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CURRENT COMMENT.

CHICAGO's directory shows that it has more people than New York city and her school enrollment shows 25,000 more children at school than in the eastern city.

OFFICIALS of the Pullman and Wagner companies say that the business of their sleeping and parlor cars for June and July was the largest in the history of the corporations.

THIS year's corn yield promises to be by far the greatest ever gathered. The estimate is 2,400,000,000 bushels. In nearly all the western corn states the prospects are unusually good.

THE governors of twenty states have signified their intention of attending the Chickamauga park dedication in September. The governors of Kansas and Missouri are among the number.

WHITE fish of marketable size are rapidly disappearing from Lake Erie and Ontario. It has been the custom to market the small fish caught in the nets even if they were no larger than smelts, and the result is a ruined industry.

THE inhabitants of Orange, Sullivan and Delaware counties in New York York state were reported as never having suffered from the grasshopper plague as at the present time. The pests were devouring every green thing before them.

A MOBILE, Ala., paper recently said that there were 25,000,000 gallons of molasses stored in tanks on the Louisiana plantations which the planters could neither sell at a profit nor throw away without creating a nuisance in the neighborhood.

TWENTY-EIGHT persons who have taken human life are lying in jail in St. Louis—six women and twenty-two men. Their crimes range from murder in the first degree to manslaughter. Some of them have been convicted and others are still fighting in the courts.

ELECTRICITY is relieving city horses of drudgery, and the agricultural journals are looking forward to the time when electric feed wires will reach out to the farms to do the pumping, threshing, churning, chopping, lighting, and eventually the plowing and hoeing.

J. H. MILLIKEN, director-general of the G. A. R. arrangements at Louisville, Ky., recently said in a letter to G. A. R. men there that all statements regarding the proposed drawing of the color line at the national encampment against negro ex-soldiers are absolutely false.

RAILWAY officials say that tourist travel this summer is 30 per cent. more than it was last season. To such proportions has this traffic grown that its increase this year will cut a decided figure in passenger earnings. They will show large increases over last year and will probably equal those of 1892.

THE preliminary steps toward the building of an electric line for the transmission of passengers, mail and express from Chicago to Buffalo are now on foot, and it is the intention to continue the line to New York. The run to Buffalo is to be made in four hours, and to New York in from eight to ten hours. An average speed of 50 miles per hour is promised.

THE quartermaster-general of the army recently drew attention to the fact that under the act approved March 2, 1889, all soldiers and sailors honorably discharged and buried in a private cemetery were entitled to a headstone and that the government paid all transportation expenses to the point of cemetery, provided the authorities paid for the erection.

CONSUL FERRELLET, at Rheims, France, has informed the state department at Washington, through an official report, of the discovery of a new process for keeping fruit fresh, which consists in treating them to a vapor of water and alcohol. The discovery was made by a Mr. Petit, who contends that even fruits which have begun to decay may be preserved for an indefinite length of time by the process.

AT the age of 90, George W. Goff, who lives near Punta Gorda, Fla., has grown young again. Up to a year ago he was blind, deaf and bald; suddenly he recovered his eyesight and hearing, and his hair began to grow. Now he hears and sees as well as he ever did, and his head is covered with a growth of black hair. As his eyesight strengthened and his hair grew a marked change occurred in his physical condition, and from being a decrepit man, hardly able to walk, he became as strong and active as a youth of 20 years. The case has puzzled the physicians.

HEREAFTER the agricultural department will call on specialists in certain lines of agricultural work, though not connected with the office, to make investigations of importance to agricultural interests and to prepare brief papers or articles embracing the results of the work. These will be paid for at rates which the department regards as reasonable. Many persons well known in this country and abroad will be asked to contribute. Its object is to do away with labored articles, couched in technical language, and of little interest or importance to the average farmer.

REV. E. R. DONOHUE, pastor of the Eighth Presbyterian church of Pittsburgh, Pa., who has been identified with Chinese mission work for years, in a recent interview said that he believed the efforts to convert Chinese paganism was futile. He said that although the Chinamen go to Sunday school and seem to take an interest in the Christian religion and even profess Christianity, yet they cling to their heathen ideas and ceremonies. He believed, however, that the Chinese can be raised to a higher social level by religious influences, so he will not give up work amongst them.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

A RECENT dispatch from London stated that England has abandoned her claim to Trinidad.

GEN. SCHOFIELD, commanding the army, returned to Washington on the 26th from his tour of inspection of army posts in the west and northwest and his trip to Alaska. The general has nothing but words of praise for the army, which is, he says, higher in tone and composed of better material than ever before.

