

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER

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MINOR EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Items of General Interest Told in Paragraphs.

COMPLETE NEWS SUMMARY.

Recent Happenings of Much or Little Importance from All Parts of the Civilized World—Incidents, Enterprises, Accidents, Verdicts, Crimes and Wars.

St. Louis amended bill in drainage canal case, filed in federal supreme court, declares the diminished flow of water through the channel is additional menace to health of that city, and is violation of law creating sanitary district. Counsel agree on appointment of special commission to collect data regarding sewage in river.

Mrs. McKinley was so much better Monday that the President made trip to San Jose and took part in exercises there. Future movements of party depend upon patient's continued improvement.

The man with the musical heart" dies at Elgin. Examination shows organ to have been four times normal size and that sounds given forth were due to peculiar gland disease.

John B. Forsythe, a well-known farmer of Kay county, Okla., was found murdered in his house. There is no clew to the criminals.

A mob of masked men went to a house occupied by Lee Key, colored, near Knoxville, Ark., and shot him. It is charged that he had been terrorizing other negroes.

Gov. Yates of Illinois has reappointed Adjt.-Gen. Reese and the entire military staff.

Twelve men indicted at New York for keeping gambling houses on evidence supplied by Committee of Fifteen.

Merritt Chism, a rich farmer of White Oak, Ill., murdered his wife as she was about to attend church at Normal, Ill.

E. F. Uhl, former United States ambassador to Germany, dying at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Training ship Dorothea left Philadelphia for Chicago.

Re-election of Lant K. Salisbury city attorney by the Grand Rapids council to be followed by a grand jury investigation of alleged council boodling. Inquiry into his arrest in Chicago, charged with embezzling \$50,000 of K. C. Barton of Omaha.

Men on the inside say J. J. Hill could have prevented crash in Wall street by keeping promise to protect Union Pacific interests in Burlington deal. His foes bought Northern Pacific to retaliate.

Hamburg-American line absorbed the Atlas steamship line, making the former company the largest in the world.

Several big French firms made contracts for American coal. British representatives alarmed at the prospective loss of business.

Powers considering advisability of naval demonstration against Turkey on account of postal question.

Vienna newspaper said Monroe doctrine is being extended to mean Europe for the Americans.

Wife of minister to Persia filed suit for a divorce in Rhode Island court.

Illinois building at Pan-American exposition will be ready June 1.

Chief O'Neill began war on Chicago's street beggars.

William Harris, aged 14, drowned while canoeing off Fifty-fifth street, Chicago.

Hawaiian legislature by resolution asked the removal of Governor Doole for obstructing legislation.

Methodism of crowd at San Luis Obispo, Cal., to shake hands with President McKinley caused panic from which he was extricated with difficulty.

Seventeen persons injured in riot in Detroit caused by refusal of police to permit single tax speech by street orator.

L. D. Hérne of St. Paul, a naturalized Russian, paid \$250 fine for evading army service in native country.

Billy Bradburn made \$1,500 in a Pittsburgh bucket shop and tried to enforce collection with a shotgun.

Expulsion of Italians from Iola, Kas., in a labor fight to be investigated by the Italian government.

Last witnesses heard in Eastman case. Arguments of counsel begun Friday.

Three thousand farm districts now served by rural mail carriers at a cost of \$2,500,000 a year. More routes projected.

Policemen D. A. Sheridan and Albert Swanson of Chicago force displaced for abusing a citizen.

Decision of controller of the treasury will make it easier hereafter to keep out objectionable immigrants.

Treasury officials declared legitimate commercial enterprises not affected by heavy in stocks.

President McKinley reviewed formal parade at Los Angeles Thursday. City beautifully decorated in honor of the visitors. Chief executive escorted by cavalry.

W. C. Levers of Evanston, Ill., will use liquid air to destroy mosquitoes.

British Military Federation decided not to strike unless wages are cut as result of new coal law.

Insurgents in La Tabata province surrendered, ending war in north Luzon.

