DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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MINOR EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Items of General Interest Told in Paragraphs.

COMPLETE NEWS SUMMARY

Record of Happenings of Much or Little Importance from All Parts of the Civilized World—Prices of Farm Products in Western Markets.

Exports for October and also for the first ten months of the year break all records in the history of American commerce.

The United States forces in the Philippines have begun a movement to crush the rebels in the island of Samar.

The Colombian government has seized a British steamer to fight the revolutionists.

Dwight L. Moody's successor will be the Rev. G. Campbell Morgan, the British preacher having accepted the call.

Cashier Frank M. Brown disappears from Newport, Ky., and the German National bank is short $201,000.

In the pulpits and in a mass meeting Sunday, the people in Denver expressed their indignation over the burning of the negro Porter.

Bishop Potter's crusade against vice in New York caused transfer of Police Captains.

New York pastors Sunday preached on crime and urged need of reform.

New York customs inspectors found $5,000 worth of diamonds concealed on F. D. Kelly and Miss Marguerite Dorrance of Peoria, Ill.

Belief growing that Kruger will avoid Marseilles and land elsewhere. British consul aroused indignation by anti-Boer pamphlet.

Correspondent writing to London paper says Chicago has excellent system of making all drunkards arrested sweep the streets.

Members of German reichstag gave notice of a bill to amend tariff law.

Condition of czar growing more critical, and physicians have been summoned from Moscow and St. Petersburg to Livadia. Grand Duke Michael hurrying to ruler's bedside.

Miss Helena Zimmerman and the Duke of Manchester were married privately in London last Wednesday. They are now at the Manchester castle, in Ireland, and intend leaving on Saturday to secure approval of Eugene Zimmerman of Cincinnati, O., the bride's father.

Northern Pacific railroad contracts to carry 90,000,000 feet of logs.

Gen. Porter's trip from Paris was merely for a holiday, according to Charge d'Affaires Vignaud, who denies the statements of La Presse.

Lord Rosebery, in accepting the secretaryship of Glasgow university, paints a picture of what Great Braitain might have been but for the loss of the thirteen colonies.

Robert W. Wilcox has been elected delegate to congress from Hawaii.

Ex-Vice Consul to Paraguay Dr. Eben Moore Flagg says property owners in South America would like United States domination.

Apache Indians from Arizona attacked a mormon settlement in Mexico. Several on both sides were killed before Indians were routed.

Six persons were killed in a wreck on tht Lake Shore railway.

Three convits at Leavenworth, Kas., overpowered the guards and leave the prison, but one was killed and two men were hurt in the fight that followed.

The board of inquiry at Philadelphia has decided that Dowie's lacemakers must return to England.

Secretary Hay sends a circular of instructions to those compiling the vote for president in the several states.

The census bureau gives the population of Iowa as 2,231,853 and of Hawaii 154,001.

Czar's physicians say his condition is satisfactory, but uneasiness is manifested in European capitals.

Cardinal Vaughan sees strife among powers in dawn of twentieth century.

Affairs of the late W. L. Strong of New York appear in bad shape. Mrs. Griswold of Philadelphia is trying to recover $100,000 p ut in his hands.

Chicago's Irish ambulance corps, depleted in numbers, arrives in New York from the Boer war.

Richard Croker joins in a movement to rid New York City of vice.

Iowa election is held by attorneys to have been illegal as to all officers except electors, judges and those to fill vacancies.

La Presse of Paris prints a report that Gen. Porter has left France because of the scandal regarding the securing of French secrets by an American officer.

The official census of Michigan shows the state has a population of 2,420,982, an increase of 327,093 since 1890.

Prof. Howard made a sensational speech at Stanford university in defense of the deposed Prof. Edward Ross.

British bankers say the Americans will not be allowed to capture Britain's new war loan.

D. H. Louderback begins active work on C. T. Yerkes' London underground railway.

Three deaths from the plague are reported at Cape Town.

LATEST MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Spring Wheat—No. 1 northern, 73@76½c; No. 3, 68@72c; No. 4, 57@65c. Winter Wheat—No. 2 red, 73@76c; No. 3, 71@72½c; No. 4, 66@68c; No. 2 hard, 69½@71½c. Corn—No. 2, 39½@39¾c; No. 3 yellow, 39½@39¾c; No. 3, 37½c for new, 38½@38¾c for old; No. 3 white, new, 37¾c, old, 39½c; No. 3 yellow, 37½c for new, old at 39¾c; No. 4, new, 36¾@37¼, old 38c; no grade, new, 33½c. Oats—No. 3 white, 25c; No. 2, 22@22½c.

