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## HE WAS ELECTROCUTED

### Bat Shea Paid the Death Penalty Yesterday.

#### DEATH WAS INSTANTANEOUS

**After Receiving the Last Sacrament, He Declared His Innocence—The Midland Congress.**

DANMORA, N. Y., Feb. 11.—Murderer Bat Shea was executed at the prison at 9:58 this morning.

Bartholomew Shea died in the electric chair, paying the penalty for the murder of Robert Ross, at Troy, in March, 1894. Shea was attended to the gallows by a clergyman from his home and a priest from the Roman Catholic church at this place. After receiving the last sacrament Shea declared he was innocent. While the priest read the first voltage was turned on. It was 9:55 when Shea entered the room and 9:59 1/2 when he was pronounced dead. The current sent the body lightly against the straps. The neck and bared leg grew purple. For 31 seconds the contact was maintained and then reduced to a light voltage for 31 seconds, when the current was turned off.

There was an escape of air from the filled lungs and Ransom ordered the current on again. A contact of 27 seconds was maintained and then the stethoscope failed to show any life. The escape of air from the lungs sounded like a prolonged sigh, and made some people think there was life, but the physicians said death was instantaneous.

#### THE MIDLAND CONGRESS.

**Large Numbers of Salvation Army Officers Attending It.**

St. Louis, Feb. 11.—A large number of officers of the Salvation Army, from five Western states, have arrived here to attend the Midland congress, now in progress here. The congress will last till Friday, February 14. Friday will be spent in private interviews with officers of the army. The visiting delegates will leave for their homes Friday evening and Saturday morning.

The grand event of the congress will be a monster parade which will take place Thursday evening. It will break ranks at Music hall, exposition building, where the marriage of Ensign Chapman, of St. Louis, and Captain Emma Harmon, of Denver, will be solemnized by Commander Ballington Booth. At the conclusion of the marriage service Commander Booth will deliver an address on the "Advance of the Salvation Army."

#### Brave Indian Fighter Found Dead.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Cassius R. Carter, a retired sergeant of the United States army, was found dead last night in his room in the Palmer house. Death was caused by asphyxiation, but it is not thought he committed suicide. One gas jet in the room was turned on full and another at half pressure. In a belt worn by Carter around his waist there was \$1,400. He also had some valuable jewelry. How the gas came to be turned on is a mystery, as it is supposed Carter was acquainted with its use. No motive for self-destruction is apparent and the case is one which Coroner McHale will make a thorough investigation of.

Last week a man from Peoria was found dead in his room under exactly the same circumstances. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Carter had the distinction of having served 23 years with the 7th cavalry, General Custer's old regiment. He participated in a dozen engagements with hostile Indians and earned a record as a brave soldier on the frontier. He was honorably discharged from the 6th regiment at Fort Meyer, Va., last July and since has been traveling. He arrived in Chicago Sunday night from Albuquerque. About 9 o'clock he entered the Palmer house and engaged a room. He told the clerk he was on his way to Washington, looking for a man who had extorted money from him. Carter was in the rotunda until 11 o'clock, when he went to his room. He told the clerk he did not want to be called. There was no suspicion of anything wrong until the chambermaid failed to get an answer to her vigorous knocking on the door of Carter's room. One of the porters was called, and upon opening the transom a flood of gas poured into the corridor. On entering the room he found Carter dead. Life had been extinct for several hours.

#### San Francisco's Strangler.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The police are inclined to believe that there is a strangler in this city whose ambition or mania is to equal or possibly eclipse the

record of London's Jack the Ripper, who in the course of a year or two murdered many fallen women and terrorized the entire Whitechapel district in that great metropolis. It seems as though such were the case for, within the last few days a young girl on Morton Street has been strangled to death by an unknown assassin, and several women in the same region have been beaten, stabbed and strangled. In each of the latter cases the assailant escaped without leaving a trace by which he could be detected.

