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BAD WRECK ON ERIE

Passenger Train Ran Into Rear End of a Freight Near Redhouse, New York.

SEVEN WERE KILLED AND 12 SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Several Passenger Cars Were Derailed and Two Sleepers Were Burned Five so Badly Burned That They Were Unrecognizable.

Jamestown, N. Y., April 20.—Four were killed and many injured in a wreck of the Erie passenger train at Redhouse, about 4 o'clock this morning. The passenger ran into the rear end of a freight, which was delayed in making a siding. Several passenger cars were derailed and two sleepers were burned. Three bodies have been recovered, but are unrecognizable.

Three More Reported Dead.

A second dispatch says that in addition to the women and children reported killed, two pasengers in the day coach and a brakeman on the freight were also killed.

The Officials' Report.

New York, April 20.—The Erie officials here report that only three were killed in the Redhouse wreck, two women and a child. Five cars were totally wrecked.

Later—Seven Killed.

Dunkirk, April 20.—A complete account of the casualties of the Redhouse wreck shows that seven were killed and 12 seriously injured. Of these, five of the dead were so badly burned that it was impossible to identify them. The flames of the wreck were put out by the Salamonca fire company, which was sent on a special train.

CONVICTS FIGHT.

One Is Stabbed, the Other Had Head Crushed—Both May Die.

San Francisco, April 20.—E. W. Hamilton and Will Brown, convicts in the state prison, had a fierce battle with an iron bar and knife this morning. Hamilton was stabbed in the side. Brown is suffering from concussion of the brain. Both may die.

ALL WINDOW GLASS FACTORIES CLOSE TODAY.

In Order to Reduce the Stock on Hand and Hold Up the Prices—Thousands Thrown Out of Employment.

Wheeting, April 20.—Nearly all the window glass factories in America were closed today in accordance with an agreement between the independent and federation companies to reduce the stocks and hold up the price. Reports this morning show that less than 150 pots are working. They will be closed several weeks.

ANTHRACITE OPERATORS REFUSE WORK TO 30,000 MEN.

Because the Miners Would Not Work 9 Hours Last Saturday—No Explanation Was Given for the Action.

Mahonoy City, Pa., April 20.—As a sequel to the men's refusal to work nine hours Saturday a lockout this morning was inaugurated in the Philadelphia & Reading collieries. Thirty thousand men and boys are idle. No explanation accompanied the operators' action. The men were simply told "there is no work for you."

NEGRO GHOUL ON TRIAL.

Cantrell, of Indianapolis, Pleads Insanity—Great Trouble in Securing Jury.

Indianapolis, April 20.—Rufus Cantrell, the negro ghoul, was placed on trial in the criminal court this morning. He pleads insanity. There was great trouble in selecting a jury. Seventy-five men were examined and excused this morning. All said they had determined in their own minds that Cantrell was the guilty one.

JURY DISAGREED

In Case of Melrose, Charged With Murder of W. H. Broome.

Los Angeles, April 20.—The jury in the case of N. M. Melrose, charged with the murder of W. H. Broome, at Acton, January 19, disagreed this morning. Melrose is a prominent politician. An eye witness to the murder testified that Melrose shot, beat and kicked Broome after the latter was fatally wounded and dying.

Patriots' Day Celebrated.

Boston, Mass., April 20.—In Boston and vicinity there was a general celebration of patriots' day today, the observances recalling the old traditions and historical incidents of the revolution, such as the ride of Paul Revere, the march of the British troops from Boston to Lexington and other memorable incidents that heralded the great struggle of 1776. In this city all of the old houses of historic interest were gayly decorated and were kept open all day for the inspection of visitors.

Kruger Better.

Paris, April 20.—Paul Kruger will leave Mentone May 15 for a summer resort. The place is not yet announced. The announcement indicates that his health is better.

Cruisers at San Diego.

San Diego, Cal., April 20.—The cruisers New York, Boston and Marblehead arrived this morning from Central American waters.

Howard on Trial.

Frankfort, Ky., April 20.—A cross-examination of Howard this morning has so far failed to elicit any material contradictions.

Storm in Germany.

Berlin, April 20.—The storm over Germany continues unabated.

CONSULAR ATTACHE MAKES SENSATIONAL STATEMENTS

Says the Skulls of the Fairs Will Prove Nothing But There Were Three Important Witnesses That Can Tell Much.

