

CRITICIZES DECISION

Pres. Gompers Voices Protest Over "Contempt" Case

IN HIS ANNUAL SPEECH

Delivered at Opening Session of the American Federation of Labor Convention in Toronto To-day—Tells of Organization's Growth.

Toronto, Can., Nov. 8.—The 29th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor opened in this city to-day, with a large representation of the labor unionists. President Samuel Gompers delivered his annual report to-day, during which he took occasion to speak of the recent decision against him, Secretary Morrison and Vice-President Mitchell.

"Meeting in convention as we do for the first time in our history on Canadian soil, may we not indulge the hope that there will be brought to the consideration, discussion and action of the work of our convention the very best that is in us, and so shape the course of our movement that it will prove of still greater advantage to our fellow-workers and the people generally, that we may win not only their respect and confidence, but their full association and co-operation?"

"The attention of friends and foes is equally attracted to this convention. Let us bring hope, comfort, and encouragement to the one; disappointment and dismay to the other. Again, in the name of the toilers of our continent and for the success of the aspirations of the great cause of humanity and liberty, I bid you welcome."

"The laws and practice of our federation require that your president shall report to you annually, and it has been and is my desire to submit to conventions the matters which are most important, requiring attention and action."

"The year which is just closed has been fraught with events of transcendent importance, and yet I feel that by reason of the many questions with which this convention must deal, as well as my absence from America for some considerable period, the report which I have the honor to submit falls far short of that which I hoped I could present."

"There is no limit to the lines of activity in which our movement is engaged for the betterment of the condition of the workers, to attain all rights, and to work for the attainment of justice. The interest and the right of success of our fellows is the concern of the labor movement. To bring light into the homes, hope to the hearts, aspirations to the minds of the workers, is the duty and mission of our movement. To make mankind truly free has been the dream of philosophers, song of the poets, and the struggle of the workers."

"Referring next to the contempt proceedings in the Bucks Stove company case against myself and two other labor leaders, President Gompers said:

"The court heard argument of counsel on both sides as to whether the defendants, Mitchell, Morrison, and I, were guilty of contempt of court, and while the appeal on the original injunction was pending, Justice Wright on December 23, 1908, adjudged us guilty of contempt of court and imposed a sentence of six months, nine months, and one year's imprisonment respectively upon Morrison, Mitchell, and Gompers."

"This passing comment appears appropriate. It is that an unprejudiced, impartial judge might well have deferred a decision in a contempt case alleging violation of an injunction while an appeal upon the validity of the injunction itself was pending and being considered for decision by a higher court, and further, that the unprecedented sentences imposed were entirely in conflict with the spirit and plain provision of the constitution as being cruel and unusual."

"The language and manner of Justice Wright in delivering his opinion upon the guilt of the men charged with disobeying the terms of the injunction, the fact that he had given his opinion, or permitted it to be given, out in advance, the whole mockery and formality of asking us whether we had any reasons to assign why sentence should not be pronounced, when he had determined on the sentences in advance; all these, as well as the matter and manner of the arrangement for the scene and the delivery of the opinion and sentence indicated the unfitness of the man to wear the judicial robe and occupy the judicial position."

"What are the offenses for which Mitchell, Morrison, and I are sentenced to long months of imprisonment, and the ignominy of being classified as criminals? We have dared to defend our constitutional rights as men and as citizens, despite the injunction of a court which sought to invade the rights of free speech and free press secured to the Anglo-Saxon people centuries ago by Magna Charta and clinched by the adoption of the first amendment to the constitution of the United States."

"And what, after all, are the grounds upon which Justice Wright held the defendants guilty of violation of the terms of the injunction? When the injunction was issued and went into effect, both temporary and permanent, we proposed to test the principles involved before the established legal tribunals. By instruction of the board of directors of the executive council the name of the Bucks Stove and Range company was removed from the 'We Don't Patronize' list in the American Federationist."

