

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS.

MINOR EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Items of General Interest Told in Paragraphs.

COMPLETE NEWS SUMMARY

Report of Missings of Much or Little Importance from All Parts of the City.

Chicago horse show opened at Coliseum with evening attendance of 5,000.

Nearly all collieries in anthracite region resumed work Monday after the long strike.

Hillside Steel company started its South Chicago plants, recently closed.

Cornelius L. Alvord, Jr., absconding note teller of First National bank, New York, who stole \$700,000.

John T. Barneet, friend of Abraham Lincoln recalls many events of their youth.

British women are accused of a general tendency toward drunkenness.

A report received at Kingston, Jamaica, says President Simon Sam of Haiti is dead.

Political uncertainties depress the stock market.

In a mad orgy of welcome to London's returning City Imperial volunteers from Africa ten persons were killed, 300 injured, and the clothing of many torn in rags.

Prince Christian Victor of Schleswig-Holstein, grandson of Queen Victoria, died of enteric fever at Pretoria.

Earthquake at Caracas, Venezuela, killed fifteen persons and damaged buildings.

David Fagin, deserter from the Twenty-fourth infantry and General in Illinois army, led attack on a steamer launch near Arayat.

Clark Carr, son of Colonel Clark E. Carr of Galzburg, Ill., and his cousin, Torrey Carr, drowned while hunting near Seattle, Wash.

Joliet convicts honored Mrs. Balington Booth in a song composed by one of their number.

Admiral Dewey telegraphed relatives in Vermont he cannot attend his brother's funeral.

New York Presbyterians held union services in memory of missionaries slain in China.

Avalanche caused by earthquake swept down Mount St. Elias.

Heavy rains caused damage in Honolulu.

Visit of Joseph Chamberlain to Gibraltar causes London papers to hint at possible hostilities with France.

Premier of New South Wales suggested that Victoria assume title of Empress of the British Empire.

Friends of Ambassador Porter say he will not remain in Paris another term.

Winston Churchill refused to retract charges against Earl of Roslyn.

London financial circles nervous over report of £30,000 gold during last week.

Woman calling herself Miss Mal Weston sued General Sullivan of Mississippi for \$50,000 for alleged breach of promise. Defendant says it is blackmail.

Lieutenant G. W. Logan, U. S. N., married Miss Bertha Allen, daughter of Governor Allen, at San Juan.

John Sherman's estate estimated at \$2,000,000. Mrs. McCallum, adopted daughter, chief legatee.

John Addison Porter, former private secretary to McKinley is hopelessly ill at Pomfret, Conn.

Board of officers on Asiatic station ordered to select site for naval station in Philippines.

Captain Page, Porto Rican infantry, died of yellow fever at Havana.

Nine injured in cable train wreck at State and Madison streets, Chicago, caused by misplaced switch.

The Transvaal was proclaimed at Pretoria a part of the British empire. Royal standard was raised with military ceremonies. Sir Alfred Milner read the proclamation.

Census office issued bulletin giving population of 159 cities in United States having a population over 25,000 each.

Runaway wife descended from ocean steamer to tug off Hoboken in vain attempt to elude husband.

John Sherman laid to rest at Mansfield, O., Thursday, with President McKinley and many officials in attendance.

Government denies any intention to collect Turkish claims by means of naval demonstration.

Redward Kipling to sell his Vermont home and abandon America.

Government lost \$20,000 worth of powder in explosion at Indian Head proving grounds.

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Book His Loan in America.

MacArthur's List of Killed.

The following death list has been received at the war department: Killed—John McBride, company F, 28th infantry, Nasugbu, Luzon, Oct. 21. John O'Hara, company H, 28th volunteer infantry Nasugbu, Luzon. William F. Steiner, corporal, 17th infantry, Bayambang, Luzon, Oct. 25. Otto Zeibold, 17th infantry, Bayambang, Oct. 25. Thomas M. Sweeney, company A, 17th infantry, San Isidro, Luzon, Oct. 24. Charles Braudenburg, company K, 44th infantry, Manibaul, Cebu, Oct. 7. William S. James, company I, 25th infantry, Oct. 10, Talavera, Luzon.

Woman Jumps from Boat.