The night prior to the murder of "Little May Smith," a man bearing the appearance of a thug entered the room of a young girl who had assumed the name of Lulu Tabar, on Morton street. After inquiring as to the amount of money the girl had on her person and receiving a reply favorable to him, he became exceedingly rough, tearing the girl's clothes from her person in an endeavor, it is presumed, to rob her. The girl ordered him into the street, but he refused to go, and again assailed her, but her cries and threats to call the police attracted the attention of the girls in rooms adjoining her, which evidently frightened him, as he made a hasty exit.

#### Both Girls Were Drowned.

MIDDLETON, N. Y., Feb. 11.—Fourteen-year-old Maggie Calleran and Mabel Winters, and 13, ventured on the thin ice over a pond last night, against the injunctions of their parents. They broke in, and both were drowned.

#### NEWS NOTES.

The porte has informed the ambassadors of the powers that it agrees to grant amnesty to the Armenians who have been for a long time past besieged by the Turkish troops in the town of Zeitoun, after revolting against the Turkish rule and capturing the town.

Alexander Lavrenko, a Russian political prisoner who escaped from Siberia in 1888, and who was formerly of Chicago, died there on Tuesday. He came there last August and studied medicine. His health was broken down by the hardships attending his imprisonment in Siberia.

James H. McVicker, who was yesterday stricken with paralysis at Chicago, and is not expected to live, has been for nearly half a century a prominent theatrical manager and one of the best-known and universally respected men identified with the stage. He was born in New York, in 1822, of Scotch-Irish stock.

#### NEWS OF THE WORLD.

At Aurora yesterday wheat was quoted at 60 cents.

A dispatch from Topeka, Kan., says: An organization of ex-slaves has been effected here by fifty colored men for the purpose of making a demand on congress for pensions. It is the purpose to make it of national scope. Of those in the meeting fully one-third had felt the lash. The aged, the lame and the blind were happy in the belief that all they will have to do is to write to congress to get national relief for their distress. There are possibly 1,500 ex-slaves here.

#### The Experience Social.

A very entertaining event was the experience social at the Christian church last evening, at which over one hundred persons were present. Besides a short program of music and recitations, the novel feature of shadow pantomime, with well-known Dalles ladies as the actors, was most important in point of interest. The lights being turned low in the auditorium, the shadows were made very plain on a white surface about twelve feet square in front of the chapel of the church and at the rear of the stage. The several experiences of each lady earning her dollar were acted out, and created great amusement.

Mrs. Hazel earned a dollar by painting, as was easily seen by the outline of that lady rapidly sketching upon an easel. It did not take a shrewd guesser either to learn that Mrs. Baird baked a dollar's worth of bread and that Mrs. Andrews ironed for the amount. Mrs. James made butter, and the way she handled the churn dasher and butter paddle proved fully her thorough information on this important line of housewifery. Mrs. Ulrich chose the hardest way of them all, that of washing. Mrs. Dufur chose the less arduous task of crocheting. The most pleasing experience shown was that of little Genevieve Watkins, who blacked boots. The task finished, a huge hand went down into a trousers pocket, bringing with it the pay for the service rendered, and acknowledged by a graceful courtesy by the little miss.

The remainder of the program included instrumental music by the Misses Stone, recitation by Miss Schooling, quartette, Misses Edna and Etta Stone, Dr. G. C. Eshelman and Rev. I. N. Hazel, and a selection from Pickwick papers by Geo. Ernest Stewart. The proceeds for the evening amounted to \$25.

## WORK OF J. DGE LYNCH

### A Murderer Hanged by an Illinois Mob.

#### A LATE PHOTOGRAPHIC DISCOVERY

**How It is Used in Surgery—A Practical Test—At the Carnegie**

SULLIVAN, Ill., Feb. 12.—Grant Atterbury, the murderer, was taken from the jail here at 12:45 this morning, dragged to the courthouse in his nightshirt, and hanged to a tree.

