

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 Delays of the Whole World Carefully Condensed for Our Readers—The Accident Record.

The grand officers of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen are preparing for the biennial convention in Toronto, Ont., May 17. Grand Secretary Treasurer W. A. Sheahan has completed his report, which shows the following figures for two years: Collections, \$1,158,201; disbursements, \$1,109,360; balance, \$58,841.

A convention of the Protestant ministers of Wisconsin is to be held in Milwaukee either on May 11 or 18, to form a state association for the purpose of fighting the saloons.

Senator Earle of South Carolina is pronounced by his physician a very ill man, but immediate danger is not apprehended.

The Torrens land title bill is now a law in Illinois. Governor Tanner signed it in Chicago Saturday and it is now on file in the secretary of state's office.

Richard S. Emmet, of the firm of Emmet & Robinson, brokers in Wall street, and grandnephew of the Irish martyr, Robert Emmet, is critically ill of pneumonia at his home in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Charles Waterman, one of the oldest settlers and best known citizens of Freeport, Ill., committed suicide at 4:30 o'clock this morning by walking into the Pecatonica River and drowning himself, refusing the assistance of a passer-by. Temporary insanity was the cause.

On recommendation of the state bank examiner Secretary of State Leneuer closed the bank at Linn Creek, Mo., pending the appointment of a receiver. It is a private bank and has a capital of \$7,000.

Dr. Alfred Holt was shot and probably mortally wounded at Natchez, Miss., by Horatio N. Ogden, a commercial traveler, a brother of Holt's wife. The trouble is said to have been caused by Holt's treatment of his wife.

A 16-year-old boy named Belhier shot and killed A. J. Bollinger, a farmer, who had ordered Belhier off his premises, near Mountain Grove, Mo. The boy was hunting on the premises of Bollinger, and when the latter ordered him away Belhier remonstrated and deliberately emptied two loads from a shotgun into Bollinger's body, causing death in a few hours.

Woolson Morse, the composer, died at New York after an illness of less than seven weeks, aged 39 years.

Canadian Pacific railway earnings for the week ending April 30 were \$467,000; for the same period last year, \$409,000; increase, \$58,000.

Harry Havemeyer, of New York, who had been living for some time in Paris, died on Saturday night from the result of an operation for appendicitis at Henry's Hotel. Mr. Havemeyer was a son of the late Theodore Havemeyer, head of the sugar trust, who died in New York recently.

"Bill" Adler, one of the most notorious characters of Kansas City, Sunday night committed his second murder within three years, and was himself shot and perhaps fatally wounded. In a quarrel Adler shot and killed William Johnson, a negro, and was himself shot in the side by James Gordon, colored.

Mayor Strong has obtained 1,000 ricks from the old tomb of Gen. Grant in order to present them to Grand Army posts and other organizations throughout the country.

Reports from many towns in southwestern Michigan say an earthquake shock was felt for several seconds Sunday night. At Holland the front of a brick building fell into the street.

The town of Pulaski, Va., was severely shaken by an earthquake soon after noon Sunday. No damage resulted.

Emil Sohlern was shot dead in his saloon at Chicago Wednesday. The murderer escaped. The police believe the murder was committed for revenge.

At Dubuque, Iowa, Miss Emma Weiser saw a team owned by a neighbor starting to run away. She tried to stop the horses, but was thrown under the wagon wheels and instantly killed.

The police at New York have under arrest Clarence Barton, 21 years old, who is wanted by the authorities of Ogden, Utah, accused of stealing \$5,200 from the Utah Loan and Trust Company of Ogden. He will be held pending the arrival of requisition papers.

Francis Duncan Kelsey has resigned his professorship of botany in Oberlin, Ohio, college to become pastor of the Central Congregational church of Toledo.

The total of the cases of bubonic plague at Bombay up to date is 11,706. There have been 10,920 deaths from that disease. Many of the inhabitants of Bombay are now returning to this city.

