in which Madame Nicholas had lived for many years and which she had styled "the manor" but which was nothing more or less than a broken down tenement block. This has since been torn down. In the case of town of Ripton vs. the town of Brandon, judgment was reversed and cause remanded. A verdict of \$975.30 was found for the plaintiff in county court. In the case of William Smith of Bethel vs. the Central Vermont Railway company, judgment was reversed and cause remanded. The plaintiff secured a verdict of \$1,658.78 in county court in a suit brought for the burning of his buildings. He claimed the fire was set by a defective smoke stack on a Central Vermont engine. It set fire to the grass and the grass set fire to the buildings, destroying them. The case must be tried again. In the case of William Tudor vs. George Tudor, from Windsor county, trespass, pro forma judgment was reversed and judgment for the plaintiff to recover the sum of \$120 with interest since September, 1905, with costs. Judgment was affirmed in the Church estate, E. E. French, administrator, from Windsor county, with interest on the amount found due since December 4, 1906, to be certified to probate court.

ENGINE WAS TELESCOPED

Crew Saved Themselves by Jumping

IN A HEAD-ON COLLISION

Two Central Vermont Freight Cars Came Together in the Montpelier Yards This Morning in a Bad Smash-up.

One Central Vermont engine was almost completely demolished and another was considerably damaged in a head-on collision on the local branch in the Montpelier yards this morning, and the crews escaped death by jumping. As the accident happened on an almost straight piece of track and it was daylight at the time, there seems to be no excuse for the collision. Engine 204, in charge of engineer Nelson, was just pulling into the yard with a long string of cars, about 25, and engine 210, with engineer Atherton at the throttle, was passing out with a light load. Just at the outer limit of the yard, the trainmen sighted each other. Both the engines shut off steam, reversed and sanded the wheels, and then jumped from their cars. The momentum of the heavy freight train was so strong that it continued at good speed, and crashed into the short train, which had come almost to a halt. The 204, caught between its own heavy load and the other engine, was completely telescoped. The pilot was smashed and jack-knifed, the cab being driven under the boiler and the middle of the engine raised from the track. If the trainmen had stayed in their places they would most certainly have been killed. As it was, they escaped with a shaking up as they landed from the cab onto the ground. The 210, not having a heavy train back of it, was able to rebound from the impact, and thus escaped heavy damage. It continued on its way to its own team. But the 204 was put out of commission. The accident happened so that the stalled engine and train cleared a siding, making it possible for trains to pass without trouble. Trainmaster Keefe was on the spot soon, and the wreck was cleared away this forenoon. He refused to talk about the accident, but to outsiders it seems that someone was grossly negligent. It was about six o'clock when the collision happened. It was in the yard limits, and the trains should have been flagged. NATIVE OF WILLIAMSTOWN. Sidney J. Martin Died in Essex Junction Yesterday of Tuberculosis.

Word was received in this city yesterday afternoon of the death in Essex Junction of Sidney J. Martin, son of the late Henry Martin and Letitia Phelps Martin of Williamstown. He was taken ill last November with what was supposed to be a lung ailment, which terminated in tuberculosis. He failed rapidly during the past three months. The deceased was born in Williamstown January 15, 1860, and spent his whole life there until five years ago, when, following the death of his father, he went to Essex Junction to make his home with his brother, Allen Martin. He was educated in the Williamstown schools and Barre academy. He leaves a stepmother, Mrs. Louis (Bond) Martin and one half-brother, Allen Martin. Mrs. J. M. Perry of this city was an aunt and Byron Phelps, also of Barre, was an uncle. Mr. Martin was a member of Sumner lodge of Odd Fellows of Williamstown, and Mount Mansfield lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Essex Junction. He was a man respected and beloved by all. A short prayer service will be held at the house in Essex Junction tomorrow morning at ten o'clock. Interment will be taken to Williamstown, where the funeral will be held that afternoon. The Rev. Frances Kimball of Richmond will officiate. DENIED HE WAS DRUNK. Another Man Admitted It and Was Taken to County Jail.