Indianapolis, April 20.—Paul Paquet, the United States consular attache from Paris ,who accompanied young Moses Fowler from France here, is the man who had official charge of the consular investigations of the death of Charles Fair and wife. He says the attempt to prove by the skulls that the wife survived the husband is all bosh. He declares that there were three important witnesses in France about whom the heirs know nothing. One of them can prove that Mrs. Fair survived her husband 15 minutes. He says the man is a janitor of the castle near by, who saw the accident ,and found Mr. Fair dead. Mrs. Fair was still breathing. He ran to the castle and back and found Mrs. Fair still alive. Going as fast as he could it would require at least 15 minutes to make the trip. He says the man is a typical Norman, overly suspicious, and reticent, and for a long time could not be induced to say anything. Recently, while sick, he told of the whole affair to his physician.

ONE WILLIAM BROWN CUTS WIDE SWATH IN ENGLAND.

Marries a Former Countess and Created a Great Furore in London—Has Been Arrested.

London, April 20.—The self-styled Prince Athrobold Stuart de Modena, who on December 17th married former Countess Russell, was today arrested charged with assuming a false name. His real name, the police allege, is William Brown. He created a furore when he first arrived in London and was considered a great matrimonial catch. He took a trip with his bride 12 days and then disappeared.

MURDERER IDENTIFIED.

The Body Found in Body Was That of Madeuna Beneditto, of Buffalo.

New York, April 20.—Inspector McDulskey this morning announced that the barrel victim had been identified as Madeuna Beneditto, 43 years old and married. His home was Buffalo. He was fully identified by his brother-in-law.

Brother-in-Law Serving Time.

The victim's brother is serving time in Sing Sing for counterfeiting. An Italian detective went to the prison yesterday and showed a photo of the murdered man, which was instantly recognized by the convict.

THE MERGER CASE

NORTHERN SECURITIES COMPANY MAY PAY MAY DIVIDENDS

Judge Sanborn, After Hearing Arguments, Permits the Stockholders Several Privileges.

St. Paul, April 20.—Before Judge Sanborn today arguments are being made for and against the modification of the decree in the Northern Securities case, permitting a payment of the May dividends. District Attorney Haupt argued against it, taking the ground that it was not a case of equity, but a statutory case and that it was not in the province of the court to allow the law to be disregarded.

He declared that a suspension decree would allow the merger to continue violating the law. The argument that the market would be affected was one that would not appeal to the court.

Judge Young then began his arguments for a modification.

May Pay Dividends.

Judge Sanborn, after hearing the arguments, ruled that the Northern Securities might pay the May dividends, May 1, holding that the federal court by an injunction preventing the merger from voting the stock of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern, has a sufficient hold on the concern. He held that the injunction against the dividends was auxiliary and could not be modified by the court, in as much as such dividends do not belong to the United States.

The Decree.

The decree permits the stockholders of the Northern Securities to exchange their stock for the stock of the railways for which it was issued. If the supreme court affirms this decree the stockholders of the Securities Company can take exchange and draw dividends from the companies.

Protects Stockholders.

If the supreme court reverses the decree the same parties can draw from the Securities Company. The retention of the dividends by the railway companies while the appeal is pending would not enhance or speed the enforcement of any legal right of the United States while it might inflict unnecessary loss and injury upon the stockholders who are justly entitled to receive these dividends as soon as they are earned.

It is the purpose of the government to enforce the law against all illegal combination in restraint of trade. During the pendency of the appeal the government is protected by that portion of the injunction which forbids the acquisition or voting of any stock of these two railway companies. The appeal in this case will probably be determined by the supreme court about November.

It is not perceived how a retention or payment of dividends during the pendency of the appeal can injuriously affect any right of the United States in this litigation and the only question is as to whether the dividends shall be piled up in the treasuries of the railway companies or be paid to the stockholders to whom they legally belong and who must ultimately receive them, which ever way a final decision in the case may be.

Filed an Appeal.

Immediately after the decision the Northern Securities filed an appeal and following the order of the court gave bonds for $50,000. Every point made by the railway attorney was sustained. Judge Sanborn elucidated his position at length and said the defendants hadn't asked the court to suspend the entire injunction, but only that portion which restrained the payment of dividends pending an appeal.

Wall Street Surprised.