Under the tree to which he was hanged Atterbury began to realize more fully that he was to die. He pleaded piteously, protesting his innocence, saying:

"Thank God, you are hanging an innocent man."

The mob was wild and restless until the man was strung up, when they immediately dispersed. The gang was well organized and masked with white handkerchiefs or pieces of white cloth and all were heavily armed.

The evidence against Atterbury was very strong. The morning after the crime was committed bloodhounds were brought to the scene, and three different dogs went directly to the house of Atterbury. Another party was suspected, but he has not yet been found. Atterbury was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Roxy Atterbury, and it is thought that he committed the crime for the purpose of revenge, Mrs. Atterbury having given some very damaging testimony against him when he was on trial, together with her husband, for the murder of their father a little more than a year ago.

#### OF USE IN SURGERY.

**Practicability of Prof. Roentgen's Discovery Shown.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Cathode rays were brought to use for the first time today in a surgical operation. Casper Schmidt, who had been shot in the hand several years ago, offered himself as a subject to Dr. James E. Burry and Electrician Charles E. Scribner, who have been conducting a series of experiments at the laboratory of the Western Electric Company. The bullet in the hand was small. The injured hand was exposed to the cathode rays for about an hour. The plate disclosed an excellent likeness. Schmidt suffered but little pain.

#### AT THE CARNEGIE WORKS.

**New Process of Photography to Be Tested There.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—A possible use of the new process of photography by involving the application of cathode rays in determining the existence of secret flaws in metals is now about to be tested thoroughly at the Carnegie works, where a large amount of Balaval construction is under way. The proper apparatus has been secured and experts there are now at work to demonstrate whether or not the new rays will penetrate the bodies of metal. If this can be done the importance of the process from an industrial standpoint can scarcely be overestimated. It will be possible to secure an exact knowledge of the nature of the metal of great guns without running the risk of explosion; defects in the shafts of ocean steamers can be discovered before the shafts break and thereby cause less loss of life and property, and steel castings used for structural purposes can be accurately tested before being put in place.

#### REV. MARY E. LEASE.

**The Populist Leader Changes Her Profession.**

WICHITA, Feb. 12.—Next Sunday morning Mrs. Mary Lease will make her debut as a minister of the gospel, and henceforth her literary prefix will be reverend instead of colonel. Her recent sickness was the immediate cause of her mind taking a divine turn. She promised the Master that if she got well she would consecrate her life to him and she is keeping her promise.

#### Strong Drink Is Raging.

Following is the Good Templar prize essay, written by Mr. G. E. Stewart, and delivered at a recent meeting of the Good Templars lodge, receiving a handsome gold medal in appreciation:

In the year 1889 there occurred one of the most horrifying disasters that has ever been chronicled in the pages of history for years. The breaking of a mighty reservoir, the outburst of furious and raging torrents of imprisoned waters from behind those vast walls, the swift and terrible speed at which they came tearing and plunging through the peaceful vale of Conemaugh, converting it instantaneously into a valley of death;

quickenings its speed at every leap, destroying lives and property at every plunge; growing fiercer and roaring louder and surging wilder and rolling higher, until with one stupendous swell it seemingly combined all of its strength into one terrible effort, and charged, madder than ever, upon the peaceful and unsuspecting inhabitants of the city of Johnstown, eighteen miles away. A horror-stricken man goes riding with lightning rapidity into that city with the alarming cry of "Run to the hills!" But the people, wholly ignorant of their awful fate, only regarded him as a lunatic, and heeded not his warning in time to escape.

