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## NO DUEL WAS FOUGHT

### Congressman Hepburn's Son Was Foully Murdered.

#### NEW LIGHT CAST ON THE TRAGEDY

##### His Death Was the Result of a Political Conspiracy—Crime News of the Day.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The killing of Frank Hepburn, son of Congressman Hepburn, at Chester, Ark., is attributed to a political conspiracy in the report of the affair which has reached Washington. The following is a copy of a letter received by Chairman Babcock, of the Republican congressional committee, from a correspondent at Chester, Crawford county, Ark., where the killing occurred:

"Regarding the killing of Frank C. Hepburn, son of the Hon. W. H. Hepburn, of Iowa, on the streets of Chester, the report was sent out that it was a duel between Hepburn and W. A. Sims. This report was not correct. The facts are, briefly, these:

"W. A. (Bill) Sims was lying on the depot platform in apparent good humor. The city marshal, R. J. Beam, and several others were sitting around when Hepburn came across the street and in a playful mood cut Sims' shoestring. Sims sprang to his feet in a rage and demanded to know who cut his shoestring. Hepburn replied: 'I did,' whereupon Sims stabbed Hepburn in the left breast over the heart, but the knife striking a bone, saved him for the time being, but Sims, now thoroughly aroused, threatened to cut Hepburn's throat from ear to ear. Hepburn retreated to his room and got a pistol and came back on the street.

"Sims, in the meantime, armed himself with a gun and came back with a heavy coat on, tantalizing Hepburn, when the shooting commenced. Many were aware of what was going to happen, yet Hepburn was not warned. Subsequent events go to prove a premeditated murder and political conspiracy. Hepburn died in a few hours, being shot through the bowels.

"Sims was arrested. A preliminary trial held before a justice of the peace found him guilty of manslaughter. Later Sims was released on \$1,000 bonds and fined \$50 for carrying concealed weapons."

##### Victims of a Baby Farmer.

CHICAGO, Oct. 6.—Three dead babies have been taken from the Chicago river, near Harrison-street bridge, since last Thursday, and men are at work dragging the stream to ascertain whether more babies lie in the muddy bottom. The police believe the search will be successful. Then search will be made at the other bridges. The bodies had been in the water for some time, but not long enough to prevent an autopsy being made.

When the doctors examined the little bodies they found that in each case the child had been alive when thrown into the river, and that death had been caused by drowning.

The authorities are convinced that the dead bodies are the victims of a baby-farmer.

##### A Boy's Terrible Crime.

ABBEVILLE, S. C., Oct. 6.—Willie Malone, a boy 14 years old, went with a shotgun to a colored woman, Mattie Hellman, who owed him 25 cents and told her he would shoot her if she did not pay him. She replied that she had no money, and he would have to shoot. Thereupon the boy emptied both barrels of the gun into her, killing her. He is in jail.

##### A Young Woman's Crime.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 6.—A report from Arko, Mo., states that a young woman has been arrested for the horrible murder of Mrs. John Baumley, near that place, last Friday. It is said she was in love with Mr. Baumley, and murdered the woman so she could marry her husband. The young lady was tracked with bloodhounds, and when confronted is said to have confessed.

##### Butcher Weyer's Methods.

KEY WEST, Oct. 6.—Butcheries on an awful scale are being perpetrated nightly in Havana, according to a letter received here from one of the most reliable correspondents in Havana. Every night at police headquarters prisoners are taken out and placed on the books as released. These individuals, in charge of three policemen, are placed in a boat and start off. They don't land anywhere, but after a while the officers come back without the prisoners. This action has been watched night after

night. From the 1st of September to the 30th, 83 prisoners have disappeared in this way. Five men were drowned on the night of September 28th.

From the Cabanas and Morro castles prisoners are taken out and drowned in the same way. The reason they are taken out of the harbor is on account of the number of sharks which get hold of the bodies and leave no trace.

La Barrera has five men under arrest on suspicion of putting a dynamite bomb under a gas main. They are kept at the police station and tortured to make them confess. The torture consists of feeding them with dry codfish and not allowing them any water. No other food is allowed and they die of starvation if they refuse to eat the salt cod. This is said to be the means employed by Weyer in Barcelona and it is said it never failed to produce the desired effect.

