

### NINE KILLED AND EIGHT INJURED

Falling Wall Demolishes Crocker Hotel at Minneapolis in Early Morning Hours.

### FLAMES ADD TO HORROR OF THE CATASTROPHE

Death List May Be Increased as Fifty Guests Occupied Building—Several Are Missing.

(Journal Special Service.) Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 20.—Nine persons are known to have been killed by the falling of a wall upon the Crocker hotel at 10 o'clock this morning. The list may be increased, as several guests are missing.

The seriously injured are: J. W. Crocker, Mrs. J. W. Crocker, Howard Crocker, Jennie Murray, Mrs. Anna Monevne, Mrs. Margaret LeClair, Mrs. Evelyn Williams and Lottie Kruger. The wall which fell was that of the Peck building, which was destroyed in the fire of a week ago. The Crocker hotel building was a frame structure of fragile strength and was occupied by 50 guests. When the wind swept the Peck wall down it crushed the hotel as though it were an egg shell.

WIFE SAYS HE TWICE THREATENED HER LIFE. Charles Rhodes was held by Police Judge Hogue this afternoon to keep the peace on the charge of threatening to kill his wife. His bonds were fixed at \$250 and have not yet been secured.

MISS ROOSEVELT TO BE PRESENTED AT COURT. New York, Dec. 20.—It is understood that Alice Roosevelt will be presented this winter at the British court under the auspices of Whitlaw Reid, who has taken a house for the season in London.

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### YOUNG AVERY IS STILL REPORTED MISSING

Brother Arrives, and With Detectives Combs City for Boy, But Without Result.

No clew has been found to the whereabouts of L. B. Avery of Eugene, who disappeared December 14 while a guest at the Imperial hotel. W. W. Avery, a brother of the missing man, reached the city yesterday and he conferred with the detectives, who confessed that their efforts have been futile. Every other means by which missing men may be located will be resorted to.

### MAYS' DEALING WITH PUTER RING

(Continued from Page One.) The false affidavits attached to the Loomis report in those affidavits Jacobs swore that he was personally acquainted with the fictitious settlers in township 11-7, and that they had often purchased goods of him. Another witness today was C. E. Wood, who was in the jury room for only a few minutes. It is supposed that the subpoena which was issued several days ago, Ormsby is one of the men who are said to stand in serious danger of indictment.

### BOARD OF AGRICULTURE CONVENES AT SALEM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salem, Or., Dec. 20.—The state board of agriculture met at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the capitol building. Much business of importance came up for consideration and the board may adjourn before its adjournment this afternoon.

### JOHN F. CORDRAY WILL BUILD PRETTY HOME

John F. Cordray, who recently sold Cordray's theatre for a good sum, is already reinvesting his cash in Portland real estate. He has been granted permission to erect a handsome residence on East Twenty-first street, between Couch and Burnside streets.

### M'CUlLEY IS GRANTED A NEW EXAMINATION

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Dec. 20.—At the request of Senator Fulton, W. D. McCulley of Joseph was granted a new examination for the appointment of assistant paymaster of the navy.

### AMERICAN DELEGATE CAUSES POSTPONEMENT

(Journal Special Service.) Paris, Dec. 20.—President Loubet today received at the Elysee palace the members of the international commission which is to inquire into the North sea incident. Owing to the non-arrival of the American member the hearing was postponed until tomorrow.

### FIFTY-NINE IS NOW THE EXACT NUMBER

Five More Burglaries, to Which No Clews Are Had, Reported to Police.

Having struck a good steady gait in the city, burglars are pegging along with a pertinacity that is keeping the police on the rack. Five more robberies were added today to the list of those to which no clews have been obtained, making 59 now on the records. Andrew Delacour arrived here from Newburg, Or., last night bringing with him a roll of blankets, a pair of loggers' boots and other personal effects valued at \$200. They were left on the dock at the foot of Alder street in care of the nightwatchman; the goods were stolen.

### JAPANESE CAPTURE TWO MORE STEAMERS

British Blockade Runners Pay for Their Daring—Will Make Trade Hazardous. (Journal Special Service.) Tokyo, Dec. 20.—The Japanese have seized the British steamer the Nigritia, which was bound for Vladivostok with a cargo of contraband goods. She was sent to Saesbo for trial before a prize court.

### MAY WITNESS BATTLE

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Dec. 20.—The customs officials in this city have been directed by the state department to warn shipping to keep away from Pescadores island. This indicates that important naval operations are expected in the near future and, taken in connection with the Washington dispatch yesterday to the effect that a big Japanese fleet has sailed south to meet the Russians, becomes most interesting.

### MORMON WITNESSES EVADE SUBPOENAS

(Continued from Page One.) J. L. Tanner, superintendent of the Mormon Sunday schools, has four wives. One of the four he married two years ago. Thomas Chamberlain had seven wives and had his 6th child in his 50th year, asserted the witness. He told of a number of arrests and convictions for polygamy, and in no case, however, did the conviction result in changing the habits of life of the guilty persons.

### MRS. CHADWICK IS A VERY BUSY WOMAN

(Continued from Page One.) Mrs. Chadwick, when last here, purchased lace from the Decoster company amounting to 5,000 francs. The bill has not been paid, according to officials of the company.

### TWO BANKS FAIL

(Journal Special Service.) Connant, O., Dec. 20.—The First National bank here and the Marine bank at Connant Harbor, have closed their doors. Since the exposure of Mrs. Chadwick's dealings depositors have been withdrawing their money from the two banks, finally compelling them to close. The officials of the two institutions say they don't hold any of the Chadwick paper. The capitalization of the two banks is \$75,000.

### FLORODORA GIRL PLEADS INNOCENCE

(Continued from Page One.) When she and Young went to Wellington hotel, he registered as Caspar Young and wife. She was compelled to leave the Imperial hotel because Millan Young's partner, told the proprietor who she was.

Young, she said, supported her, and often gave her large sums of money. She said Young intended to go to Europe because he was unhappy, and thought he ought to go. Also Young said he feared that his wife would do him harm. The witness said the reason she didn't take the trip to Europe was that she was afraid to go alone. She loved Young affectionately and devotedly and would gladly have laid down her life for him. She admitted that Smith and his wife were familiar with her relations with Young.

Yesterday the witness denied that Young struck her. Today she admitted that after they left the Flannery saloon she had a dispute with Young, who pushed his hand in her face and that she was crying. The witness told of taking the cab the next morning and of seeing Young about his hat, when the bookmaker told the driver to drive to a hat store. Young had had 40 drinks since the night before. She knew Young was going away, but thought it would be for not more than a month.

Miss Patterson then replied to questions regarding the shooting, and said she was looking out of the cab window when she heard the shot, and did not see the revolver nor the flash, but saw the smoke. She denied the accounts of the shooting which she gave to Reporter Merton, and said she told the truth to her counsel, but not to other people. She also denied that an operation had been performed on her. After which the defense rested.

Mrs. Young took the stand and swore that Young wore a black and brown derby hat on the day of the shooting. A recess was taken until tomorrow. Miss Patterson half staggered out of the court, with the aid of the prison warden.

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