The steamship Nachochee, from New York, arrived at Savannah, Ga., with one passenger missing, a young woman registered as Miss Martin. She told Capt. Smith that she was a school teacher in New Jersey, but had lost her position. To another passenger she said that she had become despondent and that she intended to commit suicide. Saturday morning she was missing. The only clew left was an umbrella, on the handle of which was scratched J. L. Maltby, Casenovia, and a ticket in her purse which had been purchased at Casenovia, N. Y.

Boers Capture Two Cannon.

According to a dispatch from Cape Town a force of Boers attacked and surrounded a patrol of Cape police with a convoy near Hoopstad, Orange River colony, on last Wednesday and a sharp fight ensued. "The police," says the correspondent, "were compelled to abandon two maxims. Ultimately reinforced by the Yeomanry, they succeeded in getting away with the convoy, but they lost seven killed, eleven wounded, and fifteen captured. The Colonials were outnumbered ten to one and the engagement lasted for two hours."

Nebraska Farmers in Luck.

The Nebraska farmers will put in their wallets this fall the largest sum of money ever received from a harvest in the state, the value of the four staples reaching \$106,762,124. Reports received from every county in the state except nine devoted to grazing, break two records in the agricultural history of the state for corn, wheat, oats and rye.

Max Muller Passes Away.

Friedrich Max Muller, corpus professor of comparative philology at Oxford university, died Sunday at 12:35 p. m. His disease was an affection of the liver. Until ten days ago he was able to continue writing his autobiography, dictating to his son. Frequently during his illness dispatches of inquiry were received from Emperor William.

French Fleet at Annapolis.

The French fleet under Admiral Richards passed in the Virginia capes Sunday afternoon. The vessels were met at Cape Henry by the Maryland pliboth which gave the fleet a pilot to take it up Chesapeake bay. Instead of going first to Hampton roads and Norfolk they therefore went to Baltimore and Annapolis.

Kawa Vote to Allot Lands.

The general council of Kaw Indians in Texas has voted almost unanimously in favor of the allotment of their lands. Delegations of Kawa will leave in a few days to present the matter to the interior department and ask for a commission to treat with the tribe and arrange for the opening of the reservation to settlement.

Stranger Murdered at St. Joseph, Mo.

An unknown man was shot and killed at Fourth and Charles streets St. Joseph, Mo., and the murderer escaped. The victim was a stranger in the city, fairly well dressed, about 30 years of age, 5 feet eight inches in height, and of light complexion. Robbery is thought to have been the motive.

Doyle's Bill is for \$1,000.

The administrator of the extensive estate of the late Mrs. Mary Redding at Mishawaka, Ind., has just received a bill from John Alexander Doyle for \$1,000, a claim he alleges is due him for going ninety miles out of Chicago to baptize Mrs. Redding. The bill will not be paid.

Three Men Drowned.

G. G. Graham, Robert Earwood and Richard Russell, employes on George W. Vanderbill's estate, were drowned in French Broad river, nine miles south of Asheville, N. C.

Beer Officials Reach Naples.

The Transvaal foreign secretary postmaster general, and treasurer have arrived at Naples, Italy, on board the German steamer Herzog. They proceeded to Hamburg.

Louis Vehon in Prison Cell.

Louis Vehon, former president of the L. Vehon Tailoring company, Chicago, who was arrested recently in New York City, charged with embezzling \$9,000 from the company, was a prisoner in the Harrison street police station, Chicago, Tuesday. The man, who had been a fugitive from justice for six months, was brought to Chicago from New York on Saturday night by Detective Sergeant John Hanley. He was arrested two weeks ago shortly after his arrival in New York from a trip to Europe.

FIRE HORROR IN NEW YORK.

Two Hundred Persons Injured and Forty Missing.

TEN BUILDINGS WRECKED.

Many Girls While Eating Their Mid-Day Lunch Caught Like Flies in a Trap—Four Distinct Explosions of Combustibles.

Buildings reaching for half a block back on each side of Warren street from Greenwich to Washington street were utterly destroyed by fire and explosions just after noon Monday.