"Vice-President Mitchell, it was alleged, violated the injunction by allowing certain acts to be performed by the officers of the American Federation of

SUICIDE FEARED.

Willis H. Alvin Missing From Portsmouth.

Portsmouth, N. H., Nov. 8.—Willis H. Alvin has been missing from his home in this city since Wednesday, Oct. 13. Alvin was collector for Alpha Council, Royal Arcanum, and following his disappearance the council received word from the supreme council that it had been suspended as the October assessment of \$520 was not paid.

A committee consisting of Harry B. Yeaton, Frank E. Leavitt and Herbert Prime was appointed to make an investigation of Alvin's accounts with the council and it is stated that the auditor who has been at work here, found an shortage of nearly \$1,000. Alvin was bonded by the National Security company of New York and the council has turned the matter over to the bonding company.

It is said that Alvin has appropriated some of the funds of an estate of which he was the executor. His wife disclaims all knowledge of his whereabouts. On the Monday evening following his disappearance Cook Day of the tug Piscataqua, which was lying at a wharf leading off Ceres street heard a splash and groans as though somebody had either fallen or thrown himself into the river, and some of the friends of the missing man have coupled the two incidents, as Alvin had told an associate a short time previous to his disappearance that he intended to commit suicide. He was prominent in several local secret societies.

NO BODIES RECOVERED.

But Automobile Victims Are Supposed to Number Four.

Chicago, Nov. 8.—An automobile containing several persons plunged into the Chicago river last night at Jackson boulevard and the occupants of the machine were drowned. No bodies have been recovered.

A witness to the accident reported to the police that the bridge at Jackson boulevard had been opened for a steamer to pass and that the automobile, which was approaching the bridge at a rapid rate struck the abutment, tumbled over and fell into the river with all its occupants.

A moment later he saw a man and woman struggling in the water, the woman clinging to the man. She screamed for help and a bridge tender threw out life preservers but both victims sank.

Firemen and police reached the scene soon after the accident and began to drag for the bodies.

The witness to the accident reported that the automobile contained four persons.

ROOSEVELT CABLES

"PERFECTLY WELL"

Silences Reports to the Effect That He Was Sick or Had Met With an Accident.

Rome, Nov. 8.—Mrs. Roosevelt received a cable today from her husband, Theodore Roosevelt, stating that there was no truth to the rumors that he was ill or had met with an accident. He adds: "I am perfectly well."

MAN'S BODY FOUND IN RIVER.

North Woodstock (N. H.) Victim Believed to Be Lowell Man.

Plymouth, N. H., Nov. 8.—The Grafton county authorities are investigating the finding of a body of a man in Pemigewasset river, at North Woodstock, N. H., in the very heart of the town, near the main highway bridge.

While playing on the banks yesterday two boys discovered the body lying face upward, between two rocks. They notified their parents, who in turn informed the Woodstock town officials, Deputy Medical Referee Ernest L. Bell of Plymouth was called and the body removed to the undertaking room of Frank A. Fox, where an examination was made. Dr. Bell said that the man died about midnight Saturday. In a pocket was found a Lowell (Mass.) tax receipt, made out to T. J. Connolly, 14 Union street.

The Lowell police say that Connolly was a registered voter in that city, and has an aunt residing here, but no family.

Belaguered Residents Still Firm.

Telernan, Persia, Nov. 8.—News from Ardebil says that the foreign residents, besieged in the Russian consulate by the revolting tribesmen are still holding out. Seven thousand Persian troops are on the way to relieve them.

The Automobile Tax.

The Automobile club of Vermont has begun a campaign of education. It thinks that the state tax of \$1 per horse power on new automobiles is too high. The club wants to get other people to thinking so and then the next legislature will change the law. We are told that the bill brought about \$27,000 into the state treasury this year. This money will be spent on the highways of the state and so will be spent in a good cause. No people are more interested in good roads than owners and users of automobiles and so people are better helped to contribute toward building and maintaining such roads. The automobile tax is all right and we fear it will take some vigorous educating to convince the next legislature that it is not.