THE last day of the financial debate between Messrs. Horr and Harvey closed at Chicago on the 29th.

A NEW YORK Herald special from Chicago on the 29th said that Jacob Schaefer had not only broken his right arm, but had splintered it, and physicians thought that he would never be able to handle a billiard cue again.

THE democrats of Maryland in state convention nominated John E. Hurst, a German man, for governor. The resolutions indorsed the national administration and declared in favor of gold as the basis of the monetary system.

RICHARD H. HUNT, the well-known architect and designer of the world's fair buildings and Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt's marble palace, died on the 31st at Newport, R. I. Heart failure was the cause of death.

ARRANGEMENTS were made on the 1st whereby Hon. A. J. Warner, president of the National Bimetallic league, and Hon. R. G. Horr, of Michigan, will discuss the silver question at Lakeside, O., on August 7.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE national officers and directors of the Ancient Order of Hibernians met at New York on the 1st and passed resolutions as to the future policy of that order in the United States on forwarding the cause of Irish independence. The resolutions are said to mean that the A. O. H. indorsed the Irish revolutionary movement which seeks Irish independence by force of arms. The importance of the action lies in the fact that 500,000 men form the society.

WHILE the ship Cairnhill from Calcutta was unloading its cargo of jute and saltpeter at Brooklyn on the 1st an explosion occurred which set fire to the dock. The warehouse, filled with jute, cotton, hemp and saltpeter was destroyed. The Cairnhill, which was burning, was towed to the flats near Liberty island, and it was thought she would have to be sunk. The loss on the warehouse and its contents is estimated at from $120,000 to $130,000. Three lighters and a barge, all loaded with cotton were completely destroyed.

A SERIOUS accident happened at Chicago on the 1st. A car containing about twenty people was near the top of the chute when the cable broke and the car went tearing down the slide of 300 feet. A wild panic ensued among the people in the car and many of them in their desperate efforts to escape were spilled out of the car. No fatal injuries were, however, reported.

AT Boston on the 31st George Dixon, champion featherweight pugilist, won on a foul in the fourth round in his contest with Tommy Connelly.

THE lugger Zenith was out on a pleasure trip from Gladmore to Baltimore, Ireland, recently, when flames burst through the hatchway. A panic followed and a boat was swamped by the people who clambered into it and nine persons were drowned. The skipper of the Zenith then ran her ashore and the rest were saved.

W. S. STRATTON, the millionaire, has struck what is probably the richest lode ever found in any mine in the country, if not in the world. In the Independence at Victor, Col., the miners in following a lead ran across a vein that will run $1,456 to the ton, and the width warrants the statement that there is not less than several millions of the ore in sight.

NEW regulations governing applications to the president for the pardon of persons convicted of offenses against the federal laws have been promulgated by Attorney-General Harmon.

A CLOUDBURST did great damage at Central City, and at Blackhawk Col., on the 29th, and the streets were roaring torrents. Flumes, wagons, packing boxes and out houses were swept away, and for ½ mile the Central City branch of the Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf railroad was covered with mud, rock and debris to a depth of several feet, blockading all traffic. A number of business houses suffered heavy loss from flooded cellars.

THE thirteenth annual gathering of the Mississippi Valley Spiritualists' association opened at Clinton, Ia., on the 28th for a four weeks' session with 300 members present from seven states.

CHEROKEE BILL got his hands on a revolver and attempted to liberate the prisoners confined in murderers' row of the United States jail at Fort Smith, Ark., on the 26th. Larry Keating the oldest guard was killed. The desperado finally surrendered his revolver to Henry Starr.

THE store of the Wewoka Trading Co., at Wewoka, I. T., was looted of about $200 by the Christian brothers Indian territory outlaws.

AT Rockville, Conn., the most disastrous fire in the history of the town occurred on the 27th, sweeping away six buildings on Main street, and with a loss of $100,000.

AT Durham, N. C., fire destroyed the Reams tobacco warehouse with considerable stock. Loss about $100,000.

A DECISION involving a portion of the town of Ponca City, Ok., was rendered in the land office at Perry on the 31st, giving the land on which are the Santa Fe depot and many of the best buildings of the town to Andrew M. Waugh, a homesteader. During the hearing, it was developed that one of the claimants obtained a booth certificate at Arkansas City, and it was held to be so good and the holder not entitled to hold land in the Cherokee strip. This decision, if sustained, will knock thousands of men out of claims they are now holding in Kay, Pawnee and Payne county.