Cattle—Native steers, $4.80@5.50; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.25; butcher cows and heifers, $3@4.40; canners, $2.50@3; fed westerns, $3.75@4.75; wintered Texans, $3.50@3.65; grass Texans, $3.15@3.45; calves, $3.50@5.50. Hogs—Heavy, $4.80@4.87½; mixed, $4.80@4.85; light, $4.80@4.90; pigs, $4.50@4.75. Sheep—Lambs, $4.75@6.35; muttons, $3.50@4.25; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4; culls, $2.75@3.25. Horses—Drafters, $75@225; Loggers, $70@140; Chunks, 1,100 to 1,400 lbs., $60@125; Drivers, $55@250.

Potatoes—Burbanks, 7@8c; Peerless, 29@35c; Hebrons, 29@35c; rose, 29@35c; mixed, 25@33c; sweet, $1.25@3.25 per brl. Poultry—Iced stock: Turkeys, 8½@10c; chickens, hens, 7@7½c; springs, 8@8½c; roosters, 5c; geese, 7@8c; ducks, 8@9c. Green Fruits—Apples brl., poor to fair, 50c@$1.25; good to choice, $1.50@3.25. Butter—Creamery, extra, 23½@24c; dairies, choice, 19c; packing, 12½c. Cheese—Full cream, dairies, 10@10½c; Young America, new, 10@10½c; twins, choice, 9½@10c. Eggs—Fresh, 22c at mark, cases returned, 15@20c, as to quality.

Preacher Accused of Murder.

Sheriff J. F. Howells of Salt Lake has traced to Omaha the Rev. Francis Hermans, formerly pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church of Salt Lake, Utah. Hermans left Omaha five years ago for Salt Lake with Henrietta Clausen, who had helped him and his wife in church work at Omaha. When Hermans became pastor of the church in Salt Lake another young woman was admitted to his household as a servant. When the members of the congregation began to talk both young women mysteriously disappeared. Prior to this Mrs. Hermans had died suddenly. Hermans was accused of killing the two young women, cutting them up and burning the remains in the church furnace. His arrest is expected.

Slain in the Philippines.

The following casualty list was received from Manila: Killed—Herbert H. Case, corporal, Oct. 27, Catbalogan, Samar, Company D, twenty-ninth infantry. M. Koontz, first lieutenant, Oct. 30, Bugason, Panay, Forty-fourth United States infantry. John Lambert, Nov. 12, Lapaz, Luzon, company K. Twelfth infantry. Wounded—Charles Mecollister, severely. Patrick W. Crann, Nov. 2, Port Bano, Luzon, Company C, Twenty-eighth infantry; arm; serious. John Bogt, Company C, Twenty-eighth infantry; wounded in thigh; serious. Henry Kunkel, corporal, Company C, Twenty-eighth infantry; wounded in head, slight.

Four Perish in a Hotel Fire.

Four men were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the McGonigal house, a three-story frame building, the hotel barn and the Opera house at Oswayo, Pa. The three buildings, valued at $5,000, were burned to the ground in half an hour from the time the fire started. The dead are: Arthur Fletcher, bookkeeper for Pennsylvania Stave company; home in Boston. Michael Russell, employe of the Pennsylvania Tanning company, Oswayo. William Mulhaney of Rexford, N. Y. Hugh Jamerson of Alfred, N. Y.

Guilty of Sending a Bomb.

At Waterloo, Ia., the case of the state vs. Jerome W. Hoot, who has been on trial on a charge of trying to kill his wife by sending her a dynamite bomb, was given to the jury and a verdict was reached finding the prisoner guilty of assault, with intent to commit murder. The case was stubbornly fought, but the evidence was largely against the prisoner. The question of the jurisdiction of the Iowa court was paramount in the motion to direct a verdict for the defendant, but the motion was overruled after an all-day argument.

Boers Have a New Capital.

