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MAY BE A MURDER.

The Man Beaten by Midnight Raiders Near Fairmont

IN A VERY CRITICAL CONDITION

And May Die from the Effects of the Brutal Assault--An Interesting Relic Found in Preston County--A Mysterious Stranger's Narrow Escape.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., June 21.--The assault made on Robert Thompson Friday night, by Lee Dillon and Alex. Rhoden, may result in his death, as he is very low at this time. Justice Thomas A. Fleming visited him yesterday and took his evidence, as well as that of his wife, and also brought away the stones which they had used in beating him on the head. The facts are about as follows: Alex. Rhoden has for some time been making threats against Thompson, who is his brother-in-law, having married Rhoden's sister. On Friday night late, he, with Dillon, went to the house and knocked, and as Thompson was in bed Mrs. Thompson went to the door, and seeing who was there said they could not come in and immediately closed the door and fastened it with a button. The men at once forced the door open, and one going on each side of the bed yanked his head in a most brutal manner, besides shooting him in the side with a .32 calibre revolver. As soon as the men left Mrs. Thompson ran to her nearest neighbors and alarmed them and sent for a physician. Dr. Jamison, of this place, went at once and did all possible to relieve his sufferings. Warrants were issued and the men were arrested and are now in jail.

INTERESTING RELIC.

Remains of a Supposed Revolutionary Soldier Found in Preston County.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

KNOXWOOD, W. VA., June 21.--W. B. McGeerhan, a gentleman from Norfolk, Ohio, and the INTELLIGENCER correspondent made a find in the lower portion of this county which is strange and yet of a very interesting nature. The discovery is without a doubt a relic of the Revolutionary period. The two were driving through Grant and Pleasant townships and on Friday passed over an abandoned mountain road leading from Glad's farm to Cranestville. This road is through a pine swamp region and has not been traveled for years. They were told that a few miles of the road had been an old Indian trail long ago. On the top of a mountain in a wilderness where there are no houses for several miles and where human feet rarely stray, they lunched, and seeing a very extensive patch of watergreen, wandered far into the forest gathering the watergreen berries. Mr. McGeerhan, in crossing a large flat stone, stepped upon a piece of metal, which flew from beneath his foot in the leaves. He picked up what proved to be a large metal button covered and eaten by rust. This seemed curious and aroused the curiosity of both. They began a thorough search and in a short time found a connecting link. At the foot of a little ravine, beneath a shelving rock, they saw almost entirely hidden by leaves a white object which attracted their attention by the contrast with the brown leaves and earth. There lay a human skull, ghastly and bleached by the weather. When lifted from the ground, a small piece of cloth was visible but upon handling, it fell to pieces. Not another bone was in sight and no doubt this skull would have been washed down the hill years ago and into the creek had not the rocky roof preserved it. A few feet from this spot was also found another metal curiosity, which at all appearances was a knee buckle. All circumstances sustain the belief that the skull is that of a revolutionary soldier. The button has been forwarded to an Ohio museum for comparison with uniform buttons of those times. The top of the skull was cracked as if it might have been struck by a tomahawk or other sharp instrument.

TEN DAYS UNCONSCIOUS.

Young Lady is Thrown into a Cataleptic Fit, from Which She Does not Recover.

ST. MARY'S, O., June 21.--Considerable interest is being manifested in the case of Ella Ragan, who was, several weeks ago, struck by lightning and still lives, with every prospect of a long life before her.

What makes her experience one of unusual interest is that immediately after the shock she dropped into a deep sleep, and slumbered almost uninterruptedly for ten days, taking only a little liquid nourishment, perhaps three times, when half aroused.

Miss Ragan is a prepossessing young lady of twenty summers, and lives with her parents near Anna, Shelby county. She describes the sensation of the shock and says her mind was a perfect blank for the ten days she slept except for an hour on the Thursday following the shock.

She says there was no sensation of pain beyond that of fright. She describes the bolt of lightning as a big ball of fire, and the illumination was almost painful. Dr. C. W. Harbour, of Anna, was called in the night of the shock. He says Miss Ragan was a typical cataleptic.

In this the patient experiences a suspension of the action of the sense and of volition, the body and limbs preserving the position given them, while the action of the heart and lungs continues. During her stupor, if the arm or limb of the patient was raised to a position impossible to be held for more than a moment during consciousness, it would remain for hours without change.

