

Downers Grove Reporter.

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DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS.

HISTORY OF A WEEK.

THE NEWS OF SEVEN DAYS UP TO DATE.

Political, Religious, Social and Criminal Events of the Week Carefully Condensed for Our Readers—The Accidents Record.

Ruth, the young daughter of William Jennings Bryan, is ill with diphtheria, and the family residence at Lincoln, Neb., has been placed under quarantine. The child's condition is not considered dangerous.

Milo B. Stevens died at his home at Cleveland, Ohio, aged 58. Mr. Stevens ever since the close of the war was known far and wide as a pension attorney, having been at the head of the firm of Milo B. Stevens & Co., with principal office in Washington, and branches in Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago.

President-elect McKinley will be invited to attend the convention of the International Epworth League in Toronto next July.

At Delmont, Pa., John Tarr, aged 25 years, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide. They were not living together.

The damage caused by the recent high water on the Great Northern railway has been repaired and all trains are running on time.

The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Peoria held their thirteenth annual assembly at Peoria, Ill.

The blast furnaces of the Cleveland Rolling Mill company, which has been idle since July 1, has resumed operations. Employment will be given to 150 men.

About 100 men employed at the factory of the Virginia and North Carolina Wheeling company at Richmond, Va., are out on a strike on account of a 10 per cent reduction in wages.

B. Toupin, a saloonkeeper at Lake Linden, Ind., was found hanging from a rafter in his lighthouse. He had returned from the Newberry insane asylum about ten days ago as cured.

The amount of the defalcation of Cashier John H. Hoffer to the First National Bank of Lebanon, Pa., will reach \$100,000 or more. The directors are able to make good the defalcation, so that the depositors will not suffer.

William Versaw, a merchant and politician of St. Joseph, Mich., has filed a suit for \$10,000 damages against George B. Thayer & Co., basket manufacturers, for false imprisonment upon the charge of embezzlement.

Calvin B. Gillespie committed suicide at Oakland City, Ind., by taking a teaspoonful of arsenic. He stated to the physician that he could not earn a living for his family, and brooded over the matter until he determined to kill himself.

The resignation of Leander J. Buckley as purchasing agent of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad was accepted. He will be succeeded by E. H. Bankard, formerly chief clerk to Receiver Murray. J. K. Andrews, confidential clerk to Mr. Murray, will assume the duties of chief clerk.

Employees of the Martin tin plate works at Cambridge, Ohio, are out on a strike over the discharge of George Byerson for disregarding a rule which forbids workmen in one department to visit other departments. The men say they will not return till Byerson is reinstated.

The president has pardoned P. L. Whitesides, alias Payette Whitesides, convicted of introducing liquor into Indian Territory and sentenced to two years in the Detroit house of correction. The term has expired, but a pardon is necessary in order to qualify Whitesides as a witness in an important trial now pending.

The cruiser Minneapolis has sailed from Smyrna to Merstine. It is said this move has no significance in connection with the Turkish trouble.

The failure is announced of Webster & Busby, London warehousemen, with liabilities estimated at \$180,000 (\$90,000) and assets estimated at \$120,000 (\$60,000).

Italian emigration to South America is increasing. On Saturday and Sunday 3,000 persons started for La Plata, and 150 for the United States. Three thousand will start for the Argentine Republic this week.

It is reported that, owing to strong foreign pressure, France, after massing troops on the frontier, has been obliged to abandon the projected expedition to Tswat, the extensive territory south of Morocco and Algeria.

The death of Sir Charles Staveley at Dublin is announced. He was conspicuous during the Crimean and Chinese wars, and he made valuable military sketches at the time of the Oregon difficulty with the United States.

The hearing of the suit for libel brought by Earl Russell against his mother-in-law, Lady Scott and John Cockston, an engineer; Frederick Mack, a grocer, and William Aylett, a bank, has begun at the Old Bailey. The defendants pleaded not guilty and may also plead justification.

Another conference of window glass workers and manufacturers to arrange this year's sale of wages has been held at Pittsburg, Pa., and a majority of the members of the committee say they will not reduce wages if the manufacturers insist.