LATEST MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Wheat—No. 2 hard, 75c; No. 3 red, 72c; No. 3 hard, 70c; spring wheat—No. 3 spring, 70c; No. 4 spring, 69c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 50c; No. 3 white, 49c; No. 3 yellow, 48c. Oats—No. 2 white, 29c; No. 4 white, 28c; No. 2 white, 27c; No. 3 white, 26c. Hay—Choice timothy, \$13.50; No. 1, \$12.50; No. 2, \$12.00; No. 3, \$11.50. Choice prairie, \$12.00; No. 1, \$10.00. Provisions—Sweet pickled hams, 14c; No. 2, 13c; No. 3, 12c. Cattle—Native shipping and export steers, \$4.00; dressed beef and butcher steers, \$4.20; steers under 1,000 lbs., \$3.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.70; cows and heifers, \$2.00; canners, \$1.25; 2.50; bulls, \$2.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.00; cows and heifers, \$2.50; 4.15. Hogs—Figs and lights, \$5.00; packers, \$5.00; butchers, \$5.50. Sheep—Native muttons, \$4.00; lambs, \$4.00; spring lambs, \$5.00; culled and bucked, \$3.50; stockers, \$2.50; 3.50; ewes, new, 1c; cheese, chd, 9c; 10c; twins, 9c; flats, 10c; young Americas, 10c; Butter—Creamery extra, 17c; 18c; flats, 15c; dairies, choice, 16c. Live turkeys, lb., 6c; live hens, 5c; ducks, 10c; spring chickens, doz., \$1.50; iced hens, scalded, 9c; iced springs, scalded, 9c; roasters, iced, 6c; iced ducks, 8c; iced geese, 6c; Veal—50c; 60c; 4c; 5c; 6c; 7c; 8c; 9c; 10c; 11c; 12c; 13c; 14c; 15c; 16c; 17c; 18c; 19c; 20c; 21c; 22c; 23c; 24c; 25c; 26c; 27c; 28c; 29c; 30c; 31c; 32c; 33c; 34c; 35c; 36c; 37c; 38c; 39c; 40c; 41c; 42c; 43c; 44c; 45c; 46c; 47c; 48c; 49c; 50c; 51c; 52c; 53c; 54c; 55c; 56c; 57c; 58c; 59c; 60c; 61c; 62c; 63c; 64c; 65c; 66c; 67c; 68c; 69c; 70c; 71c; 72c; 73c; 74c; 75c; 76c; 77c; 78c; 79c; 80c; 81c; 82c; 83c; 84c; 85c; 86c; 87c; 88c; 89c; 90c; 91c; 92c; 93c; 94c; 95c; 96c; 97c; 98c; 99c; 100c.

Objectionable Booth Moved.

The booth in the Manufacturers' and Liberal Arts Building at the Pan-American Exposition grounds, Buffalo, which has caused so much friction between the labor unions and the Exposition officials and which threatened to involve all the men employed on the grounds in a general strike, has been removed and it is now believed that all the carpenters will go to work at once. The booth objected to is the only one in any of the buildings manufactured in mills where non-union men are employed, and as this is the only cause of complaint that the union carpenters have the officials are confident that there will be no more trouble. The attendance at the grounds today was good, notwithstanding that it rained for about two hours during that part of the day when most of the sight-seers visited the Exposition.

Englishman Finds Strange Animal.

Sir Henry Johnson, special commissioner to Uganda, reports the established existence in the Semliki forests of a peculiar ruminant thought to be long extinct. The natives call this animal the okapi. It is a giraffe-like creature, which is closely akin to the ox in size. The neck is a little longer, proportionately, than that of horses, the ears like those of the ass, with silky, black fringes; the head tapers like and the nostrils are like those of the giraffe. The forehead is a vivid red, and the neck, shoulders, stomach and back a deep reddish brown. Parts of the animal are almost crimson and others blackish in hue.

For School in Jerusalem.

The council of the Archaeological Institute of America began in New York City Saturday. Prof. John Williams White of Harvard university, the president of the institute, presided. Prof. J. Henry Thayer of Harvard university on behalf of the committee on the American school for oriental study and research in Palestine submitted a report. The school, the report shows, is in straitened financial circumstances. An effort is being made to raise \$100,000 for the erection of a suitable building at Jerusalem for the school and \$55,000 of the sum has been subscribed.