##### TWO ENGINES COLLIDE.

##### A Fatal Railway Accident Near Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., Oct. 6.—A fatal collision occurred this morning, between 6 and 7 o'clock, between two light locomotives on the Southern Pacific railway, half a mile south of Green's station, resulting in the death of two men, and the injury of five others.

The following is the list of dead and injured:

John McGonigle, of Portland, fireman on the south-bound engine, instantly killed.

A. N. Toy, of Salem, brakeman on the north-bound engine, instantly killed.

James Porter, engineer on the north-bound engine, severely bruised and one ankle broken.

George Happersett, fireman on the north-bound engine, both legs broken and feet crushed, rendering amputation necessary of one leg below the knee, and the foot of the other leg.

Ben Lohr, lead and face cut.

Fred Wall, conductor of Porter's engine, bruised and cut about the face and head.

Engineer McCalley, badly bruised.

It appears that Conductor Wall, of the south-bound overland, left his tickets and papers at the station here, discovered his loss, side-tracked the train at Dillards, and started a flag back with the light engine. Meantime, the papers were discovered by the station agent here, and the train dispatcher ordered out a light engine to overtake the overland at Myrtle Creek, keeping a lookout for No. 16 and the section men. The morning was densely foggy. The south-bound engine did not see the north-bound, which rounded a curve, colliding with the above result.

Engineer Porter reversed his engine before being thrown from the cab, and his engine broke from the tank and ran south about 2½ miles, where it was found exhausted. The tanks of both engines were badly demolished.

##### The Florida Election.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 6.—The state and county election passed off quietly in this city today, with indications of a large vote. The weather is clear. Chairman Rawis, of the Democratic executive committee, claims that Bloxham, candidate for governor, will have 22,000 plurality. The Republican chairman concedes Bloxham 12,000 more than the Republican nominee, Gunby.

##### ABOUT THE "SLOPPER."

##### His Researches in the Garbage Receptacles and His Finds.

"That man is a slopper," remarked a police officer to a Washington Star writer a few mornings since, "and he and his class give us any amount of trouble. If he stole we could reach him by law, but as he only finds we cannot easily reach him." In further explanation he said: "A slopper is a man who searches through the garbage cans in the alleys in the rear of hotels, boarding houses and private houses. Some search for spoons, knives and forks that are thrown into the garbage receptacles by careless servants, for it is a fact that there are more silver spoons and knives and forks thrown away with the garbage than are stolen by servants, though the contrary is generally believed. The slopper is generally an hour or so ahead of the garbage collector and he is often more regular and careful in his rounds than the garbage man.

"By industry we thrive," as the line in the copy-books used to contain, and by industry on a good west end route, especially one which takes in a number of boarding houses or hotels, a slopper can find enough tableware to pay the expenses of his tour. Often he makes a rich find. Very frequently he has permission to 'slop' the can from the owners of the house themselves, for he tells them he is on the lookout for stray pieces of meat, etc., which he sells to those who have dogs to feed. Some sloppers are honest enough to return any silverware they may find for the dog-meat privilege, but it is a terrible temptation to many and one they cannot or do not at times withstand."

## FOUR DELEGATIONS

### Cold Weather Cannot Keep the People from Canton.

#### OHIOANS AND WEST VIRGINIANS

##### The Plans of the Republican Party—Mark Hanna Well Pleased With the Political Situation.

CANTON, Oct. 7.—The rains of yesterday, which drove the McKinley crowds indoors, were dried up by a bleak, cold wind today, which made it necessary to carry out the days program, save one early meeting on the lawn, at the Tabernacle. There were four delegations, by as many delegations. Two Ohio counties sent crowds, and it was intended to double them up, but they were so much larger than expected that the doubling-up process would not work. Combined, they filled the hall twice over.

A particularly enthusiastic delegation closed the day's doings. It came from Parkersburg, W. Va., and filled a special train of 10 cars to the platforms. This party was introduced by Hon. E. M. Caldwell.

National Chairman Mark Hanna stopped over in Canton between trains this evening. He was met at the depot by Major McKinley, and was a guest for dinner at the major's home. He expressed himself well pleased with the political situation and spoke in the most sanguine terms of the result.