A bad fire occurred at Menominee, Mich., on the 31st. It started in a pile of lath in a lumber yard and a brisk wind fanned the flames. Conservative estimates place the lumber burned at 30,000,000 feet, which, added to the buildings destroyed, makes the loss about $500,000. For two or three hours the inhabitants of the district were in a state of panic and every available wagon of the town was employed in saving household effects from threatened destruction.

A FREIGHT train on the Florence & Cripple Creek railroad was caught in a freshet and derailed on the night of the 30th near Adelaide, Col. Six persons were known to have been drowned and two others were reported missing. The railroad for 10 miles near Wilbur was washed away. All the wires were prostrated.

WATER rushed down the eastern slope of the Magdalena mountains late on the 30th through the principal streets of Socorro, N. M. More than fifty houses were destroyed and almost every residence damaged. Six persons in a family named Duran were drowned and many other people were missing. The Santa Fe tracks were washed out in several places, and a branch road was practically destroyed for 10 miles, five bridges being washed away besides the damage to the track.

AT Wells, Minn., three business blocks and a livery stable burned early on the morning of the 31st. Loss, $75,000; insurance, $11,000. A fireman was seriously injured by falling glass and twenty horses were burned.

H. H. HOLMES, the man jailed at Philadelphia, suspected of murdering many people to get their life insurance, has given out a statement that he procured corpses and had them scruped and articulated and made a lucrative business by selling the skeletons, but the supposition that he had murdered people he scouted as arrant nonsense.

A DISPATCH from Market Lake, Ida., dated the 30th stated that there had been no collision for the past few days with the Indians, but that the settlers were in a state of constant alarm. The troops now on the ground were expected to hold the situation well in hand except in isolated cases where individual settlers might be attacked.

MRS. HATTIE COVEY, wife of Bert Covey, of Jayville, N. Y., eloped with another man, leaving her child at home. She afterwards returned and was ordered to leave town by a mob. She went to a neighboring town and got a peace warrant and went back and was met at the depot by a crowd who stripped her of her clothing and beat her so badly she may die.

THE delayed Cunard steamer Aurania reached New York on the 30th.

THE steamer Belle of Memphis, which was reported sunk in the Mississippi river between St. Louis and Memphis, Tenn., and forty lives lost by drowning, arrived at her destination at 6 o'clock on the morning of the 29th. She was delayed by a great number of way landings and everybody was safe.

AT New York Referee Jacobs, in his report on the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Corbett against her husband, James J. Corbett, the pugilist, finds Mrs. Corbett entitled to a divorce, and recommends that the agreement entered into by her and her husband at the time of their separation, by which she agreed to pay her $100 a week for life, be continued.

THE Cunard line steamer Aurania, which sailed from Liverpool, Eng., July 20 and was due at New York on the 28th, has been reported as being disabled on the ocean, but the steamer claimed she did not want assistance. Her machinery was impaired.

CHARLES ENLOW, aged 20, was dead and Charles Duffin, aged 18, was dying from the effects of a fight at Marietta, Ind., on the 26th. It was the result of jealousy, and the object of their love was a married woman. Duffin was brought to his parents and, though in a dying condition, was compelled to furnish bond for $1,000 to appear upon the third day of the September term of the circuit court.

ELDER HIRAM MUNGER, one of the leading Second Adventists, in a sermon at the camping grounds at Springfield, Mass., on the 28th prophesied that the end of the world would come in 1897, according to Scripture.

CLEARING house returns for the principal cities in the United States for the week ended July 26 show an average increase as compared with the corresponding week last year of 20.2; in New York the increase was 23.7; outside New York, 16.3.

JOHN HICKS' house was burned at Big Stone Gap, Va., and four of his children perished while his wife and one child were badly burned. The fire caught from a stove and burned very rapidly, while the family were asleep.

DURING a cloudburst at the head of Garden creek, Wyo., on the night of the 30th, four persons were drowned.

A COURIER reported that everybody was killed at Jackson's Hole, Wyo., by the redskins and the excitement was intense in the towns in the vicinity. Every home and cabin of the settlers had been burned and it was thought the Indians would continue their work all down the Teton river valley in Idaho.

THE Irving Cliff brewery at Honesdale, Pa., was destroyed by fire on the 30th. Loss, $50,000; insurance, $22,000.

THE county courthouse at Fresno, Cal., was damaged by fire to the extent of $30,000. The fire was supposed to be incendiary.

