

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

Brink buying of Wabash securities in Wall street.

Kansas Senator introduced bill requiring insurance companies to deposit with State full value of policies. Another bill offered creates office of State Railroad Auditor.

Mrs. Nation wrecked two more saloons in Wichita, Kas., slapped and shook Sheriff who arrested her, and was landed in jail.

Bill in Indiana Legislature to kill criminals by morphine instead of rope defeated.

Interstate Commerce commission, in report, says safety appliance act is being generally complied with by railroads.

John W. Gates of American Steel and Wire denied report that his company would be absorbed by Federal Steel.

Sam Moy, leader of Chicago Chinese, filed petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$12,037; assets, \$105.

Jeffries arrives at Cincinnati. Professor Elisha Gray, famous electrician and inventor, of Highland Park, Ill., died suddenly of heart disease in Newtonville, Mass., a suburb of Boston. He was 67 years old.

Federation of Religious Workers of Chicago, Graham Taylor, president, organized to regenerate city. Will take no part in present "anti-vice crusade."

Growers of Florida are forming pineapple and vegetable trusts.

A study of history shows Queen Victoria was always a consistent friend of the United States.

Credo won at Tanforan at odds of 40 to 1.

Mrs. James Drumgoole climbed over window bars in Union depot, St. Paul, and fell twenty-five feet, fracturing her skull.

Man giving name of J. E. Scottford, Chicago, committed suicide on a Grand Trunk train near Cassopolis, Mich.

Fourteen young women and twelve young men of Methodist Episcopal church choir, New York, went on strike because the minister accused them of flirting.

Schooner A. T. Coleman wrecked off Atlantic City. Crew rescued by life-savers.

Five Chinese slave girls sold at auction in San Francisco, bringing big prices.

Employees of rival ice companies in Milwaukee fought Sunday on the river.

Mrs. Nina Vall, wife of the Rev. Charles H. Vall, who resigned pastorate of Universalist church in Jersey City to preach socialism, will fill the pulpit till successor is appointed.

Government preparing to prevent lawless acts in next Oklahoma rush by laying out county seats.

Three new cases of smallpox in Chicago, one in Clark street lodging-house.

Baron de Rothschild seriously wounded Count de Lubersac in arm in duel near Paris.

Smallpox is raging at Danville, Ill. Population of Berlin joined Emperor in celebrating bicentenary of Prussian federation.

Boats raised twelve days' stage of garrison defended by Cape Town regiment.

Charles Southwell perished in burning of steamer City of Louisville at Benton Harbor, Mich. Murder, robbery, and arson suspected.

Two cars on Union traction trolley line collided on bridge over White River, near Chesterfield, Ind., injuring ten persons.

One cadet escaped hazing at West Point by whipping thirty first class men. Illinois youth had jaw broken. Four children of Benjamin Miller burned to death in house at Pashan, Ind.

Andrew Carnegie to give Syracuse, N. Y., \$200,000 for public library building.

At the annual dinner of the Holland society of New York City former President Grover Cleveland severely criticized the new American policy of expansion, and deplored the war in South Africa. He declared that America and England are both engaged in killing natives in order to possess their lands.

Kaiser and people began celebration of bicentenary of declaration of Prussian federation.

Emperor of China asked powers not to destroy Taku forts, but to occupy them.

Colonel Williams, with one company and a battery, are at Corbin, Ky., to prevent new outbreak of Shortwell-White feud.

Genoas issued at Cape Town placing whole of Cape Colony except few cities and districts under martial law. Civil population will be called on to give up arms.

Scott Wilson, former Illinois congressman, died at his home near Barry, Ill., aged 65.

Governor Stanley says he means to proceed against Leavenworth lynchings, but has not decided how.

In New Inquiry Court, Francisco said he would have been willing to be charged. He admitted having to be cruel.

TO FIND POLES.

About All That's Left to the New Century.