The club at its recent annual meeting held in Montpelier voted to begin a campaign for road signs throughout the state, both danger signs and signs of cross roads on which automobiles travel so as to direct people to the towns they are seeking. The club will furnish the signs if the members will set them up. It is also expected that the towns will help to contribute toward building and erect the signs when attention is called to the fact, but the club means to put them up anyway and will take hold of the matter during the coming year vigorously and have direction signs on all roads that result amount to anything. There is a bill for legislative enactment. If the roads of Vermont are thoroughly sign-posted everybody will be benefited.—Bellows Falls Times.

NINE BODIES IN FIRE RUINS

While Ten People Were Badly Hurt in Brooklyn

FIREMEN WERE ALSO HURT

Celluloid Factory Blazed Up To-day, Catching Many Occupants of the Building, Many of Whom Jumped from Windows.

New York, Nov. 8.—Nine people were killed and ten were badly hurt in a fire which gutted the celluloid factory of William Morrison's Sons on Columbia street, Brooklyn, today. The fire started in the second story of the building and spread with great rapidity, cutting off the escape of the victims. There was a great panic among the occupants, and many of them jumped from the windows rather than to face death in the flames. Most of those who were injured and taken to the hospitals were hurt in this way. After the fire had been extinguished the firemen began the work of searching for the dead and several of them were hurt by falling walls.

Only one of the victims has been identified, that being William Morrison, a junior partner of the firm. Robert Morrison, senior partner, and four others, who are in the hospital, are likely to die. Six of the victims were caught behind barred windows on the ground floor, and their frantic appeals for help and their shrieks of agony when the fire reached them could be heard for blocks. A dozen men with bars and hammers tried to make a passage for the doomed six but were driven off by the flames.

TWO FIRE ALARMS.

One Was For Real Fire and Other Rung By College Boys.

Burlington, Nov. 8.—The fire department was called out twice Saturday night. The first call was a false alarm, thought to have been the work of students, who were celebrating the football victory over Amherst, and was rung in about 11 o'clock from box 14, in front of the medical college. The other call was a real alarm about one o'clock, sent in from the house of Dr. F. K. Jackson of South Woodstock avenue for a fire in the rear of his barn. The fire was extinguished with slight damage by the chemical engine from East Barre. Its origin is not known. The fire had burned a part of the side of the barn when it was extinguished.

BIG STONE PLANT BURNED.

Little Falls Concern Suffers to Extent of \$100,000.

Utica, N. Y., Nov. 8.—The plant of the John Pierce Stone company at Little Falls, one of the biggest producers of crushed stone in this section of the country, was destroyed by fire yesterday at a loss of between \$100,000 and \$150,000. Several firemen were injured in explosions of steam but none seriously. The origin is unknown. About 125 men are thrown out of work, and the plant may not be rebuilt. It has caused much anxiety in Little Falls.

BYRNE'S DEATH MURDER.

Tremont Temple Pastor Denounces Football as It Is.

Boston, Nov. 8.—The death of football player Cadet E. A. Byrne of West Point in the game with Harvard a week ago was characterized as "murder" by the Rev. Corliss Myers, pastor of Tremont temple, in his evening address last night. He said:

"Almost within the last week a young man of one of our country's leading institutions, in the full bloom of his young life, was trampled to death under the feet of his fellow players, whom the game has lowered to a trial of brute strength."

"Oh, the outrage that these young men should be lowered to beast level. I think it is an outrage on civilization. I think it is a sin against one of the ten commandments. Thou shalt not kill!"

"Murder, yes it was murder. It represents heathenism of the bloodiest dye, that our boasted institutions are obliged to allow such practices that their prestige may be maintained."

A BIG BLOCKADE.

Made By Freight Wreck in Which No One Was Injured.