##### "Coin" Harvey Almost Mobbed.

CLINTON, Ia., Oct. 7.—W. A. Harvey, author of "Coin," narrowly escaped being assaulted at a meeting here last night, when he spoke on free silver, but turned his address into an attack upon Generals Sikes, Alger, Howard and the others of the celebrated veterans who are traveling through Iowa and Illinois. He referred to the generals as "old wrecks of the rebellion who have lost their honor and patriotism, and are the tools of political-Shylocks." His words were greeted by a storm of hisses and cries of "Shame, shame," which rendered it impossible for him to make himself heard. He tried to continue, but gave it up as the storm continued.

A large number of Grand Army men were in the hall and took Harvey's words almost as a personal affront. There were loud yells of "Throw him out," "Drag him off the platform," and "Put him in the street." Grizzled veterans leaped from their seats on all sides and started into the aisles, shaking their fists and yelling threats. The cooler heads interferred, however, and restrained the old soldiers. The majority of them, instead of returning to their seats left the hall in a body. They were joined in their exodus by many of the audience.

##### THE ROSEBURG ACCIDENT.

##### The Verdict of the Coroner's Jury Finds No One Guilty.

ROSEBURG, Oct. 7.—The coroner's jury today held an inquest on the bodies of Albert Toy, John McGonigle and George R. Happersett, who were killed in the collision yesterday on the Southern Pacific. The jury found no one guilty of breaking the regulations of running, but there was a deficiency in judgment as to the distance from the fog that would make them safe in commencing to flag again which, according to the evidence, they were intending to resume.

##### The Cuban Struggle.

HAVANA, Oct. 7.—During an engagement in Pinar del Rio between the Spanish troops under General Boinal and the insurgents under Antonio Maceo it is announced the insurgents lost 250 killed while the troops only had twenty-eight men killed, fifty seriously injured and twenty-five slightly wounded.

##### Shot by a Woman.

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 8.—News from Shedd's station says that Edward Farwell was shot twice in the bowels tonight by Miss Thompson. It is believed Farwell will die. No particulars are obtainable tonight.

##### Star Pointer Wins.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 7.—The track record was lowered by Star Pointer in the free-for-all pace, from 2:05 to 2:03. Free-for-all, purse \$2,000—Star Pointer won in three straight heats. Time, 2:03, 2:04½, 2:06½. Frank Agan was second in the three heats; Robert J. third.

##### Astronomical Discoveries.

BOSTON, Oct. 7.—A dispatch received here from Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz., announces that the astronomers of

the observatory have discovered that the planets Mercury and Venus each turns once on its axis during one revolution of the sun, making the day just equal to the year on these planets. They find further that Venus is not cloud covered, as has been reported, but has about it a thick atmosphere, while Mercury has none.

##### THEIR HOPES SHATTERED.

##### Two Old Prospectors Find a Quicksilver Mine.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 8.—For a short time yesterday Christian Soll and John P. Green, two old prospectors, believed they said good-bye to poverty and had jumped into riches that clouded the fame of Monte Cristo from view. They were the possessors, they were confident, by means of finding a mine claim on a portion of the ocean shore near the Cliff house, of the richest quicksilver mine in the world. A moderate estimate of its value they thought would reach \$10,000,000, and, as the ledge was on property owned by Adolph Suro, as they thought, they believed they could acquire it under the mining law.

The dream was short-lived. They had scarcely left the city hall, after filing their mineral notices, when they learned that they had located on a piece on the Presidio, instead of the possessions of mayor. With this knowledge away went skimming dreams of untold wealth, for title to military reservations is beyond the reach of the caveat of the law regarding mining claims.

But even in the face of the disheartening turn of fortune, Green and Soll still hope, although an inscrutable and immutable hand had banished them like Adam from their Eden. They hope that the government will allow them to develop as much of their claim as lies between the lines of high and low tide, for even with this morsel from the feast they think they can acquire wealth enough for all practical purposes.

##### DU MAURIER IS DEAD.

##### Author of "Tribly" Passes Away in London.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—George Du Maurier, artist, novelist, author of "Tribly," died at 2:30 o'clock this morning. His end was painless. He passed away surrounded by his friends. For days he has been hovering between life and death, at intervals conversing with friends regarding his work.

Upon one occasion a friend at the dying man's bedside referred to the success of "Tribly" as a book and a play, whereupon Du Maurier replied:

"Yes, it has been successful, but popularity has killed me at last."