OUTLAW ESCAPES.

Yeager and Black were Rounded up in a Cornfield.

ISAAC BLACK IS KILLED INSTANTLY.

Mrs. Sarah Grant Hangs Herself in a Dugout--Deputy Washburn is Summoned to Witness the Exhumation of Bill Doolin.

Alva, O. T., Aug. 3.—(Special)—Special Deputy Sheriffs Marrion Hildeth and J. W. Muir, accompanied A. M. Hildeth, Adam Hargis and Mr. Harmon arrived in Alva about 3 p. m. today with the dead body of Isaac Black, the pal of Dick Yeager. The particulars of the killing so far as could be learned are as follows:

Marion Hildeth and five other men who have been after Yeager and Black for several days, cornered their game yesterday about 6 p. m., at the house of a widow and her son named Jones about four miles east of Cantonment and fifty miles south of Alva near the line of Woods and Blaine counties. The house is completely surrounded by corn, the field being only 100 feet distant, on the north and east. The posse came up and discovered two horses hitched twenty steps from the house. Yeager and Black were eating supper. When they came out they were ordered to throw up their hands, but of course reached for their guns. The posse opened fire and shot Black through the head, then Yeager ran into the corn while the posse sent Winchester balls after him as rapidly as possible.

The body of Black was left lying where it fell and Justice of the Peace Humphrey was summoned and proceeded to hold an inquest. The verdict was according to the particulars stated above, Black being identified by three men. Black's right heel shows where he was shot on May 26 in a skirmish with the officers. He also has a sore scalp wound above the left temple where he was shot a week or two ago.

Yeager or Black shot a man named Al Richardson through the shoulder on last Saturday morning in the neighborhood where the fight occurred yesterday, and Sheriff McGrath of this county and posse went down there Saturday night and have not returned. Richardson is not dangerously wounded.

The men who brought in the body of Black says that nearly every able-bodied man south of the Cimarron river is after Yeager and all are determined to get him. Black had nothing on his person by which he could be identified, copies of two ballads, a picture and $1.50 in silver being all his pockets contained. He was photographed and will be buried here at the expense of the county.

SUICIDE IN A DUGOUT.

Mrs. Sarah Grant Hangs Herself while Temporarily Insane.

Alva, O. T., Aug. 3.—(Special)—At About daylight this morning Mike W. Grant, who lives near Clay postoffice, and Henry Brooks, a neighbor, arrived in the city to get a coffin and Mr. Grant gave the following particulars of a suicide in his neighborhood: Thursday he was working three-quarters of a mile from home for John Smith, a neighbor, cutting corn, and between 11 and 12 o'clock he, accompanied by Mr. Smith and Mr. Brooks went to his house to water their horses, and found Mrs. Grant hanging to a rope fastened to the ridgepole of the dugout. She had put a slip-noose around her neck and after making the rope secure above step off a chair and had been dead two or three hours when found.

Justice W. C. Leslie was immediately summoned and as acting coroner proceeded to hold an inquest, the verdict being in accordance with the above statement as to the manner of her death. No cause was found for the rash act, except despondency on account of continued ill health, she having been afflicted with neuralgia and rheumatism. She left no statement and Mr. Grant had never heard her threaten to kill herself, and the conclusion generally arrived at is that she was temporarily insane. The couple lived in Alva from September 1893, until February, 1895, when they moved to the claim where they have since lived. Mrs. Grant was about 30 years old. She well be buried near the homestead this afternoon.

ADEE GOES STILL FURTHER.

If France Doesn't Show that Waller Record, She's Just a Mean Old Thing.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Failing to receive any assurance of progress from Ambassador Eustis in the Waller case, Acting Secretary of State Adee has again cabled him to press the request for the record of Waller's trial at Madagascar and has instructed him at some length as to the position on which he should take in presenting it. It is understood that the department held the view that this government is entitled to the full record of the proceedings and that Mr. Eustis has been instructed to say to the French authorities that nothing less than the inspection of the complete records in the case will be sufficient to satisfy the United States whether justice has been done. It is also stated upon what is believed to be good authority that the instructions to Mr. Eustis go farther in that they direct him to say that a final refusal to furnish a complete transcript will be accepted by this government as a denial of justice.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Attorney Kennedy and others interested in the Waller case are at present trying to devise means of securing financial assistance for Mrs. Waller, who notwithstanding she has escaped from Madagascar to Mauritius is still destitute among strangers and far from home. Kennedy has made arrangements at the state department to have any funds contributed deposited there and forwarded direct to Mrs. Waller. He has telegraphed the facts of Mrs. Waller's condition to Governor Morrill with the hope that something may be done there for her relief and will also seek aid of members of the negro race.