CASUALTIES.

Lorena, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rogers, while playing with her five-year-old cousin, Nellie Reddick, at Quincy, Ill., was struck by a knitting needle in the hands of the latter, inflicting a wound which caused death. The needle penetrated the base of the brain.

The town in Skagit county, Washington, to suffer most by the flood of the Skagit river was Hamilton, which is a complete wreck. The streets are washed out and filled with trees, stumps and rubbish.

An investigation of the accident at the Central Railway Compress at Macon, Ga., in which a number of employes were injured by the falling of a cotton platform, shows that no fatalities resulted.

An east-bound train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad caught a buggy at a street crossing of Concord, Ky., and instantly killed the three occupants—Al Pollock, a young lawyer, and Misses Lulu and Lizzie Lind, daughters of the proprietor of the Lind hotel.

F. M. Wellman's daughter was burned to death near Wakeland, Ind. Her clothes ignited while she was building a fire.

A slight earthquake shock was felt at Wilmington, Del., at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon. Several bricks were knocked from the walls of Grace Church and cracks were made in several buildings.

Ada Riel, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Riel, met a horrible death Sunday night at Lacon, Ill., by a dose of strychnine, which she took by mistake in place of quinine. The strychnine and quinine were kept side by side on a shelf.

FOREIGN.

The steamship Mariposa has sailed from Australia for San Francisco with 400,000 sovereigns on board.

The conversion law will be strictly carried out in Chile, and gold will be upheld as the monetary standard of the country.

The British government meditates the appointment of a commission to investigate on the spot the critical condition of the sugar industry in the West Indies.

The London Chronicle's Rome correspondent says that news has been received there from Constantinople that fifty Armenians were condemned to hang on Friday and that great agitation prevails.

A London Times dispatch from Vienna says that Russia has rejected the French proposal to improve Turkey's finances. The Austrian papers comment upon this as a disagreement between France and Russia.

Prince Victor of Savoy has been betrothed to Queen Wilhelmina of Holland. Victor is the second son of Prince Amadeus, brother of Humbert and ex-king of Spain. He is 26.

Prince Otto von Stollberg-Wernigerode died at Wernigerode. He was born in 1837, was head of the house of Stollberg-Wernigerode, president of the Prussian diet, and a general of Prussian cavalry.

Dr. Jameson, the leader of the raid into the Transvaal, underwent an operation in Holloway jail, and at one time his condition was grave. Efforts to secure his pardon and that of his fellow prisoners have been renewed.

In the French chamber of deputies the interior budget was adopted with the secret service appropriation by a vote of 350 to 99 after the government had engaged not to employ the funds to subsidize newspapers.

CRIME.

Captain J. H. Stickle, president of the defunct Blue Valley Bank of Hebron, Neb., was sentenced in the district court to two years in the penitentiary.

Formal charges have been filed against the Omaha police force for brutal treatment of James McGuire, who, it is claimed, was slugged election night for shouting for Bryan, thrown into a cell and permitted to die untreated.

Robert A. Whitehand, the proprietor of the Old Curiosity Shop in Washington, D. C., committed suicide by shooting. His place of business was a veritable treasure-house of relics, some of which are from revolutionary times.

In a riot that took place during the progress of a dance at the home of Charles Johnson, east of Lebanon, Ind., Saturday, "Jack" Dowden and Jeffrey Gullion were probably fatally hurt, while several others received less serious injuries.

Frank Measina, engineer of the Kalamazoo (Mich.) Electric Company, 64 years of age, became suddenly insane and killed himself with a revolver.

Charles H. Elliott, now in the Douglas county jail, has confessed to the murder of Guy Hutsonpillar, his friend, in the Windsor Hotel, at Omaha Tuesday.

J. W. Freeman, a business man of Bluffton, Ind., demented on spiritualism, committed suicide by shooting.

Charles B. Graves, a prominent dentist and school director of West Philadelphia, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself. Domestic troubles are said to have caused him to commit the crime.