Paralytic Kills a Rival.

A paralytic in Puebla, Mexico, suspecting his wife of infidelity, employed two men to help him execute vengeance on her supposed paramour. The prisoner was rolled in a straw mat, his hands and feet being securely bound. He was then carried in the night to the house of the infuriated paralytic, who, still having the use of his arms, inflicted over thirty wounds on the man with a heavy knife, not stopping till the bundle ceased to move. The murderer and his two accomplices were placed under arrest.

Body Accidentally Cremated.

The remains of Mrs. Kate Dwyer, while awaiting burial at Fiqua, O., were cremated in a fire which had originated in a peculiar way. Early this morning the wind blew a lace curtain into the flames of candles set about the bier, and the fire that ensued enveloped the shroud and consumed the coffin, cremating the corpse before discovered by the inmates of the house.

Parvells Sell Heavy Cattle.

(J. V. and C. B. Farwell, of Chicago, who last week sold 280,000 acres of land in the panhandle of Texas to George W. Littlefield of Austin, Tex., have since sold him 5,000 cows, with calves, at \$40 each, and also 300 bulls at \$75 each, which is part of the stock on the land sold.

Riots at Barcelona End.

A dispatch from Barcelona, Spain, announces that order has been restored, that many strikers have resumed work on the old terms and that those arrested have been released from custody.

Armour Buys Big Plant.

Armour & Co. have bought the old International Packing Company's plant in Sioux City, Iowa, and it is understood they will take immediate possession. The capacity of the plant is 500 cattle, 2,250 hogs and 1,000 sheep. The plant originally was built by the Silberberg estate at a cost of \$400,000. It has recently been the property of the Sioux City Stock Yards Company, and Armour's negotiations have been with that company.

FATAL WRECK OF STEAMER

City of Paducah Goes Down in Mississippi.

TWO PASSENGERS DROWNED.

Many of Crew Missing—Accident Happens Late at Night While Boat Is Heavily Loaded with Corn—Stories of the Rescued.

The steamer City of Paducah, bound from St. Louis to Paducah, went to the bottom near Brewhorsts Landing, six miles north of Grand Tower, Ill., Sunday night, after striking a snag. Two persons are known to be dead and several of the crew of the boat are reported missing. The known dead are J. W. Bell of Bella Landing, Tenn.; Miss M. Gardner of St. Louis. The captain reports as missing: Watchman Charles Johnson of St. Louis; fireman, pastry cook, deck sweep, Texas tender, sixteen roustabouts. The vessel is valued at \$15,000 and the cargo at \$75,000. Both are considered total losses. The boat belonged to the St. Louis and Tennessee Packet company and was in charge of Capt. W. D. Kilpatrick of Clifton, Tenn., a master of forty years. The captain testifies that the boat was in No. 1 condition and that the obstruction was unseen. The boat was loaded with corn, meats, cornmeal, flour and groceries. The bodies of the two passengers who were drowned have been recovered. All of the officers were saved. First Mate Tobias Royal of St. Louis says only about twelve passengers were on board, and that all were saved except two. The body of Dr. J. W. Bell was taken out of his stateroom, and the remains of a young woman from St. Louis were recovered from her stateroom. Several hundred dollars' worth of jewelry was found on the body. Only the Texas and the hurricane deck are above water, which reaches to the skylights of the cabins. All the staterooms are completely filled with water. The steamboat drifted a third of a mile below the landing before it sank. The first mate says the boat went down within three minutes after striking the snag. He was on the cabin deck and escaped by climbing through the skylight. It is supposed that most of the missing deckhands, who were on the lower deck, were washed down the river and may have escaped. Thomas Johnston, watchman of the boat, who is said to be among the lost, was 35 years old and had been a steamboat man for sixty years. He lived in St. Louis.

Miss Fannie Block, who is in company with her parents, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Block, was going from St. Louis to Evanston, Ind., was roused about 10:30 o'clock from sleep by a sudden jar. She asked her mother if her berth had broken, and no sooner had the words passed her lips than water rushed into the apartments and they were compelled to act quickly to save their lives. With four others they escaped to the Illinois shore by

holding on to driftwood and swimming. They lost all their clothes and valuables and had nothing but their underwear and blankets about them.