A distinct earthquake shock was felt at Vandalia, Ill., at 10 o'clock Sunday night. The vibration was from west to east and lasted about ten seconds.

George Waldfole, aged 66, one of the wealthiest farmers of Ohio, was killed by a vicious horse which he was trying to break.

The old Sentinel building, one of the landmarks of Indianapolis, was partially destroyed by fire. The losses aggregate about \$15,000, the heaviest losses being Schleicher & Martens, interior decorators, who estimate their loss at \$10,000. The losses are fully insured.

CASUALTIES.

Charles S. Swan, a baggageman of the St. Paul company, fell from the top of a train at Milton, Wis., while it was switching in the yard and was killed. A 6-year-old child of Charles F. Netow was run down by an electric car at Second street and Grand avenue, Milwaukee, and so badly injured that it died a few minutes later.

A 5-year-old son of Landon Linderman of Marshall county, Ind., was burned to death while attempting to kindle a fire with coal oil. This is the third death caused by coal oil in this family within the last year.

The village of St. Augustine, Ill., was almost destroyed by fire Thursday night. The entire business portion was wiped out with the burning of eleven buildings. The loss is about \$20,000.

Fire which broke out at Cartersville, Ill., at an early hour Friday destroyed a large section of the business houses in town, causing a loss of at least \$75,000; insurance half. Several people were injured.

At Minden City, Mich., a business block was destroyed by fire Thursday night. Loss about \$20,000, with little insurance.

The United States consul at Guadalupe, West India Islands, has telegraphed the state department under date of April 29, from Point A Pitre, as follows: "Severe earthquake; loss heavy; many injured."

Charles Thompson was instantly killed while unloading a boiler on the Alexander farm in Portage township, Ohio.

Peter Erickson and Frank Mee were killed in the Burt mine of the Lake Superior Consolidated group at Hibbing, Minn., by being buried in a cave-in.

At the John Slade & Co. stone quarry, near Bluefield, W. Va., Horace Porterfield and Benjamin Bartlow were blown to pieces by a premature explosion of nitroglycerin.

A dispatch from Athens to the Rome Messenger says that six hundred women and children died during the terrible retreat of the Greeks from Trynavos to Larissa.

FOREIGN.

The London Daily News says it is rumored among the supporters of the government that the Duke of Leeds is to succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as Governor-General of Canada.

Queen Victoria reached Portsmouth Friday from Cherbourg, on her return from the south of France.

At the official residence of the Bishop of London the lord chancellor formally presented to retiring Ambassador Bayard the original log of the Mayflower, which it was decided some weeks ago to transmit to the keeping of the state of Massachusetts.

At the meeting of the Presbyterian synod, held at Sunderland, England, the business committee decided to reject the petition, containing charges of heresy, which had been presented against the Rev. John Watson, D. D. (Ian MacLaren).

Prince Louis William August of Baden, brother of the Grand Duke of Baden, is dead. He was born in 1829, and was a general of Prussian infantry and president of the first chamber of the Grand Duchy of Baden. He was married in 1863 to the Duchess of Louchtenberg.

The Turkish authorities have condemned to death the murderers of the agent who was distributing the British and American relief funds at Diarbekir, Asiatic Turkey.

The state department at Washington, has been informed that the government of Roumania has prohibited the entry of Jews into that country.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, with Archduke Otto and Count Coluchowski, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, has started for St. Petersburg.

The Italian Geographical Society has received news confirming the report of the massacre of the Bottego expedition.

CRIME.

Elmer Sutton, who is confined in the jail of Dickinson County, Iowa, made a desperate though unsuccessful attempt to break jail. He was convicted of robbing a shoe store. Sutton was detected by the light of a fire he had kindled to take the temper out of the steel bars of his cage. When discovered only two bars remained between him and liberty. He had assistance from the outside.