DEPUTY WASHBURN IS SUMMONED.

His Presence Desired at the Exhumation of the Supposed Bill Doolin.

Hennessey, O. T., Aug. 3.—(Special) This section of the country has been all excitement the last few days over the report that the Yager-Doolin-Wyatt combination have been playing an exciting engagement over in the jungles of the Cimarron west of town. Nearly every able bodied man in the northwest part of the county have shouldered a gun and joined the chase come to Kingfisher immediately and Deputy Washborn has just received a telegram from Sheriff Burchard to be present at the examination of the body of the outlaw recently killed near Sheridan, in this county, and supposed to be one of the Willet boys. The telegram states that positive evidence has been received to show that the person killed was no less than Bill Doolin the notorious outlaw, and that the parties captured are closely connected with the Oklahoma train robbers.

HEAVIEST RAIN IN BEAVER COUNTY.

Far West Portion of Oklahoma Has Biggest Deluge in Its History.

Oklahoma City, O. T., July 31.—Following is the report on the weather and condition of crops in Oklahoma for the week ending July 29:

THE WEATHER.

The temperature and sunshine for the week just ended were slightly in excess of the normal. The average temperature for this period in July is 80.0 degrees, this week it was 80.7 degrees.

The precipitation for the week was mostly in the nature of local showers badly distributed; in all sections, however, heavy rains extending generally over small areas have fallen, being the heaviest in Beaver county, where the fall was the greatest known since the settlement of the country. Following are the rainfalls reported:

Grant county, 2.37; Beaver county, excessive; G, good; Logan, .96; Blaine, 1.40; Oklahoma, showers; Kingfisher, good rain; Chickasaw Nation, local rains.

SYNOPSIS BY COUNTIES.

Kingfisher—Heavy rain on 24th in southern and northwestern parts of county; central and northern parts were dry and hot causing corn to fire slightly, and making immediate relief necessary to prevent injury. Early corn is out of danger from drouth and hot winds. In the central part of the county cotton is short and potatoes and grass firing badly.

Wood—First of week cool and cloudy; very hot on 27th. Crops of all kinds are growing and maturing rapidly; late corn is safe; all sorghum crops are heading. Potatoes remaining in the ground are making second growth. Immense quantity of hay being made.

Chickasaw Nation—First part of the week was too wet for cotton, much of it being badly in the grass; latter days were warm and favorable. Corn is maturing slowly, but a heavy yield is insured; worms are doing slight damage. Flax, very light crop, much of it not worth harvesting. Grass is fine.

Blaine—Hot dry weather first two days of the week had bad effect on some fields of corn, while others stood it all right; rains of middle and latter days saved it from severe damage and assured a good maturity to all late crops. Farmers are plowing for wheat.

Payne—Crops of all kinds made good growth during the week, but rain will be needed next week. Chinch bugs are working on corn and other late crops; early corn almost ripe.

Logan—Weather of first of week was hot, followed by cooler during the middle and latter days. More rain will be needed for late corn; threshing about completed. Considerable plowing for wheat has already been done. Cotton doing finely. Early corn about matured.

G—Greater part of week was cool and cloudy with heavy rain in northwest part. All late crops continue to grow rapidly. Some early corn is most dry enough to shell. Buge are doing considerable damage to late potatoes.

Beaver—Heaviest rains known occurred during the week; all streams out of their banks. Broom corn and all forage crops making rank growth. Grain in stack is damaged considerably.

Cleveland—Late corn suffering for rain; early corn out of danger. The weather has been favorable to cotton.

Canadian—Splendid weather for crops

Garfield—Weather favorable to all crops now growing. There will be plenty of feed for stock during the winter.

Kay—Very dry weather with hot winds have damaged crops. Chinch bugs are very numerous. Grasshoppers reported a few weeks ago to be damaging young fruit trees have ceased their depredations.

Oklahoma—Crops during the week have grown rapidly, but in most parts of the county rain is now needed. Farmers are preparing ground for wheat.

Pottawatomie—Weather conditions prompted good growth of all crops; good rain on 23rd; large yield of corn is assured; hay first class.

A. V. RANDALL, Acting Director.

KANGAROO COURT CAUSED IT.