Irish Newspaper Is Seized. The police seized at Dublin William O'Brien's weekly paper, the Irish People. It is reported that the seizure was on account of reflections upon King Edward. Another report says that the organ was seized for a coarse personal attack upon Mr. George Wyndham, the Irish secretary. It is probably for "lese majeste," a crime almost obsolete in England, that the paper has been confiscated. It is surmised that the attack on King Edward was Mr. O'Brien's comments on the civil list, which passed the house of commons, the Irish Nationalists voting against it. Several Irish papers have been seized recently for alleged scurrillity and articles the English administration regards as seditious.

For Shooting a Preacher.

Attorney S. D. Stokes is on trial in the circuit court at Williamson, W. Va., for the murder of Rev. J. J. Wool, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, last December. Rev. Mr. Wool had severely censured members of his church, and meeting Mr. Stokes, there was a heated discussion. A few evenings later several shots were heard in Rev. Mr. Wool's study and Stokes was found standing over the dead preacher. Stokes was wounded in the leg. The attorney claims Wool fired at him first after slapping him in the face, and this statement is corroborated by Mrs. La Neive, who was living at the house at the time and saw the fight.

Pastor Toasts Liquor Men.

In bumpers of beer the Rev. A. F. Sterger, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Evangelical church, Baltimore, drank the health of the Knights of the Royal Arch. The Knights are saloonkeepers and men in the liquor business and the occasion was the annual banquet. The Rev. Mr. Sterger recently publicly announced his sympathy with the saloonkeepers of Baltimore. The Anti-Saloon league denounced his course. The other Lutheran ministers of the city held a meeting and adopted resolutions declaring that the Rev. Mr. Sterger did not speak for the ministry of his church, and they regretted his action.

Many Hurt at a Cross.

The reserve seat section of the Merchants' Railroad show collapsed at Oil City, Pa., while the exhibition was being given, throwing scores of people to the ground. The most seriously injured were Clate Wadsworth, Mrs. Lynch and Charles Stronge, who had their legs broken. Many others sustained severe bruises and sprains.

Workmen Are Killed.

The second fatal accident in the excavation for the new Frick building, Pittsburgh, for the week occurred Thursday. One man was killed and two were hurt. On Tuesday two men were killed. The accident has caused a panic in the ranks of the army of workmen employed to rush the work through.

MOST SPECTACULAR FIGURE IN WALL STREET.



James R. Keene, one of the foremost figures in the public eye during the present skyrocket flights of railroad and industrial stocks, has earned the title of the "Prince of Plungers." Conspicuous in that group of operators famous in Wall street for the last fifteen years, he has made and lost at least four fortunes in the battle of speculation. During his career, and often with his back to the wall, Mr. Keene fenced with the late Jay Gould and such other masters of the game of stocks and money. His recent deals, it is declared, have outdone anything that Gould ever attempted. Mr. Keene has a habit of speaking of millions of winnings as lightly as if he were a farmer gratified over a good horse trade. His fortune today is estimated at \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

Cleveland In Aftermath.

Grover Cleveland, former president of the United States, arrived at Sandusky, O., Thursday, to spend ten days fishing at Middle Bass. With him are Admiral Lambertson, U. S. N.; Professor John L. Lloyd of Cincinnati, Judson Harmon of Cincinnati and Charles Foster of Fostoria, former secretary of the treasury. Wall street regarding his reported Wall street winnings Mr. Cleveland smiled and replied: "I have nothing to say." He declined to be interviewed on any subject.

SUICIDE OF R. N. POLLOCK

The Fugitive Cleveland Banker Kills Himself.

HE PREPARES FOR THE DEED.

Takes His Own Life in Seattle Hotel by Sending a Bullet Through His Head—Identified by Tailor's Mark—News in Cleveland.