One night last week some religious fanatics in Jackson county, Ala., carried into the woods, stripped and severely whipped two Mormon elders. The elders subsequently appealed to Governor Johnston for protection, representing that they had been threatened with death if they remained in the state. The governor promised to protect them and instructed the sheriff of the county to make them his special charge.

Minnie Anderson, daughter of E. J. Anderson, residing with her parents two and one-half miles west of Cobden, Ill., attempted suicide by shooting herself twice, the shots taking effect near the heart. She is alive, but will not recover. Disappointment in love affairs is the cause.

John W. Fertig, on trial for killing Robert C. Spelding, at Menominee, Wis., was found guilty of murder in the first degree.

Clara Jones, 16 years old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, near Hindostan, Ind., committed suicide Monday night by hanging herself to a rafter in the barn. A disappointment in love was the cause.

Henry M. Mason of St. Ignace, Mich., was arrested by Postoffice Inspectors Ralph Bird and H. E. Thiele and taken to the Marquette branch prison, accused of robbing the mails as a postal clerk on the run between St. Ignace and Houghton.

Acot St. John, recently released from the Michigan state insane asylum, hanged himself at Eaton Rapids.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The coal mine at Sandoval, Ill., is closed. It is said this was decided by the operators as the best plan to reduce wages. The men will be required to make new applications for work and accept the terms of the operators.

Leon Hirsch, a member of the Kane county, Ill., board of supervisors and president of the Improvement Building and Loan Association, died at his home at Aurora. He was 61 years old and had been identified with Aurora's interests thirty-six years.

The first regular mail service authorized for an entire year in Alaska has been contracted for by the post-office department, the service being from Juneau to Circle City, 900 miles each way. The contract calls for one round trip a month.

Dan Shaw, colored, of Chicago, and Paul Davis, of St. Paul, fought twenty rounds at Kimball Park, St. Paul, Sunday. Not a hard blow was struck after the sixth, and the referee declared it a draw.

The conference of the Quincy district of the St. Louis German conference was held in Peoria, Ill., Tuesday. Rev. H. Schurtz of Quincy was the presiding elder.

Three children of Anton Zipperer, proprietor of the Ashland, Wis., bottling works, were poisoned by eating wild parsnips. One of them, a 6-year-old boy, is dead. The others will recover.

Benjamin Bush, an old citizen of Knoxville, Iowa, dropped dead near the fair grounds and was found lying in the street. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of valvular disease of the heart.

Robert Ferguson, a convict in the northern prison, Indiana, has been driven insane by enforced idleness, the result of the abolishment of the contract system of labor.

Wisconsin won the intercollegiate debate from its rival, Northwestern, in the First Methodist Church at Evanston, Ill., Friday. Two of the judges voted for Wisconsin and one for Northwestern.

At LaPorte, Ind., the family of Thomas Bauer eat pork, which on examination was found to be affected with trichinae. Their condition is considered serious.

The confederate monument erected through the efforts of the Daughters of the Confederacy of Dallas was unveiled at Dallas, Texas. On the top of the column stands the private and at the base are four pedestals on which are life-size statues of Jefferson Davis, R. E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and Sidney Johnston.

Word has been received at New Haven, Conn., from the University of Wisconsin that the crew lacks funds and will be unable to row in the east this year.

The gold democratic state central committee has issued an address to the democrats of Michigan reviewing the recent spring election and urging the brethren to line up for the future.

In thirty days Oshkosh, Wis., will have in operation the first grass twine factory in the world. It will employ 300 hands, and will make binding twine from marsh grass, something never attempted before.

The Canadian government will not press the franchise bill this session and therefore prorogation may be looked for between June 10 and 15.

The union carpenters of Milwaukee have decided to fix the minimum wages at 25 cents an hour after June 1. Should the bosses refuse to concur a strike will no doubt result.

The Central Union Telephone Company has filed a mortgage at Dayton, Ohio, to the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank for \$3,000,000.

A delegation has been chosen by Gov. Wells and the Utah centennial commission to call upon President McKinley and invite him to attend the jubilee celebration for the arrival of the Utah pioneers to be held in July next.

