

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

SUICIDE OF BARNEY BARNATO, THE "DIAMOND KING."

Severe Earthquakes in India—A Powder Factory Blows Up—Five Hundred Chinese Fishermen Drowned—Murdered Butler on Trial.

Commander George E. Wingate, U. S. N., of the Charleston Navy Yard, is dead.

The Czarina of Russia was delivered of a daughter at the Peterhoff, St. Petersburg, June 10th.

The Marshall elevator, on the Rock island railroad, Chicago, was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$125,000.

Robert Johnstone Finley, manager of the McClure newspaper syndicate, died in New York last week; age 29.

The United States government immigrant station on Ellis island, New York harbor has been destroyed by fire.

The final ratification of the boundary treaty between Great Britain and Venezuela has been exchanged at the State department, Washington.

The trial of Frank Butler, the Australian murderer, who was arrested at San Francisco and returned to Sydney, has commenced at Sydney. The case of Lee Weller is now on trial. He is suspected of fourteen murders.

A new door combination has been formed in the east, known as the Western Door company, with \$100,000 capital stock and headquarters at Rock Island, Ill.

Howard A. Scott was electrocuted at the Sing Sing prison, N. Y., for murdering his wife. The shock killed him in one minute and thirty seconds.

Several very severe earthquakes took place in India last week. An immense amount of damage was done, and a few large cities were entirely destroyed.

Claude D. Farrington, superintendent of the National Academy of Design, New York, has been arrested, charged with embezzling over \$4000 of the academy's funds.

Augustine Chacon, who was convicted last fall of the murder of Pablo Sileido at Morenci, A. T., and who was sentenced to be hanged June 18th, escaped from jail, by sawing the bars.

A school teacher named Lipp living at Rover, Ark., fired a pistol into a crowd of young people that was serenading him. The bullet struck Miss Leona Goodman killing her instantly.

A southbound train on the Grand Rapids and Indiana railway was derailed near Richmond, Ind. The engine was completely demolished and the engineer, David Keramo, instantly killed.

A match dropped carelessly by one of the workmen in the fireworks factory of M. Shure, at Chicago, caused a terrific explosion, and injured a number of persons, and caused the death of Mrs. Maggie Kinney.

The supreme court of Utah issued a mandate reinstating A. Pratt as chief of police of Salt Lake city. Pratt was removed as chief of police by the police commissioners some time ago, as they claim, for the good of the service.

Senator White of California argued before the assistant attorney-general for the Interior department the case of the Union Oil company of Ventura county, Cal. Secretary Smith ruled that petroleum lands were not mineral, and that the railroad is entitled to entry.

Lightning struck a powder factory situated near Rosenheim, Ind., exploding 11,000 pounds of gunpowder. The doors of houses a mile and a half from the explosion were torn from their hinges, large trees were uprooted and eleven houses shattered. No lives were lost.

A member of the Pennsylvania legis-

lature has introduced a bill making it a misdemeanor to engage in a game of football. He would have a fine of not less than \$10 or more than \$100 imposed on every guilty long-haired youth.

Messenger advices have been received of a disaster which befell the fishermen of the Chusan archipelago, off the coast of China. On May 6th when most of the fishing boats were out on the fishing banks, a terrific gale suddenly sprung up. Of 700 boats that were out at the time very few returned to port, and it is estimated that fully 500 men lost their lives.

Among the nominations of President McKinley confirmed by the senate are: Frank A. Leach, editor of the Oakland, Cal., Enquirer, to be superintendent of the mint at San Francisco, and John de Haven, to be United States district judge for the northern district of California. Henry L. Wilson of Washington state minister to Chili. John F. Govey also of Washington to be consul at Kanagawa, Japan.

Joseph Richardson, an eccentric millionaire, died at his home in New York, last week. Richardson made a fortune of \$20,000,000 in railroads. He dressed more like a tramp than a rich man and lived and died in a house that was only five feet wide. This was known as the "Spite house." It was built because the surrounding property owners refused to meet Mr. Richardson's terms for the narrow lot.

A dispatch from Funchal, Island of Madeira, off the west coast of Morocco, says that on the arrival there of the British steamship Scot, which left Cape Town, Africa, June 2d for Southampton, it is announced that Barney Barnato, the South African diamond king, who was among the passengers, had committed suicide by leaping overboard. His body was recovered. Passengers aboard say Barnato was despondent over affairs in South Africa and frequently said he cared to live no longer.

