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A HORRIBLE CRIME.

A Charcoal Dealer Tries to Kill His Family.

OUTLAWS WERE FRUSTRATED.

An Unsuccessful Attempt to Rob a Passenger Train.

MILFORD, Del., Dec. 3.—Salvage Biederback, a charcoal-burner, attempted to kill his family. He said to his wife:

"I have just learned how to use the kind of a sword the Cubans use. Now I want all of you to stand up."

The mother and four children arose and Biederback tied their hands with a rope, which he fastened to the rafters. Obtaining a corn-knife from an adjoining room, he commenced cutting his family, inflicting some dreadful wounds. Before he could complete his work, his son came in. Biederback seized a musket and disappeared. The villagers threaten to lynch him. The condition of Mrs. Biederback and the children is serious.

Unsuccessful.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 3.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from San Antonio, Tex., says: "Advices were received here of an attempt to hold up and rob a passenger train on the Mexican National railroad near Monterey, by nine masked and well-armed Mexicans. The passengers made resistance, and the outlaws were unsuccessful. They are being pursued by soldiers, and if captured will be shot."

Arsenic Found.

SANDOVAL, Ill., Dec. 3.—This little town is in the throes of a sensation that threatens to disrupt the community. The man who caused this is Dr. George Rice, a prominent physician of Marion county. Mrs. Rice died last August, and long continued rumors culminated in the continuation of the body at the investigation of the Metropolitan Insurance Company of New York, in which she was insured in her husband's favor for \$20,000. She was a sister of his first wife, who died eight years ago.

Dr. Rice is medical examiner of the Metropolitan Company here. The company sent its agents to investigate the death, and ordered the body exhumed. Dr. Rice was greatly opposed, but finally consented, and the body was exhumed and portions of the internal organs taken out and sent to St. Louis for examination. The Metropolitan Company's agents now make the announcement that arsenic has been discovered.

Georgia Justice Exemplified.

ATLANTA, Dec. 3.—Through the instrumentality of Governor Atkinson, Representative Byer will introduce a bill in the house providing that, unless a jury so stipulate no woman shall ever be hanged in Georgia. The bill was framed to relieve the governor of the responsibility in the Elizabeth Noble case, as since the supreme court of the United States refused to interfere in her behalf, he has been

weighed petitions for pardon from men and women. Mrs. Nobles will hang for the killing of her husband soon unless the bill becomes a law.

The bill will not aid her negro accomplice, Gus Humbles, who is confined at Macon with her.

Mental Aberration

TORONTO, Dec. 2.—Rev. William Bates, rector of the Anglican church at Thornhill, was arraigned in the police court on the charge of having "shoplifted" two dozen lead pencils, four books, a hair brush and a quantity of stationery. The clergyman wore a long cloak and the police allege that he was caught secreting articles which he had not bought under this garment.

Mr. Bates is a graduate from Cambridge and one of the most scholarly men in the church. His friends state that he has been somewhat eccentric for some years, and if guilty, he committed the act in a fit of mental aberration.

A Triple Tragedy.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 3.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Birmingham, Ala., says a report comes from Warrens that John Singley, a wealthy farmer, was called from his home by a negro named Bill Scott. Singley was struck on the head and his throat cut. The negro went into the house where he called Mrs. Singley, cutting her head almost off and also Dallas Singley, a 10-year-old son. He then robbed the house of \$700. A posse is searching for the negro.

Affairs at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 3.—The chief of police will ask the city council to increase the police force, on account of the largely increased criminal element in the city, owing to the Alaska excitement.

Ejections have commenced on the "Nigger tract," the long-contested title having been settled. The squatters are using the deputy sheriffs pretty roughly, but no trouble is feared.

Probably a Murderer.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Dec. 3.—Evidence seems to show that Shirley D. Chamberlain, alias George Dean held the police of this city under a charge of forgery, is probably the murderer of Herbert Kay, who was killed on Pike's Peak on the 19th of last August, and also of Louis Schmidt a crippled tailor, whose decomposed body was found in a small cabin in this city on September 6.

Short.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 3.—According to a report submitted to Governor Holcomb by the investigation committee, ex-Superintendent J. H. Mallico, of the state reform school at Kerney, is short in his accounts \$10,000.

Indicted.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—The grand jury has indicted Merry, Smith and Hickey for the murder of Mrs. Merry.

After Black Jack's Gang.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 3.—A posse of United States marshals has left Bisbee for Mexico in pursuit of the Black Jack robbers, Marshal Scott and several marshals and Mr. Dodge, of Wells, Fargo & Co., are here. A courier is expected from Fronteras when further particulars will be known.

DECLINES TO YIELD.

China Does Not Propose to Bow to Germany.

MARTIAL LAW IS PROCLAIMED.