Not fewer than 200 persons were injured, many of them supposed to be fatally. The loss of life, although still problematical, it is thought will reach at least thirty. The property loss may reach into the millions, but Fire Chief Croker places it at \$1,500,000. Of the origin of the fire no exact information is to be had. The flames were first seen on the third or fourth floor of the building at the northwest corner of Warren and Greenwich streets, occupied by Tarrant & Co. It is impossible that the fire resulted from imperfect insulation of electric light wires, but it is the opinion of Fire Chief Croker and Commissioner Scannell that carelessness among chemicals was the cause of the fire. The only person known to have been killed was a man who died in one of the hospitals from the result of an injury received in the street.

Results Summarized.

The result of the fire is summarized as follows: Missing and perhaps dead, 40; injured, 200; known dead, 1; buildings wrecked, 10; property lost, \$1,500,000.

Building Falls All at Once.

All things considered, it is remarkable that the loss of life was not much greater than it apparently is. The third and greatest of the explosions was of sufficient force to literally tear the buildings that faced on Warren street asunder. The building at the northeast corner of Warren and Washington streets literally fell in on itself, the roof settling down on the ruins as though it had been held suspended until the walls had been torn away.

People in Tarrant Building.

In the general destruction of the Warren street station of the Ninth Avenue elevated railroad was destroyed and the attendants narrowly escaped with their lives. Later the structure caught fire. Several trains had to be rushed out of danger, and one in particular had a narrow escape. The structure was so badly damaged that all trains south of the point where the fire occurred had to be abandoned and thereafter blockades resulted. As a result thousands of persons did not reach home until far into the night. From all reports, the number of people actually in the Tarrant building at the time the fire broke out was between fifty and sixty. The Tarrant people say there were 45 of their employes there, and Brietenbach & Co., patent-medicine manufacturers, on the second floor, had fifteen or sixteen employes, ten of whom were girls. They were eating their lunch when the explosion took place. In the rear of the building there is an alley, and on the alley side were the fire escapes, on which a number of girls were seen descending soon after the fire broke out.

Fall in Courageous Fight.

The war department has received a dispatch from General MacArthur, giving an account of a fight in which a small detachment of the American troops attacked a much superior force of Filipinos. Our loss, killed, First Lieutenant George L. Febiger, Charles A. Lindenbergh, William F. Wilson, company H, Thirty-third regiment, United States volunteer infantry; Andrew T. Johnson, farmer; Guy E. McClintock, troop L, Third regiment, United States cavalry. Nine others were wounded. Four are missing. Lieutenant George Lea Febiger was one of the youngest officers of the army, being in his twenty-fourth year. He was a native of New Orleans.

"Turkey King" Becomes Insane.

Benjamin J. Hamm, who gained fame as the "turkey king" of South Water street, Chicago, about two years ago, and was afterward convicted in the federal courts for using the mails to defraud, is violently insane in his cell at the Du Page county jail. Word to this effect was received by the United States district attorney's office at Chicago, and the information was immediately forwarded to Washington. It is expected orders will be received in a few days for the removal of the prisoner to some asylum, where he may be properly cared for.

Big Real Estate Man Falls.

William C. Sherwood, senior member of the firm of W. C. Sherwood & Co., real estate and loans at Duluth, Minn., has begun proceedings in bankruptcy. His liabilities are given as \$402,991.44 and assets are estimated at 143,471. His principal creditors are the First National bank of Duluth and Amelia Sherwood, a relative. Mr. Sherwood is also secretary of the Northern Land Loan Company.

Hides Over Forty Miles.

W. C. Stinson made a new world's record for the hour behind pace at Brockton, Mass., of forty miles 339 yards. He was paced by "Dutch" Walker. The previous record, made by Stinson Saturday, was thirty-nine miles 1,453 yards, and he broke Elkes' record made on the same track Oct. 5 by 407 yards. Stinson made new records also for twelve to forty miles.

Death of James Brennan.

James Brennan, treasurer of Siegel, Cooper & Co.'s Chicago store, died at Phoenix, Ariz., where he had gone a few weeks ago in the hope of restoring his health. Mr. Brennan was born in Toledo, O., in 1858. The remains will be taken to Chicago by Mr. Cooper. Interment will be at Toledo.

Soldiers and Settlers Clash.