Pittsburg, Nov. 8.—Traffic on the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad was blocked until today on account of a freight wreck that occurred last night at Jeanette, Pa., 27 miles east of here. Through limited passenger trains detained.

A car in the middle of a fast merchandise freight train left the track, causing a mass of wreckage to be piled in a cut on the road and tearing up about a half mile of track. Another freight crashed into the debris, adding to the blockade. No one was injured.

BEFORE HOUSE OF LORDS.

Budget Bill Was Placed There This Afternoon.

London, Nov. 8.—Before the fullest representation of nobility the House of Lords has seen in a generation, the Earl of Crew to-day formally laid Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George's budget before the peers this afternoon. There was no discussion on the measure; on the fate of which is believed to hang the fate of the House of Lords. The second reading of the bill comes November 22. The peers, it is believed, will vote almost solidly against it on account of the taxes on incomes and land which the bill proposes.

WOMEN PAY FINES.

Three Were in Burlington City Court Saturday.

Burlington, Nov. 8.—In city court on Saturday there was a cleaning up in three cases, when considerable money in fines and costs was paid. It was a veritable wash day.

Mrs. Esther Mahar came into court and pleaded guilty to keeping a disorderly house on Russell street, she apparently being tired of living in jail. She was fined \$50 and costs of \$36.07, which she will pay.

Mrs. Mahar and her husband were recently tried on the same charge before a jury when the jury disagreed. The costs in her case are half the total costs against her and her husband.

Mr. Mahar is still building in the jail, there being another prosecution against him for selling liquor illegally. To the latter charge he pleaded guilty, he being in the hands of the probation officer when arrested for the last offense.

Peel Bingham and Laura Thompson, who it was charged were inmates of the Mahar house, also appeared in court and pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct. Each woman was fined \$10 and costs of \$16.89, which they paid.

The whole amount of fines amounted to \$70 and the costs to \$70.45, making a total of \$140.45.

QUINCY QUARRYMAN KILLED BY TRAIN

William J. Fallon, Manager of Fallon Granite Quarries There, Was Badly Mangled By Wheels.

Quincy, Mass., Nov. 8.—William J. Fallon, 41 years old, of 29 Miller street, West Quincy, brother of ex-representative Peter Fallon, was found fatally injured alongside the railroad track near the Quincy Adams depot early yesterday morning. He died at the Quincy city hospital a little before noon.

Mr. Fallon was found unconscious by the crew of the "double iron" freight train. He was lying close to the inside rail of the outward tracks at the extreme southern edge of the platform at the Quincy Adams depot. The right leg was nearly cut off, the right hand was cut and there was a cut on his head.

Mr. Fallon was taken to the city hospital in the police ambulance and was attended by Dr. T. J. Dion. He died about 11 o'clock.

Mr. Fallon was seen in Boston Saturday night by his brother, Peter T. Fallon. It is supposed the dead man left Boston on a train that comes on the main line rather than a Granite branch train, which would take him nearer to his home.

He probably left the train at the Quincy Adams depot, and apparently nobody saw the accident as it was not until nearly 3 o'clock Sunday morning when the freight train crew came across the injured man.

Mr. Fallon was one of the best known men of the city. He was manager of the Fallon granite quarry properties. He is survived by three brothers, Peter T., John and James Fallon, and two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Cahill and Miss Nellie Fallon. His father was the late John N. Fallon, one of the best known quarry owners of Quincy in his day.

Medical Examiner J. C. Fraser of East Weymouth viewed the body at the morgue yesterday afternoon and decided that death was caused by a shock and a hemorrhage. Dr. Fraser said he would have to wait until he interviewed the freight train men who found the body before he could give a complete report to the court before which an inquest will probably be held.

NOT A CRIMINAL CASE.

Frank Crowe of Randolph Was Simply Defendant in Traver Suit.