Byron McClelland, the well-known turfman, died very suddenly at Lexington, Ky., of pneumonia.

Rev. D. L. McCabe, who for over half a century has been connected with the Ohio Wesleyan university, is dying.

John L. Sullivan has been unable to arrange a fight with Robert Fitzsimmons, as Fitz will not fight with him.

F. Y. Hedley, editor of the Bunker Hill, Ill., Gazette, shot and fatally wounded John C. Richards, mayor of the town.

The Madison county, Ala., jail is surrounded with two companies of militia to protect Thompson and Nevill, who outraged a young girl.

Samuel Thomas, colored, musician of the Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, was shot and killed by his wife, in a Salt Lake city, Utah, bagnio.

The National Civic club of Brooklyn, composed of members of the gold-standard democrats, tendered a reunion to former Ambassador Bayard.

Miss Evelyn Louise Lease, daughter of Mary E. Lease, will deliver a lecture in July before the National Chautauqua assembly in Jamestown, N. Y.

The Republican members of Senate claim that the tariff debate will end in two weeks. After the sugar and agricultural schedules are settled all will be clear sailing.

At the annual session of the Degree of Honor, woman's branch of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, Mrs. M. J. Stewart of San Francisco was elected supreme chief of honor.

Hiram A. Waite, ex-city controller of Port Huron, Mich., was sentenced to five years in the state house of correction on conviction of the embezzlement of \$40,000 from the city.

A company has been organized in New York which proposes to erect a mausoleum where dead bodies can be subjected to dry air so that they can be preserved for an indefinite period.

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After a two weeks trial in the District court of Denver, Col., the jury returned a verdict of guilty in the case of Matt Adams, ex-clerk of the district court, on the charge of embezzling \$40,000.

Every prominent music publishing house in Chicago has begun a crusade against Canadian publishing houses, which are flooding the country with spurious editions of the latest copyrighted songs.

Owney, the famous canine postal tramp, is dead. He was killed by order of the poundmaster at Toledo, O. He was getting very vicious, and severely bit a citizen, who made complaint and caused the dog's death. His skin will be mounted and forwarded to Washington for the official museum.

A New York jury has rendered a verdict in favor of W. R. Bates for \$1200 against the Wagner Palace Car company. Bates was robbed of this amount while traveling in a sleeping car of the company and the jury held that the company was responsible for the loss.

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry W. Lawton, inspector-general of the Southern district, will change his station from Santa Fe, N. M., to Los Angeles, the office of the Southern Inspection district having been ordered transferred to Los Angeles.

Twenty-four soldiers have started from Fort Missoula, Mont., for Jefferson barracks, Mo., a distance of nearly 2500 miles on a bicycle ride. The trip is expected to be made in six weeks, and the result of the experiment will determine whether or not bicycles will be used in the army.

There is serious alarm in circles of the French capital at the avowed intention of the parliamentary committee which is now dealing with the Bering-

er bill to restrict not only the sale but the publication of certain classes of literature and works of art. Acknowledged works and some classic literature will be placed on the blacklist.

Two more rebellions have broken out in China. Advices state that telegraphic information has been received at Canton saying that rebellions have broken out in Southern China. The rebels number over 10,000, and force wealthy Chinese to supply them with provisions and horses, failing in which they plunder whole villages.

The boxing match between Thomas Sharkey and Peter Maher which took place in New York city last week was decided a draw. Each fighter had been knocked down and the mixup was getting lively when the police interfered, stopped the fight and arrested the principals. Sports claim that neither fighter had any advantage. Both men have signified their willingness to meet again.

The residence of Governor Andrew J. Smith of the Leavenworth, Kas., Soldiers' Home was almost destroyed by a dynamite explosion. The explosive was placed under the house by someone who desired to murder Smith. A dishonorably discharged veteran named Joseph W. Oliver is under arrest charged with the crime. The wife of Governor Smith was seriously injured.

An attempt was made Sunday to assassinate Felix Faure, president of the French republic, while he was enroute to Longchamps to witness the grand prize. While the president's carriage was passing a thicket a bomb, which subsequently proved to be a piece of tubing six inches long and two inches in diameter filled with goose shot, exploded but injured no one.