

DAYTON HERALD.

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EVENTS OF THE DAY

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week. Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting.

The flood on the Ohio river has passed the danger mark.

Rear Admiral Crowpinshield has resigned from the navy.

United States Ambassador Choate was given a banquet in London.

Ladrones in Luzon surprised and captured a band of constabulary.

It has been necessary to call out troops at Colorado City to preserve order.

Option on the Panama canal property has been extended until senate can ratify the treaty.

Senator Mitchell has suffered a relapse, due to over taxation of his strength so soon after his sickness.

Thousands of cattle are dying on the ranges of Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska as a result of the severe weather.

Employees of the Washah railroad, who were going to strike, have had an injunction served on them forbidding them going out.

Second Warden McPherson, of the Oregon penitentiary, climbed over the prison wall at night, went through the shops and then climbed back to the outside without being discovered by guards, who have been asked to resign.

Stuart Robson, the comedian, is ill at his home in New York, and his tour for the next two weeks has been cancelled.

Miss Katharine Kidder, the actress, is confined to her room in a hotel at San Antonio, Texas, suffering from pneumonia.

The largest workmen's fair in the history of New York City will be held in the Grand Central palace, March 28 to April 5.

William Radolph and George Collins, accused of bank robbery and murder at Union, Mo., who were captured in Hartford, Conn., are held without bail as fugitives from justice.

The state and federal quarantine officers at Laredo, Texas, have received instructions to enforce a quarantine against Torreon, Mexico, where it is thought the bubonic plague has appeared.

A lone highwayman entered the Abbey saloon, at Douglas, Ariz., lined all present against the wall, stole \$5000, from the roulette wheels, backed out, mounted a horse and rode away into Mexico.

Officers of three St. Louis co-operative building associations, which were the subject of exhaustive inquiry by the Alton, Ill., city court grand jury, have been indicted on charges of making misrepresentations.

Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 40 collided head-on with a freight train on a trestle four miles west of Fort Scott. The engines were completely telescoped. Twenty or more passengers sustained cuts and bruises, but none were seriously hurt.

Extra session of senate will be called March 5.

The Cuban congress has fixed five national holidays.

Senator Aldrich promises tariff revision at the next session of congress.

Gales off the French coast have caused serious damage to shipping.

The health of the pope is not so good, but alarming rumors are discredited.

Protests continue to pour in against the leasing of Reed Smoot, of Utah.

An agreement has been reached between the Santa Fe railroad and the trainmen.

Fire at Halifax, N. S., destroyed \$300,000 worth of property. Three firemen were seriously injured.

Fire at Hastings, Neb., destroyed \$200,000 worth of property and for a time threatened the destruction of the entire town.

John Baker, ex-minister to Venezuela and a member of congress for several terms, is seriously ill at his home at Belleville, Ill.

The Montana legislature has added \$7,000 to its fair appropriation. This makes \$42,000 to be used for St. Louis and Portland expositions.

The foundation for J. Pierpont Morgan's new library building at the corner of Madison avenue and East Thirty-third street is nearing completion. It will cost \$300,000.

The senate refuses to consider the Littlefield anti-trust bill.

Fire at Lowell, Mass., cost one life and destroyed \$30,000 worth of property.

Two masked men held up the postmaster at Bisbee, Ariz., and secured \$100.

The president is determined on an extra session of congress unless the Cuban and Panama canal treaties are ratified.

The powder works near Cherokee, Kan., blew up, killing four men and injuring 16, two fatally.

A number of protests are being sent to Washington against the seating of Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah.

Two robbers blew open the safe of Hubbard's private bank at Cedar Springs, Mich., and secured between \$400 and \$500.

To Colonel Cody was presented a handsome box and coffee service by the whole staff of the Wild West show, in London in celebration of his 57th birthday.

The Chicago grand jury returned 75 indictments against the operators of slot machines as a result of a crusade instigated by the Hyde Park protective association.

RECORD OF THE OREGON LEGISLATURE.

SENATE BILLS THAT HAVE BECOME LAWS.

1. Markey-For execution of death sentence at Penitentiary.
2. Weber-Regulating boundary of Washington County.
3. Smith-Multnomah-For state and county boards of health.
4. Markey-Regulating sale of land conveyed to Asylum.
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HOUSE BILLS THAT HAVE BECOME LAWS.