Her body was placed on two chairs, resting only on heels and the back of her head. In this seemingly impossible position she remained perfectly motionless and rigid until it was changed for her. Dr. Harbour says the patient had a good pulse during her sleep, and will not suffer permanent inconvenience beyond greater liability to cataleptic attacks in the future.

He regards the case as one of the most interesting in his long career. A singular thing about the case is that lightning has struck three times in the Ragan yard and has never yet killed any one.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

A Case of Attempted Murder and Suicide Among Respectable People.

McKRESFORT, Pa., June 21.--The families of William Myers and Mr. Harding, both mill men, have been living within a stone's throw of each other for years and became very friendly. Last night about 9 o'clock Harding called Myers over for a neighborly chat. Myers responded, but Harding was obliged to leave the room for a few moments. When he returned his wife lay outside the door dangerously wounded, while Myers was stretched inside with a bullet through his brain.

Mrs. Harding, who is shot in three places, but not fatally, says Myers avowed his love for her and asked her to elope with him to Germany. She refused, with the above result. Both parties were considered respectable and have children.

Ingalls on Blaine. ARIZONA, Kas., June 21.--Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls, in discussing Secretary Blaine's condition to-day, said: "The newspapers, I think, have been misinformed in regard to Mr. Blaine's illness, and they in turn have misinformed the public. He is, in my opinion, a pretty sick man, but I think he will recover in time for the Presidential nomination."

Mr. Ingalls declined to state whether or not Mr. Blaine was his choice.

A TEMPTING OFFER.

The Free Coinage Men Want to Furnish Bonole for Ohio Democrats.

New York, June 21.--The free coinage silver advocates are going to make a strenuous effort to secure a free coinage plank in the Democratic platform of Ohio, with a view of making that question an issue in the State and of bringing on a general issue on that subject in the presidential election next year. This decision was reached to-day by the executive committee of the National Silver Association, which has been in session for two days at the Hoffman House. The chairman of this committee is General A. J. Warner, of Ohio, who was formerly in Congress, where as a silver advocate he became known as "Silver Bill" Warner. He is a Democrat of prominence in Ohio, and under his direction the silver association has for two years past been seeking to make silver a political issue in the East. He came to New York during the campaign for Congress last fall and made a speech at Cooper Union solely for the purpose of injecting the silver issue into the political atmosphere. He said at the time that all he wanted was to keep the East alive to the fact that there was a growing silver question which must be settled. The association it made up of wealthy silver mine owners. Dr. L. M. Ramsey, who was in attendance on this meeting, is the largest stockholder in the Granite Mountain Mine, of Montana, and owns a fifth interest in the famous Bi-Metallic. Gen. F. G. Neelands, another member, is executor of the Sharon estate in Nevada and California, and is himself one of the millionaire mine owners of that section. The association is able to secure contributions to an unlimited amount from silver men for the work of securing free coinage. The plan about Ohio is first to induce the Ohio Democratic leaders to insert an out-and-out, absolute free coinage plank in their platform. It is further argued that to raise the silver issue will lessen the importance of the tariff issue, on which Major McKinley has an enormous advantage over his probable adversary, Governor Campbell. But greater than all of these inducements in the more potent one of money. The silver men will agree to raise \$500,000 for the Ohio campaign if the silver issue is put to the front. In determining on this offer they reasoned among themselves that it can be made the chief issue in Ohio and the Democrats win on it, the issue will overshadow everything else for 1892, and that is a stake they think worth playing for. They claim to have the West and South almost solid with them, but fear the East and Middle States. The influence of conservative banking and financial forces in these sections prevents them from securing what they claim as their own--that is, the West and South. So they desire to capture at least one of the great States.

When the accident occurred, the train was running about thirty miles an hour. The engine went down the bank on one side, the seven cars being thrown across the rails in both directions. One coach was split in two and the others all were badly smashed. Rogers, the man killed, was caught in the wreck and had to be chopped out. The engineer and fireman escaped by jumping. Farmers living near the scene of the accident came to the rescue and the injured were taken care of until a corps of physicians sent from Cleveland, arrived on the scene. The seriously wounded were then brought to the city and taken to hospitals. The engine was running backward at the time of the smashup, though it is said the accident was due to the spreading of the rails. The track will not be cleared before to-morrow.