The Emperor Will Forfeit His Crown Before Yielding.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—A special dispatch from Shanghai announces that the emperor of China has declared that he would rather forfeit his crown than agree to the conditions demanded by Germany as redress for the murder of the two German missionaries, Nees and Henle, and the destruction of German property in the province of Shan Tung.

Admiral Deldrach, the German commander of Kio Chou Bay, the dispatch further states, has proclaimed martial law in the district around Kio Chou. China, the dispatch concludes, asks that her dispute with Germany be submitted to arbitrators appointed by Holland and Belgium.

More Rioting at Prague. PRAGUE, Dec. 3.—Rioting was resumed when the stores and houses in two streets of the old town were pillaged. Seven battalions of infantry and two squadrons of cavalry were called out to disperse the mob. Five additional battalions of infantry have arrived here.

The burgomeister and municipal councillors today submitted to the governor complaints against German students in connection with the recent disturbances. The governor replied that the utmost vigor would be exercised to re-establish order and protect property.

Martial law has been proclaimed here as well as in the municipal districts of Karolenthal, the Setkow, Weraberg and Simechow, as a result of the riots.

Guldensupp's Mutilated Remains. NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Now that there is no longer any mystery concerning the death of William Guldensupp, for whom Martin Thorn will be sentenced to execution, the horrible fragments of the body may be buried. The trunk, legs and arms of the man, which were found in three parcels, have been kept in pickle at the morgue in readiness to be produced in court, if needed during the trial. The confessions of the prisoners made the identification of the remains unnecessary.

Guldensupp was a member of a German benevolent society, and it is said that this organization has requested that the remains be returned over to it for interment. The coroner will refer the request to Attorney Youngs, who will probably recommend that it be granted.

Another Crop of French Duels. NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says: It will be a wonder if the Dreyfus-Esterhazy affair is not productive of a crop of duels. Several of the Paris papers are fighting one against the other like the Kilkeny cats, and personalities are flying around broadcast.

The editor of one publishing company has called the editor of a morning journal all manner of names, and has even suggested that the latter is not entitled to the name he bears. This has caused the publication of a certificate of birth by the editor of the morning paper, whereas the evening paper returns to the charge by asking the morning paper editor how he served his country in 1870.

Emile Zola has been dragged into the quarrel. He contributed an article to Figaro, arguing that if Dreyfus' relations have formed a syndicate to secure newspaper support they were only doing what they had a perfect right to do. The journal above referred to now asks how much Zola received for the article.

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IS IMPRACTICABLE. Provisions Cannot Be Carried Overland To Dawson. CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—G. W. Bushnell of the North American Transportation Company, says that the plans to send a relief expedition to the Klondike are sure to come to naught. It will be impossible, he says, to carry overland enough provisions to satisfy 5000 men, no matter how well equipped the expedition may be. The only two practicable methods of traveling over that territory in winter are by means of dogs or reindeer, but it is a well-known fact that dogs can haul no more on a long journey than their own food. The trained reindeer are so scarce that to rely on these for the expedition is out of the question.

Mr. Bushnell does not think, though that the miners are in any danger of starving. It is known that a few of them may have to live for a short time on half rations, but he says that will be all.

Another Letter From Dawson. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Edgar L. Strauss, of this city, a member of the Pacific stock exchange, has received a letter from his brother-in-law, James W. Morrison, who is now at Dawson City, which confirms the news of the scarcity of food on the Klondike. He says: "The steamer Bella arrived, bringing about 80 tons of provisions, but still that will not be sufficient. The authorities have posted notices advising all persons not supplied with a year's provision to go to Circle City or Fort Yukon, where provisions are to be had. The stores are closed. The cargo of the Bella won't begin to fill half the orders."

The amount of provisions taken to Dawson on the Weare is placed at 68 tons. Must Comply With the Law. CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—John Atkinson, the famous bonesetter from London, may have a short career in Chicago. The state board of health has warned him he must comply with the law regulating medical practice in Illinois. The law requires that a physician shall have a diploma from a college recognized by the board or shall pass an examination by the board.

"I have been permitted to practice in New York, London and Paris," said Mr. Atkinson, "and I had no notice of such interference here." Counsel has been engaged by Atkinson, and he has applied to Governor Tanner requesting him to have state board suspend action.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

United States and Peru to Reciprocate.

SEVERE AND SWEEPING REBUKE

Not Only Lovingly But His Sympathizers.

Decision By Gage. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The secretary of the treasury decided that the Netherlands government pays bounty on raw and refined sugars exported from that country, and hence, under the new tariff act, all sugars from the Netherlands entering the United States are subject to a discriminating duty equal to the export bounty paid. The exact rate of this countervailing duty has not yet been definitely ascertained, but it is said that it will approximate 40 cents per 100 pounds on raw sugar and a slight advance on those figures on refined.

It is known that the secretary has also come to the conclusion that the Belgian government pays an export bounty on sugar, and a decree to this effect may be expected in a short time.