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2. Eddy-License tax for corporation.
3. Eddy-For general details in planning.
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The legislature of 1903 surpassed the legislature of 1901 in the amount of business transacted. In the senate 239 bills were introduced, as compared with 240 introduced in the senate of the last session. This decrease of one bill was due to the fact that the legislature of 1903 passed 368 bills in the house, while the highest number in that branch of the legislature of 1901 was only 349. It was a frequent comment during the last days of the recent session that this legislature passed a larger proportion of its bills than did its predecessor.

Of the 239 bills introduced in the senate, 121, or just about one half, got through that branch, and only 78 passed both houses. Counting on the eight vetoes, only 30 per cent of the total number of senate bills became laws. Of the 70 now on the statute books, 22 are charter bills, leaving 48 general laws.

Master Fish Warden Van Dusen reports collections of fees to the amount of \$680 for January. That sum has been deposited in the state treasury.

Hogrowers of Salem and vicinity who still have their hopes of the crop of 1902 are still firmly holding in expectation of further advances before the end of the season. The dullness of the last few weeks does not discourage them, but they insist that in time the growers must have the hope and will pay from 27 1/2 to 30 cents.

The Greater Salem commercial club has almost completed the \$1,000 fund for the printing of 100,000 advertising pamphlets, which are to be distributed by the Harriman lines.

White Hand

A Tale of the Early Settlers of Louisiana.

BY AUSTIN O. BURDICK.

CHAPTER IX.

Far away, in the depths of the forest, where a deep river ran, and where the cypress trees grew thick and tall, a party of Indians sat down to rest. Only ten men were here upon the edge of the cypress swamp, and eight of them were themselves to sleep, while the other two kept watch. It is near midnight, the sun has almost reached its highest point, and these men have been upon the trail since early last evening.

But these Chickasaws are not alone. Close by the side of a huge cypress log, and which is boded in the swamp, lies the form of a child of the pale faces. The hands and the feet are bound, and a cord from the lashings of the hands leads along the ground, and is clutched by one of the sleeping Indians. In those fair features, now shaded by the large log, there is something of the look of Louis St. Julien, but even now the flesh seems sunken, and the head would think that many days, instead of only a few hours, of suffering had rested within that frame.

Thus the party rested until nearly four o'clock, and then one of the Indians, who had been placed a little way up the stream, or to where the pale face lay, and on the instant the whole party were upon their feet, and had seized their arms. On the next instant, a crashing of branches was heard, and at the same time, and not long afterwards, a party of six Indians made their appearance. He who led the newcomers was very tall and athletic. It was the Natchez warrior, Stung Serpent.

The stout chief spoke not until he had seen the pale youth who still slept by the cypress log, and then a grunt of satisfaction escaped from his lips. He spoke with the chief of the Chickasaws for some time in his own strange tongue, and then he turned to where the youth lay, and awoke him. The sleeper started up, and with a look of terror, gazed around.

"Where is—where is my sister?" he asked, in a low, thrilling tone.

"She has gone on further north while you slept," answered Stung Serpent. "But the daughter of the white man is safe. No harm can come to her, for her life is precious. But you cannot go to her now. You must go with the Stung Serpent to the village of the White Apple. What can Louis St. Julien fear from his brother?"

The youth gazed into the face of the powerful Natchez, and for awhile he was utterly unable to speak. At that moment a hundred various thoughts and emotions flew wildly through his mind. He saw his father and St. Denis still searching for the elders, and he heard their voices of alarm and saw their tears of grief. Then he ran over the fearful journey through the deep forest, and he wondered why he was thus separated from his mate.

"Can I not go with my sister?" he at length asked.

"No," was the answer.

"And why may we not be together?"

"Because it is impossible. Remember, the Stung Serpent is a warrior, and he will not let you go. This was pronounced in a slow, meaning tone, and Louis St. Julien knew enough of the Indian character to know that no appeal would move his captors from such a purpose. He looked around once more, and when he saw that half of the Chickasaws were gone, he knew that his companion had gone with them.