AN EXCURSION TRAIN

Filled With Happy People Wrecked Near Dover, Ohio.

SEVEN LOADED CARS DITCHED.

One Man Killed and Thirty Injured, Some Seriously--Caused by Spreading Rails--Merriment Turned to Sadness by an Unlooked for Occurrence.

CLEVELAND, June 21.--An excursion train of fifteen cars, which left this city this afternoon on the Nickel Plate railway, jumped the track near Dover, Ohio, and seven cars were wrecked. The train was loaded with street railway employes and their families, who were going to Oak Point, a pleasure resort on the Lake Shore. One man was killed and more than thirty persons injured.

The list of the killed and injured, is as follows: Henry Rogers, aged twenty-three years, crushed to death; Burt Keele, aged eighteen, skull fractured and legs hurt, will probably die; Peter Credon, aged twenty-one, foot crushed and bad wound in jaw, may not recover.

S. M. Clark, aged 20, ribs broken; Thomas Graulty, badly bruised and internal injuries; Mary Redd, aged 30, ribs broken; Edward Sheppard, aged 23, right leg crushed and hurt internally; William Stegheper, aged 34 years, scalp wounds and leg crushed; Lizzie Ray, aged 25 years, hip badly bruised; Charles Quark, aged 24 years, cut in neck and badly bruised; Ernst Schrieter, aged 24, bad scalp wound; W. J. Henstreet, aged 17, right arm broken and leg crushed.

A score or more of the others were more or less injured but were able to be removed to their homes, and names could not be ascertained.

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EX-SENATOR McDONALD DEAD.

The Indiana Statesman Passes Away at Last.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 21.--Ex-Senator McDonald died at 11:35 to-night.

During the day the patient's condition continued to grow more serious. During the afternoon, the Rev. Mr. Milburn was sent for and administered the sacrament. Then Mr. McDonald called his family and some intimate friends about him and calmly, as if the occasion were one of the most ordinary kind, gave directions for his funeral arrangements and the disposition of some of his personal affairs.

In the presence of all he said he wished to give testimony to his faith in God's saving grace. Then he grasped each by the hand and bade the good-bye.

The dying man surrendered himself to the care of his physician to await the coming of the inevitable which occurred at 11:35 p. m.

A PERMANENT CIRCUS

To be Established in New York, Modeled after Paris Places.

New York, June 21.--New York City is to have a permanent circus next winter, modeled upon the plans of the "Cirque d'Eto" and the "Nouveau Cirque" in Paris. Mr. Antony, the manager, expects to sail for Paris in about two weeks to engage a full fledged circus. He showed to-day his list of men who are already interested in the New York Circus Company, which includes W. K. Vanderbilt, Perry Belmont, August Belmont and O. H. P. Belmont. The corporation is to be formed with a capital stock of \$250,000. Horseback riding by some of the best riders that can be engaged in Europe will be one of the features of the show. Paris has been the great training school for these riders. There are very few young riders in this country. Most of the favorites on the tanbark have been before the public for a number of years.

A Murderous Insane Man.

New York, June 21.--The steamer La Bretagne, which arrived here to-day from Havre, reports that Joseph Feys, aged 40 years, a steamer passenger and native of Switzerland, while conversing with his family, consisting of a wife and five children, suddenly dragged his five-year-old son Pierre from his mother's arms and threw him into the sea. The child was lost and the father, who was apparently insane, was seized by the officers of the ship and put in irons. He had threatened to throw all his children overboard.

Militia in a Wreck.

LONDONDERRY, June 21.--An empty train collided with a train carrying a body of militia on a single track railway two miles from Londonderry to-day. The driver of the militia train was killed, the fireman was fatally hurt and scores of the militia and others were injured. The first three carriages of the militia train, which were laden with luggage, were smashed to splinters. Had they been occupied by militia the casualties would have been much greater.

Damaging Storm at Altoona.

ALTOONA, Pa., June 21.--Another heavy storm struck Altoona this afternoon, and caused considerable damage to property. The creeks east of the city are raging to-night, and the water has spread over a number of grain fields. The damage to farmers will be considerable.

IS LAME FOR LIFE.

Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., Obligated to Give Up the Stage.

New York, June 21.--That Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., will go back on the stage as soon as the divorce proceedings against her husband, which she has begun in Dakota, have been brought to a successful conclusion, is without any foundation whatever in truth.