The Boers are active. It is alleged that Commandant Louis Botha has established a government at Roesendal, north of Middleburg, and that with the £150,000 which he has available he is paying the fighting burghers a crown a day. Commandant Abel Ersmus is said to be at Olyphant's river with 2,000 men 1,000 wagons and 12,000 cattle. From Heidelburg it is reported that the Boers are compelling the burghers who had surrendered to take up arms again under pain of death.

Husband and $700 Disappear.

Mrs. Hattie Norton of Vernon, Mich., was married at Windsor, Ont., to C. R. Holmes of Detroit. She placed an advertisement in the afternoon papers at Detroit and the wedding resulted. They stopped at the Manning house, Windsor. Sunday Mrs. Holmes awoke from a stupor induced by a drug and found herself minus a husband and $700 in cash. Holmes' name does not appear in the city directory, and he is evidently an impostor.

Smallpox in Pekin.

Sanitary conditions at Pekin are becoming serious. Since the foreign occupation many Chinese have died of smallpox and other infectious diseases. Fearing that their funerals would be interefered with, they have kept most of the coffins containing their dead in their houses and courtyards.

Loss by Fire at Notre Dame.

Notre Dame university Sunday night suffered a fourth loss by fire in the year, resulting in a total destruction of the sacristy and its contents, the loss amounting to not less than $15,000. The sacristy of the church was situated just north of the large church edifice, and in it were kept all the vestments, surplices, utensils, etc., used in the church. Among the articles destroyed were the gold vestments, which cost from $3,000 to $4,000, and were used only in celebrating the pontificial high mass.

LATEST NEWS FROM CHINA.

Contests Mostly of a Diplomatic Nature.

NEW POLICY IS NOW SHAPING

Envoys After a Council Demand the Execution of Princes and Officials High in the Management of the Chinese Government—A Dilemma Confronted.

Tuesday, November 13.

Chinese Princes very naturally object to demand of allies that they be executed.

A dispatch to the London Times from Dr. Morrison in Pekin, dated Nov. 11, says: "As far as it is possible to judge, China will willingly accede to all the terms of the conjoint note now ready to be presented subject to the approval of the home governments, except the demand for the death penalty against princes and officials, which it is impossible to fulfil while the court is in the hands of these accused officials."

The German reichstag convenes and the kaiser's speech deals with Calna.

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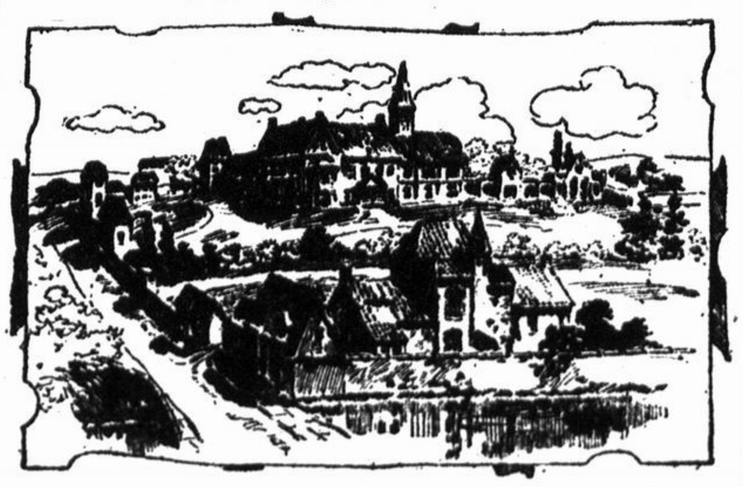
Largest Steamers in World.

Thursday work began at New London, Conn., this week laying keels to the mammoth iron steamship for the Great Northern railway's Oriental service. The new vessels will be of 20,000 tons register and 33,000 tons displacement, larger than any vessels in the world at the present time. The following are the principal dimensions of the vessels: Length, 630 feet; beam, 73 feet; depth, 56 feet. They have each five continuous decks extending the whole length of the ship, with three additional partial decks amidships. It is estimated that when completed the steamships will cost fully $5,000,000.

Favor New Divorce Rule.

"The ease with which husbands and wives can secure divorces to enable them to remarry is not only injuring the Christian church but is lowering the tone of public morality. It is time the church reached over the law and put its ban on the remarriage of divorced persons. There is no doubt that the Episcopal church will amend its present laws and deny remarriage in the church to all divorced persons." Bishop William E. McLaren, in discussing the new canons on divorce and remarraiage formulated by the General Eupiscopal conference committee of New York, gave the foregoing as the gist of his reasons favoring the adoption of more stringent church laws.