Advices from Valley Field, Quebec, received state that a conflict has occurred there between strikers and the militia. Eight soldiers and fifteen strikers were injured, two soldiers and one striker probably fatally. About 100 militiamen were called out Thursday to preserve order at the Valley Field cotton mills, where there has been an intermittent strike, due to various causes, all the year. When Thursday's news was received another detachment of 200 militia left Montreal for Valley Field.

LATEST MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Wheat—No. 1 red, 1.00; No. 2 red, 98c; No. 3 red, 96c; No. 4 red, 94c; No. 1 white, 1.00; No. 2 white, 98c; No. 3 white, 96c; No. 4 white, 94c; No. 1 soft, 98c; No. 2 soft, 96c; No. 3 soft, 94c; No. 4 soft, 92c.

Cattle—Native shipping and export steers, \$4.00; dressed beef and butter steers, \$4.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.00; cows and heifers, \$2.00; calves, \$1.50; Indian steers, \$3.00; cows and heifers, \$2.00; pigs—Figs and lights, \$4.00; hogs, \$3.00; butchers, \$4.00; lambs, \$2.50; culis and bucks, \$1.50; stockers, \$1.00.

Butter—Frisch, 16c; seconds, 15c; imitation creamery, 16c; salted, choice, 16c; seconds, 14c; 14c; 14c; Full cream, twin, choice, 16c; off grades, 15c; flat, single, choice, 16c; daisies, colored, choice, 16c; Young Americans, colored, 16c; under grades, 15c; cheddars, 10c; skimmed cheese, 6c.

Eggs—Strait fresh stock, 17c; loss off, cases returned. Live Poultry—Chickens, hens, 7c per lb.; springs, 5c; ducks, 7c; turkeys, 7c; geese, nice stock, \$6.00 per doz. Veal—Fancy carcasses, 9c per lb.; fair to good, 7c; light weights, 6c.

Pears—Bartlett, \$3.00; Doyenne, \$1.50; common stock, \$1.00. Apples—Michigan stock, \$1.00 per barrel. Potatoes—Choice, 30c per bu; common, 25c per bu.

Many at Sherman's Funeral.

Funeral services over the remains of ex-Secretary of State Sherman were held in Washington Wednesday morning at the family residence, and were attended by all the prominent administration officials in the city and many of the decedent's associates in public life, as well as friends in the army and navy. The diplomatic corps was largely represented, and, as an unusual token of respect, an escort of cavalry and artillery was provided. The Rev. Alexander McKay Smith of St. John's church read the episcopal service and recited Tennyson's ode on the death of Washington. The remains were taken to Mansfield, O., and President McKinley was among the number who attended the funeral services there Thursday afternoon.

Swiss Wife and Himself.

Mr. and Mrs. White of Blairsville, Pa., had a narrow escape from death on the rails Friday. They had been visiting in Homestead. They missed their train and started to walk to Blairsville. They had to cross the high and long bridge across the Kiskiminites river. When half-way over miniks river. When half-way over they were overtaken by a freight train. Mr. White dropped down between the ties and held his wife suspended in the air, fifty feet from the water below, while the long train passed over them. Then, with great difficulty, he lifted her to the bridge again. His coat was caught by the train and was torn, so close was he to the trucks.

Missionary Officers Elected.

The American Missionary association at its session in Springfield, Mass., elected the following officers: President, Rev. F. A. Noble, Illinois; vice presidents, Rev. Dr. Alex McKenzie, Massachusetts; Rev. Dr. Washington Madden, Ohio; Rev. Dr. Henry Stimpson, New York; Rev. Dr. James W. Strong, Connecticut; William M. Strong, Michigan, recording secretary, Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Massachusetts, corresponding secretary, Rev. A. F. Baird, Rev. Dr. F. P. Woodbury and Rev. Dr. C. J. Ryder, New York treasurer, H. W. Hubbard, New York.

New Telegraphic Device.

F. W. Inden, a well-known board of trade operator, has invented and put into use on the trading of the Duluth exchange a device which it is said insures absolute secrecy in receiving messages. There has been complaint that persons who understand telegraphy have been reading the reports from the sounder. The device, which is called a "resophone," consists of a box incasing the sounder, to which is attached a small, megaphone-shaped tube, which transmits the message distinctly to the operator but prevents it being heard by any one else.

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