Although Mrs. Blaine has recovered from her illness, and is now enjoying a fair measure of health, still the rheumatism has left her slightly lame, and her physicians are not able to promise that this will ever disappear. Mrs. Blaine's lameness forbids her, of course, to entertain any idea of resuming her interrupted theatrical career. She has written a friend in this city to correct a report which was recently telegraphed from Chicago.

In her letter Mrs. Blaine says that she is lame for life and has therefore abandoned all idea of again returning to the stage. She also denies that she is "friendless," as was stated in the paragraph mentioned. "Who has more friends than I?" she asks. "Certainly, I have many." She explains that the obnoxious paragraph originated with a Chicago newspaper man to whom she had denied an interview.

NEAL ON HIS TRAVELS.

He Visits Canton and Says Campbell Cannot be Re-elected.

CANTON, O., June 21.--Larry Neal dropped down to Canton from Cleveland last evening. Larry makes no bones about saying that he came into Stark county, where Campbell opened "Warwick's" campaign last year, to look after his fences as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor. He evidently had been working the wires, for he had not been long registered at the Barnett House before a dozen Democrats dropped in to see him. He received reporters for local papers as well as correspondents in his room, and said he had no opinions to hide. He carried them on his sleeve, and was not afraid to publish them. One idea of his was that if Campbell was nominated he would lose Hamilton county by ten thousand, which would mean defeat in the State. Neal said he felt confident of his nomination. Hamilton and other southern counties were for him solid, and he had just been on a trip through the northern and north-western counties. He was gratified at his reception in Canton and thought affairs were favorable for him in Stark county. From here he says he will go to his Chillicothe home. Among others who met him were Senator Howells, of Massillon, who says Campbell cannot be elected; ex-County Clerk John McGregor, Mayor Blake, Editor McPherson, of Warwick's organ at Massillon, President of the Board of Education Frank L. Alexander, and a score of others.

Noted Physician Died.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 21.--Doctor James H. Thompson, for many years a leading physician in Milwaukee, died suddenly at 7:30 last evening at his home in this city, the immediate cause of death being heart failure, although he had been suffering for some days with pneumonia. He was born in 1835 in Fort Croft, Maine.

Anaconda Mines Sold.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.--The Chronicle says: It is learned on reliable authority that the Anaconda mines at Butte have been sold last Friday. The buyers are Lord Tevis and J. B. Haggin and the new owners are a number of English capitalists. The price paid was \$25,000,000.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Smallpox is epidemic at Great Morna, Russia. The coal miners' strike at Foster, Ia., is at an end.

Oklahoma is harvesting a mammoth wheat crop. The drought in Quebec province is so bad that Catholic churches will pray for rain.

Fanny Danby, a member of the Gaiety Company, was granted a divorce at London yesterday.

The Railway Telegraphers, in session at St. Louis, have adjourned to meet in Chattanooga next year.

Sherman Brooks was executed in public at Louisville, Ga., Friday for the murder of another negro.

Harriet Hosmer, at Rome, has completed the model of the proposed Queen Isabella statue for the World's Fair.

The Powhatan Club, of Richmond, has started a movement for separate street cars for white and colored people.

The German Hebrew Emigration Committee declines to undertake to send exiles to Palestine instead of America.

The shortage in the accounts of the National City Bank at Marshall, Mich., has been found to be \$100,000. A receiver is asked for.

Several battles have been fought between French troops and Chinese pirates, yet the pests of the Eastern seas are still unsubdued.

The Kansas Millers' Association has passed resolutions urging Secretary Blaine to hasten reciprocity negotiations with Mexico.

The Mayor of Atlanta has vetoed all beer license because most of the sellers have been selling whisky unlawfully. Whisky licenses are untouched.

An ascending military balloon burst at a fair in Prague, Bohemia. The officers and crew were severely injured. The balloon ignited and was consumed.

THE LATEST FAVORITE

Of the Prince of Wales is a Notorious Courtesan.

HE IS A CONSTANT VISITOR

To Her Domicile--The Unbecoming Conduct of England's Future King--No Wonder that the Good People of Britain are Growing Disgusted.