Jailer McPherson and Prominent Citizens of Kingfisher Come to Blows.

Hennessey, O. T., Aug. 1.—(Special.) A general riot occurred at Kingfisher today between Jailer McPherson and two of his assistants, and J. C. Caldwell, D. H. Solomon, Elmer Solomon and a few other prominent citizens of Kingfisher. The fight commenced when Caldwell, who is register of the land office, attempted to make McPherson stop a Kangaroo court in which two federal prisoners were being tried. All interested were more or less bruised.

OFFICERS ARE SLIGHTLY AHEAD.

One Dead and Four Wounded Against One Dead and Two Wounded.

Hennessey, O. T., Aug. 1.—Another vigilante, whose name cannot be learned, was seriously shot through the shoulder by outlaws near homestead late yesterday afternoon. This makes one outlaw killed and four wounded and one officer killed and two wounded in the past ten days. Officers declare that they will exterminate the gang.

Killed by Unknown Parties.

Stillwater, O. T., July 31.—(Special.)—A report reached here Sunday morning that the body of Sanford Duncan, one of the original founders of the town of Stillwater, was found yesterday on the banks of the Arkansas river near the town of Pawnee. The cause of his death was a gunshot wound by parties unknown.

Mr. Duncan came to this country from Ravenna, Kansas, in 1889, and has been closely identified with Stillwater and Payne county ever since. He was a Free Mason, and a number of Frontier Lodge, No. 6. The fraternity at once sent a committee to the scene of the tragedy to investigate the killing and bring the remains to Stillwater for interment.

Vigilants Chase a Lawyer.

Hennessey, O. T., July 31.—A posse of vigilantes who have been scouring he country west of here for horse thieves gave Lee M. Gray, a leading attorney of Hennessey, a ten mile chase late yesterday afternoon. Gray had been visiting his father's ranch forty miles to the west of town and was returning when seen by the vigilantes. They mistook him for one of the thieves they were hunting and fearing that if he halted within range they would shoot him, he put spurs to his horse and not until after a hard ride did he evade them.

Didn't Keep a List.

Perry, O. T., July 31.—(Special)—Among the laws enacted by the last legislature to protect the cattle interests of this territory is one providing that all parties butchering stock or purchasing hides or pelts in this territory shall be required to keep a record of the marks, brands, colors, from whom purchased, and, by the party butchering, the sex and age must also be kept, and the hides must be kept at least five days by the butcher.

This law, it is charged, has been violated by some of the butchers of this city and vicinity and several warrants are out for their arrest.

QUINLAN CONFESSES

Claimed That He Will Turn States Evidence if Protected.

MINNIE WILLIAMS STILL LIVES.

Mediums Interview Emeline Cigrand--Allen it is said Knows a Great Deal About Holmes--Shows Evidence of a Cave-in.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 3.—The police have at last obtained a partial confession from Pat Quinlan, the janitor of the Holmes "castle" and have, they believe, positive evidence that Benjamin F. Pietzel was murdered in this city by Holmes and the corpse sent to Philadelphia.

The confession was wormed out of Quinlan by means of a tip given the local officers by Detective Geyer of Philadelphia, who arrived in this city today. The exact nature of the story told by Quinlan the police will not reveal and in fact Chief Badenoch and Inspector Fitzpatrick have both denied that Quinlan or his wife made any confession at all. Notwithstanding the denial of the police, however, it is positively known that Quinlan made a signed confession because it was left where Quinlan's signature on the document could be seen, although the subject matter under which he wrote his name could not be ascertained. Tonight however, it was learned that a confession was made covering all the detils of the murder of Pietzl with the exception of the actual place in which the crime was committed.

This the police declare they will have tomorrow and they declare that by sunset of Aug. 5, they will have undisputable evidence that Pietzel came to his end through the direct agency of H. H. Holmes. The confession was obtained from the Quinlans only after the hardest kind of work, and at the price of a promise of immunity from punishment for all the part the Quinlan's may have borne in the murder of Pietzel or other crimes committed by Holmes.

MINNIE WILLIAMS LIVES.

Little Rock, Aug. 3.—Attorney O. M. Humphreys of Fort Worth arrived here today and went almost imemdiately to the prison where he and Superintendent McConnell were closeted for some time with Convinct Allen. Mr. Humphreys represents the interests holding claims against Minnie William's property in Fort Worth on debts contracted by Holmes and his accomplices. After the conference he sead:

"Undoubtedly Allen knows more than anybody else about the transfer of the Williams property because he spoke to me intelligently about the various papers conected with the deal which are now in my possession and the contents of which have never been made public. I knew Allen in Fort Worth and from circumstances as yet unpublished which he mentioned to me today, in connection with those deals. I know he was intimate with Holmes."