Fred D. Ellsworth, one of the oldest and most prominent dry goods merchants of northern Indiana, died at South Bend. He leaves a wife and one son, John C. Ellsworth.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

LEGISLATIVE DOINGS OF IMPORTANCE.

Speedy Action on the Tariff Bill in the Senate Is Now Said to Be Likely—Heirs of Lynched Italians to Be Re-compensed.

Senators Tillman of South Carolina and Morgan of Alabama had a heated discussion in the Senate Monday. Mr. Morgan proposed an amendment, giving all public lands unoccupied by 1900 to the several states and territories. Mr. Hawley and Mr. Tillman opposed it. The Morgan amendment was finally withdrawn.

In the House a Senate resolution appropriating \$50,000 for the congress of the Universal Postal Union was adopted.

Action Will Be Speedy. The Republican members of the finance committee had a further consultation with the Democrats Monday on the tariff bill, and it is now said speedy action on the measure is likely.

Morgan Opposes the Treaty. The executive session of the Senate Monday was devoted largely to the consideration of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty. Senator Morgan spoke at length, bitterly opposing the treaty.

For Lynched Italian Heirs. President McKinley Monday sent to Congress a message concerning the lynching of three Italians at Ithaville, La., on the night of August 8, 1896. He recommends an appropriation of \$6,000 for the heirs of the persons, without

KILLS INNOCENT CHILDREN.

August Norman's Awful Crime Near Lormore, N. D.

August Norman went to the residence of Knute Hillstead, near Lormore, N. D., and asked to stay, all night. Mr. Hillstead was absent. About 1 o'clock Norman went to Mrs. Hillstead's room and demanded admission. She blocked the door. Norman procured a razor, went upstairs and cut the throat of Peter K. Hillstead, aged 15. He then went downstairs and tried to get into Mrs. Hillstead's room, but failed. He then attacked the 13-months-old son, Thomas, after which he cut the throats of Adolph and Oscar, aged 11 and 3 years. He then gained access to Mrs. Hillstead's bedroom by threats to kill her and two little girls if she refused to see him. After the crime the murderer stole one of the horses, and is still at large.

Knights of St. John.

Sunday was a gala day for the Knights of St. John and the Roman Catholic denominations. The day was set apart for the annual meeting of the knights and for the blessing of the new holy cross in the cemetery adjoining the city. John H. Meier, Shelbyville, was elected colonel for the ensuing year. Union City was chosen for the next meeting place.

Globe Officials Are Indicted.

These men were indicted Saturday night in connection with the failure of the Globe Savings Bank at Chicago: Charles W. Spalding, president; A. D. Avritt, vice-president; Charles E. Churchill, cashier; W. Berry Ervin, assistant cashier; Allison W. Harlan, director of the bank. In all eighty-nine indictments were returned.

DEATH AT PITTSBURG

ONE MAN KILLED IN SUNDAY NIGHT'S FIRE.

Financial Loss Will Easily Reach \$2,700,000—List of the Buildings Destroyed—Many Firemen Injured During the Progress of the Conflagration.

The most disastrous fire that has visited Pittsburg since the great fire of 1845, excepting during the riots of 1877, destroyed \$2,700,000 worth of merchandise and property Sunday night and probably resulted in two deaths and the injury of four others. Not only is the financial loss enormous, but it involves the complete destruction of two of the greatest mercantile houses of Pittsburg. The great wholesale grocery establishment of Thomas C. Jenkins and the mammoth retail store of Joseph Horne & Co. are total ruins.

The killed: George Atkinson, No. 15 engine company. Missing: George Thomas, No. 15 engine company. Injured: Elmer Croko, No. 7 engine company, struck on head by falling bricks; Michael Daley, No. 7 engine company, cut and bruised and arm broken by falling iron lamp; Robert Badger, No. 4 engine company, ankle broken; George Meekin, No. 7 engine company, struck by falling bricks and cut and bruised.