Randolph, Nov. 8.—Granville Barnes, who was defeated in his traver suit brought against Frank Crowe, recently of a pocketbook containing money and papers to the amount of about \$800, which the plaintiff alleged the defendant had found, will appear his case to county court. The trial of the case in Judge Vall's court last week attracted a great deal of attention here, the trial being attended by a large number of people. The defendant was not charged with a criminal offense, the action being merely a civil process, it being alleged that the defendant had not returned a pocketbook which he was alleged to have found at the railroad station.

The defendant, through his attorney, Richard A. Hoar of Barre, maintained that he did not pick up the pocketbook and established it to the satisfaction of the jury that a woman was seen there who might have found the pocketbook where Mr. Barnes is said to have lost it. The jury was out only an hour, after which it brought in a vindication of the defendant.

VERMONT WON RACE.

Over Union College at Burlington Saturday Afternoon.

Burlington, Nov. 8.—Vermont university's cross-country runners defeated Union college over a four mile course Saturday afternoon, although the first place was captured by Rogers of the visiting team, who won a close race over Basco of Vermont. Donahue and DeMar of Vermont secured second and third place, respectively.

GIRL WANTED TO DIE.

Rose Lavalley, Aged 14, of Vergennes Took Poison.

Vergennes, Nov. 8.—Rose, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lavalley, took Paris green Friday morning in the absence of her parents, who were called to New York state because of the death of Mrs. Lavalley's father. The only reason the girl gave for the rash deed was that she wanted to die. Her condition is favorable.

HIS GUN EXPLODED.

Wilfred Lawrence of Vergennes Was Seriously Hurt.

Vergennes, Nov. 8.—Wilfred, the 13-year-old son of L. L. Lawrence, had his left arm seriously injured Saturday noon by the explosion of a gun he was using. Dr. Phelps took him to Mary Fletcher hospital at once in Charles Ferguson's automobile.

MAN DEPARTED CASH MISSING

St. Albans Police Connect the Two Matters

AND NOW SEEK G. O. NELSON

Donald C. Machia's Restaurant Said to Have Lost \$50 and One of Its Employees—He Said He Was Going to Meet a Girl.

St. Albans, Nov. 8.—G. O. Nelson, who has been employed for a week in Donald C. Machia's restaurant here, left early yesterday morning on a northbound train, saying when he left the restaurant that he was going to the train to meet a girl. He told this to one of the dish-washers in the restaurant. However, he did not return, and an investigation of the premises showed that \$50 was missing from the cash register and some money from the cigar till. The matter was reported to the police, it being suspected that Nelson knew something about the disappearance of the money.

When he came to work in Machia's restaurant, Nelson said that he had been living in Burlington and prior to that in Rutland. He is described as five feet and eight inches tall, light-complexioned and weighing about 160 pounds. The police want to know if there is any connection between his disappearance and the loss of the money in Machia's restaurant.

TWO BOY HUNTERS KILLED IN MAINE

One Receives Charge of Shot as He Pulls Gun Off Stump and Other Steps in Front of Rifle.

Portland, Me., Nov. 8.—Leon Reddon, the 12-year-old son of Henry Reddon of Boston, is dead as the result of a shooting accident. The boy was hunting with his father Saturday and had laid his gun on a stump, placing his coat on top of it. The father went on ahead. Leon saw a bird a few minutes later and seized the gun by the muzzle. As he did so it was discharged and he received the shot in the abdomen. He died before his father could summon help.

Bangor, Me., Nov. 8.—Fred Dore, the 13-year-old son of Albert Dore of Bangor, Me., was accidentally shot and fatally wounded by Willie Martin while hunting yesterday. Martin had aimed his rifle at a bird, and Dore stepped in front of the gun just as the trigger was pulled. The bullet passed through his head, and he died last night in the Eastern Maine General hospital.

TWO VICTIMS DEAD.

Both Die at Naval Hospital, Portsmouth.