In the meantime, Stung Serpent was performing a wondrous feat. He was holding a knife in his right hand, and he was cutting a deep groove in the bark of a tree. He was doing this with a steady hand, and he was cutting a deep groove in the bark of a tree. He was doing this with a steady hand, and he was cutting a deep groove in the bark of a tree.

With a satisfied look, the Chickasaw leader emptied the money-bag into the pouch, and having placed it in his bosom, he turned to his followers and gave the signal for starting. They quickly gathered up their arms, and in a few moments more they were lost to sight in the thick woods.

"Now," said Stung Serpent, turning to his prisoner, "we will be on our way to our home in the domain of the Natchez. Can you walk?"

"Yes," but I am weak now, and shall hardly be able to keep pace with you if you hurry."

"The white youth speaks calmly for one in distress," pursued the chief, looking at him with a steady eye. "Perhaps he thinks he shall escape."

"If I speak calmly," returned the youth, "it is because I hope you mean me no harm."

"Ugh!" That was all the answer Stung Serpent returned upon that subject. A moment more he took the prisoner's hand and gazed upon it.

"I did not tell the Chickasaw that it was you who slew his people," the Natchez said.

Louis trembled.

"For if I had, I should not have found you alive, having once passed through his hands. You have a small white hand for a warrior such as you have proved yourself to be." And Stung Serpent laid his own huge hand by the side of his prisoner's, thus making the youth's delicate limb appear smaller by the contrast than it really was. And then, with a smile, he continued: "While you live, we'll throw away your French name, and henceforth you shall be called 'White Hand.' Eh—how does that sound?"

chief like his name?"

"Yes—yes."

The other Indians had stood near at hand, and as they heard the name thus bestowed, they smiled, and repeated it several times. In a little while longer the party prepared for the tramp and set out. For a distance of some miles they followed the stream to the northward and eastward, and finally they left the river and struck into a narrow, dusky trail. It was not long when Stung Serpent gave the order to stop. They had reached a small lake, or deep bay, upon one hand of which arose a steep bluff, directly beneath which they halted. Stung Serpent said that some one had stopped here before, for the traces of a fire were plainly visible against the face of the rock, and as he walked over the spot beneath it he could feel the dry bones of a fire, and as he walked over the spot beneath it he could feel the dry bones of a fire, and as he walked over the spot beneath it he could feel the dry bones of a fire.

When White Hand was aroused he started quickly up, and at first he thought the day had dawned, and as soon as he saw the moon he knew that it was not day. He was informed that the party were now to start on, and he was soon ready. The moon was nearly at its zenith, and he judged that it could not be much past midnight. For two or three hours the trail was dubious and difficult. It lay through a deep growth of oak, and the ground was uneven, and in some places wet and boggy from the late rains. In the morning they stopped for breakfast. During the forenoon a deer was shot, from which they took the skin and as much of the meat as they wanted, and at noon they built a fire and had some venison steak; only White Hand would have liked it much better could he have had a little salt with his meat.

Another night came, and again the youth slept with his hands confined, and this time he was allowed to sleep until morning. Another meal from the fresh deer meat was made, and then the trail was resumed. During the next day the prisoner came several times near falling for want of strength, for however strong may have been his close-knit frame, he was not used to this kind of labor. However, the Indians helped him some, and he managed to move along without much show of pain or complaint. He knew that if he would expect kind treatment at the hands of his captors he must be a being of complaint and trouble, and he refused to stand up under the trial as unflinchingly as possible. When they had stopped for the night again he asked his captor how much further they had to travel.

"Not much," Stung Serpent replied. "One more day will bring us to the village where we are to stop. Does it please the White Hand, eh?"

"It will surely please me to rest, for I am weary and faint, and had we much further to travel I fear I should be a burden to you."

The Indian shrugged his shoulders, but made no further reply, and shortly afterwards White Hand lay down to sleep. In the morning they were once more in motion, and before noon they struck into a broader trail that gave evidence of much travel. The sun was some two hours high when they reached the top of a gentle eminence, and upon looking down into the valley beyond, White Hand saw quite a village of Natchez huts. There were some fifty or sixty dwellings, built in a sort of circle, while within this circle were several smaller buildings of larger dimensions.