The jury in the trial of Ned Hemphill at Bloomfield, Iowa, for the murder of Mamie Peterson at Unionville, Iowa, May 12, came in Friday with a verdict of not guilty.

Hot Springs, Ark., for manslaughter, ended with his acquittal. The jury was out three hours. Mayor Waters was indicted for killing Harry Martin, a doctor and hotel drummer, last May.

All toll gates in Woodford county, Kentucky, have been cut down and destroyed by a mob. Similar depredations have been committed recently in Franklin, Owen, Anderson and Washington counties.

MISCELLANEOUS.

At a meeting of the corn porters and coal heavers of Hamburg, it was decided that their organization should join in the dock strike. It was announced that the dockers of America had also promised to support the movement.

Colonel Franklin Tenny, for nearly thirty-five years the proprietor of the National Hotel, Washington, is dead. The funeral of Frank P. Ar buckle, the late millionaire mine-owner of Denver, took place in St. Chrysostom's Protestant Episcopal chapel, at New York Sunday. Mrs. Ar buckle denies that her late husband was troubled with heart disease or that he transferred any of his property just before his death.

National Bank Examiner Caldwell took charge of the First National bank of Saginaw, Mich., Saturday. The capital stock of the bank is \$100,000. The last official statement showed a surplus of \$60,000, and deposits of \$300,000.

The National Association of Agricultural Implement and Vehicle Manufacturers recently held their annual convention in Nashville, visited Chattanooga and saw the sights.

The clothing house of Emanuel Gantz at Bloomington, Ill., was taken possession of by the sheriff on confessions of judgment aggregating \$12,000. One of the items is about \$4,200, due his wife. The stock is estimated to be worth \$15,000.

Mrs. Rosa Gerson, who conducts one of the largest retail millinery stores in Philadelphia, has confessed judgment amounting to \$89,000. Executions were issued, but no assignment has yet been recorded. The sheriff is in charge of the store.

Another of the rare postoffices in Alaska has been established by the creation of the office of Dyea with Samuel J. Hearn as postmaster. The office is twenty-eight miles north of Chilkat and 100 miles southeast of Juneau.

Bids were opened at the treasury department for the erection of the United States postoffice building at Saginaw, Mich. There were thirteen bids, of which that of Charles W. Gindale of Chicago at \$67,000 was the lowest.

The president has appointed Capt. A. L. San Wagner, Sixth infantry, to be major and assistant adjutant general, to fill a vacancy.

The Illinois Federation of Labor at East St. Louis adopted a resolution favoring the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1.

Ex-Gov. Hoard of Wisconsin was unanimously endorsed for the position of secretary of agriculture by the Kansas state dairy association.

The eighteenth annual convention of the Iowa State Unitarian association closed at Iowa City. The officers elected were: President, Rev. A. M. Judy, Davenport; vice president, Rev. A. G. Wilson, Decorah; secretary, Rev. Elinor E. Gordon, Iowa City; treasurer, L. V. Harpel, Perry.

The executive committee of the Illinois Press association decided to hold the next meeting of the association at Chicago, July 7, 1897. The meeting will likely be followed by a lake trip to Duluth and other places.

One of the laws the new Kansas legislature proposes to enact this winter is a bill making Mexican silver dollars a legal tender in Kansas. This scheme is proposed by S. S. King, one of the prominent candidates for United States senator.

The lower branch of the Vermont legislature declined to pass the senate woman suffrage bill by a vote of 135 to 89.

The Southern Lumber Manufacturers' association has adopted a price list advancing yellow pine 50 cents per 1,000 feet. A committee was appointed to prepare resolutions memorializing congress to increase the tariff on Canadian lumber.

Two hundred miners at the Wabash Coal Mining company's shaft at Athens, Ill., have struck for an increase in wages from 32 1/2 to 35 cents a ton, gross weight.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

CHICAGO.

Table with market prices for Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Corn, Wheat, Oats, Rye, Eggs, Potatoes, Butter.

TOLEDO.

Table with market prices for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Cloverseed.