Portsmouth, N. H., Nov. 8.—John P. Souder, one of those severely injured on the battleship North Dakota, Friday, died of his injuries at the naval hospital here yesterday. At the time of the accident he was engaged in shoveling coal under the boilers and the escaping steam forced the live coals up on him, and he was severely bruised about the face and upper part of the body. He was 18 years old and was the son of Alexander and Jane Souder of Quincy, Mass.

The body will be taken to Quincy for funeral services and burial.

Irish A. Ellis, Run Over By Car, May Have Another Operation.

Irish A. Ellis of Montpelier, who lost one foot as the result of being run over by an electric car last week, is not so well today, and it is feared that a second operation will be necessary as gangrene has set in. The leg was so badly crushed in the first place that it had to be cut off three inches above the ankle. Today, after an examination, the doctors decided that another amputation would have to be made further up.

NEARLY STRANDED.

Montpelier Girl Was Suffering with Bad Case of Croup.

Lamotta Smith, aged 14, and daughter of H. Carlos Smith of Montpelier, came near straggling yesterday while suffering from membranous croup. The doctors had to insert a tube in her throat to save her life. It is feared that the child may be suffering from diphtheria, and cultures have been sent to the state laboratory.

A Reasonable Expectation.

A government post office building in Waterbury, built of Barre granite, would be perfectly satisfactory. It may come some time.—Waterbury Record.

In the graded schools of Brattleboro 421 pupils were examined in the eye and ear tests. Out of this number 116 were found defective in eyesight, 59 of which were defective in both eyes. There were 28 pupils found that had defective hearing.

Meet me on the midway at the Masonic fair in Blanchard building any evening this week and have a good laugh.

QUESTION OF REBUILDING

Will Come Before Marshfield Building Association To-night.

Marshfield, Nov. 8.—In Saturday's fire the Pythian Sisters were losers also, inasmuch as all their lodge property was destroyed except the charter. They held insurance in the Union Mutual for \$150. The Knights of Pythias saved their charter and records, but the desk of K. of R. and S. was destroyed, together with the organ. The much cherished picture of Rev. S. G. Lewis was saved. Mr. Lewis is a loved member and the order, now residing in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The dining-room furnishings, including dishes and much silverware, were destroyed.

The building association, Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters will meet this evening in the Union church vestry to make arrangements for the future. Rumors are afloat that the association will rebuild. We trust the public will do everything possible to encourage this.

Alberta grange had headquarters in the lodge hall of the K. of P. building, but the better part of their belongings were saved. Much credit is due the untiring work of many in these several lodges in saving their property. Special mention should be made of Capt. E. C. Pitkin, Vern Hudson, the janitor of the building; and to the cool, quick work of Postmaster Davis in largely due to the saving of the government property. The post office property was insured in the Vermont Mutual.

A misprint of Saturday's report got dates mixed. The old hotel fire occurred April 10, 1903, and the "great fire" was in June, 1905, when so much property was destroyed.

The origin of Saturday's fire is unknown. Everything was quiet at half past twelve, when the janitor of the K. P. building looked up after a meeting of the Woodmen. Also, Mr. Ormsbee was up between twelve and one, and a trouble was apparent. The fire engine from Cabot came immediately upon being called for, but the fire was under control, so that it was not used. Montpelier had an engine on board the cars ready to start when word was received not to come, as the fire was abating.

Many efforts were made after the fire of 1905 to get some means of protection from fire, and L. R. Adams, one of the heaviest losers, did much to get a fire engine, but to no avail. Let us hope some measures will be taken to protect what remains of our village.

The heaviest stockholders in the building association are J. W. Bondary, J. W. Mears, E. C. Pitkin, William Southwick, Abby Smith, K. of P. Lodge, S. Swadlow, J. A. Ennis, Blanche Pike, Mrs. Abbie Lamson, H. D. B. Durinell, Mrs. Lydia Bemis, E. C. Merrell, and many more having from one to five shares of \$10 each.

FRANK DICKEY DEAD.

Well Known Nurse Died at East Barre This Morning.