One of Du Maurier's friends who was present at his death said:

"He died almost as tragically as Svengali. At the zenith of Tribly's fame Svengali became the victim of an affection of the heart. Du Maurier has gone the same way. At the zenith of his popularity the author has succumbed to heart trouble from which he has always suffered, his suffering being accentuated by a constant succession of exciting incidents in which the closing few months of his life were spent. Checks rained in upon him as his old heart trouble increased. This, complicated by an affection of the lungs, took him off."

##### NICHOLAS IS VENTURESOME.

##### He Wanted to Explore the French Capital Inognito.

VIENNA, Oct. 8.—It is rumored here that the czar will attend the wedding of the Prince of Naples and Princess Helene of Montenegro October 24th.

A dispatch from Paris says that the czar asked the prefect of police whether he might not venture to explore Paris inognito. The prefect said that it would be so unsafe that if his majesty insisted he would feel it his duty to resign.

##### Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at The Dalles un-called for Oct. 10, 1896. Persons calling for the same will give date on which they were advertised:

Bialock, R Y	Buckler, E T
Dimmick, Jas	Dotson, Edw
Falley, Mrs Berre	Freeman, Aaron
Glenner, B F	Grubb, A J
Hall, L J	Hart, E
Hallibur, Ana	Harvey, J T
Johnson, A A	Johnson, Wm
Llewellyn, E	Leslie, Frank
Lohri, Konrad	Lauer, A A
Lynch, Alvis	Robertson, Jas
Robertson, Jno	Robertson, Telle
Sharp, Eld W W	Smiley, Thos
Sheppard, J T	Todd, Harry
Wamer, Minnie N	Wagner, Grace
Wilhelm, Frank	Wadkins, Mrs J A
Wilhelm, E W	Whitfort, Chas

J. A. CROSSEN, P. M.

##### Tygh Valley Roller Flour Mills.

Tygh Valley Roller Flour Mills are running full time on No. 1 wheat. Flour equal to the best always on hand. Prices to suit the times. Also mill feed in quantities to suit.

W. M. McCORLE & SON, Proprietors.

## AFTER LIVELY FIRING

### Horse thieves Captured by Wallowa County Officers.

#### ONE OF FORMER SHOT IN THE HEAD

##### Druggist in Enterprise, Or., Attacked by a Woman With an Umbrella, and Shot by a Lawyer.

LA GRANDE, Oct. 8.—Particulars of a battle between horse thieves and deputy sheriffs in Wallowa county, were received by telephone from Enterprise today.

A few days ago two men, George and Henry Smith, passed through the Imnaha with a band of horses, supposed to have been stolen, and camped on Carrall creek. A day or so afterward a warrant was issued for their arrest. It was feared they would resist, and five men were sent out to bring them in. The camp was easily located, and Henry Smith was found in it and captured by strategy. Four officers went to camp, leaving a fifth in charge of the horses. The officers carried no arms in sight, and the horse thief did not suspect them, so that when they asked to see his pistol, he passed it over for inspection. The pistol was then turned on him, and he was compelled to hold up his hands. He was then taken away from the camp and left in charge of an officer.

Two of the officers started out to find the other brother, and one was left to watch the camp. George Smith returned to the camp and "got the drop" on the officer, and held him up. He suspected that something was wrong, and proceeded to march the officer up the trail. After proceeding a short distance, he met the two officers who were looking for him. The officers opened fire, which was returned by Smith, but none of the shots took effect. The officers then took refuge behind trees, and Smith fired four shots at them, three of which hit the trees. The deputy that Smith had a prisoner, fell to the ground as soon as the firing began, to escape the stray bullets.

The shooting cooled the ardor of the officers somewhat, and they turned their efforts toward keeping the trees between themselves and the horse thief. While the horse thief was trying to get another shot at the men behind the trees, the officer that had been left with the horses came up and shot the horse thief in the head with a shotgun. He had heard the firing and came up just in time to relieve his brother officers from an unpleasant position.