PAUL KRUGER'S NEW HOME.



As soon as ex-President Kruger reaches Belgium he will find his future home all ready for him. Thanks to the generosity of Oswald d'Aumerie, a Boer sympathizer in Belgium, the Chateau d'Anderlecht has been put at the disposal of the refugee ex-President by its owner. M. d'Aumerie has owned this chateau only two years, and when he bought it it was exceedingly run down, but he spent money on it liberally, and made it look as if it really were an ancestral seat.

M. d'Aumerie has had great sympathy with the Boers all along, not because of any special hostility to England, but because he believed in observing inviolate the sanctity of small nations. So, when it became known that Kruger was on his way to Belgium, the Belgian got together several of his friends and fellow countrymen who believed in the Boer cause, and proposed to them that he give up his chateau to the use of the refugee. They were willing, of course, and so the scheme was brought about.

Anderlecht is a pretty suburb southeast of Brussels and consists of handsome mansions dotted about in grounds of limited extent on the slopes of the undulating country. The chateau is reached by a drawbridge crossing a narrow moat, and the road leads directly to the colonnades which form the front of the mansion. The main gate is flanked by two colossal busts, which formerly belonged to the Castle of Gravesande. On the right of the vestibule is Mr. Kruger's antechamber, which is furnished in Gothic style. Here the ex-president will find a large Bible, of which book he is said to be so fond. It is more than seven inches thick, and was printed in 1772. The grounds have an area of ten acres, laid out by M. d'Aumerie, who also drew the sketch of the chateau and its surroundings accompanying this article.

There are two odd coincidences connected with this gift. Catholic monks built the chateau three centuries ago, and now it will shelter the ex-president of a Protestant republic, who is a descendant of the Huguenots. Besides this, the chateau once was occupied by King Leopold I., who slept in the same bedroom which is assigned to Mr. Kruger.

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Y. M. C. A. Dinner Given.

The international committee of the Young Men's Christian Association sat down to its annual dinner at the Hotel Savoy, New York, Friday. Two hundred representative men from various walks of life were there to hear addresses and reports from the worldwide interests of the organization. Dr. Lucien C. Warner presided at the guest table.

Kentucky Gives Bryan 7,728.

Official returns received at the Kentucky secretary of state's office from 109 of the 119 counties give Bryan 185,938 and McKinley 173,720, showing a majority for Bryan of 12,218. The unofficial returns from the remaining ten counties reduce Bryan's majority to 7,728. The unofficial figures from nine of the unreported counties give Bryan 46,510, McKinley 51,241, making a total vote in 118 of the 119 counties as follows: Bryan, 232,448; McKinley, 225,961.

Six Killed in a Collision.

Six persons, four of them trainmen and two passengers, were killed in a head-end collision between a Pennsylvania extra freight train and the regular Lake Shore passenger train, two miles west of Polk. Both engines were demolished, all the passenger coaches left the tracks, and forty oil and coal cars of the freighft were derailed. Many persons were injured.

Fatal Mania in a Novel Form.

Mrs. Avery of Newcastle died at a hospital it. Laporte, Ind., her death being due to strange causes. About seven days before her death a mania for constantly walking and talking developed and grew upon her to such an extent that she was practically uncontrollable. The ceaseless walking and talking continued until she became so exhausted that death resulted.

Lawyer Asks Fee of $500,000.

Felix J. Hughes of Keokuk, Ia., has instituted proceedings before Judge Amos Thayer of the United States Circuit court at St. Louis to recover a fee for legal services amounting to $500,000 in connection with the settlement of the estate of William Wood, who owned a third interest in the Spar Mining and Smelting company of Aspen, Colo.

Alaska's Population 12,652.

The census bureau recently completed the enumeration of the District of Alaska. The schedules have been received at the office and are now in process of tabulation. The native and mixed population of the northern district of Alaska is 12,652.

Leonids Seen at Evanston.

At the Northwestern University observatory, Evanston, Ill., between 1 and 1:30 o'clock Friday morning, eight leonids were seen, one of which was remarkably brilliant. Before 1 o'clock two were observed. In the observing party were Professors Hough Crook, Holgate and White. Professor F. P. Leavenworth photographed the asteroid Eros through the telescope at the Minnesota State university observatory Thursday evening. The diminutive planet is 24,000,000 miles away.