New York, April 20.—Northern Securities stock jumped from 94⅞ to 99 immediately when the news of the suspension of the injunction permitting the May dividends, was announced. Wall street was surprised.

ALUM BILL BRIBERY DISGRACE IN MISSOURI.

Lieutenant-Governor a Fugitive From Justice—Many Other State Senators Under Suspicion—Two Indicted for Perjury.

St. Louis, April 17.—It is now believed that Lieutenant-Governor Lee succeeded in escaping on a train to Chicago. He is regarded as a fugitive. All trains are being watched. It is now given out as an open secret that four state senators will be indicted at Jefferson City for bribery. Twelve others are under suspicion. Two others will also be indicted for perjury on evidence found by the St. Louis special grand jury.

Wanted for Perjury.

St. Louis, April 17.—No news was received of Lee up to 2 o'clock. It is stated on the best of authority that he may be indicted for perjury by the Cole county grand jury as a result of his testimony before that body and later before the St. Louis inquisitors, regarding the legislative bribery.

NO DIVIDENDS.

Judge Sanborn Refuses a Modification of Decree to Northern Securities.

St. Paul, Minn., April 17.—Judge Sanborn today refused to allow the Northern Securities to furnish supersedeas bonds and modify the decree so as to permit the company to pay dividends May 1. The district attorney says he has instructions from Knox to oppose any such move.

Resist Allotment.

Pontoloc, I. T., April 17.—A large number of fullblooded Indians are resisting the allotment of their lands and serious trouble is feared. The Indians claim that under the arbitrary allotments of the Dawes commission they will get poor lands.

Postoffice Robbed.

Winnipeg, April 17.—The postoffice of Arcela was robbed last night. The mail bag was cut and $2,000 in cash taken from it.

REFUSE REFORMS

AMMUNITION AND STORES FOUND IN A MONASTERY.

Albanians Demand a Native Governor for Their Country—Gulgarian Agents and Bishops Said to Be Fostering Insurrection.

Constantinople, April 17.—Official information has been received that the special mission sent by the Sultan to pacify the Albanians, has been surrounded by several hundred Albanians at Ipek. The commissioners are practically prisoners. The Albanians categorically refuse to accept the reforms proposed and demand an Albanian governor for their country.

Fostering Insurrection.

Constantinople, April 17.—The porte is convinced that the Bulgarian commercial agents and bishops are fostering the insurrection in Albania. He is preparing to restrict their influence by isolating them to the places under its supervision. A large quantity of ammunition and stores were found in a monastery in Albania.

FIREMAN HANGED.

In His Speech He Said He Had Not Intended to Kill His Victim.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 17.—Charles May, a railway fireman, was today hanged for the murder of Robert Martin in December, 1900. He was praying when the drop fell. In his speech he said he had not intended to kill Martin, therefore hanging was too severe a punishment.

REPRESENT AMERICA.

Men Chosen to the Championship Automobile Race in Ireland, July Second.

Garden City, April 20.—L. Moore, of Cleveland and Percy Owens, of New York have been chosen with Alexander Wanton to represent America in the world's championship automobile race in Ireland, July 2. They were chosen as the result of the race run early this morning and which was started at 5 o'clock. Owens made the five miles in five minutes and 25 seconds. The fastest mile was one minute and two seconds. Moore's time is not announced.

TREATY WITH FRANCE.

Public Opinion in Scotland Favors Peace Between England and the Republic.

Glasgow, April 20.—The Chamber of Commerce this morning enthusiastically passed a resolution favoring a treaty of peace between Great Britain and France. The action is significant as showing the trend of public opinion with regard to France.

KILLED BY OUTLAW.

City Marshal of Bakersfield, Cal., Died This Morning.

Bakersfield, Cal., April 20.—City Marshal T. J. Packard, who was shot yesterday in a battle with outlaw McKinney, died this morning at 7 o'clock. He was president of the local Eagles and a prominent Elk.

ALL RECORDS ECLIPSED.

Reports From Kansas Show Finest Prospects for Wheat.

Topeka Kan., April 20.—If the state board of agriculture predictions, as contained in a report today, come true, all records of wheat crops will be eclipsed. There is the heaviest acreage ever planted in the state

THE DUTCH EXCITED

Berlin Newspapers Indignant Because European Squadron Goes to Marseilles.