"Do you think Minnie Williams is still alive?"

"I most assuredly do. From what I know and from what Allen said today, I am positive that she is not only living but that she is in the United States and that were Holmes free he would be with her in less than forty-eight hours."

WHAT MRS. QUINLAN KNOWS.

Mrs. Pat Quinlan knew of the disappearance of Mrs. Julia L. Conner in Holmes' castle and saw the body of the woman after she was dead. She further knew and has admitted that Pearl Conner disappeared mysteriously in the castle after her return from a trip to the Quinlan farm at Lake Michigan.

Chief Badenoch took Mrs. Quinlan and her husband to the castle today with Inspector Fitzpatrick and detectives Fitzpatrick and Norton. The object of this trip was more for the purpose of letting Quinlan and his wife meet than any other. They were closeted together alone for an hour in the room in which the Julia Conner's carpet lies and the chair belonging to the murdered woman stands. What took place between them no one knows but Chief Badenoch and his detectives. The chief now has proof positive that Mrs. Connor and Pearl, her daughter, or Cora Quinlan, were murdered in the main building while the mother was in Holmes' employe. Quinlan has given information within the last twenty-four hours which brings the charge of murder nearer to Holmes than it has been in Chicago at any time since the case opened. Quinlan and his wife while demonstrating to the police that they were at no time guilty of the crime of murder themselves have made admissions by which the chief could use them on the stand as valuable witnesses against Holmes in proving that Mrs. Conner and a child were made away with by Holmes for the purpose of securing insurance which Mrs. Cononr carried on her life in favor of her daughter or in which Cora Quinlan cut an important figure.

Further, Quinlan and his wife have proved to the police that Mrs. Connor was so well aware of the schemes which Holmes were operating that it became necessary for Holmes to put the woman out of the way.

Mrs. Connor's body was disposed of by burial within the castle somewhere close to the spot where Pearl's supposed body was found. The police have not ceased their efforts to find the bottom of the basement and uncover her remains. The digging which was suspended today will continue tomorrow and during the coming week. Pat Quinlan and his wife have admitted partially, the woman more than the man, that a business in receiving and disposing of dead bodies stolen from country graveyards was carried on in the castle under the direction of Holmes. The graveyards of the western portion of Michigan, Grand Haven South Haven, Muskegon, Holland, St. Joseph, The Bay, Lakota, all ancient places, with venerable graves were despoiled of bodies.

The bodies were brought to the castle, chemically treated and then disposed of to medical colleges. The coffins were re-made by Quinlan, Pietzel and Holmes, relined and disposed of to undertakers at a fair profit.

"We have sufficient evidence to keep Holmes in prison for the remainder of his natural days" said Detective Geyer today, "without charging him with murder. Should he, by technicality, escape the conspiracy charge in Philadelphia, twenty warrants on other charges are ready to be served on him. The Toronto charge of murder is the strongest one against him and if he is taken there he will probably be hanged. As to all the Chicago charges there is only proof that he was a swindler. I believe it will be finally shown that he did murder Mrs. Connor and the two Williams girls. Minnie Williams I think, was killed last fall at the same time as Howard Pietzel."

Union, Mo., Aug. 2.—At the trial of Arther Duestrow, the St. Louis wife and child murderer, a number of witnesses for the defense were examined today. Their testimony shows that they considered him insane. Many of his alleged strange acts were told of. The state will introduce witnesses in rebuttal to refute the claims of insanity made by the defense.

GOLD IS WITHDRAWN.

But Reliance is Placed by Officials in the Bond Syndicate.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The withdrawal today of $2,350,000 in gold from the subtreasury in New York is not regarded by the treasury officials as cause for uneasiness.

Since February last the bond syndicate, it is said, has fully demonstrated its ability to protect the gold reserve from any serious encroachments, and it is not doubted that today's withdrawals could have been prevented had such a course been deemed at all necessary to save an impairment of the public confidence. So far as it known here there are no indications of further withdrawals, but even should they continue for a short time, the treasury officials say they would not feel disturbed in consequence. They argue that the autumn shipments to Europe of grain and other farm products are certain to set in late in the present month and continue through November, with the result that the gold movement will be turned toward the United States.

SUGAR BOUNTY CLAIMS.

