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WAITING FOR MR. MORGAN

Details of the Agreement Withheld Until the Financier's Return From Europe—Morgan-Hill and Harriman Factions Have Reached an Amicable Understanding Regarding the Burlington Deal.

New York, June 4.—The Press says that one tremendous consolidation of all the railroads operating between the Mississippi river and the Pacific coast promises to result from a settlement of the differences which caused the Northern Pacific corner. The Press says that it is "able to announce on the highest authority that not only have the differences been settled between the Morgan-Hill faction and the Harriman party regarding the Burlington deal and the relations of that road and the Northern Pacific with the Union Pacific, but also that the St. Paul, the Chicago and North-western and the Chicago Great Western will be taken care of in the great harmonizing scheme of the trunk lines of the West.

"Exact details of the harmony agreement are withheld until J. Pierpont Morgan arrives from Europe. J. J. Hill, who has been his representative in the Northern Pacific conflict and in the practical management of the Morgan-Hill railroads, has remained 'incommunicado' giving to his friends the assurance that they must 'wait and see. Facts will tell the tale in good time."

"In Mr. Hill's simple expression is the whole truth in a nut shell. The agreement over the controversy of control of the Northern Pacific means, first, that the road will be under the direction of the Morgan-Hill faction, although the Kuhn-Loeb-Harriman-Gould faction, backed by the Rockefeller and Stillman interests, owns the majority of the common and preferred stock combined, and, further, that the harmony agreement will result in a closer alliance between the great transmississippi railroads which extend from Chicago to the coast and have affiliations to carry American produce to the far East."

LICENSE OF MUTUAL RESERVE.

Minnesota Insurance Commissioner Has Taken No Action.

St. Paul, June 4.—Telegraphic dispatches from New York announced that Insurance Commissioners Giljohann of Wisconsin and Dearth of Minnesota had revoked the license of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life association for their respective states. The announcement caused considerable local agitation from the fact that the association in question is the largest assessment company in the world and has a large membership in Minnesota. As far as the statement relates to the action of Commissioner Giljohann of Wisconsin it has been verified by information from Madison, but in relation to similar action on the part of Mr. Dearth, there are indications that it was premature and that, in fact, no decisive step has yet been taken.

The Mutual Reserve Fund Life association has a total membership of \$1,076. There are in Minnesota 871 members, from whom \$50,616 was collected in premiums last year. The total liabilities as shown by the company's report are \$1,825,128, and the total cash assets, \$3,000,000.

RESTING COMFORTABLY.

No Change in the Condition of Mrs. McKinley.

Washington, June 4.—Dr. Rixey, after remaining in the White House for three hours, said that there had been no change in the condition of Mrs. McKinley. At 11 p. m. she was resting comfortably.

The complaint which manifested itself while Mrs. McKinley was away from Washington and which has so seriously sapped her strength has been checked, but its effects has been to leave her in a very weak condition. At the White House there is a slight increase in cheerfulness and the hope is expressed that Mrs. McKinley may again give evidence of the remarkable vitality she has displayed heretofore. There will be another consultation of the physicians in the morning.

Sixty-fourth Wedding Anniversary. Appleton, Wis., June 4.—Mr. and Mrs. Sherman W. Hopkins of the town of Dale, near this city, are the oldest married couple living in the county, having celebrated their 74th wedding anniversary a few days ago. They are 93 and 91 years old, respectively. Despite their age, Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins are still hale and vigorous.

McKibbin Hats—Silk trimmings.

DARING HOLDUP.

Aged Resident of New Castle, Pa., Relieved of \$2,100.

New Castle, Pa., June 4.—One of the most daring holdups ever perpetrated in this part of the state took place in Elwood City during the afternoon. Three masked men met Costen Burns, an aged and wealthy resident of that place, who started to his quarters with \$2,100 to pay his hands. Just in the rear of the Elwood seamless tube works, almost in the heart of the town, he met three strangers in a rig. They accosted him and he entered into conversation with them. Suddenly one of the trio, a large man wearing black goggles, stepped into Burns' buggy and seized him by the throat. One of the others seized the satchel containing the cash intended for the quartermen and jumped into his own rig. The man with the goggles followed and the three lashed their horse to a run and disappeared before Burns could recover from the attack. A posse was hastily organized and came upon the highwaymen about two miles from the scene of the robbery. A heavy exchange of shots took place between pursuers and pursued. One of the robbers was crippled by a shot and was an easy victim, while the leader, the man with the goggles, was captured after his ammunition was expended. Over \$400 was found on the second robber's person but the third man escaped and is yet at large with \$1,700 of the stolen money. The prisoners are strangers here and absolutely refuse to talk. The man who escaped went in the direction of the Ohio line.

BEVERAGE AT ST. PETERSBURG.

Inquiry Into Russian Commercial and Industrial Conditions.

St. Petersburg, June 4.—United States Senator Albert J. Beveridge of Indiana arrived here during the day. He was met by Charlemagne Tower, the United States ambassador, Secretary Pierce and Consul General Holloway. The senator at once began an inquiry into Russian industrial and commercial conditions and had an interview with M. A. Rothstein, the banker. He expects to see many important personages, will remain here about a week and will then visit Moscow, the neighboring factory towns, the Volga valley and the iron works around Yekaterinburg (in the Ural mining district). Later Senator Beveridge will traverse Siberia. He believes America should and will have a splendid Russian trade.