##### IVANHOE TO THE RESCUE.

##### Saw a Man and Woman Struggling, and Shot the Man.

LA GRANDE, Oct. 8.—At Enterprise, in Wallowa county, today, F. S. Ivanhoe shot and seriously wounded R. C. Gregg. M. Ivanhoe is a well-known attorney, and Mr. Gregg is a druggist. The report received by telephone says that Mrs. J. W. Dalzell and Gregg were having trouble over Mrs. Dalzell's son, and Mrs. Dalzell had assaulted Gregg with an umbrella. In attempting to disarm her, Gregg broke the umbrella, and a scuffle resulted. Mrs. Dalzell continued the assault, and, in protecting himself, Gregg used considerable force. Just at that time Ivanhoe appeared, and, seeing as he supposed, a man assaulting a woman, took a shot at the man. The first time he missed, but the second shot struck Gregg in the leg, inflicting a severe wound. The bullet was recovered by physicians this afternoon. Unless blood-poisoning sets in, no serious results are apprehended.

##### "Coin" Denies It.

KROCK, Ia., Oct. 8.—Regarding the alleged treatment of W. H. Harvey ("Coin") by an audience at Clinton, Ia., Harvey has furnished the following statement:

"There is not one word of truth in the printed report that the audience or any part of it treated me disrespectfully, or took umbrage at what I said at Clinton. The report is made out of whole cloth, and has not a word of truth for its basis.

You probably pay too much a month for tea; it is probably not very good.

Try Schilling's Best. If you don't like it, your grocer returns your money.

You may find unexpected pleasure and profit in it.

Take your watches, clocks and jewelry repairing to Clark, the East End jeweler.



A cream of tartar baking powder. Highest of all in leavening strength—Latest United States Government Food Report. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., New York.

##### A PLAIN TALK TO WORKINGMEN.

##### The A B C of the Silver Question.

Let us not get mixed up with complex matters in connection with the free silver idea.

Let us not bog our brain with arguments about the crime of 1873 or bother with the many theories which the advocates of free silver are giving us.

But let us take a common sense view of the situation.

Now, to start with:

Suppose Bryan was elected and the free coinage act had been passed and that free coinage was an actual fact.

Suppose that silver could be taken to the mint and coined into silver dollars at the ratio of 16 to 1.

How would that affect us?

We haven't got any silver bullion.

A whole lot of people who own silver mines have it, and so they could have it coined into 16 to 1 dollars, but not having any ourselves we could not have a solitary, single dollar coined under the free silver act.

Now, suppose, however, that all the silver mine owners and others who had silver took it all to Washington or Philadelphia or to some other United States mint and had it coined into 16 to 1 dollars, and

Suppose so much had been coined that all the silver in the world was made into 16 to 1 dollars, and

Suppose that every one of these dollars was piled in one heap right on the next block, and

Suppose every single one of them was worth 100 cents here and everywhere.

What good would they do us unless we had something we could trade by which we could get one?

Well, we have something to trade; everybody has.

Some have labor, so much for a dollar.

Some have lumber, so much for a dollar.

Some have sugar or potatoes or hams or coal or something else, all so much for a dollar.

We have advertising and subscriptions, so much for a dollar.

When we want one of those silver dollars, we cannot go and take it. They don't belong to us. They belong to the men who took the silver to the mint to be coined.

If we took one, it would be stealing.

If we asked for one for nothing, it would be begging.

If the owners gave us one for nothing, it would be a gift.

If we borrowed one, it would cost us interest, and so

Most of us, to get one, must trade labor, lumber, sugar, coal, advertising or something to get it.

This is absolutely and honestly so, isn't it?

Well, being so, why do we take any chances on the dollar?

We can get gold now.

It is worth 100 cents on a dollar everywhere.

So we have supposed the silver to be, but

Suppose it isn't.

What then?

What is the use of taking a chance unless we can do better? A silver dollar won't be worth more than 100 cents, will it?

We are getting that now.

Let well enough alone.

Some say duty compels a Democrat to back up and vote for a Democrat. You have Bryan's word that he is no Democrat. Let him deny that he said it.

Some say it is pretty bad now. We might as well take a chance. It can't be worse.

What kind of tomfoolery is this? Are things bad in a business way? Let us tell you something to try.

Tell down this crowd of reprobates. Vote the world in trumpet tones in November that we want the best money, that we will take no other, and business will revive.

Let the capital out that Bryan and his followers have scared under cover, and prosperity will come.—Lumber Trade Journal.