

DOWNS 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—Incidents, Enterprises, Accidents, Verdicts, Crimes and Wars.

John L. Sullivan to open a saloon in Buffalo.

Withering heat in the corn belt continued Sunday in some places the temperature of Sunday being exceeded. Not more than half a crop is left, and rain must come soon to save any of it.

Mob at Elkins, W. Va., hanged negro in the city park who shot the Chief of Police in resisting arrest. Prisoner taken from the Sheriff at the entrance to jail.

James Fosburgh, a brother of Robert, related how he found the body of his sister the night she was shot at Pittsfield, Mass.

Admiral Sampson admitted reading proofs of Maclay's book attacking Schley, but did not furnish the facts.

Sixteen fires at Mattoon, Ill., since June 3 cause citizens to fear some one is trying to destroy the town.

Boers attacked Aberdeen, in Cape Colony, but were twice repulsed by the town guard. Hope of European intervention given up.

Ten deaths reported Monday at Chicago as a result of the heat. One man was made insane and there were several prostrations.

First clash in the great conflict occurred at McKeesport, Pa., and was caused by reported attempts of employers to import nonunion workers.

Cardinal Martinelli, representing the pope, dedicated St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church in Milwaukee, the ceremonies being witnessed by 4,000 people.

Heat Sunday reached 103 degrees at Chicago's official thermometer and 118 degrees on the street level, all former records being broken. Two deaths and several prostrations. Heat record broken throughout the corn belt.

German Exchange bank of Chilton, Wis., may pay creditors 50 per cent cash lost in bad loans to two concerns which were allowed to borrow without limit.

Postoffice at Mer, Ind., abolished, releasing Postmaster A. L. Fox, who reportedly attempted to resign.

Eighteen incendiary fires last month at Mattoon, Ill., destroyed property worth \$2,400,000.

Burning ship sighted off Greenland, Mich., but no signs of wreckage could be found.

Man and woman arrested at Worcester, Mass., charged with attempt to extort \$8,000 from Millionaire C. R. Barton.

Rabbi Frey of Wabash, Ind., declares he has invented a car that will travel 200 miles an hour over sea or land.

Union molders in several cities offered aid to the Chicago strikers.

All hope of compromise in steel strike was ended by declaration of J. Pierpont Morgan upholding combine's stand. Arbitration board gave up attempt to secure a conference. President Shaffer still confident of victory.

Letters found in Steyn's captured baggage reveal the desperate plight of the Boers. Ammunition nearly gone, threatened by a famine, and the force in the field disrupted by desertions.

Arnesti E. Gomez, who claimed to be a grandson of General Gomez, committed suicide in the Midway of the Buffalo exposition after trying to kill proprietor of "Streets of Mexico."

International Epworth League convention opened at San Francisco with delegates present from all parts of the world. Welcomed by governor and mayor.

German Exchange Bank of Chilton, Wis., failed, with liabilities of \$600,000 and \$400,000 assets. Receiver asked by the attorney general.

War between the sugar trust and the beet sugar manufacturers of California is about to open.

Toledo passed crisis in his sickness and is out of danger.

F. E. Paulsen of Chicago committed suicide by hanging himself with strap used by daughter for her school books.

St. Louis man went to sleep in barrel of tar and had to be chopped out.

Scattering rains in the drought-stricken corn belt check the work of destruction, but drizzling floods are needed to save the remnants of the crop.

W. R. Miller, station agent of the Metropolitan Elevated road, shot and severely wounded in fight with holdup men, who robbed Hoyne avenue station at Chicago.

President Shaffer charges the steel combine in using its \$200,000,000 reserve fund to sustain the market and thus hurt the strike cause. Federation of Labor promises the strikers \$500,000 weekly.

Mayor Jones of Toledo fined \$5 and costs for contempt of court.

Alexander Bush, postmaster at Mills, New Mexico, has been arrested, charged with embezzling postal funds.

Shelby Fish and Annie Gund were drowned in the Mahoning river at Youngstown, Ohio. The little girl was in bathing and went beyond their

THE FOSBURG MURDER TRIAL.

Youth Charged with Murder of His Sister.

CASE FULL OF MYSTERY.

Family Declares Dead Was Done by One of Three Unknown Burglars—State Lays Claim to Facts—Sentiment at Pittsfield, Mass.