DETROIT.

Table with market prices for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye.

PEORIA.

Table with market prices for Rye, Corn, Oats.

MILWAUKEE.

Table with market prices for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Barley.

KANSAS CITY.

Table with market prices for Cattle, Hogs, Sheep.

ST. LOUIS.

Table with market prices for Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Wheat, Corn, Oats.

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BROUGHT TO AN END.

LAW AND ORDER RESTORED AT LEBANON, IND.

Reign of Terror Inaugurated by the Miller Gang of Outlaws Ended by the Authorities—Ringleader is Fatally Wounded.

The worst fight ever known in the history of Boone county, Indiana, took place on the southeast corner of the public square at Lebanon at 8 o'clock Monday night between the notorious Miller gang and a posse of officers. "Bill" Woods, one of the desperadoes, was fatally injured. Policeman Geo. Frost received a bullet in his thigh and several others suffered slight injuries.

For the last year the citizens of Lebanon have lived in mortal fear of the ruffians.

Several times during the last two weeks the Miller gang have engaged in melees, in which guns and knives have played a prominent part, and each time the Millers have conquered. About 10 o'clock Monday Jess Miller, Bill Woods, Harry Byrds, John Paragan and Bill Kelly left town, going to the residence of Charles Johnson, three miles east of the city, where they immediately proceeded to take possession. The owner protested and the trouble began. "Jack" Dowden and Jeffrey Gullio were badly injured, while no less than seventeen others were bruised in the affray. Officers were put after the gang early Sunday morning, but no trace of them could be found.

Mayor Garrett called the police force together and gave orders to Chief Witt to bring in the Millers dead or alive. About 7 o'clock in the evening Officers Frost, Irick and Orme ran across Miller and Wood and Paragan in Francis Long's saloon in South Lebanon street. Miller and Paragan surrendered when ordered, but Wood ran out the back door and escaped. The two prisoners were taken to the police court-room, their weapons were taken from them, and they were left in charge of Officer Frost, while Irick and Orme left to hunt for Wood.

There was no one in the room but Frost and his prisoners, when Wood appeared at the window and beckoned Miller and Paragan to come out. They started out, and Frost drew his revolver and ordered them back. Wood rushed in with drawn weapon and began shooting. The first shot struck

THE TRADE REVIEW.

ACTIVITY IN BUSINESS SHOWS NO DIMINUTION.

R. G. Dun & Co. Report Thousands More Men at Work in All Lines of Trade—Movement of Wheat is a Matter of Wonder.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "The gain in the volume of business continues. Every day adds thousands to the number of those who are able to buy a week's supplies, and make up gradually for many months of enforced economy. Already this brings a great increase to the volume of business, and the clearing-house exchanges, for the first time in several years, not only exceed those of last year, by 10 per cent, but also exceed those of the same week in 1892, by 9 per cent.

"Wheat has risen with wonderful rapidity, so that exports have been checked by the higher prices, and realizing started a break which made the close 37-8 cents lower for the week. It appears that Pacific exports of wheat, flour included, were nearly 3,000,000 bushels larger July 1, to Nov. 1, than last year, and all other exports about 15,800,000 bushels larger, or more than 50 per cent in November. Atlantic exports of wheat have been 4,944,106 bushels, flour included, against 4,763,745 bushels last year. The demand for freight tonnage, both here and on the Pacific coast, is still so large as to disclose an extraordinary foreign demand. Western receipts for the month thus far have been 14,888,000 bushels, against 13,398,331 bushels last year, but the visible stocks continue to increase, although the milling returns slightly exceed those of the last or any previous year.

"Cotton has declined from 8 cents to 7.62 cents, in spite of the starting of many cotton mills, and in the controlling fact that for the moment the reports of a yield smaller than 8,000,000 bales are now entirely discredited. The quantity coming into sight has exceeded last year's by 20,000 bales, and it is not believed that the decrease in the remaining months of the year will bring the aggregate below 8,500,000.

