

"\$200,000 fire pays visit to Rockford."—Headline in American. Just a friendly little call, as it were.

Battalion Chief William Walsh N. Y., hero of the Equitable fire, buried today.

John T. Bertenstein was shot and killed by W. T. Avery today. The shooting took place in Avery's home in Memphis, Tenn.

Queen and Crescent passenger train wrecked near Meridan, Miss. Several killed.

Supreme Court, O., reversed common pleas and Circuit courts of Franklin county, O., in suit to oust Cleveland Terminal and Valley R. R. and the B. & O. from land in heart of Cleveland. Gives railroads absolute title to lands, and proves uses of supreme court.

Harold Lundberg killed and Stasia Smith, 12, fatally injured, in collision between two electric cars, San Francisco.

Indianapolis federal grand jury today took up dynamite explosion at Springfield, Ill.

Eight companies of militia now guarding cotton and woolen mills of Lawrence, Mass. Small body of operatives went to work today, and operators claim strike is broken.

Earl of Tankerville, sending son to Boston private school so he will not grow up a snob. Why in thunder doesn't he send him to public school then?

J. Seidl, 28, St. Louis, has confessed murder of Martin Hunning at Hillsboro village. Says shooting was planned by wife of slain

man, Mrs. Annie Hunning, who has been arrested.

Census Bureau reports surplus of 1,000 unmarried men over unmarried women in Washington. Figure out the Leap Year chances yourself.

Orchestra of Ideal theater, Fond Du Lac, Wis., disagreed with management about wage scale last night, and busted up the show.

Mrs. Minnie Metzler, Milwaukee, suing for divorce, has presented to court carefully kept record of all hubby's doings and sayings during last year.

Fire destroyed plant of Austin Knitting Mills and adjoining dwellings, Bethlehem, Pa. Loss, \$50,000.

Hen belonging to Mrs. H. O. Chandler, East Highland, Ia., scorns 16 below weather. Just hatched brood of chickens. All doing well.

Yuan Shi Kai has got so he smells bombs coming. One was thrown at him yesterday, killed two soldiers, four bystanders, and Yuan's horses, but Yuan's still candidate for presidency.

"When I was a boy of ten . . ." Being the general run of Honorable Lorimer's defense.

St. James hotel, Duluth, Minn., destroyed by fire. Guests escaped in night clothes.

Daisy Palmer and Joseph Manochio, Toledo, O., were to have been married Thursday. Found asphyxiated in apartment they were preparing for future home this morning.

Newton D. Baker, mayor of