At the beginning of the century Africa was almost an unknown land. The few European colonies scattered along the coast were mostly slave stations. Egypt and the Barbary States, were possessed of an eastern civilization, or rather semi-barbarism, but the heart of the Dark Continent was a sealed book to the world. It was a continent of legend and story, but one of which the outside world had no definite knowledge. Napoleon, with his dream of an eastern empire, had made Egypt known to the western world by his invasion, but the continent as a whole was one of which so little was known that the geographers, after exhausting legend, were obliged in their maps to "place on pathless downs elephants instead of towns." Now nearly every mile of the once Dark Continent has been trodden by the foot of the white man, and the nations of Europe have apportioned among themselves the territory. Railroads and steamboats now blow their whistles upon the deserts and the rivers and lakes where once were heard only the hoarse cry of the slave hunter or the shouts of belligerent cannibals fighting for their human prey. Practically a whole continent has been given to the progress and civilization of the world by the opening up of Africa in the course of the last century.—New York Press.

Valuable Almanac Free. We have received a copy of the new almanac for 1901, published by the Royal Baking Powder Co. It is an artistic and useful book and will be of interest to housekeepers. A noteworthy feature of the almanac is a prediction of the weather for every day of the year, by Prof. DeVoe, who correctly prophesied the great Galveston cyclone and other important meteorological events. We are authorized to say that any woman reader of this paper can secure a copy without cost by sending a request to the company, at 100 William St., New York.

What "Bedlam" Means. The word "bedlam" is a corruption of the word "Bethlehem" and originated as a synonym for chaos at the time when the house of Bethlehem, occupied by a sisterhood in London, became an insane asylum. The treatment of the insane in the early part of the sixteenth century was not well understood, and it was necessary to frighten the patient out of his lunacy. All sorts of awful expedients were resorted to, among them "surprise floods," which slipped from under the feet; "surprise baths," and flogging at the period of most severe illness. Hence the name "bedlam," the result of incorrect spelling, possibly, came easily to stand for awful things.

Cork Tree Renews Its Bark. The cork tree is an evergreen, an oak, about the size of our apple tree, and grown largely in Spain for commercial uses. The bark is stripped in order to obtain the cork, which is soaked and then dried. The moment the bark is peeled off, the tree begins to grow another cork skin, and each new one is better than the last; so the older tree the better the cork. The trees are stripped about every eight years, and so strong does it make them that they often live to the age of 200 years. After the bark is stripped off it is trimmed and dried and flattened out. Then it is packed and shipped to all parts of the world.

POLICE OFFICER RESCUED.

Officer A. C. Swanson of the Council Bluffs Force Tells an Interesting Story.

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Jan. 19, 1901.—(Special.)—Kindhearted Officer Swanson of the local police force is very popular in this city. He has lived here for seventeen years, and has enjoyed many high offices in social and society work. He is now Vice-President of the "Dannebrog" Brotherhood, the largest Danish secret society in America, which combines benevolent with the social features. Owing to the constant exposure and many hours on his feet, which his duty as a police officer makes unavoidable, Mr. Swanson became the victim of serious kidney and liver trouble. He was very bad, but has entirely recovered. He gives the story in his own words as follows:

"I have been a sufferer for many years with kidney and liver trouble, and have tried many remedies, some of which gave me temporarily relief, and others which were absolutely worthless. I began to think that there was no help for me, when my nephew gave me a part of a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills which he had left, saying that it would do no harm to try them, as they had certainly fixed him all right. What he gave me helped me so much that I felt justified in purchasing more, and I grew slowly better. It took almost two months to effect a complete cure, as mine was a very bad case, but I can cheerfully and truthfully say that I am a well man today, and I am very grateful that Dodd's Kidney Pills were thus brought to my notice."

The wonderful cures effected by Dodd's Kidney Pills in Iowa have created quite a sensation in some parts of the state. There does not seem to be any case of Lame Back, Rheumatism, Kidney or Bladder Trouble which these wonderful Pills cannot cure. They are certainly popular here, and the sale through the local druggists is very large.

The Empress of China is said to carry with her 3,000 dresses when she travels. These all 600 boxes, and are taken care of by 1,200 coolies.

PROCEEDINGS IN CONGRESS.

Summary of Legislation in National Body.

MEASURES IN BOTH HOUSES.