Robert S. Fosburg was placed on trial at Pittsfield, Mass., Thursday morning, charged with shooting his



ROBERT S. FOSBURG.

sister, May Fosburg, on the night of Aug. 20, 1906. The formal preliminary step was taken today when the young man was called before the Superior Court and pleaded not guilty to the indictment for manslaughter. In addition to the fact that the Fosburgs are people of wealth and social standing, the killing of the handsome girl of 18, in the dead of night and under peculiarly dramatic circumstances, was in itself so shocking an affair that the country rang with the story for months before it took on the added interest of young Fosburg's indictment and arrest for the crime. Before that event nobody outside a narrow circle in touch with the Chief of Police and the Prosecuting Attorney here had the remotest suspicion there was anything else in the tragedy than just what the Fosburg family said there was—a plain case of murder committed by burglars caught in the act of pillaging the house. It is the theory of the prosecution that burglars had nothing whatever to do with the crime. The State will endeavor to prove that Miss Fosburg was killed as the result of a furious family fight which broke out in the dead of the night, and that the story of the invasion of the house by burglars was hastily concocted to save the reputation of the family and to avert the punishment of one of its members or a crime which even the prosecution does not charge was premeditated or even, intended, so far as the victim was concerned, on the part of the person who committed it. It is not the theory



MAY FOSBURG.

of the police that young Fosburg, even in the heat of passion, intentionally aimed at his sister the shot which took her life. It is their theory that the shot was aimed at another member of the family, either Fosburg's wife or his father, and that Miss Fosburg, presumably while acting as a peacemaker in the family brawl, came in range of the bullet. There was a guest staying with them—Miss Bertha Sheldon of Providence. In her honor they were having a merry evening and retired close to midnight.

Story Told by the Family.

According to the story told by the family, Mr. Fosburg, Sr., was awakened about 1:30 in the morning by a flash of light and was confronted by a masked man, who held a pistol to his head. Mr. Fosburg struck the pistol away, and then between Mr. Fosburg and the burglar there was a terrible struggle, during which one of Mr. Fosburg's ribs was broken. Mr. Fosburg also received a heavy blow on the head, presumably inflicted by some weapon

hidden to be swung. "Jack" and "Ed" Biddle were sentenced to death in the Criminal court at Pittsfield, Pa., for the murder of Grocer Thomas D. Kahney of Albert street, Washington, April 12 last, and Walter Dorman was adjudged guilty of murder of the first degree for his part in the homicide. Kahney was murdered while defending his home against robbers, and a few hours later Detective Patrick Fitzgerald was killed in attempting to arrest the Biddies.

in the nature of a sand club, and in the hands of a confederate of the burglar with whom Mr. Fosburg was clinched in a deadly struggle. Mrs. Fosburg, Sr. by this time had come to her husband's assistance, and she too was beaten, but beyond severe bruises received no lasting injury. The noise of the struggle awakened other members of the family in their respective rooms. Miss May Fosburg got out of bed and went across the room to the door opening into the hall. As she reached it and was about to step into the hall a man standing on the threshold of the spare room opposite fired two pistol shots, one of which struck her in the heart, killing her instantly. As she was sinking to the floor her brother, Robert Stewart Fosburg, the same who is now under indictment for killing her, who was rushing through her room to reach the scene of the struggle, caught her in his arms and laid her down. Then he, too, had a fierce struggle with one of the burglars, and was struck on the head by a confederate as his father had been. One burglar rushed down the back stairs and escaped by the door; two more of the gang got out of an upper window to the roof of a veranda and so to the ground.

PRINT MONEY AND PASS IT.

Federal Authorities Strike a Queer Snag.

An extraordinary case of dealing in bogus money has come to light, the most embarrassing feature of which is that the perpetrators are beyond the reach of the federal law. The facts were brought out by the arrest of Charles Leonard and Edward Judge at Joliet, Ill., with bales of worthless money in their possession, which they say they got of a dealer in old coins in Chicago. These men are out of reach of the federal government, and unless the state officials take vigorous action the public will be fleeced of a large amount of money, as the bogus note resembles closely government issues and has been accepted in many sections of the country. John E. Wilkie, chief of the secret service, has recently received complaints from operatives of the secret service at San Francisco, Cleveland, Pittsburg, Buffalo, Detroit and other large cities to the effect that some one had secured the plates of the state bank of New Brunswick, N. J., used over fifty years ago, and reproduced a couple of million dollars' worth of bills and disposed of them in the above mentioned cities, where they have made their appearance in grocery stores, street car lines and almost every channel of traffic. Some of the notes thus issued are said to be unsigned and undated. They closely resemble Canadian paper money, are executed on good paper, and are good specimens. Having been made from the original plates, they escaped detection until now. The notes readily pass along the Canadian frontier, as the takers think they are the notes of the Canadian Province of New Brunswick, the words "New Jersey" being printed in small letters.