The additional duties will apply from September 22 last. The amount of raw sugar imported from the Netherlands during the last year was over 88,000,000 pounds, of which about 25,500,000 was not above No. 16 Dutch standard, and 62,700,000 above that number. The sugar imports from Belgium during the last year aggregated over 123,000,000 pounds of which nearly 121,000,000 was below No. 16.

Boats Ordered by Russia. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The navy department has received information that Russia is about to become possessed of two new torpedo boats that will be easily the fastest war-craft in the world, being capable of the speed of 38 knots per hour, with every probability of making 40 knots an hour when pressed. This great speed demands much greater power than can be supplied by ordinary engines, so that the boats will be driven by steam turbines, having four separate shafts, with three screw propellers on each shaft. The contract for the three boats has already been placed with an English firm. The high speed required is based upon the performance of the little Turbins, which has run at the rate of nearly 40 miles an hour.

Laid Before the President. WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Berkeley Blach, secretary of the Cuban League was granted an audience by President McKinley, to whom he presented an extended argument in behalf of the Cuban insurgents.

The argument was in the form of a petition. Spain, it is declared, has lost Cuba, so far as the present population is concerned, but if she be permitted to continue the work of extermination of noncombatants, they may possibly reconquer and depopulate the island. Anthony is pronounced a foolish dream. Spain clearly offers it to appease the United States and to gain time.

President McKinley promised to give the argument careful consideration.

Trial of Captain Carter. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The secretary of war today ordered a court-martial for the trial of Captain O. M. Carter, engineer corps, on the charge of unofficial conduct in disbursing government funds for the Savannah river and harbor. The court will meet in Savannah. In order to avoid any possible unjust criticism, it is arranged that the court be equally divided between graduates of the military academy and officers appointed from civil life.

Parotizing Home. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—A policy of using, wherever possible, American-made goods in the supplies of the postal service is announced in a letter addressed today by First Assistant Postmaster-General Heath to M. Lewis, superintendent of the division of postoffice supplies.

Appointed. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The president appointed Blanche K. Bruce, of Mississippi, register of the treasury. Bruce represented Mississippi in the United States senate in reconstruction days, and is one of the best-known negro Republicans of the country. He was register of the treasury under Garfield.

Made a Safe Landing. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. —The filibustering steamer Dauntless arrived in port this afternoon, after having landed another expedition in Cuba. The Dauntless left there November 19 for Savannah with the schooner Jennie Thomas in tow. The schooner was towed to Savannah, where the Dauntless parted from her, and she had not been heard from until her arrival here. It was reported that the schooner carried a cargo of arms and ammunition from Thompson, and that the transfer was made en route to Savannah. Senor Solus, the Spanish vice-consul stated that he was satisfied that such was not the case, and an indignant denial of such an accusation came from Captain Young, master of the schooner, at Savannah. The Dauntless is said to have landed a large cargo, including a 12-pound Hotchkiss gun. A large quantity of quinine was also landed for the insurgents.

Spanish Account. HAVANA, Dec. 3.—In an engagement which took place in the province of Pinar del Rio between insurgents under General Ducassi and the Spanish troops under General Bernal, the former, according to the official Spanish report, lost over 100 men killed. Several of the Spaniards were wounded by the explosion of bombs thrown by the insurgents.

The Spanish forces at Jatibonica del Norte, province of Santa Clara, have had engagements with insurgents under Gonzales. The latter, the official report says, lost 19 men killed, and the Spanish had one officer killed and 14 wounded.

It is announced from the palace that 40 prisoners have been released at Manzanillo, and that 50 persons in prison at Sancti Spiritus have been pardoned.

Spokane's Offers Relief. SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 3.—The Spokane chamber of commerce will offer the war department several carloads of provisions for the Klondike sufferers to be sent over the inland route from this city. The following telegram was sent yesterday to the Canadian Pacific railway: "The chamber of commerce of Spokane, desiring to aid in every way possible the suffering miners of the Klondike, propose to donate to the war department provisions to be sent over the Telegraph trail, from Astorcraft to Toelin lake. Will you join with us in furnishing free transportation over your lines?"

"E. D. OLSTED, President. The distance from Spokane to Dawson by this route is 1800 miles. It is 1200 miles to Teskin lake, the true source of the Yukon, and thence to Dawson is 600 miles over navigable lakes and rivers. For half the distance from Spokane to Toelin lake a wagon road is already in use. The remaining half is over the trail built by the Western Union Telegraph Company and since used by the Hudson's Bay Company. A large number of experienced miners will go over this inland route in the spring. They will buy pack horses here and pack through to Toelin lake. There some of them will branch off to the new discoveries on the Steward, Polly and Laird. Others will sell their horses and drop down the river to Dawson."

Accepted. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The navy department has finally accepted the gunboat Vicksburg, built at the Bath Iron Works, Maine.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss FRANK J. CHENEY, Notary Public. I, Frank J. Cheney, make oath that I am the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of Catarth that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarth Cure.

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