So it is with the enemy of our souls—strong drink, that accursed, disreputable, disgraceful, damnable widow and orphan-maker and pauper-manufacturer; a blight upon many a young man and woman who otherwise would be sinless; a murderer of many a strong man lying still and cold in death's embrace in the gloom of a loathsome drunkard's grave, who would otherwise be living in peace and happiness with his beloved companion and darling children. Oh, why is it they will not listen to the warning appeals of their fellow-beings, and seek what is best for their eternal welfare? Why do they utterly ignore earnest entreaties in their behalf—the messages of danger ahead; the urgent words coming to them as from that Johnstown hero to flee to the hills of refuge and safety and salvation?

Strong drink is raging! Slowly, but surely, it is doing its deadly work. It is weakening the vital powers of mankind the world over. It is sapping the life-blood of many an innocent youth who has assured promise of noble manhood. It is being poured down the throat and rushed down into the stomach, a very cataract of the vilest poison.

Strong drink is raging! Day after day, week after week, month after month, the newspapers of the world are regularly recording crimes, divorce cases and deaths, consequent upon the ravages of the heinous liquor traffic. A man has murdered his fellow-being while drunk, and is sentenced to be hanged. A woman sues her husband for divorce upon the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment caused by drunkenness. A man is found in the gutter, dying from delirium tremens. A young man of good standing in the community becomes despondent and shoots himself by virtue of the weakened condition of his constitution by strong drink. Not a day passes but that in any of our large dailies will appear numerous instances of the character just referred to. Homes are ruined; families broken up and rendered destitute; husbands become brutes; wives are often consigned to the poorhouse; children become beggars, and manhood, physical and spiritual, is utterly destroyed; the brain is on fire and reason is dethroned; man is deprived of a happy life in this world and of eternal life in the great hereafter.

Strong drink is raging! Experience will prove it; general observation will teach it; physicians tell you so; all honorable business men are ready to reiterate it; newspapers assert it; authors and orators are insisting upon it. The Bible, the true source of happiness from whence cometh all light and life, corroborates it. Strong drink is raging! These awful words originate with the wisest man that ever lived, and that ever will live. They have resounded through century after century of the past; they will reverberate through the far-distant future, though thousands of years roll by.

"At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder!" How true this is! When a man has become so beastly and brutish as to sacrifice his manhood that his passions may be gratified; when he is so steeped in disgrace, misery and shame; the pangs of the serpent are upon him; the poisonous sting, as of a rattlesnake, is penetrating his body through and through with pains that none but a drunken wretch can fully realize or imagine.

Strong drink is raging! Oh, may we profit by the lessons of this proverb, and go out and sound the warning to fallen humanity to flee to the hills of rescue and relief ere the infernal floods of strong drink, with all their wreck and ruin, bear down upon them and bury them in a drunkard's grave, and eventually consign them to eternal torment and eternal damnation.

## NORTH POLE REACHED

### Dr. Nansen, the Norwegian Explorer Successful.

#### HE FOUND LAND AT THE POLE

**Emperor William Struck With a Bundle of Papers Thrown at Him by an Anarchist.**

St. PETERSBURG, Feb. 13.—A telegram received today from Irkutsk, Siberia, says a Siberian trader named Kouchanoff, the agent of Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, the Norwegian explorer, who sailed in the Fram, June 24, 1793, for the Arctic regions, has received information that Nansen reached the north pole, found land there, and is returning towards civilization.

#### EMPEROR WILLIAM INSULTED.

**Thrown at as He Was Driving Through Brandenburg Gate.**

BERLIN, Feb. 13.—A gross insult was offered his majesty, Emperor William, this afternoon as he was riding in an open carriage through the Brandenburg gate. The sidewalks were crowded at the time. Some miscreant, who evidently had knowledge the emperor was out for a drive and would pass through the gate, threw a package of newspapers at the kaiser. It struck his majesty on the left shoulder. Beyond causing the emperor to suddenly grow pale and give a quick order to drive faster, no harm was done.

Despite the fact that special officers rode as a body guard behind the kaiser's carriage, and that several policemen were near the gate, the thrower of the package was not deterred.

