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STARVED HER TO DEATH.

Brutal Treatment of Illinois Farmer Towards His Daughter.

Carmel, Ill., Dec. 24.—John Joiner, a prominent farmer, of Saline county, is under arrest charged with the hideous crime of having starved to death his little 12-year-old daughter, who died a few days ago in great agony.

The little girl was a cripple, and not mentally bright, and her father seemed glad to get rid of her, so his neighbors say, and gradually starved her to death. She was even refused water.

His alleged brutal treatment toward the girl terminated only at her death, and indignation neighbors caused his arrest. He was denied bond today and remanded to jail by Squire Jenkins of Harrisburg.

He was a strong feeling against him in the neighborhood where the alleged crime was committed.

DRAGGED AWAY.

Maggie Hoel, 18 Years Old, Mysteriously Disappears From Her Home Three Miles West of Pueblo, Col.

Pueblo, Col., Dec. 24.—Maggie Hoel has been missing since about 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon and it is feared that she has been murdered.

The girl, who was about 18 years old, lived with her sister, Mrs. Charles Beatty, in a lonely house, three miles west of the city. On Saturday Mrs. Beatty left Maggie in charge of her little child at her home. Upon her return two hours later her sister was gone and the baby was alone in the house.

Indications about the premises led to the immediate suspicion that the girl had been taken from her home by force. There were evidences of a struggle and in the yard were found the footprints of a man evidently of large size and weight. The footprints led in the direction of the Arkansas and at some places along the trail appeared the prints of smaller shoes such as Maggie Hoel wore. At other places the trail indicated that the girl was dragged or carried along by her captor. Near the residence of the girl's mother, all traces were lost. A large number of men have been searching but the girl has not yet been found. At Mrs. Beatty's home, Maggie's hat and the wrapper which she ordinarily wore out of doors were found undisturbed.

In the immediate vicinity a large force of men have been working on reservoirs now under construction.

TO KILL NO MORE.

Anarchists Decide to Stop Assassinating Kings and Emperors.

New York, Dec. 24.—Emma Goldman said last night in an interview that the anarchists had decided not to kill any more kings or crowned heads. She said that at a recent conference of anarchists held in New York, the anarchists had agreed upon.

"The killing of King Humbert," she said, "was not done through the instigation of the anarchists as a body. It was the individual act of Gaetano Bresci. Bresci imagined that King Humbert did not treat the Italians as he should have done and took the matter into his own hands. We did not justify the killing and don't look upon it as an act to be applauded."

"Anarchy," Miss Goldman went on, "when it does come, will be a purely voluntary co-operative system. I mean that every one will help the other so that all will have equality."

"We anarchists don't believe in marriages. Look at our divorce courts. They are every day divorcing men and women trying to get divorces from one another. Under an anarchist government that could never happen. There would be no divorces because there would be no marriages. It is a crying shame that men and women should be kept together by marriage ties."

"I believe in a government," Miss Goldman went on, "in which every man and woman should do as he or she pleases. Cars and elevated trains and everything would be free. There would be no jealousies. Anarchism as a rule is unselfish. No one would demand more than another. Everything would be equalized. There would be no accumulation of wealth. The desire for wealth after all, is childish. It is the little children who want more toys. It means a lack of intelligence. Wealth does not bring happiness."

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THE PENITENTIARY DIRECTORS ARE PLANNING REFORMS.

T. C. Ballinger Talks of the Proposed Changes.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The members of the board of directors of the state penitentiary will ask the legislature to provide an enclosure, bounded by a high wall, containing a number of cells, in which it is the purpose of the board to place the more desperate convicts.

It is also the purpose of the board to ask for authority to establish a prison rockpile which will be within the enclosure mentioned, and the desperadoes who are now in the coal mines will be put on top of the ground at hard labor on the stone pile.

As it is the purpose of the advocates of good roads to ask for a law permitting the convicts to be worked on public roads, the stone pile would be an advantageous arrangement from which broken rock for macadamizing could be obtained at small expense. The state has the rock and the labor, consequently the principal expense would be the shipment of the convicts to the stone pile.

T. C. Ballinger, a member of the board of directors, in Topeka Sunday explained the plan which the board has in mind. Mr. Ballinger said:

"The desperate convicts are now working in the coal mines, which in the opinion of the public, is the safest in the world for them, when as a matter of fact it is the easiest place from which the convicts might escape."

"There are 14 guards for 300 prisoners in the coal mines, but the guards carry no guns. If they did it would be possible to collect a fine for that number of convicts to overpower the guards and take possession of the weapons and be prepared to make a fight when they reached the top of the ground on their way to liberty."

"There is less discipline in the coal mines," continued Mr. Ballinger. "The prisoners are permitted to talk whenever they please. It would be an impossibility to enforce a rule to the contrary, because some of them work several hundred feet from the guards."

"As a matter of fact the coal mines is the 'snag' job at the prison. The prisoners are permitted to talk to each other while working, while those outside are not permitted to talk to each other."

"The safe-keeping of the desperate men in the prison can not be guaranteed successfully in the coal mines. The only way in which this difficulty can be overcome, in the opinion of the directors, is to establish a new plan of dealing with them."

"The board has considered the matter very carefully, and we have decided that the best plan is to take these men where they can be guarded more successfully and in such a manner that the rules of the prison may be enforced."

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MUST HAVE 60,000 MEN.

Return of Volunteers From Philippines Is Declared Off.

Washington, Dec. 24.—As a result of a conference between the secretary of war and Quartermaster General Ludington, it has been decided that no further action can be taken with regard to the return of the volunteers from the Philippines until congress shall make provision for their replacement. The war department is considerably embarrassed by the military situation in the Philippines. Acting upon representations made by General MacArthur, the department concluded that it is absolutely necessary to maintain an army of 60,000 in the Philippines, under the current policy of establishing municipal governments throughout the archipelago has been executed. It is stated at the department that any reduction of the military establishment would doubtless prove disastrous to the interests of the United States.

There are now about 60,000 troops, regulars and volunteers, in the Philippines and arrangements have been made already for bringing home 3,000 of them. No further reduction will be made until the war department is advised fully of the purpose of congress with regard to army legislation. When the necessary authority has been given it is the purpose of the department to bring home as rapidly as possible all the volunteers and regulars whose terms of enlistment expire on the 30th of June next, but not before it is possible to replace them man for man with new recruits under the terms of the new army bill.

It is expected that congress will act promptly on the army bill soon after it is introduced in January. At that event it is said at the war department, it will not be possible to get the fresh troops to the Philippines in time to meet the emergency. The general home coming movement of the mass of volunteers would have to be postponed until February. No further reduction will be made until the war department is advised fully of the purpose of congress with regard to army legislation. When the necessary authority has been given it is the purpose of the department to bring home as rapidly as possible all the volunteers and regulars whose terms of enlistment expire on the 30th of June next, but not before it is possible to replace them man for man with new recruits under the terms of the new army bill.

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