BECAUSE WE REFUSED TO PARTICIPATE AT KIEL.

The Tageblatt Thinks That the Permanent Friendship of America and Germany an Impossibility—All Due to a Misunderstanding of Situation.

Washington, April 17.—The American squadron in European waters, consisting of the Chicago, Albany, Machias and Raleigh, has been ordered to Marseilles to participate in the reception of President Loubet, April 13.

Berlin, April 17.—News that the American squadron will go to Marseilles has aroused a storm of indignation on account of America's refusal to participate at the Kiel manoeuvers. The refusal is now regarded as a direct affront to Germany. The Tageblatt declares that this fact ought to be a salutory lesson to the Germans not to truckle to America. It says: "The permanent friendship of America and Germany is impossible." The Taglische Rundshau characterizes the action as "a slap in the face, an insult the Germans won't forget."

The Deutsch Zeitung welcomes the incident, because it clears the air and shows the Germans how Americans really regard them.

Due to Misapprehension.

Washington, April 17.—The navy department officials allege that the unfavorable criticisms of today's German press on the action of the department in ordering the European squadron to Marseilles is based upon misapprehension of the situation.

The kaiser invited not the European, but the North Atlantic squadron to participate at Kiel. The invitation was extended at a time when it was contemplated the North Atlantic squadron would visit European waters. Later it was decided not to send the North Atlantic squadron to Europe this summer, so the kaiser's invitation was declined.

The Marseilles trip in no wise interferes with the European squadron's regular itinerary.

BLACKLIST UNION PACIFIC.

Unions of Montana and Wyoming Ask President Roosevelt Not to Ride on That Road.

Cinnabar, Mont., April 17.—President Roosevelt has gone to Geyser. The union organizations all over Montana and Wyoming have passed resolutions asking the president to refrain from riding over the Union Pacific during his trip. As his itinerary was arranged two months ago, and takes in many towns on that line only, it will be impossible for the president to accede, much as he desires to favor the unions. More than 2,000 miles of the Union Pacific lines must be traversed.

COULDN'T TRUST NEGRO.

Governor Taylor, of Kentucky, Declined to Hire Negro to Kill Goebel.

Frankfort, Ky., April 17.—Youtsey was again on the witness stand this morning. He detailed the attempt made to get Heckersmith, in the January preceding the crime, to do the killing. Taylor declined to enter the agreement because Heckersmith was a negro. Taylor said he could not trust him. He said the latter, however, would pardon anyone who killed Goebel. Taylor wrote to Howard asking him to come to Frankfort as he was about to be robbed of his office.

RETURNED TO WORK.

Striking Gas Teamsters at Chicago Were Issued an Ultimatum.

Chicago, April 17.—Trouble between the allied teaming interests and 30,000 union teamsters was averted this morning when the striking gas teamsters who went out in sympathy with the gas works men returned to work. An ultimatum was issued that unless they did so all agreement made with the local unions would be cancelled.

PASSENGER WRECKED.

Head End Collision Reported Near Dickinson, N. D., With Heavy Casulties.

Butte, Mont., April 17.—A report has reached here that passenger train No. 4, on the Northern Pacific was smashed into by a freight train near Dickinson, N. D., this morning with heavy casualties. All the doctors of Dickinson have been summoned to the wreck.

TIRED OF LIFE.

Lieutenant Howard, a Prominent Officer in Army Commits Suicide.

St. Louis, April 17.—Lieutenant Thomas Howard, U. S. A., committed suicide in the hospital at Jefferson barracks early this morning. The nurse left him and he slashed his throat and arms with a razor. He had poor health for years. He had attained considerable distinction in the service.

Irish Demand Home Rule.

Dublin, April 17.—The chief incident of today's session of the Irish Nationalist convention was the introduction of a resolution by John Redmond reitterating the demands of the Irishmen for home rule.

To Be Inspected.

Norfolk, April 17.—The Maine sailed today for the League Island navy-yard where she will be inspected for structural and boiler weakness.

Warehouse Destroyed.

St. Johns, N. S., April 17.—A big warehouse here, full of freight, was destroyed by fire this morning at a loss of $250,000.

IT INDORSES PARRY

National Association of Manufacturers Re-elected Him President.

FAIR PLAY TO WORKINGMEN IS THEIR MOTTO.