STATE'S ATTORNEY ROUTED BY BEES

Ben Gates Had to Give Up to Them at Woodmen Log-Rolling in Lyndonville Yesterday Afternoon.

Lyndonville, Aug. 9.—The second annual outing of the northern Vermont log-rolling association of the Modern Woodmen of America was held in the Methodist camp grounds yesterday afternoon and attracted over 500 people, including 100 foresters from the 26 camps in Vermont. The exercises opened with speaking and addresses were given by A. N. Norton of this place, A. H. Gleason of St. Johnsbury, who presided as president of the association, A. O. Palmer of Burlington and Benjamin Gates of Montpelier. A part not on the programme was performed during Mr. Gates' address when a angry crowd of hornets swarmed from their nests behind the stage and began to interview the 25 who sat on the stage. Mr. Gates had to give way to the hornets and the speaking broke up amid laughter from the crowd and wild antics of the men on the stage. The camp won much praise for their fancy drill while the prize for the competitive drill went to Barton Landing camp. The log rolling contest the St. Johnsbury camp was first with Sheffield, second, and Lyndonville, third, Lyndonville won the tug-of-war from the St. Johnsbury camp and three Sheffield boys won the wheelbarrow race. The ball game between the Lyndonville and Sheffield camps was won by the Sheffield, 11 to 10. The festivities closed with a ball at Music hall.

HO, YE MONTPELIER "FATS."

Produce Your Fastest Runner to Give James Welch an Argument.

Montpelier "Fats" Base Ball Club, Montpelier, Vt. Dear Sir: You are hereby challenged to produce the fastest runner in Montpelier weighing 200 pounds or over for the championship of the "Twin" cities and the rest of the universe, the contest to be against time and the course around the bases, touching each base in order. Tiding to start with standing start at home plate and ending on instant of crossing plate after completing the "home run." Contest to take place between the innings of the base ball game at Inter-city park, next Wednesday afternoon, August 14th. The challenge is bona fide and is issued in behalf of James Welch of Barre. Please advise if you accept, on or before Monday, August 12th. Yours very truly, Frank W. Jackson, Manager.

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY. Of Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. George Bates of Orange Street.

Relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Bates, to the number of over 50, gave them a surprise party at their home on Orange street last evening, the occasion being the 15th anniversary of their marriage. The evening was passed in a social manner, songs and recitations having their places. Mr. and Mrs. Bates were presented a handsome oak and leather rocker and various other remembrances. The presentation was made by Rev. C. C. Connor, and Mr. Bates thanked the company for their kindness. Refreshments were served and the party departed at a late hour with many wishes of good luck.

MCKENZIE'S OPINION ON BRIDGE NECESSITY

Attorneys for Petitioners Harked Back to Campaign Days and Asked Him if He Had Changed His Views.

The question of the proposed bridge connecting Washington and Batchelder streets was re-threshed and argued pro and con at the continuation of the hearing yesterday afternoon and seven witnesses submitted to the volley of questions fired and cross-fired by the array of legal talent which is representing the various sides and factions of the affair. The witnesses called were E. J. Souden, John McDonald, L. H. Thurston, A. E. Campbell, John J. McKenzie, F. D. Ladd and M. J. McGowan. All of the witnesses were of the opinion that the public good and convenience did not require the erection of a bridge to such an extent as would warrant the necessary outlay of money. The general opinion seemed to be that the bridge, if erected, should be placed at a point further up the brook than is given in the plan, in order that a lesser angle might be made, thereby facilitating the turning of a loaded team from the road to the bridge. All were of the opinion that a better means should be provided for getting over the road from East Barre to the city and thought that if Sand hill, so called, was lowered 10 feet, the necessity for building the bridge would be eliminated. While ex-Alderman McKenzie was on the stand he was asked in cross examination if he had changed his opinion of the need of the public for a bridge at this point, and he replied that he had not, and H. W. Scott offered as evidence a newspaper clipping. Mr. McKenzie inquired if the clipping was from the Times and upon being answered in the affirmative, said: "You can't tell what the Times says." Upon examining the clipping it was found that it was a letter over his signature in which his views were not expressed exactly as they were given on the witness stand yesterday, inasmuch as Mr. McKenzie admitted the need of a bridge at that time, but thought that the town of Barre should stand the expense. The commission adjourned at five o'clock until nine o'clock this morning. The witnesses questioned this forenoon were Donald Smith, George Holland, J. M. Miles and Warren Nye. They testified in favor of repairing sand hill in preference to going to the expense of building a new road and bridge.

