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SIDNEY SLOANE, THE PATRICIDE, DECLARED INNOCENT ON ACCOUNT OF

STOCKS TAKE ANOTHER DROP

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec 24—Stocks slumped again today. Thousands of shares were thrown into the pit, causing a decline of from one to six. Traders feared drastic liquidation before the money stringency could be relieved. The usual holiday spirit is entirely lacking and it is gloomy

everywhere. Many of the lightly margined had their capital wiped out. The Great Northern and Northern Pacific bore the brunt of the attack by the bears. The Great Northern lost nearly even while the N P fell off three. Brokers declare that the Standard Oil Co is sitting on the market.

GRAIN MARKETS

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago, Dec. 24—Wheat opened at 74½, closed at 74½; corn opened at 41, closed at 41½; oats opened at 33, closed at 33½.

BURNED TO DEATH

(Scripps News Association)
Stuebenville, Ohio, Dec 24—Fire today which started in a bakery sufficed Mrs. Ira Hillman aged 25, her two year old baby and Elizabeth McCoy aged 18.

SUGAR FACTORY WILL RESUME OPERATION SOON

The sugar factory will again be running by Thursday. This announcement was made this morning by Manager Taylor. The snows and frosts have delayed things considerably this fall and operations had to be suspended several times. There are now in the sheds at the factory eighteen thousand tons of beets and the factory will begin on these. There are

several thousand tons of beets lying on the ground out in the valley, which are thawed out and will be used just as quickly as the roads will permit hauling. The highways are in frightful condition but the management is hopeful that before the supply now on hand is disposed of, the ten or twelve thousand tons out in the valley can be brot in.

JAPAN'S RICE CROP

(Scripps News Association)
Yokohama, Dec 24—Government statistics issued today show the seasons rice crop to be 211,188,050 bushels, being practically that of a normal year. The greatly improved methods of cultivation would have resulted in a much larger crop had it not been for bad weather when the crop was in flower.

TERRIBLE SUFFERING IN NEW YORK

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec 24—The temperature which has dropped to five degrees above zero and combined with the gale that is blowing, has filled the hospitals this morning with people who are frost bitten. Many of the destitute are dying from exposure, and the charity institutions are burdened, the police having to come to the rescue. An elegantly dressed lady who gave her name as Helen Stacy, was found on the dock this morning. She said her two wealthy sons had turned her out, and that she would have to earn her own living. Both her limbs are frozen.

A new born infant was frozen on the roof of a hospital, placed there it is alleged by a nurse who is now under arrest.

INSANITY

(Scripps News Association)
Spokane, Dec 24—Sidney Sloane, the young boy of this city who slew his father with an axe for the purpose of robbery a few months ago, was found not guilty by the jury which heard the case, on account of insanity. He will be held to the insanity commission. The trial had attracted almost universal attention because of the horribleness of the crime. After killing his father, who was a leading business man of this city, he hauled the dead body out in the ash dump.

L. B. Hicks, the entombed miner at Bakersfield, California, was reached and rescued Saturday night at midnight, after being imprisoned nearly sixteen days.

BURGLAR MAKES THREATS

(Scripps News Association)
Pasadena, Cal., Dec 24—O. S. Sprague and H. W. Stapleton, millionaires residing here are in receipt of letters signed "Barfoot Burglar" in which demands for money are made, to be deposited in certain places. The letters have been turned over to the police. A burglar operating in his bare feet has entered a number of homes in Pasadena and vicinity the past few weeks.

GREAT SCHWAB MINING MERGER

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec 24—By the merger of the Greenwater and Death Valley, the United Greenwater and the Greenwater Mining properties, in Nevada, the new corporation established today with a capitalization of \$25,000,000, takes over some of the richest mines in the world.

AMERICA'S TRADE WITH ICELAND

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec 24—Advises received here from Beokjavik, Iceland intimate that the natives of that country are taking steps to bring about the direct importation of American goods, instead of by way of the British ports as heretofore. The imports from America especially petroleum, wheat, sugar and tobacco, have largely increased during recent years and it is that that the trade could be considerably improved with cheaper, direct transportation.

INSTALLATION WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Eastern Star instal their officers next Wednesday night and are preparing for a great time. There will be a well arranged program followed by a banquet. All members are requested to be present.

REMEMBER THE HOUR

La Grande Lodge A. F. & A. M. No. 41 holds its annual election of officers tomorrow evening, Christmas night at 8:30

STANDARD WINS THE FIRST HEAT

(Scripps News Association)
Findlay, Ohio, Dec 24—Judge Duncan decides that the Probate court has no jurisdiction to try the Standard Oil cases, under the Valantine law. As a result of this decision the \$5,000 fine imposed on the Standard Oil as well as all proceed in the probate court is invalid. The case will be taken to the circuit and supreme court as quickly as possible. The decision as to the indictments against John D. Rockefeller and other officials of the Standard is to be deferred, the judge setting no date for rendering his opinion.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S LEAD PRODUCTION

(Scripps News Association)
Vancouver, Dec 24—This years lead production in this province amounted to 30,000 tons the value according to New York prices, is 10 per cent, amounts to \$3,000,000. The total production of lead in this country up to the present reaches 226,000 valued at \$18,000,000. The prospects for next season look very bright as a very large increase in the ore tonnage is expected.

"ROOSEVELT" ARRIVED

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 24.—Peary's steamer "Roosevelt", which reached the farthest point north in search of the north pole, arrived off City island this morning.

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HICKS IS RAPIDLY RECOVERING

(Scripps News Association)
Bakersfield, Dec 24—The report from the Edison hospital, where L B Hicks the restored miner is being restored to health, this morning states that he is improving rapidly and will soon be discharged in normal health. He slept well last night and shows few effects of the terrible ordeal thru which he has just passed.

VICTOR'S RECOVERY EXPECTED

Lester Victor, who last Saturday suddenly showed signs of insanity and who was placed in the city jail at that time, is still in the city and from present indications it is likely that his mind will be restored to him as soon as the high fever, which he is now suffering with, leaves him. Local physicians agree that the attack was due to a large extent from the high fever. He has been removed to the Stover hospital where he will be kept for several days. The authorities expect him to recover.

His father, Frank Victor and his brother Oscar, both of Wallowa County, arrived this morning and are at the sick man's side.

EVERY HOUR COUNTS NOW

- Toilet Cases
- Books
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- Fancy Stationery
- Shaving Sets
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- Leather Goods
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- Confectionery, etc.

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