River and Harbor Bill Carrying Appropriation of \$60,000,000 Is Passed by House—Senators Allen, Money and McCumber Denounce Hearing at West Point.

Wednesday, January 16. Resolution adopted by house authorizing president to invite Great Britain to join in forming commission to maintain lake levels. River and harbor bill carrying appropriation of \$60,000,000 passed by house. Senate will increase amount. Naval Constructor Francis T. Bowles nominated chief constructor to succeed Hichborn. In the senate Allen, Money and McCumber denounced hearing at West Point in vigorous terms, Money declaring he would kill any one treating him in the manner followed at West Point.

Thursday, January 17. The senate passed bill fixing compensation of district superintendents of life-saving service at \$2,500 per annum, except in case of superintendent of eighth district, whose salary is fixed at \$1,500. Also passed bill extending to Milwaukee privileges of act in relation to immediate transportation of dutiable goods. Rest of day devoted to debate on army reorganization bill. West Point hazers referred to in senate as "bullets" and "scholars of charity." Proctor intimated bill covering offense will be introduced soon.

In the house: Entire day spent upon bill to revise and codify postal laws. It is simply revision of existing laws. Some disposition was manifested to inject into the measure some amendments to present law in interest of certain classes of mail employees, but such attempts were successfully resisted. President signed apportionment bill. The agricultural appropriation bill, carrying about \$4,000,000, is practically completed. It probably will contain a plan for the rearrangement of the Agricultural Department into four new bureaus of plant industry, soil, chemistry and forestry. The president sent in and the senate confirmed yesterday the nomination of Col. H. B. Freeman of the Twenty-fourth infantry to be brigadier-general.

Friday, January 18. Senate passed army reorganization bill by vote of 43 to 23. Strength of forces to vary from 60,000 to 100,000, as President may determine. Special provisions made for retiring Lee, Wilson and Shafter. Several amendments being prepared to ship subsidy bill. Congress facing problem of keeping gold and silver at par. Roberts favors subsidiary coin only.

Saturday, January 19. Consideration of revenue repeal bill practically concluded by senate committee. Brewers' lobby successful. Stamp tax on telegrams may be retained. Senate will reduce tobacco tax. Ship subsidy bill will not be allowed to displace legislative appropriation bill.

Sunday, January 21. House is likely to accept senate amendment to army bill. Senate in executive session confirmed nomination of J. S. Harlan as Attorney General of Porto Rico by vote of 43 to 21. Pettigrew renewed his attack on President and Chandler and Hawley nearly came to blows over appointment. Six contested election cases still undecided in the House.

Samuel Lewis, London usurer, left \$4,750,000 to charity. Estate valued at \$20,000,000.

KUHNS IS A PRISONER.

Notorious Indiana Desperado Again in the Tolls.

Marvin Kuhns, the notorious desperado and convicted murderer, who escaped from the Ohio state penitentiary last November and has since defied all attempts at capture, was run down and secured Thursday night in the little hamlet of Green Hill, near Lafayette, Ind., by a sheriff's posse. The outlaw was not captured without a struggle. He was wounded by a bullet in the cheek by one of the attacking party and himself managed to break loose from his assailants and bring down two of them with his revolver. None of the men is dangerously injured. Kuhns and his brother are now prisoners in the Cass county jail within half a mile of the spot where on the 10th of last December they fought a desperate battle with the officers and got safely away. The two men stole a team last Sunday night at Plymouth and started south. Former Sheriff J. E. Marshall and Marshal T. J. Chaney, as soon as they were satisfied of the identity of the robbers, started in pursuit and traced them to Lafayette. Kuhns is a desperado with a career rivaling that of Dick Turpin. He has been by turns horse thief, burglar, bandit, jailbird, murderer and outlaw. He has been captured frequently, but almost as often has escaped from the officers or broken out of prison. He was born in Noble county, twenty-five miles northwest of Fort Wayne, thirty years ago, and as a boy became the leader of a band of young thieves. During the last thirteen years he has been a prisoner or a fugitive from justice.

Lives Lost in a Hotel Fire.

