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SATURDAY, JULY 10, 1897

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VENUS AND MERCURY. THE NEW LUTHERAN CHURCH. The Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of The Dalles, Ore., as it will be when complete.

The observers at the Lowell observatory find that Mercury and Venus rotate on their axes once during their revolution about the sun. Venus is not cloud-covered, as has been supposed, but is veiled in an atmosphere, but Mercury is not.

Through the Draw into the River. BAY CITY, Mich., July 7.—An interesting incident in the history of Saginaw from this city reached through the open draw of a bridge two miles outside this city at 11 o'clock today and seven passengers were carried down into the river. A woman with three children from this city, whose names have not been given, was drowned.

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