Prepared with a dozen meals to cause his own death, a man who has been practically identified as R. N. Pollock, the missing banker of Cleveland, committed suicide Wednesday in the Hotel York, Seattle, Wash., sending a bullet crashing through his brain. Fearing that this might prove unavailing, the suicide, before placing the revolver to his temple, arranged on a table alongside his chair a box of fifty Smith & Wesson cartridges of a caliber corresponding to the weapon, a keen-bladed razor, a two-ounce box of "rough on rats" and a phial of 100 acetone tablets. When the body was found at 2:30 in the afternoon by a chambermaid in the hotel rigor mortis had set in, indicating that death had occurred at least twelve hours before. The remains were found in a rocking chair, with a gaping wound in the right temple, from which the blood had freely flowed, making a large pool on the carpeted floor.

Burned All His Papers.

The suicide made a partially successful effort to conceal his identity. He had burned a number of letters at a small gas heater in the room. The charred remains of the papers were found, but the writing was quite obliterated. Pollock arrived in Seattle Monday night and registered at the Hotel York as James Fisher of Spokane. He had no baggage and paid for one night's lodging, indicating to the landlord that he would leave the following day. Pollock was not seen by the employes of the hotel all day Tuesday and Wednesday. Wednesday afternoon a chambermaid was instructed to enter the apartment, believing the guest to have gone. The door was found to be locked on the inside. It was burst open and Pollock was found dead within. The blood from the wound in his temple had streamed down over his clothes to the floor and had coagulated. The coroner was at once notified and made a careful examination of the room and the body. No baggage or linen was found to indicate who the man was, but upon removal of the body to the morgue it was discovered that within his coat was the name R. N. Pollock and the trade-mark of a Cleveland tailor. In an inner vest pocket were found two railway tickets, one on the Great Northern railway, issued at Grand Forks, B. C., May 3, and the other on the Oregon Short line in Idaho. Both tickets were signed James Wilson. Two tax fund certificates issued by the city auditor of Cleveland were also found with the tickets. Pollock was well dressed, wore a gold watch and dog's-head charm. He had \$30 in gold and silver in his pockets. He appeared to have been about 30 years of age, of light complexion and wearing a small brown mustache. The remains will be held pending the full establishment of his identity.

News Broken to Widow.

Mrs. Robert N. Pollock Wednesday night at Cleveland heard the news of her husband's suicide at Seattle from a policeman, and said she had been expecting it ever since his bank closed. The expert examination of the cash accounts of the closed Cuyahoga bank of which Pollock was president was completed Wednesday, and it was found that the cash account balanced to a penny. It is now thought Pollock took little or none of the bank's money with him.

Probably Ends Watch Trust.

The officers of the American Waltham Watch company, according to one of the directors, have informed the promoters of the proposed watch trust at Boston that that company will not become a party to any consolidation of watch companies. Other companies have declined to go into any trust movement, so the \$75,000,000 combination has been abandoned.

Late Spring Causes Failure.

The Bee Hive department store at Burlington, Ia., managed by the Weber Smith Company, has assigned, with assets of \$9,000, and liabilities at \$5,000. The cause given is poor collections and a backward spring. Two Chicago firms are involved for small amounts. There are fifteen Ohio firms involved.

Not Ready to Stop War.

The war office at London denies the statement published in New York that Lord Kitchener has telegraphed advising granting all the demands of the Boers, with the exception of independence, owing to his conviction that they cannot be forced to lay down their arms without a long continuation of the war.

Harvard Students Fleece.

Stoughton Bell, Harvard '95, in a letter to the Harvard Crimson, alleges that money lenders, in addition to charging students exorbitant interest, make a practice of obtaining from them post-dated checks instead of promissory notes.

Murder Due to a Woman.

Carlisle Shipp was shot and killed at Norfolk, Va., by Wallace Etheridge. Both are prominent men. Etheridge is in jail. The murder, it is said, was due to a quarrel over a woman.

DEATH ON BURNING STEAMER.

Don Voyage Destroyed on Lake Superior—Five Women Drowned.

The Passenger Steamer Don Voyage Caught Fire in Lake Superior Friday Night and was Beached near the Portage Ship Canal.

The flames spread so rapidly that it was impossible to launch the boats or life raft. The crew and passengers all escaped, except five members of the Altman family of Laurium—grandmother, mother and three daughters—who were drowned. The fourth daughter was saved by hanging to a fender. The steamer burned to the water's edge.