Fire destroyed the Commercial house at Kewanee and caused the death of two, and possibly three, men. The dead are: C. C. Cotton, advance advertising man for Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company, home at Terre Haute, Ind.; suffocated in bed; head and feet burned; remains shipped to Terre Haute. Elmer Peterson, Galesburg, Ill., brick mason; overcome by gas while hunting the stairway; remains beyond recognition; remains shipped to Galesburg. Missing: Jas. Fischer, Walnut, Ill. Seriously injured: John C. Gruber, Fort Wayne, Ind., contractor; jumped from window in third story; fell on cement sidewalk; hurt about the back and internally. Martin Jacobs, Chicago, jumped from third story; hurt internally.

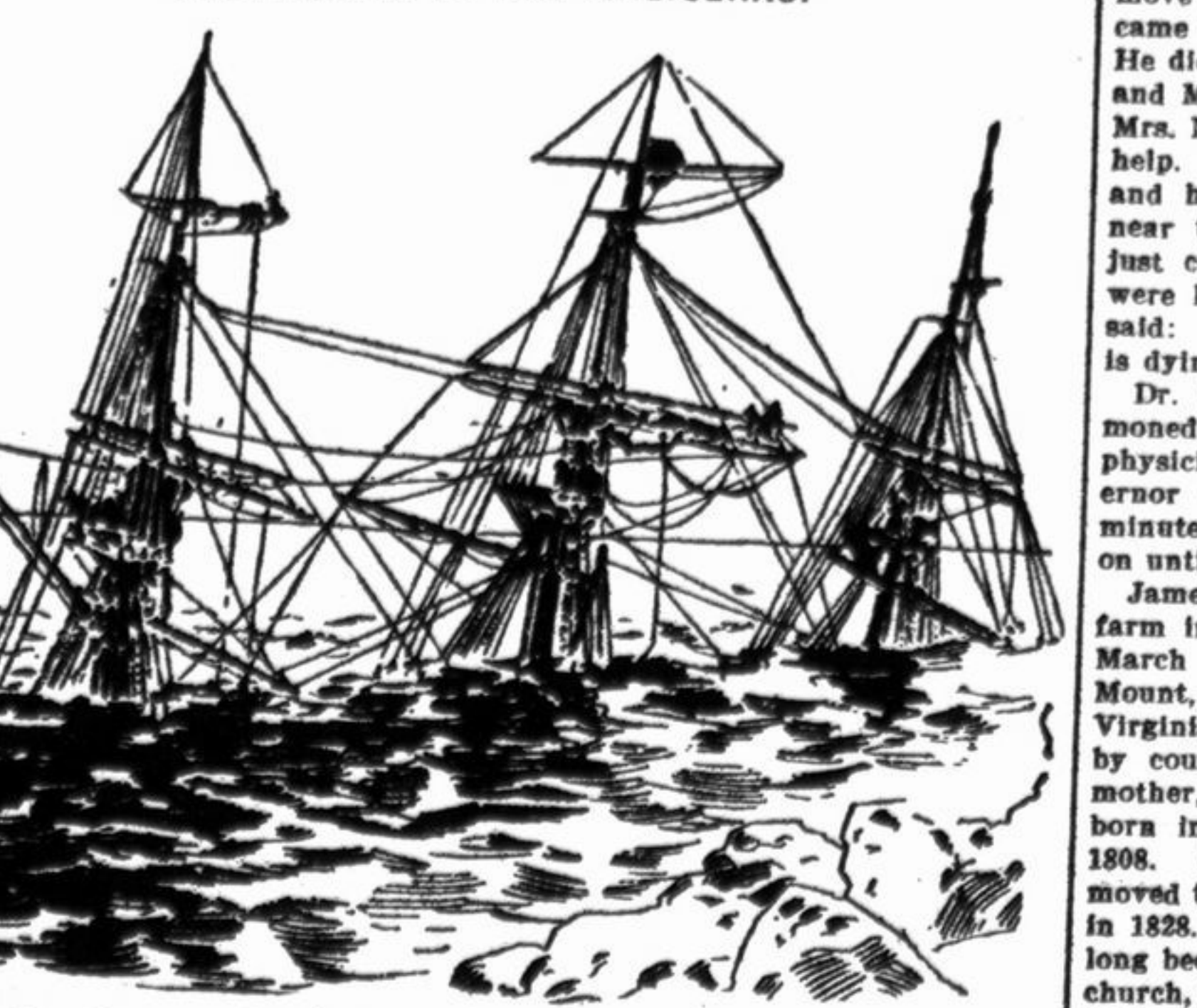
Shingle Trust Is Formed.