"In 1891, when all Europe was scrambling for American wheat, the value of all exports was one month, December, about \$7,000,000 larger than last month, but in no other month has that record ever been exceeded, and it is noteworthy with the increase above named in cotton and increase of \$7,600,000 in breadstuffs and \$1,400,000 in provisions and oil, there was still an increase of \$8,400,000 in miscellaneous products. In November, thus far, the gain of New York exports has been 21 per cent and for the last week 40 per cent, the latest week having been the largest on record since the second week of October, 1890, while imports were 17 per cent smaller than last year for the week and 25 per cent smaller for the month thus far. Under these circumstances, in spite of heavy payments on loans abroad, the movement of gold this way would undoubtedly be resumed if foreign buying of American securities should set in.

"The failures for the week have been 344 in the United States, against 329 last year, and forty in Canada, against forty-two last year."

UNIFORM WHEAT PRICES.

Russia Said to Favor an International Conference to That End.

The Washington Post says that a conference of nations on the subject of the world's wheat market is understood to be designed by at least one of the great foreign wheat-growing empires. The idea is that the nations should they see fit to unite in an agreement upon the subject, could fix a price for wheat to be maintained uniformly through various seasons of overproduction and unsatisfactory crops caused by drought or continual rain, and thus make the principal grain staple, upon which millions of consumers depend for food, almost as unchangeable in value as gold itself has become.

Dr. Conaty Appointed Rector.

The Baltimore Star's correspondent at Rome cables as follows, under date of Nov. 16: "The Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Conaty, rector of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Worcester, Mass., has been appointed by the pope rector of the Catholic university at Washington, to succeed Bishop John J. Keane, who resigned Sept. 29, 1896."

Americans Tried in Secret.

A dispatch to the New York World from Havana under date of Nov. 20 says the Competitor prisoners have been tried by court-martial in the Fortress La Cubana in spite of Consul-General Lee's official protest, filed just before he left Havana. It is believed a number of the men will be shot.

Honor for Cleveland Militia.

It is officially announced that Troop A, Ohio National Guard, of Cleveland, Ohio, will act as the military escort of President-elect McKinley at the inauguration ceremonies in Washington.

Gold Standard for Russia.

London, Nov. 2.—The Chronicle's St. Petersburg correspondent reports that M. de Witte, Russian minister of finance, has secured the consent of his colleagues for the introduction of the gold standard.

Confederate Veterans' Reunion.

J. B. Gordon, general commanding has appointed May 5, 6 and 7 as the dates for the annual meeting and reunion of the United Confederate Veterans at Nashville, Tenn.

Odd Fellows to Build a Home.