Passengers Taken from Wreck.

The passengers on board the steamer Princess Louise, which ran aground at Thormanby Island, just south of Taxnda, were taken off of the wreck, says a Vancouver, B. C., dispatch, by the tug Falcon, which had been hailed as she was passing the wreck. Princess Louise is valued at about \$100,000. It is believed the steamer will be brought off safely if the wind keeps down, but a storm would soon pound her to pieces.

To Do as Jesus Would Do.

Articles of incorporation were issued by the secretary of state to the School of Methods of 238 Sixth avenue, New York. The school is founded on a plan which aims at the practical application of the teachings of Jesus to everyday life. The members—twenty-eight in number—carry on a bakery and lunch room and have leased a farm at Rossville, S. I., where they will raise vegetables for the use of their restaurant.

Illinois Central Train Wrecked.

An east-bound Illinois Central passenger train was wrecked Wednesday three-quarters of a mile south of Kuttawa, Ky. A relief train went to the scene of the accident. The train wrecked in No. 102, bound from New Orleans to Louisville. Engineer B. Keegan was killed and the fireman badly injured. A mail clerk and a waiter in the cafe car suffered slight bruises. The train was derailed, it is supposed, by a broken flange.

Jester Expense Bill Allowed.

The state authorities of Missouri have just allowed the expense bill incurred in the famous Alexander Jester murder trial which was held at New London, Rulls county. Jester, it will be remembered was tried for killing Gilbert Gates, a brother of John W. Gates, the steel magnate. The expenses allowed amount to \$8,135.45, the second largest bill ever allowed in the state, and exceeding the Duestrow case by nearly \$3,000.

One Killed, Another Dying.

At Peoria, Ill., a runaway team attached to a milk wagon dashed into a single buggy in which Joseph Fleming and Joseph Blumb were riding, completely telescoping it. Both rigs were demolished, and the two men were thrown beneath the fallen horses, where they were terribly injured. Fleming, 71 years of age, died as the result of concussion of the brain, while Blumb is not expected to live.

Oratory of Elusive List.

President Eaton at Beloit, Wis., has announced that the faculty of Beloit college has decided to place rhetoricals on the elective list of studies. This, he said, was because of the little interest some students manifest in oratory. He stated that an annual prize of \$50 had been offered to the winner of the annual home oratorical contest to encourage interest in that event.

Visible Supply of Grain.

The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat on Saturday, May 11, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 45,761,000 bu; decrease, 907,000 bu. Corn, 17,338,000 bu; decrease, 1,327,000 bu. Oats, 11,449,000 bu; decrease 1,077,000; Rye, 963,000 bu; increase, 17,000 bu. Barley, 719,000 bu; decrease, 24,000 bu.

Shot by Vigilance Committee.

Dr. Herman, colored, was fatally shot at Topeka, Kan., by a vigilance committee. Herman lived at the home of Mrs. George Hamler, whose husband died under Herman's care several weeks ago. The mob found Herman armed with a shotgun and revolver. The weapons were taken away from him and someone fired the gun at Dr. Herman.

Taral is a Hero in Austria.

Jockey Fred Taral, writing from Vienna, is delighted with his surroundings in Austria. Up to April 29 Taral headed the list of winning jockeys, with a record of eleven victories and five seconds in twenty-one starts. Other American jockeys have done well, viz. Hamilton, with two wins in eight starts; Doggett.

May Have Killed the Wrong Man.

An unknown negro, supposed to be James Brown, charged with assaulting Miss Della Garrett of Springville, Ala., was shot and killed by a number of white men near Leeds, twelve miles from Birmingham. The coroner is of the opinion that the wrong man has been killed.

WHI Reclaim a Vast Fea.

The Holland government has introduced a bill in parliament for the reclaiming of 113,666 acres from the Zuyder Zee, at an estimated cost of 95,000,000 florins. The scheme will add 2,000,000 florins to the budget annually for the next fifty years.

Alleged Express Robbery Fiasco.

The jury at Denison, Iowa, in the case of Jackson and Stovall, alleged Manila, Iowa, express robbers, found them not guilty. The men were released from jail.