A shingle combine of 400 mills was made effective for this year at a meeting of shingle mill proprietors held in Tacoma, Wash. The Washington Shingle Manufacturers' association was first formed last year for the purpose of restriction of the output and the raising of prices. These trust features will be continued this year and another feature has been introduced by which the executive committee will appoint inspectors to travel among the mills to see that manufacturers adhere to the standard grades established by the association. This has been a troublesome matter in the past, the tendency being for some mills to neglect the standard, giving brokers a chance to manipulate prices. The price of "stars" was fixed at \$1.40 a ton and of "clears" at \$1.60.

Potter & Kirkham Assign.

Potter & Kirkham, members of the consolidated stock and petroleum exchange at New York have suspended. Kirkham told his creditors that the recent slump in the market had taken the firm rather suddenly and that few customers "made good" the call for more margins. He was unable, he said, to state the amount of liabilities and assets.

FOUNDERING OF THE GREISENAU.



The marine disaster off Malaga, in which nearly one hundred lives were lost this week, took place in plain sight of shore. People on the beach wring their hands in despair, as they realized their inability to help the doomed crew of the German training ship. They saw the men clinging to the rigging and signaling for aid, but the seas were too tempestuous for any small boat to live upon them.

Acknowledgment for the Filipinos.

A heated discussion took place in the Arkansas house of representatives over a resolution extending sympathy to the people of the Philippine islands in "their heroic struggle for freedom." Members hailing from counties lying on the Missouri border favored the resolution and made red-hot speeches advocating its passage, while those residing in the eastern part of the state and on the Mississippi river worked and spoke against it. It was adopted by a vote of 53 to 35.

Miners and Posse Fight.

A clash occurred near Earlington, Ky., between a sheriff's posse of five men and 150 union miners, in which two of the miners were killed. The miners were marching from Boxtown to the Carbonate mines to stop the non-union men at work there when the fight occurred. The names of the men who are dead are Bill Cook and John Henry Taylor of Central City. The latter has been in the county for some time as organizer. Taylor was shot in the head and died after a few hours.

EX-GOV. MOUNT FALLS DEAD.

Expires Suddenly in an Indianapolis Hotel.

HE HAD SPENT A BUSY DAY.

Delivers an Address at the Wool Growers' Association in the Afternoon and Dies a Few Hours Later—Cause of Death Apoplexy.

James A. Mount, whose term as governor of Indiana expired last Monday, died suddenly in his apartments at the Denison hotel Wednesday afternoon. The ex-governor had been in the best of health up to the time of his death, and the announcement that he was dead caused consternation as the report rapidly spread throughout the city. His many friends, when they heard of the occurrence, hastened to the hotel, hardly believing



JAMES A. MOUNT, EX-GOVERNOR OF INDIANA.

It could be true. There the report was confirmed, and yet it was difficult for many to realize that the man they had seen was dead. Mr. Mount spent most of the day about the statehouse shaking hands with friends. He also delivered a speech at the Wool Growers' association's meeting in the afternoon and was later elected president of the association. He remained about the statehouse until about 5 o'clock, when he went to his apartments at the Denison. He went to his room and then left the hotel again for a walk, from which he shortly afterward returned, apparently benefited by the exercise.

His face a few moments later showed his illness and in reply to his niece, he said: "Yes, I am very sick." "Had we not better send for the doctor?" she asked. "Yes," he replied. "It is my heart, it is my heart."

A message was at once sent for a doctor. In the meantime Mrs. Mount and Mrs. Noel assisted the governor into the bedroom and helped him remove his coat and collar. Then he became very weak and sank back in bed. He did not speak. At this Mrs. Mount and Mrs. Noel became frightened, and Mrs. Noel ran into the hall, crying for help. Senator Binkley of Richmond and his wife, who have apartments near those of Governor Mount, were just coming out of their room, and were hailed by Mrs. Noel. Mrs. Noel said: "Come, quick; Governor Mount is dying. Send for a doctor."