J. C. Nunemacher, of Kentucky, Says Anarchists and Socialists Control Many of the Labor Unions, Which Must Be Opposed by United Effort.

New Orleans, April 18.—The eighth annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers ended with the unanimous election of David Parry of Indianapolis as president. There had been much talk of a movement for his defeat for the presidency of the association, owing to his position on the labor question, but there were no surface indications of dissensions when the election accurred, the convention with cheers ordering the secretary to cast the ballot of the delegates. An effort was made to secure the adoption of a resolution favoring tariff revision, but it was tabled. Pittsburg was chosen as the place for the next meeting. Vice-presidents for the various states represented were chosen.

J. C. Nunemacher, of Kentucky, urged the association to present a united opposition to what he termed, "the anarchistic and socialistic element which controls many of the labor unions, but declaring that the association must admit the right and justice of organized labor properly conducted."

"Let this be our motto,' he said; "Fair play to the workingmen, and America for us all, employer and employe." The sentiment was violently applauded.

STRIKING AT THE ROOT.

When Drunkenness is Attributed to Poverty, There is Commotion.

Berlin, April 18.—Admiral Thomsen, commander of the Wilhelmshaven naval station, ostentatiously withdrew from the Anti-Alcohol Congress at Bremen Wednesday while Dr. Frohlich, of Vienna, was arguing that the poverty of the people must be removed as a step toward eradicating alcoholism. The doctor said he had found 27 children in a Vienna school of 40 who had never seen a bed. Dr. Frohlich was interrupted by protests against "talking politics," but the chairman, Dr. Delbrueck, said he could not draw narrow lines. Admiral Thomsen thereupon arose and said:

"If you want to hold a political meeting, permit me to leave the hall."

The admiral then left the hall amid a great commotion.

RICE ELEVATORS.

Northern Capitalists Become Interested in Louisiana Rice Belt.

New Orleans, April 18.—Some Northern capitalists who were here attending the manufacturers' association, became interested in the rice belt. They have organized a company which will incorporate with a capital of $10,000,000, to build rice elevators in the rice belt along the Southern Pacific. A large portion of the stock was subscribed to on the spot.

AUTOMOBILE RAN AWAY.

Prominent Physician of Indianapolis Killed and a Friend Injured.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 18.—Dr. Charles Howard, a prominent physician, was killed and Richard Wright accompanying him, was injured this morning. An automobile which the doctor bought yesterday became unmanageable and ran in front of an interurban electric car. Howard was mangled beyond recognition.

POSTOFFICE SCANDAL.

Several Clerks were dismissed for Bidding in Letters Containing Money at Dead Letter Auction.

Washington, D. C., April 18.—The latest irregularities in the postoffice scandals deal with the dead letter auction sales. At a recent sale it developed that there was a conspiracy among the clerks by which they were enabled to bid in letters containing valuables and money. Several were dismissed. The charge is now made that the action taken at that time did not include the chief offenders.

JEALOUS OF FRENCH.

German Press Renews Attack on America Because European Squadron Goes to Marseilles.

Berlin, April 18.—The press today renews the attack upon America's European squadron incident. The Tageblatt says, "No explanations from Washington can alter the fact that the Marseilles visit is an affront to Germany.

REMAINS UNIDENTIFIED.

Murdered Man Found in Barrel May Possibly Have Come From Buffalo.

New York, April 18.—More than 1,000 men have been taken to the morgue yet none have succeeded in identifying the barrel victim. Some evidence now leads to the belief that he possibly came from Buffalo.

King Reviews Marines.

Malta, April 18.—Eight thousand naval officers and marines landed today and passed King Edward in review. The day was very unfavorable owing to a blinding sandstorm.

Actress Divorced.

Trenton, N. J., April 18.—Beryl Hope, the well-known actress, has just secured a divorce from her husband, William Wright, a deserter.

Yacht Overdue.

Norfolk, April 18.—Fears are entertained that Edwin Gould's yacht Chicota, has been sunk in a storm. It is two days overdue at Annapolis from here.

SHOT ONE ROBBER AND WOUNDED ANOTHER.

Attempt Made to Rob Bank at Wampum, Pa.—Baker Fired Five Shots With Disastrous Result — Was Wounded in Legs.