Body Has Been Identified.

Burlington, Ia., June 4.—The unknown man who committed suicide in Crapo park here several weeks ago and was believed to be F. Shepherd was identified by his son Frank, an F. S. Peavy, at one time a wealthy farmer near Newton, Ia. The body is in the medical college vat at Kirksville, Mo. It will be secured and buried by his son.

Steamer in Distress.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 4.—The steamer Randall, from Trinidad for New York, anchored in distress during the day off Atlantic City. She has a cargo of pitch for the Barber Asphalt company, New York. She is in danger of capsizing from a heavy shift of her cargo.

SHOT HIS SWEETHEART

FRENZIED DEED OF A THEATRICAL MAN IN A CHICAGO HOTEL.

COUPLE HAD QUARRELED

Actress Had Given Orders That He Was Not to Be Admitted to Her Apartments—Upon Calling She Agreed to Meet Him in the Parlor, Where He Fired Two Shots at Her. Evidently Intended to Suicide.

Chicago, June 4.—Edward Forshay of Kansas City, an actor and assistant manager of theatrical companies, shot and killed Miss Edna Stokes, an actress whose home is at Sedalia, Mo., with whom he was deeply in love. Forshay claims to have met Miss Stokes in St. Louis six years ago, when they were both playing an engagement. The couple played in different cities of the country until last fall, when they came to Chicago and became members of the stock company playing at the Victoria theater. Forshay evidently intended to take his life after killing the woman, for upon his person when he was arrested were letters bidding farewell to his mother, Mrs. J. M. Forshay, 1323 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., and another to Chief of Police O'Neill of this city.

The couple had engaged in a desperate quarrel three days ago and Forshay is said to have beaten the actress badly, cutting her head in two places. Miss Stokes gave orders to the proprietor of the Verona hotel, at which she was stopping, that Forshay should not be admitted to her presence, and although he called there twice during the early part of the evening he was compelled to leave by the attendants. Later he called and the proprietor told him that he could wait in the parlor, where Miss Stokes would see him. She came down from her room and the couple talked for about 10 minutes when Forshay suddenly drew a revolver and fired two shots, one passing through the right lung and the other close to the heart. She died almost instantly.

After killing the woman Forshay ran from the building and was closely followed by James Heim, and William Kennedy, the porter of the hotel. After pursuing him a short distance Heim overtook him and throwing him to the sidewalk held him until the arrival of the police. When taken to the police station Forshay said that he intended to kill himself as he could not live without Miss Stokes' love, but that his nerve failed at the last minute.

In a letter addressed to his mother Forshay claims that he has been crazy for a year.

Professor R. W. Wood, Ph. D., of the University of Wisconsin, has been appointed professor of experimental physics of Johns Hopkins university, Baltimore, succeeding the late Professor Henry A. Rowlands.

WILL BE EJECTED.

Band of Indians Intruding in the Wichita Mountains.

Washington, June 4.—At the request of the Interior department, the secretary of war has instructed General Merriam, commanding the department of the Colorado, to employ as many of his troops as may be necessary to maintain order of the Kiowa Indian reservation in Oklahoma. This action is based on a dispatch from Colonel Randlett, in charge of the Kiowa and Comanche agency, reporting that at least 1,000 intruders had settled in the Wichita mountains, which are within the Kiowa lands, soon to be opened to settlement, and that they claimed the right to do so under the United States mineral laws. Secretary Hitchcock said that they had no rights whatever and that they would be promptly ejected.

HOLDING A COUNCIL.

Indian Chiefs to Protest Against Opening Reservations.

Guthrie, O. T., June 4.—Chiefs Deles, Lonewolf and Quamah Parker and 1,000 other Indians of the Comanche and Kiowa tribes are holding a council at Anadarko for the purpose of selecting a delegation to Washington to protest against the opening of the Indian reservations. It is asserted that if Colonel Randlett allows them to go to the National capital a great many state secrets of how the allotments and the selection of the pasture lands have been made will be divulged.

FOUR NEW BOATS.

Turned Out at West Superior for the Calumet and Hecla.

Calumet, Mich., June 4.—Four new boats belonging to the Calumet Transportation company are now tied up at the smelting works of the Calumet and Hecla Mining company at Lake Linden, on Torch lake, on their initial trip. The fleet is composed of two steamers, R. S. Warner and F. A. Flagg, and consort, Thompson and S. D. Wariner.

Street Railways to Consolidate.

Omaha, June 4.—Plans for a consolidation of the street railways of Omaha and Council Bluffs, the electric power plants of the two cities and the Platte river canal, rumors of which have been in circulation for some time, appear to be assuming a definite shape, and it is said the consolidation now hinges only on terms of purchase.

Cotton Duck Combine Formed.

New York, June 4.—The Press says: It is authoritatively announced that the preliminary details in the formation of the \$50,000,000 cotton duck combination have all been completed. Articles of incorporation will be filed at Trenton, N. J., before the end of the week. The statement is made that a 2 1/2 per cent dividend will be declared on the common stock July 1.

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