Dr. Runnels, who had been summoned by telephone, soon came. The physicians could do little and the governor expired. It was scarcely ten minutes from the time the attack came on until he was dead.

James Atwell Mount was born on a farm in Montgomery county, Indiana, March 23, 1843. His father, Atwell Mount, was born in Fauquier county, Virginia, in 1806, and moved to Shelby county, Kentucky, in 1813. His mother, Lucinda Fullenwider, was born in Shelby county, Kentucky, in 1808. They were married in 1826, and moved to Montgomery county, Indiana, in 1828. Governor Mount himself had long been an elder in the Presbyterian church, and held a prominent position in local, state and national councils of that denomination. Mr. Mount was noted in his boyhood for energy and industry. His school privileges were meager, his attendance being confined to periods of the worst weather in winter when farm work was suspended.

Bakers Again on Strike.

A new strike of Hebrew bakers has commenced on the east side, New York city, and about 500 men are out. After the bakers had won their recent strike about 1,500 went back to work in 140 bake shops.

Battleship Wisconsin Accepted.

The battleship Wisconsin has been accepted by the navy department, subject to the usual three months' reservation. No date has yet been set for putting this vessel into commission.

During the early months of the campaign of the civil war his boyish enthusiasm was aroused and he entered the army, enlisting in the Seventy-second Indiana volunteers in 1862. He became a member of the famous Wilder brigade, and of his courage General Wilder said he twice volunteered for the skirmish line work during the battle of Chickamauga, when to do so seemed to be tempting fate. He was the first skirmisher of Sherman's army to cross the Chattahoochee river, through which he charged at Roswell, Ga., at daylight, July 9, 1864. His enthusiasm and patriotism are illustrated by the fact recorded in the history of the regiment, that while suffering from the measles, in 1862, he marched through two days of incessant rain, and waded through swollen streams, and also that during three years' service he did not miss a single march, skirmish or battle. After the close of the war, with the little money he had saved, he entered the old Presbyterian academy and, by characteristic diligence, succeeded in crowding the work of two

QUEEN VICTORIA IS DYING.

Aged Sovereign Unconscious and Can Not Be Revived. The queen of England is dying in the imperial bed-chamber at Cowes, Isle of Wight.

It is understood that the physicians have resorted to artificial methods to prolong life such as are used only in the case of persons in extremis. The paralysis is chiefly evident in the face, one side of which appears to have lost all nerve and muscular power. Keenly sensitive to her affliction and appearance, the queen has absolutely refused to see anyone but her nurses and doctors, and it is understood that the Prince of Wales is the only exception to this rule and that his interview yesterday with the queen lasted but a few moments. Hence the exact nature of the malady is known only to a very few, and it is the royal wish that the public should not be informed of the existence of paralysis. Arrangements have been made with a local undertaker to have all the preliminaries to burial ready in case of an emergency.

The Queen Clings to Life.

Victoria was still living Tuesday morning. The physicians themselves could say no more. Medical science had employed its utmost resources to defer the finality which it admitted was inevitable. That these efforts had been successful beyond their expectations the physicians ascribed quite rightly to the superb resistance of nature, re-enforced by the model life the Queen had always lived. The average man or woman of her age would have succumbed at the first attack of the combined maladies, which are usually fatal within a few minutes or hours at most. The one element of satisfaction in the situation was that the dying Queen suffered not at all. That was past, and there remained only a peaceful lingering on the borders of eternity before the spirit should go to its final rest.

Indian Shot from Ambush.

Handsome Elk, the Sioux Indian, who has given the police so much trouble, was shot by Indian police near Oacoma, S. D., Sunday morning and instantly killed. Handsome Elk shot an Indian policeman three years ago and served a term in the penitentiary. Saturday the agent sent an order for Elk to come to the agency. Seven policemen who went after him opened fire on Elk from ambush, completely ridding him with bullets.