SECOND RACE MEET OPENED TODAY

There Were Six Starts in the Three-Minute Class at the Trotting Park This Afternoon.

The first day's racing of the second meet of the year under the auspices of the Continental Driving club of this city opened at the trotting park this afternoon with a fair sized attendance. The judges of the races are L. W. Morris of Burlington, L. C. Hamppitt of East Montpelier and Eugene Moody of Waterbury. The three-minute class was the first one started, there being six starts, as follows: The Outlaw, Red Brino, Prince Archer, Belltime, Argo Lad and Penny-guard. The favorite seemed to be The Outlaw, entered by Page Brothers of this city. Red Brino, entered by T. W. Utton in popular estimation just prior to the opening of the first heat. Three-Minute Class (1st Heat). The Outlaw, bay g., Page Bros. . . . 1 Red Brino, Utton, Morrisville. . . . 2 Prince Archer, bay s., Porter, Mt. Airy. . . . 3 Belltime, bay m., Utton & Son, Morrisville. . . . 4 Argo Lad, bay g., Bidout, Boston. . . . 5 Penny-guard, bay g., Harding, Barton. . . . 6 Time, 2:24 1/4. The track was a little dusty at the start of the afternoon, but in spite of it the three-minute horses made very fast times. There was a field of eight starters in the next race, 3:27, as follows: Lady Whitcomb, entered by the Smith Stock Farm of Barre; Belnet, George C. Lyons of Woodsville; Dan, A. J. Prairie of St. Albans; Photo Patchen, L. G. Lovell of Bellows Falls; Green Mountain Boy, J. W. Parter of Middlebury; Iris Webster Tyler of Medford, Mass.; Alexander Maid, A. W. Stephen of Barre; Clara E., H. A. Harding of Barton. 2:27 Class (1st Heat). Green Mt. Boy, c. s., Porter, Mt. Airy. . . . 1 Iris, b. m., Tyler, Medford, Mass. . . . 2 Photo Patchen, c. m., Lovell, Bellows Falls. . . . 3 Lady Whitcomb, b. m., Smith, Barre. . . . 4 Belnet, b. m., Lyons, Woodsville. . . . 5 Dan, c. g., Prairie, St. Albans. . . . 6 Clara E., blk. m., Harding, Barton. . . . 7 Alexander Maid, m., Stephen, Barre. . . . 8 Time, 2:30 1/4. The free-for-all tomorrow afternoon promises to be the best race ever seen on the track. The horses that will race in this are: Billy Hard, 2:14 1/4; Sirius, 2:10 1/4; Miss Ormond, 2:10 1/4; Fabiola, 2:14 1/4; Com, 2:17 1/4; Ned Cole, 2:17 1/4; Elizabeth S., 2:09 1/4.

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HOISTED OFF THE TRACK

Patrick Higgins Hit by Train And Not Killed

THROWN OVER HIGH BANK

Central Vermont Train Almost Has Another Death Within Two Days—Victim Alive, But in Hospital.