LONDON, June 21.--For a man who claims to be the censor, the mentor and the champion ruler of English society, the champion of proprieties, the Prince of Wales' conduct is scarcely becoming. That he is a constant visitor to the house of Lord Marcus Beresford, whose establishment is presided over by the lovely but exceedingly notorious Mrs. Charlie Buller. The latter is the daughter of the late General Ridley, who eloped from her first husband, Colonel Kingscote, of the artillery, with Captain Charles Buller, of the Horse Guards, an officer whose claims to fame are based upon his record as a cricketer and as the first discoverer of Mabel Gray, the London counterpart of the Parisian Coral Pearl.

Subsequently the divorce court permitted Mrs. Kingscote to contract a marriage with Captain Buller. Matrimony, however, in its legal form, proved far too commonplace to suit her views, and she, in course of time, abandoned Buller for Lord Beresford. Once more she figured as the heroine in a divorce case. Lord Marcus being the co-respondent. But, although the charges against her were proved, yet the character of Buller was such that he was held to have been cognizant and consenting party to her infidelity. The result was that the Queen's Proctor intervened and the divorce was refused. Since then she has lived openly with Lord Marcus Beresford as his wife.

HER MANY LIAISONS.

Although the number of her liaisons has been such that she is popularly known by the name of "Unlimited Leo," and that at the time of her last appearance in the Divorce Court it was suggested that the entire Carlton Club should be included in the list of co-respondents, yet her bowdler and drawing rooms are crowded with portraits of the Prince of Wales, bearing his royal autograph, and in many cases a few words of affection and admiration for his "Dear Leo."

Another faux monage of the same character is that of Sir Frederick Johnstone, the well-known sporting baronet. On several occasions, when the Prince had paid his customary spring visit to the Riviera, he has stayed with Sir Frederick at the latter's lovely villa near Nice. The lady, who, on these occasions, has acted as hostess to the Prince, and figures as the mistress both of the establishment and of its proprietor, is Dady Capel Brooke, now a widow, but formerly the wife of the late Sir Capel Brooke, from whom she eloped with Sir Frederick Johnstone. Although both she herself and her lover are now free to legalize their relations by marriage, they seem to fear their matrimony would destroy the piquancy of their relations, and accordingly have determined to dispense with its bonds. Although they live openly together, their liaison is of the most shameless and public character, it does not prevent either the Prince of Wales figuring openly as their guest, nor does it interfere with Sir Frederick's status as one of the most welcome guests at Marlborough House. He goes there by the name of "Freddy," and is treated by the entire family as the Amico Della Casa.

AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD.

On the occasion of one of his stays at Sandringham, three years ago, his fellow-guests included the Countess of Dudley, and their niece, Miss Violet Mordaunt, who has since become Viscountess Weymouth. The meeting was, to say the least, peculiar. For Lady Dandley is the sister and Violet Mordaunt the daughter of the notorious Lady Mordaunt, Sir Frederick was therefore brought face to face under the roof of his fellow co-respondent, the Prince of Wales, with the girl who had been declared by the courts to be his child, and not that of Sir Charles Mordaunt, and he was able to convince himself that his daughter's superb eyes showed no trace of that terrible blindness which threatened her at her birth, and was publicly attributed in court to the state of health of both Sir Frederick Johnstone and of the remorse-stricken mother.

Another very questionable member of the Prince's entourage was I use the past tense, for he is dead now--the Polish adventurer who figured so long and so prominently as Count Jaracewski in London society. The Prince picked him up somewhere on the Continent, and without taking the trouble to investigate his antecedents invested him with the halo of membership of the Marlborough House set. One morning the Count was found dead in bed, a suicide by means of either a pistol bullet or poison. I forget which. Before noon his apartments and papers had been ransacked by General Sir Dighton Probyn, who hastened over from Marlborough House a few minutes after the death had been made known to the Prince, and when the general returned to the latter he brought back with him, much to the relief of H. R. H., a huge parcel of letters, photographs and confidential documents of various kinds.

The reason of the Count's suicide did not long remain a secret. He preferred death to the exposure of his questionable antecedents and of his false claims. Far from being a count or entitled to the name which he had adopted he was merely the son of a head servant and major-domo of a Prussian-Polish nobleman. He had been guilty of forging the latter's name and of embezzling his money, besides possessing an unsavory record in connection with cards. And yet for several years he had figured both in England and abroad as one of the Prince's dearest friends, and had even enjoyed the privilege of wearing the royal button.