When the package was taken to police headquarters and opened it was found to contain a number of copies of a recent edition of the Vorwaerts, which was full of attacks on the government. It had a lengthy editorial containing radical suggestions aimed at the big tailors' strike now in progress, another one on the unprovoked persecutions of socialists, the suppression of socialist newspapers and the unwarranted imprisonment of their editors, besides a conglomeration of evil anticipations resulting from a continuance of the autocratic policy of the present ruler of Germany.

#### GOMEZ' WOUND NOT SERIOUS.

**Notwithstanding It He Personally Directs His Forces.**

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A special to the World from the headquarters of General Gomez, near San Antonio de las Bas, says:

General Gomez' wound has not proved serious. In spite of his hurt, of his 72 years of age, and of his 13 years of war, (10 of them continuous exposure in the last Cuban rebellion), his rugged constitution enables him to manage his fiery horses and endure the exceptional fatigue of long marches like a youngster. He was struck by a bullet which passed through his right leg from the front. Although causing no fracture of the bone, the wound is painful. He has personally directed his forces in their daily marches and almost daily skirmishes.

In answer to the question "How will the substitution of General Weyler for General Campos affect the Cuban cause?" General Gomez said:

"The change will benefit the Cuban cause. We have lost a most wonderful enemy in Campos. He is without doubt the first general in Spain. The troops all idolize him, and with his departure they are left without a leader in whom they have confidence. I regard these good soldiers as being in the same state in which the grand army of France found, or rather lost itself, upon the departure of Napoleon the First.

"I regard General Weyler as an honorable, but cruel soldier," he declared. "In his military ability, however, I do not think he can for a moment be compared with Campos. In the last movements of his former command he was noted only for his unrelenting cruelty toward defenseless non-combatants, which action he now claims was in obedience to superior authority. "The government of the republic of Cuba has been tooth to order me to de-

stroy the cane of American estates. In fact, I did not like to have to destroy any property, but it was deemed necessary to strike a blow at the finances of Spain. This has been done and our enemy will not now receive the \$18,000,000 with which to carry on war against us that she would have received as import duties upon articles brought into Cuba in exchange for the sugar crop. All the plantations have been treated alike, American, German, Spanish, even those owned by patriotic Cubans have been prevented from making sugar this year."

"Are Cubans still willing to purchase their independence?"

After some thought General Gomez answered: "Of course, owing to the rapid increase of the growth of the rebellion this course would not be so readily approved by the Cubans as at first. Moreover, it is a question for our government to decide, but I think I am warranted in answering yes to the question. The Cubans would now offer for their freedom \$100,000,000, or perhaps more, to be paid within one year from this time. To secure the loan I believe the government of the republic of Cuba would go so far as to allow the government of the United States, should the loan be placed there, to administer the finances and retain the revenues of Cuba until such time as the full amount should have been repaid.

A dispatch was received this afternoon stating that the Fitzsimmons-Maher prize fight, which was to have taken place today near El Paso, Texas, has been postponed, and will occur Monday. All cars in and around the city have been chartered for use, as it is expected the fight will occur about sixty miles from that city. The principals and all connected are trying to elude the vigilance of the authorities, so that details are hard to get.

The residents of Chinatown have been exploding firecrackers for several days commemorating their New Year. The small boy deplores the reckless waste of shooting large bunches off at once, for he would string them out and prolong the enjoyment. The Chinese have the oldest authenticated history, and their customs have followed down the ages unchanged, but their persistence in clinging to ancient modes and ideas have made them, as a race, unfit to cope with any other civilized people in art, science or warfare.

A young man in Lowell, Mass., troubled for years with a constant succession of boils on his neck, was completely cured by taking only three bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Another result of the treatment was greatly improved digestion with increased avoirdupois.

It has been determined that Senator Quay's name shall be presented to the republican national convention at St. Louis for the presidency. This determination was raised yesterday at a conference of friends of Quay.

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