Wampum, Pa., April 18.—At 1 o'clock this morning an attempt was made to rob the First National Bank. Henry Willoughby, who is a baker, coming up the street, was ordered to throw up his hands, but he pulled a revolver. Two other robbers emerged from the bank and joined in the shooting. Willoughby killed one and wounded another. He fired all the shots from his revolver. The unwounded robber assisted his wound-comrade to escape. Willoughby was wounded in both legs. The dead robber is unidentified.

BANK ROBBED.

Robbers Crack Safe at Allen, Kan., and Get $2,600—Postoffice Robbed at Admire.

Emporia, Kan., April 18.—The National Bank at Allen was robbed last night of $2,600. In blowing the safe the robbers nearly demolished the interior of the building. It was not discovered until the bank was opened this morning. At Admire, a small town four miles distant from Allen, the postoffice safe was blown and robbed last night, presumably by the same gang.

BURIED HIS TREASURE.

Man Deposits $18450 in Bank After Hiding It for Years in His Back Yard.

Woodbury, N. J., April 17.—Officials of the national bank are authority for the statement that a man has brought for deposit in the bank $18,450 which had lain buried in his back yard for years. They decline to give the name of the man, but say the money was nearly all in $20 gold pieces.

The same bank received a box full of gold, silver and nickels from another man who had taken it to the bank in a wheelbarrow because it was too much of a load for two men to carry.

HORSE THIEVES LYNCHED.

Two Members of a Mexican Gang Hung Near Tucson, Arizona.

Los Angeles, April 17.—A dispatch from Tucson says two members of a gang of Mexican horse thieves infesting Santa Cruz county for a year, were lynched on a tree by the roadside by cattlemen. Signs were printed across the bodies, reading: "Horse thieves and smugglers."

BUTTE GIRLS STRIKE

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH SERVICE BADLY CRIPPLED.

Struck Because Girls Were Being Imported From Salt Lake to Take Their Places—Western Union Also Tied Up by Messengers' Strike.

Butte, Mont., April 17.—The telephone and telegraph service is badly crippled by strikes. A month ago the Western Union locked out their messengers because they had organized. They tried girls who were hooted off the streets. They then attempted deliveries by telephone. The telephone girls organized and struck yesterday when they learned that girls were imported from Salt Lake. A large crowd gathered at the depot, but the girls disembarked outside the city. The telephone building today is guarded by the girl strikers.

BODIES DECAPITATED.

The Skulls of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fair Will Be Produced in Court, Showing That Mr. Fair Died First.

San Francisco, April 17.—The bodies of Mr and Mrs. Charles Fair have been decapitated and the skulls will be used in the New York court to refute the evidence of the Frenchmen, Mas and Morane, that Mrs. Fair died first. The bodies were brought here but never buried, as attorneys suspected this move of Mrs. Nelson to claim the estate. The secret of decapitation of the Fairs leaked out today and caused wonder among their friends. The attorney said that eminent surgeons who examined the skulls will testify that it was impossible for Mrs. Fair to die first.

WILL INVESTIGATE.

New York Police Will Examine Alleged Mafia Prisoners Tomorrow.

New York, April 17.—In order to give the police time for further investigation in the barrel mystery, the examination of the alleged Mafia prisoners and counterfeiters has gone over until tomorrow. The police are close mouthed but it is said information was secured, from papers seized when Moretti the alleged Mafia leader was arrested, that will lead to other arrests today. The victim's identity is still unknown. The police wired New Orleans to investigate as it is believed the man was lured from there.

WILL ANSWER PARRY.

Senator Hanna Says It Must Be Made Plain Tha t Parry Does Not Reflect the Thought of Intelligent Manufacturers.

Indianapolis, April 18.—Jn a long interview given a local paper Senator Hanna today says on Tuesday next before the Amalgamated Iron Workers, he will answer Parry, the president of the National Manufacturers, in his attack on organized labor. He says it must be made plain that Parry does not reflect the modern tendency of thought among the intelligent manufacturers.

MONSTROUS INJUSTICE.

Woman in Nebraska Sentenced to Prison for Life, Who Is Innocent of Any Crime.

Lincoln, Neb., April 18.—Lena Little, convicted of murdering her husband at David City, was this morning sentenced to life imprisonment. It is declared that her conviction is due to perjury, and that she is innocent. No more monstrous injustice was ever perpetrated.

STRUCK BY A SUDDEN SQUAL AND STRIPPED.