Patrick Higgins, exact residence not yet determined, man however, have been tossed on the horns of an angry bull, but he has been thrown about by an iron horse as if he were nothing more than an inanimate chunk of wood. And what is more, Patrick may boast about it, too; for, strangely enough, he was not killed. Some say his deliverance to his interior exhilaration and a stack on either hip, but he that as it may, he is above ground and hopes to be for some time, although in the Heaton hospital at present. The accident happened yesterday afternoon on this same local branch of the Central Vermont railroad on which Mrs. Daniel Sexton of Montpelier was ground into pieces Wednesday morning, and the place was only half a mile from the scene of that tragedy. It was the 3:10 train out of this city, and engineer Charles Bennett was at the throttle this time, when he looked ahead down the track and saw a man making his way across the track in a haphazard way toward the city. "Toot, toot," went the warning whistle, twelve times, it is said. But the frantic vibration of the air made no more impression on the man's ear-drums than it would on two pieces of tin-plate, for he never moved his head or dislocated his precarious foot-path. Seeing that the pedestrian was either drowsy in his brain or bent on suicide, engineer Bennett put on the air-brakes and slackened the speed, so that when the collision came the train was not moving rapidly. The momentum was enough, however, to hoist the track-walker into the air and deposit him forcibly over a fifteen-foot bank and almost into the Winooki river. (The accident happened just north of the Montpelier gas house.) The cow-catcher had made as clean a sweep as a cake-turner under a ripe flap-jack. As soon as the train was brought to a standstill, the trainmen and some of the passengers went back and found Higgins loaled in the bushes by the bank of the Winooki, apparently not badly hurt. They loaded him into the baggage car and continued the run to Montpelier, where Dr. J. R. Grimes was called. After an examination of the man, Dr. Grimes ordered his removal to the hospital. A broken right ankle, a bruise on the left temple and an abrasion on the back of the head appeared to be the extent of the injuries. They also found indications that the man had been drinking. That he was not killed, Higgins may thank his lucky stars and the watchfulness of the trainmen. It is said that neither bottle in his hip pocket was broken.

FUNERAL OF VICTIM. Held from St. Augustine's Church in Montpelier Today.

Montpelier, Aug. 9.—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Connolly Sexton, wife of Daniel P. Sexton, who was killed by a Central Vermont engine Wednesday morning, was held from St. Augustine's church this morning at nine o'clock. The church auditorium was well filled with mourners. The Rev. F. J. J. Cahoon officiated, and the bearers were James Hughes, James Doyle, Michael O'Grady, John O'Malley, Daniel Cochran and George St. John.

HOSPITAL BENEFIT. An Afternoon to Be Given Up to It Next Tuesday.

The ladies of the Civic Federation have made arrangements to hold a "Hospital Benefit" afternoon, Tuesday, August 13th, at half past two in the Congregational vestry. A cordial invitation is extended to every lady in the city who wishes to aid in a very worthy cause. Just at present the needs along certain lines are very great, and a little from each, a pair of pillow cases, tray cloth, pair of towels, or send a small sum of money to the president, Mrs. D. F. Davison, chairman of the plan of work, Mrs. F. G. Holland to assist in the purchase of materials, the needs would soon be supplied. If you can not give come and help sew.

WILL ATTEND CONVENTION. Secretary James Mitchell of the State Branch, American Federation of Labor, reports that everything is in readiness for the convention of that body to be held in Burlington August 13, and that a large delegation is expected to be in attendance. Official communication has been received from the A. F. of L. to the effect that W. J. Shields, the general organizer of the Carpenters and Joiners International association, had been delegated as the representative from the national body.

PAY YOUR TAXES. Only Two Days More in Which to Save Cost of Collection.

Only two days more in which to pay taxes to the city of Barre and save the cost of collection. When the city treasurer's office closes Saturday evening at eight o'clock there will be no further opportunity until the collector comes around with the added expense. The large property owners are paying up more promptly this year than usual, although there still remain about the usual number of tax bills for these last two days.