British Finances.

LONDON, June 21.--There was a fair demand for discount during the past week at 1 1/2 per cent. The gold movement in the Bank of England ceasing, the official price of bars has been lowered to 77s 9d per ounce and American eagles to 76s 4 1/2d. Silver advanced 1/4d to 45 1/2d under the renewal of speculation for a rise. The Stock Exchange was intensely dull during the week, business being stagnant in every department, yet prices were supported. English railway securities were flat, the average fall of the leading stocks being 1 1/2. American railroads show a tendency to improve but the further shipment of gold discouraged operators and adverse rumors about dividends add to the discouragement of the public.

THE QUEEN IN POLITICS.

Indications of a Coming Crisis in Parliamentary Affairs.

LONDON, June 21.--The position of the Queen in English politics is usually supposed to be generally passive. In foreign politics she has been known to be greatly interested, but with internal English politics she has hitherto been credited with interfering little. At an opportune moment, when the conservative scheme of local self-government for Ireland is about to be contrasted with Mr. Gladstone's home-rule proposals, her majesty has permitted the publication of a confidential communication which she sent to the Arch Bishop of Canterbury on the eve of another crisis in Irish political history--the introduction of a bill for the disestablishment of the church in Ireland. The inference is that her majesty desires to make Archbishop Tait's memoirs the medium of divulging what her attitude then was with a view to application of the information to present events. Her majesty did not approve of the disestablishment policy, but she accepted the decision of the country and the commons used her influence to induce the lords on the one hand to accept the bill and Mr. Gladstone to take a conciliatory method with the lords.

A DRAMATIC SCENE

In the Court when Miss Gladys Evelyn Loses Her Suit.

LONDON, June 21.--There was a passionate scene in court yesterday afternoon when Miss Gladys Evelyn was told that her appeal for a new trial was denied. She fairly bounded from her seat in the rear of the room towards the bench, and with tears streaming down her cheeks, said: "I can prove that Mr. Hurlbert is a perjurer. He is a deliberate ruiner of women's lives. Yes, he is!" The court attendants here interfered and led the disappointed woman from the room, she protesting that she would yet find means to get Hurlbert into court again.

Almost at the same moment in an adjoining court, Actor Charles Danby's wife got a decree of divorce from him because he lived with Florence Levey, one of the Gaiety girls, who danced in the pas de quatre while the company was in America in 1880.

THE SAVIOR'S COAT.

A Sacred Relic to be Exhibited at Treves in August.

BREMEN, June 20.--A great religious function will open at Treves August 23, when the rarely seen "Holy Coat" will be exhibited in the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Helen to the Catholic faithful during six weeks. The "Holy Coat" is a relic which has been preserved with the greatest reverence in the Treves Cathedral for many years, and is esteemed as its greatest treasure. It is alleged to be the seamless coat worn by our Savior. It is said to have been discovered by the Empress Helena during her memorable visit to Palestine in the fourth century. Miraculous curative properties are ascribed to the relic. The exhibitions have always been attended by almost countless throngs, and an enormous influx of pilgrims is expected in August.

SNUBBED BY THE CZAR.

The French Ambassador Houches the Ire of the Russian Monarch.

PARIS, June 21.--The Comte de Montebello, who replaced M. de Laboulayre as French Ambassador at St. Petersburg, will be specially charged to obtain definite information from the Czar as to the action of Russia in the event of a rupture between France and Germany. M. Ribot, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has learned that M. de Laboulayre's failure to get the proposal for an alliance discussed arose from the Czar's anger at the fact that the overture was first submitted to M. de Giers, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, instead of to him. The Czar orders M. de Giers to ignore the proposals for negotiations, and took the first occasion to enub-M. de Laboulayre, who felt compelled to ask M. Ribot to relieve him from his duties.

To the Policy Holders of the Equitable Life of New York.

By reason of a similarity of names many papers have been led to report the failure of this company. The fact is that a small concern known as the Equitable Fire Insurance Company, has passed into the hands of a receiver, but the Equitable Life Assurance Society 120 Broadway, New York, is to-day the largest, strongest, safest and best life company on the globe. SWENEY & EDWARDS, General Agents, Wheeling, W. Va.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania and Ohio, fair; cooler; westerly winds.

TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

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