Press Association Reports That One Man Lost His Life and Several Were Injured—Sir Thomas Knocked Down Main Hatchway.

Weymouth, April 17.—While on a trial spin this morning, the new challenger, Shamrock III, had everything on her carried away by wind. The challenger was left a mere hulk.

The accident took place immediately after she set sail on a port tack. She had left the harbor and was proceeding slowly when a sudden squal struck her and carried away everything above board. The yacht was completely dismasted.

The big main mast fell over the side into the water, carrying with it the immense top hamper, halyards, rigging and clouds of canvas. No word from the yacht has reached shore yet.

She will undoubtedly be refitted at once, it is thought, with heavier spars. The accident recalls the fact that Shamrock II was similarly wrecked in a trial spin two years ago, with King Edward and Lypton aboard, but fortunately, no one was hurt.

One Killed, Several Injured.

London, April 17.—The Press association has a dispatch stating that one man lost his life and several were injured in the Shamrock accident. The Central News asserts that Sir Thomas was aboard and was knocked down the main hatchway. The steward, named Collins, was lost overboard. Sailmaker Ratzky was also on board.

Later—Lipton Hurt.

The hull, as shown by investigation, escaped injury. Lipton narrowly escaped the fate of the steward, when the letter was swept overboard. He was struck by another sailor and knocked down the hatchway with sufficient force to break a wooden tank cover on the cabin floor. His hand was badly lacerated and his shoulder was bruised. Three of the crew were injured. One sustained several scalp wounds. Lipton is much grieved over the accident.

SMUGGLING AT MANILA.

Captain Chamberlain Suspended, Pending an Investigation—Another Porto Rican Affair.

Washington, April 17.—Captain Chamberlain, quartermaster officer in charge of the transport Seward, at Manila, has been temporarily suspended pending an investigation on charges of smuggling liquors and silks for personal use to several army officers and wives now residing in the Philippines. The case is similar to the Porto Rican affair.

TO PROBE SCANDAL

POSTOFFICE INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONTINUED.

Postmaster General Payne Gives Out Statement With Regard to the Reported Discrepancies in Rural Route Department.

Washington, April 17.—Postmaster-General Payne, who returned to Washington Monday, gave out the following statement:

"During the months of January and February information and reports reached me which I deemed it for the public interest to investigate and I personally gathered such information and facts as would enable the proper officers of the department to undertake a thorough investigation as to the truth or falsity of these reports.

"I directed Fourth Assistant Postmaster Bristow to take the proper steps to institute the necessary inquiry, using for that purpose the postoffice inspector's division and such other methods as would thoroughly ascertain the truth or falsity of the charges or insinuations made, and he was instructed to proceed promptly and with vigor during my absence. Since my return I have not seen General Bristow, so that I am not advised of the progress.

"The investigation will continue, and, if any wrongdoing is disclosed, the parties guilty of such wrongdoing will be summarily dealt with. If the system or method of doing business in the department is faulty, the proper remedies will be applied without fear or favor. I inaugurated the investigation with the determination that it should be exhaustive. It is proper for me to add that I laid before the president the information which I had in my possession, and that he fully approved of the action proposed by me."

The whole administration of the postoffice department is made subject to the investigation under the postmaster-general's direction, and every division will be probed thoroughly and the inquiry be made as thorough as the department's most expert inspectors can make it. No charges will be made, however, until after the close of the investigation, unless the developments shall compel them.

The office of the assistant attorney-general for the postoffice department is among the bureaus included in the general inquiry and until the investigation of the affairs generally is completed it is probable that no successor to Assistant Attorney-General Tyner will be named.

The Shamrock Disabled.

The American people like pluck. They have always admired Lipton for his sportsmanlike qualities. He takes defeat gracefully, without sulking, complaint or explanations. Sympathy with his mishap will be general. His beautiful new challenger, Shamrock III, has been left a bare hulk. One member of the crew was killed, Sir Thomas Lipton was knocked down a hatchway and badly bruised and every yard of canvas was stripped from the challenger in a recent squall. If the cup is ever lifted America would rather see plucky Sir Thomas get it than anyone else.

Fattened on eBet Pulp.