COLORADO MOB BURNS NEGRO

Torture to Death Murderer of Little Girl.

BODY REDUCED TO ASHES.

Victim of the Furious Men Who Usurped the Authority of the Law—Prays to His Captors for Mercy but Receives None.

A lynching more awful in its detils than any ever known in the south tok place in Colorado Friday when Preston Porter, a negro, was burned to death for the murder of 13-year-old Louise Frost. Never was vengeance meted out by a lawless mob in more deliberate a manner nor the pain so carefully arranged.

Chained to a railroad rail set firmly into the ground in the outskirts of Limon, on the exact spot where his crime was committed, Preston Porter, Jr., or, as he was familitrly known, John Porter, suffered the penalty for his deed. It was 6:23 p. m. when the father of the murdered girl touched the torch to the fuel which had been piled around the negro, and twenty minutes later a last convulsive shudder told that life was extinct. What agony the man suffered while the flames shriveled up his flesh could only be guessed from the contortions of his face and the cries he gave from time to time. The executioners, who numbered about 300 citizens of Lincoln County, had not the least semblance of the ordinary mob. Their every act was deliberate and during all the preparations as well as throughout the sufferings of the negro hardly an unnecessary word was spoken. Preston Ported did not seem to realize the awful punishment that he was destined to undergo. As he had exhibited indifference to the enormity of his crime, so he seemed to lack all understanding of its terrible consequence. Some of the men wanted him stripped to nakedness before the match was applied. The majority voted against this, and it was not done. While he was standing in the crowd the negro was surrounded by men from all parts of the state. They asked him for pages from his Bible. He gave them, and was generous in the extreme. Leaf by leaf the Bible was torn apart and the sheets crammed into the pockets of the relic seekers. Before the fire was satrted the rope which held the negro by the neck was almost entirely cut up. The man holding it was genorous, too, and he allowed all woh wished to cut small pieceseSHRDLUUN wished to cut small pieces from it. These were all the souvenirs to be obtained, as naught but ashes was left of the murderer's body. Kerosene oil was applied to the wood, and after a brief pause Robert D. Frost, the father of little Louise Frost, whose cruelly mutilated body was found a week ago on that same spot, applied a match. For a moment but a little flickering flame arose. Then the oil blazed up, sparks flew into the air, and the wood began to crackle. Almost instantly the negro's trousers caught fire. Even though the flesh must have been scorched, he did not utter a sound. The flames crept slowly upward on his clothing, the sparks flew up in a colud of pale smoke. Porte rturned his head, and a frightful expression changed his face. With a sudden convulsive tugging he stretched his head as far from the rapidly increasing flames as possible and uttered a cary of pain. "O, my God, let me go, men. I've got something more to tell you. Please let me go. O, my God, my God!" The mob was pitiless. The remains were burned to ashes.

Morgan to Succeed Moody.

Rev. G. Campbell Morgan, minister of New Court Congregational chapel, Tellington Park, London, announced from his pulpit recently that he had accepted the pastorate at Northfield, Mass., in succession to the late Dwight L. Moody.

Death Near Kaiser.

While the Kaiser was driving through the Gartenstrasse, Breslau, at noon Friday a well-clad woman threw an ax at the royal carriage. The weapon struck the back of the vehicle and the Kaiser escaped untouched. The woman was arrested. A provisional medical examination of the woman was made, and she was pronounced insane. The woman has been known locally as a crank, but hitherto she has not been regarded as mad enough to be placed in an asylum. The physicians have decided that she is suffering under the delusion that she is being persecuted. The ieda that her act was in any way connected with anarchism has been finally abandoned.

Suicide of J. E. Kitson.

James E. Kitson, formerly one of the proprietors of the Kitson stock farm near Chestnut Hill, Pa., and a son of Commodore Witson of St. Paul, committed suicide by shooting himself with a Winchester rifle. Kitson did not make his appearance at breakfast, and when search was made his body was found in his bedroom. Ill health is believed to have prompted him to take his life. Commodore Kitson in 1882 purchased from Aristides Welch the Erdenheim stock farm at Chestnut Hill, one of the most noted establishments of its kind in the world. In 1888 the commodore died, and five years later his heirs sold the property and it was divided into building lots.

Political Notes.