The work incident to the payment of claims under the act appropriating $238,289 in liquidation of unpaid bounty claims for sugar produced prior to August 28, 1894, is being rapidly pushed forward in the internal revenue bureau and already a large number of the claims have been scheduled and sent to the auditor for approval. None of them, however, will be acted on until after Comptroller Bowler has passed upon the question of the constitutionality of the act making the appropriation.

The claims under the act appropriating $5,000,000 as a bounty on last year's crop of sugar are coming in very slowly Less than a dozen have been received thus far, and several of these have been sent back for correction as to the evidence of correct polarized test.

The application for refunding of the amounts paid as income tax prior to the decision of the United States supreme court against the constitutionality of the income law are coming in with surprising slowness. Not more than one half of the whole number has yet been received but those already at hand at being examined and certified to the secretary for approval preparatory to their payment.

FLINT FOUND FRAUDS.

Washington, Aug. 3.—A good deal of interest was aroused at the postoffice department this afternoon by a story printed in San Francisco stating that Railway Postal Clerk Culver has charged Superintendent Samuel F. Flint of the railway service with being a party to extensive mail frauds against the government. Second Assistant Postmaster General Neilson denied positively that Flint was concerned in any frauds.

"On the contrary," he said "it was directly due to Mr. Flint that an extensive fraud was discovered last June, the time when Culver charges that Flint was in collusion with the railroads for the purpose of defrauding the government.

"In that month the mails of the Pacific coast were weighed in order to obtain a basis for payment for carrying them during the following years. A small circular on a small route attracted Superintendent Flint's attention and he followed it up skilfully and finally brought about the readjustment of a much larger route saving the government much money. It is no doubt some confused information in regard to this that caused Culver to make the charge that he has against Mr. Flint. While no official action has been taken it is thought by the officials in the postoffice department that Culver is almost certain to lose his head within a day or two. The method of the fraud attempted last year was to divert mail matter from other routes to the one that was being weighed."

Washington, Aug. 3.—Miss Elizabeth Flagler, daughter of General Flagler, chief of the ordnance bureau, and well known in society, shot and killed a 14-year old negro boy named Ernest Green today at her home in the suburbs of the city. Miss Flagler discovered Green on the fence stealing fruit and fired at him from a second story window. She surrendered. She is 28 years old and an attractive and accomplished woman.

The coroners jury exonorated Miss Flagler and she was released.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The following changes have been made in the judge advocate general's department: Colonel John W. Clans, from West Point to Chicago, relieving Major Stephen Grosbeck, ordered to San Francisco, releiving Lieutenant Colonel Edward Hunter, ordered to St. Paul relieving Captain Glenn, ordered to Van Couver Washington, the latter relieving Captain McClure of the Eighteenth Infantry who has been acting judge advocate and is ordered to join his command at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Conflicting reports of crop prospects in Nebraska have induced Secretary Morton to make special inquiries from authoritative sources. He has received a telegram from an Omaha railroad official well acquainted with the situation stating that corn has been damaged from twenty to fifty per cent in parts of southeastern Nebraska. Despite this the telegram predicts that with favorable weather there will be as large a corn crop as was ever produced in that state.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The comptroller of the currency today appointed William S. Nelson receiver of the Union National bank of Denver, Colorado. Authority for the organization of the Valley National bank of Phoenix, Ariz., has been given.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The postoffice department has issued a fraud order against Frances E. Lannon, of Hammond, Illinois. She is the proprietress of a toilet concern recently debarred the use of the mails.

OMAHA'S COMMMISSIONERS.

New Men Receive Certificate From the Attorney General.

Omaha, Aug. 3.—Three police commissioners acting under the American Protective association police law are doing business in Omaha tonight regardless of the fact that the district court restrained the city council from approving their bonds. The oath-bound organization in the council has a working majority and the court's order was ignored. As a result a citizen volunteer guard of 100 men is on duty at the police station tonight to maintain peace and assist the regular police force in holding possession of city property.

Messrs. Broatch, Vanderport and Foster were given their certificates as police commisioners at noon by the attorney general and the commissioner of public lands and buildings. The governor refused to sit with them and warned them that their course was illegal.

The Omaha council held a special session at 4:30 to approve the bonds but were met with an injunction returnable tomorrow in the district court. The order was ignored with a hurrah and the new police commisison at once appointed a full police force. They will make no effort to get possession of city property before morning. At an early hour tomorrow the district court will take up the matter of the council proceedings in contempt and will probably cancel its work.