Frank Dickey, well known as a nurse in this city and the surrounding territory, died at 12:30 this morning at his home in East Barre. He had been ill for a year with what is thought to have been tuberculosis, but he had been confined to his bed only a week. The funeral will be held from his late home in East Barre Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, and the interment will be in Elmwood cemetery in this city.

The deceased was born in East Orange fifty years ago last May. He resided in that town during the first part of his life, removing to East Barre seventeen years ago. At East Barre he was a member of Millstone lodge, New England Order of Protection, and in this city was a member of the stone masons' union. He is well spoken of by all his acquaintances. He leaves his wife and one son, Harry W. Dickey of Springfield, Mass., one sister, Mrs. Henry Colby of Montpelier, and three brothers, Almon Dickey of Bradgate, Iowa, Orasmus of Lake Tahoe, California, and John Dickey of this city.

His parents were Ransom and Annie (Eastman) Dickey of East Orange, and he was the youngest of thirteen children. On April 11, 1879, he was married to Miss Carrie Allen of Washington.

FUNERAL LARGELY ATTENDED.

Body of Mrs. Len M. Averill Taken to Craftsbury Today.

The funeral services of Mrs. Len M. Averill, who died at the City hospital last Friday night, were held from the home of her aunt, Mrs. Alex. Coburn of Orange street, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Many friends gathered, while relatives of the young woman and her bereaved husband were present from Craftsbury, Vermont, N. H., and other places, making a large company of mourners. The display of floral tributes was very beautiful.

The Rev. E. O. Thayer, pastor of Hedding Methodist church of this city, was the officiating clergyman, speaking a few words of comfort for the mourning relatives and friends. The body was taken today to Craftsbury, where it will be buried in the village cemetery.

BUCK DEER SHOT.

Three Montpelier Men Were Nearly on the Spot.

While three Montpelier men were going to their camp, Silver Ledge, between Montpelier and Middlesex, yesterday their two shots fired, and presently a buck deer with a wound in its neck bounded out of the woods nearby and waded the river, where it dropped dead in a pasture. The Montpelier men notified H. O. Kent, the Montpelier game warden who started out with six other men to apprehend a shoot of the animal. They hunted all the remainder of the day but failed to locate the hunter.

The program for the opening night of the Masonic fair this evening is as follows: Opening address, S. Hollister Jackson, Piano solo, Prof. George Bowes. Song, selected, L. G. Griffiths. Instrumental trio, violin, viola and piano, Messrs. Grant, McGowan and Carroll. Juggling, Fred Pirie. The program will begin promptly at 7:45; dancing from 9:30 to 12, with Gilbertson's orchestra.

CRAZY NEGRO SHOT OFFICER

Policeman John H. Ryan of Burlington the Victim

WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

His Life Was Saved by Fellow Officer William Collins, Who Grabbed John A. Thomas, His Assailant.

Burlington, Nov. 8.—John A. Thomas, an insane negro, forty years of age, shot Policeman John H. Ryan in the left thigh this morning when the officer was attempting to arrest him on the charge of carrying concealed weapons and firing a revolver promiscuously. Officer Ryan was taken to the hospital, being in a serious condition, although it was only a flesh wound.

Policeman William Collins saved the life of Policeman Ryan by catching and disarming the negro. A .38-caliber hammerless revolver was found in his clothing. He had shot Policeman Ryan while holding the revolver in his overcoat pocket. Thomas is a barber by occupation and a native of Burlington, where his wife and his mother are residing. A few months ago Thomas was discharged from the Michigan insane asylum, being pronounced to be in an improved condition.

He is probably the same negro who was seen acting in a peculiar manner on North Winslow avenue a few days ago. The negro at that time stood looking intently at the ground and then he suddenly pulled out the revolver and fired into the ground. Later he was seen dodging about the trees on Grant street.

YOUNG MAN SHOT AT ST. JOHNSBURY

Police Are Investigating a Mysterious Affair and Are Inclined to Doubt James Logan's Story.

St. John