John W. Yerkes, recent republican candidate for governor of Kentucky, would like to be assistant secretary of war if Meiklejohn goes to the senate.

Senatorial fight on in Nebraska with more than a score of candidates in the field.

Plot alleged to engage Kentucky negroes in crap shooting, arrest them, and keep them away from polls. Case in federal court.

Congressmen conferred with President on project to reduce representation of southern states that have disfranchised negroes. McKinley opposed to idea.

Salt Trust Fights State.

The National Salt company of Jersey City, N. J., through its attorney, Benton Manchett, has filed its answer at Signaw, Mich., to the charges made by the state that it has neglected to file copies of its articles of incorporation or to appoint an agent for service of process in this state, as required by law. In its answer the salt company admits that it has paid its franchise fee of $6,000, but denies that it is legally required to file copies of its articles of incorporation with the secretary of state or to appoint an agent in this state.

Heart is in Liver's Place.

One of the rarest freaks of nature met with in surgery was found by a clinic in the Albany (N. Y.) hospital—that of a heart occupying the place where the liver should be and vice versa. The patient is a German named Charles Schuffel, whose home is in Boston, Mass. Doctors say that it is not oftener than once in thirty years that a surgeon comes across such a case.

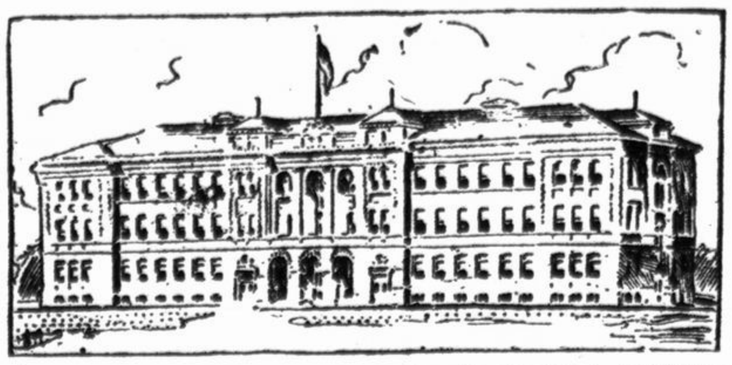
Penned in Midair.

Clinging to a narrow ledge three feet wide, just below the nineteenth floor of the Masonic temple, Chicago, H. C. Marks passed through twenty hours of harrowing torture before his signals attracted the attention of people in the street 300 feet below and enabled the employes of the building to extricate him from his perilous position by means of a rope.

Revival Causes a Suicide.

Jerome D. Knapp, a prominent real estate dealer of Indianapolis, committed suicide at his home by taking strychnine. Mr. Knapp was an active church worker and had been taking a conspicuous part in the revivals now being conducted by Rev. Thomas E. Harrison at Roberts Park church. It is supposed his mind became affected through religious excitement.

THE NEW IOWA NORMAL SCHOOL.



The corner stone of the new state normal school building of Iowa was laid at Cedar Falls with formal exercises. The principal address was delivered by Rev. Mr. Kaye of Oskaloosa and the historical review of the institution was given by Professor D. S. Wright, one of the original corps of instructors and the present head of the mathematics department. In 1876 four teachers composed the faculty. At present there are fifty-three instructors. The enrollment the first year was 155; now it is 2,104. The first appropriation by the state was $5,000; that of last year, $45,000, in addition to the $100,000 for the building now in course of erection. President H. H. Seerley has held the position for fifteen years.

Madman in the Pulpit.

During services at the First A. M. E. church in Marion, Ind., Frank Jordan, an inmate of the county infirmary, who had escaped from the institution, entered the church, assailed the minister, and drove him from the pulpit. Jordan then mounted the pulpit and began to deliver a sermon. The congregation was panic-stricken and ran from the building. Two policemen found Jordan in the church and were compelled to overpower him in order to get him to jail.

Seized as Spies in Japan.

The Harvard men who are reported to have been arrested in Japan as spies while taking photographs of the fortifications there are undoubtedly two of four members of the class of 1900 who started on a tour of the world last August. The party consisted of William A. M. Burden, captain of the 'varsity eleven; Francis L. Higginson, Jr., captain and stroke of the 'varsity eight; J. L. Saltonstall, manager of the 'varsity crew, and Augustin Jay of Philadelphia.