T. N. Proffit, the catle dealer has shipped ten car loads of pulp-fed cattle from La Grande to Portland. These cattle will be sent to Nome, where they will be killed and sold to the miners. They will cost the dealers $175 each by the time they reach Nome. The transportation is expected to make the cost per pound live weight reach 15 cents.—La Grande Chronicle.

FLEET MOBILIZED

Reported From Berlin That Russia Contemplates Attack on Constantinople.

ALL SHIPS ORDERED READY FOR ACTION.

Black Sea Fleet Now Waiting at Sebastopol—Ships of the Volunteer Fleet Forbidden to Leave Port.

Berlin, April 18.—The Frankfurter Zeitung today says: "Russia contemplates an attack upon Constantinople. The Black Sea fleet is mobilized at Sebastopol ready for action. Ships of the volunteer fleet are forbidden to leave that port and are ordered to place in readiness for the government's use all ships as fast as they arrive.

SENTRY EXECUTED.

Sultan Preferred to Incur the Displeasure of Albanians Rather Than of the Russians.

Vienna, April 18.—A dispatch from Constantinople this morning announces that the sultan yesterday ordered the execution of the Albanian sentry who shot the Russian consul, at Mitrovitza. He chose this course which adds danger to the Albanian outburst, rather than incur the Russians' displeasure.

CRAZED WITH JEALOUSY.

George Jordan, the Boatbuilder, Killed His Wife, Wounded His Boy and Shot Himself.

New York, April 18.—George Jordan, the boatbuilder, this morning shot and killed his wife, fatally wounded his 11-year-old son and put two bullets into his own head, fatally wounding himself. Jealousy was the cause of his act.

FEVER EPIDEMIC.

Breaks Out at Stanford University—Thirty Cases Reported.

Palo Alto, April 18.—A fever epidemic similar to that which decimated Cornell College, has broken out at Stanford University. Thirty cases have already been reported. It is thought the infection is from dairy cows.

HEAVY SNOW.

Reported in Many Districts of Austria—Great Destruction to Vines and Fruits.

Vienna, April 18.—An unusually heavy snow storm fell last night in many districts. A dispatch from the Baden district reports three feet of snow. Great destruction to vines and fruit is reported.

Lyons Hanged.

Portland, April 17.—Elliott Lyons was hanged at Eugene this morning. He murdered Sheriff Ed Withers, who attempted his arrest. As he was hung he said: "God forgive you, you know not what you do."

Four Washed Overboard.

Gloucester, April 18.—The schooner Independence, which arrived today from Grand Banks, lost four of her crew in Thursday night's storm. They were washed overboard while shortening sail.

Morgan's Birthday.

New York, April 17.—Morgan quietly celebrating his 66th birthday, recalls the fact that his greatest successes have been made since he reached the age of 60. He is said to be worth $200,000, which he has accumulated within the past 20 years.

Main Boom Slung.

Bristol, R. I., April 18.—The main boom, 114 feet long, was slung to the mast of the Reliance today. The builders expect her first trial next week.

Chief Surgeon Dead.

San Francisco, April 18.—Dr. Matthew Gardener, chief surgeon of the Southern Pacific, died this morning, after an operation for appendicitis. He had a national reputation.

Hull Uninjured.

Weymouth, April 18.—Lloyds' agents today examined the Shamrock III and report her boom dented and needs replacing. The hull is practically uninjured.

Reach Agreement.

Huntington, April 17.—After four days' session the United Mineworkers and the coal operators have reached an agreement in the Kakawha fields.

Many Visit Monitor.

Henderson, Ky., April 17.—It is estimated that 5,000 visited the monitor Arkansas during its four-hours' stay here today.

Taylor Hanged.

Kansas City ,April, 17.—Bud Taylor was hanged in the county jail this morning for the murder of Ruth Nollard.

Pugilist's Wife Dead.

New York, April 17.—Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons, wife of the pugilist, died at her home at Bensonhurst of typhoid pneumonia, today.

Asa Roberts, who was arrested in La Grande for attempting to murder his mother-in-law and who has been confined in the county jail at Union the past month, has been adjudged insane in Judge Harrison's court and committed to the asylum at Salem.

The dead body of Edward Segerstrom was found on the street near his home at Astoria early Thursday morning. He had been drinking heavily and died of heart disease.

The badly decomposed body of a man was found on the tide flats near Astoria, Tuesday afternoon, supposed to be that of Albert Anderson, of Westport, who has disappeared.