Joseph Horne & Co.'s loss on building and dry goods stock is \$900,000. The insurance is \$728,000. Of this amount \$300,000 was on the building and \$528,000 on the fixtures. The insurance on the Horne office building was about \$64,000.

Thomas C. Jenkins carried \$500,500 worth of insurance. Both Jenkins and Horne will rebuild at once.

MAY, THE MONTH OF BLOOM AND FLOWERS.



As it fell upon a day In the merry month of May, Sitting in a pleasant shade Which a grove of myrtles made.

admitting the liability of the United States in the premises.

Gov. Black Was Neglectful. By Gov. Black's neglect to sign the bill proposed by the New York comptroller to increase the tax on estates devised or bequeathed by millionaires, the taxpayers of the state have lost almost \$1,500,000. The heirs of the late Theodore Havemeyer have gained \$1,500,000 by the same neglect of the governor.

Miners Ask for Arbitration. The employees of the Gartside coal mine at Murphysboro, Ill., filed with the state board of arbitration a petition, asking for an arbitration of existing difficulties at that mine. As the operators did not join the employees in the request for arbitration, there can be none at present.

Gen. Miles Will Go. Gen. Miles has received the formal assent of the president to his projected trip to Turkey and Greece. Gen. Miles will be gone two or three months. The result of his observations will be embodied in an official report to the president.

Tragedy Near Biddeford, Maine. John L. Lane, wife and child were found dead at Bonny Eagle, five miles from Bar Mills, Maine, Friday. All had been shot. It is supposed that a double murder and suicide were committed.

Murdered by His Son. The murder of an old man by one of his sons is reported from Nowata, I. T., the victim being John Riley, 60 years of age. Jim and Lewis Riley, his sons, aged 22 and 26, engaged in a fight. When the father attempted to separate them Lewis drew a gun and fired two bullets into the old man's body.

Order of Eastern Star. The grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in session at Indianapolis elected the following officers: Grand matron, Mrs. Mamie Conrad, Warsaw; grand patron, C. B. Steman, Fort Wayne.

Illinois State G. A. R. Encampment. The Illinois state encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was held at Galesburg Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Col. Henderson, the Iowa congressman, whose old army wound broke out two weeks ago, has improved perceptibly during the past two days, but the local surgeons have advised the amputation of his leg above the knee. It is affected with erysipelas. The recommendation has been submitted to a surgeon at Washington.

Talks of Tariff Reprints. In the German reichstag Count Von Kanitz, the agrarian leader interpellated the government on the subject of the proposed new United States tariff. He said the Dingley bill implied less an increase of American customs revenue than the successive expulsion of European goods from American markets, and urged the adoption of a plan of reprisals.

Four More Seamen Rescued. The French brigantine Amadae, Capt. Fortin, from St. Malo, arrived at St. Pierre, N. F., Saturday night, bringing four more survivors of the lost brigantine Vallant, which was found as the result of striking an iceberg off the Grand Banks on the night of April 14.

Connolly Stood Eleven Rounds. Kid Lavigne, the light-weight champion of the world, successfully defended his title at New York Friday night by defeating Eddie Connolly, the clever St. Johns (N. B.) light-weight, in the eleventh round of their twenty-five round contest.

To Fight Insurance Taxes. The life insurance companies doing business in Indiana have brought suits against the state board of tax commissioners and the local taxing authorities to join them from taxing paid-up insurance policies having a cash surrender value.

Pat Reforms Into Effect. Minister Dupuy de Lome has received an official dispatch from Madrid confirming the press cable that the queen of Spain has applied the reforms to Cuba.

Will Hold Up Appointments. President McKinley will not make any more appointments in the consular service until after the present extra session of Congress adjourns.

Gen. Harrison Too Busy. General Harrison will not be moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to be held at Winona, Ind., next month. He is too busy with legal work.

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