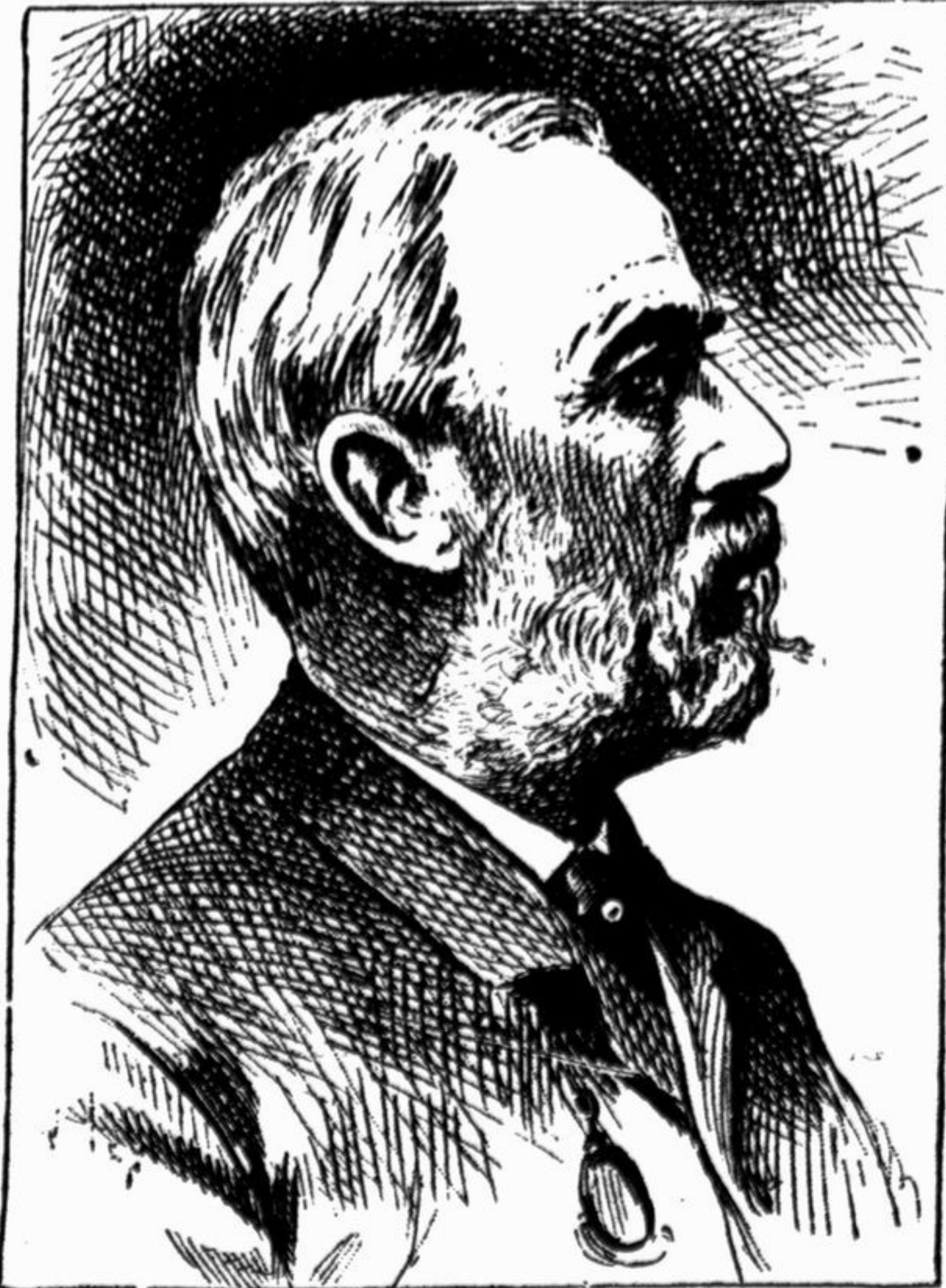
The Illinois Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows has decided to establish a home for aged and indigent Odd Fellows, their wives and Daughters of Rebekah within its jurisdiction.

Women Admitted to the Bar.

The Alabama senate Monday, by a majority of two, passed a bill permitting women to practice law in all of the courts of Alabama.

Arguments of the Detractor to the Indictments against Directors of the American Tobacco company began before Judge Fitzgerald in New York city. The indicted men are J. B. Duke, W. A. Marburg, W. H. Butler, George Arents, Lewis Ginter, G. W. Gail, Benjamin Duke, Josiah Brown, G. W. Watts and Charles G. Emery.

OSCAR II. KING OF SWEDEN AND DECIDING ARBITRATOR IN THE VENEZUELAN DISPUTE.



King Oscar II. of Sweden and Norway, who, in case of emergency, may appoint the deciding arbitrator in the Venezuelan boundary dispute, is a good friend of the United States, and the cause of the little South American state, it is believed, will be fairly considered by the man he selects. If it should be found necessary for the king to act, the Scandinavian monarch will not be the fifth arbitrator, as was erroneously stated by the press dispatches. Royalty never sits with subjects. He is very erudite. History, the classics, art, literature and science are affected by him, and he is without doubt the most cultured monarch in all Europe. Personally, King Oscar is a most affable, polished man. He devotes his leisure time to association with savants, artists and authors, and in these conversations the widest liberty is given and royalty forgotten. Physically he is a powerful man, 6 feet 3 inches high and of rather attractive appearance. Scandinavians in America are now making up a present to send him on his sixty-fifth birthday.

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