FIVE IN YACHT DROWNED.

Merchant and Daughters Among the Victims of a Squall.

Five persons were drowned in the sound Friday by the capsizing of the yawl rigged yacht Venetia of Philadelphia at a point five miles east of Sand's point. Two only of those on board were rescued. The drowned are: Arthur C. Colburn, owner of the yacht, Philadelphia merchant; Ida Colburn, daughter of Colburn; Annette Colburn, daughter of Colburn; Captain Flint of Brooklyn, N. Y., master of the yacht; sailor, name unknown. The others on board the ill-fated craft, Mrs. Walter T. Stankle of Philadelphia, daughter of the owner of the yacht; and the steward, James Stanbridge of New York, were rescued by the tug Gertrude, after clinging for two hours to the bottom of a capsized long boat. The yacht was built in 1888 in Mystic, Conn., and was elaborately finished and furnished. She was fifty feet long with a net tonnage of thirty-one.

Awakening at 3 o'clock in the morning to find himself in the grasp of a supposed burglar, Morton Starr Cressy, a Harvard law school student who is spending the summer at Brattleboro, Vt., struggled until free, and, snatching a revolver from the bureau, fired four shots at his assailant. On lighting his lamp he was horrified to find that he had killed his friend and classmate, Stoney Bristol of Battle Creek, Mich., who had been invited by Cressy to stay over night at the house of his grandmother, Mrs. P. Starr, in Brattleboro. It is believed that Bristol, while in a nightmare, took hold of Cressy.

Banker Is Accidentally Shot.

Arthur W. Bretzmann, assistant cashier in the Fond du Lac, Wis., National bank, was accidentally and probably fatally shot while he was handling a revolver at the bank building. The bullet entered the abdomen and his condition is such that the doctors have not dared to probe for it.

Word "Christian" to Stay.

The word "Christian" stays in the bill of rights in the Virginia constitution, as far as the constitutional-convention committee on that document is concerned. By a vote of 7 to 4 the committee at Richmond decided today to preserve the original language.

Beloit Mail Clerk Arrested.

Harry E. Mott, mailing clerk of the Beloit, Wis., postoffice, has been arrested and held for trial on the charge of embezzling 20,000 2-cent stamps.

TWO NEGROES SHOT DOWN

Sequel to the Lynching of the Leader.

BATTLE IN CITY STREETS.

Great Excitement at Cleveland, Mich., Follows a Lynching, Which Leads to Discovery That Colored Men Are Organized and Armed.

Jesse Phillips, labor agitator, preacher and lodge organizer, who murdered young Lucius Reed here July 16, was lynched in Cleveland, Miss., Saturday night. He was captured in the afternoon at Mound City, after a sharp fight with the officers and was being brought here for trial when a posse of citizens met the party and took possession of Phillips. He was at once hurried here and hanged to the cross arm of a telegraph pole. Just as the players were dispersing three armed negroes rode into town, and, stopping three white citizens on the main street, made threatening demonstrations. This was the signal for battle, and fire was opened upon the negroes, two of them being killed, one outright and the body of the other being discovered at the edge of the town this morning. The third man escaped. All were armed with Winchester rifles and were well mounted. During the remainder of the night excitement was at fever heat in the city. All the streets were patrolled by heavily armed men, and any overt act would have meant terrible warfare upon any negro who could have been found. Fears are yet entertained that the lynching of Phillips will breed bloodshed. He was especially active in organizing "protective societies" among the negroes, and it is thought they may try to avenge his death. The work of organizing the negroes has been going on for some time, and it is known that the lodges have provided themselves with arms and ammunition. It has been decided by the whites that it is absolutely necessary to break up these organizations. The enforcement of this decision is likely to be attended with serious results. The fact has developed that the killing of young Reed was a studied scheme on the part of the negroes. Phillips was given the weapon with which he did the shooting by a negro, Gus Jones. Phillips himself confessed to these facts when he was captured yesterday. Papers found on his person disclosed plots to murder a number of planters.

Wife Seen's Sister's Father.

Richard Newton and Grace Nichols were married at Benton Harbor, Mich., on July 4th, and Thursday last the former's mother, Mrs. Phoebe Newton, and the latter's father, Albert Nichols, were wedded, making a strange mixture of relationship. The groom of Thursday is 70 years old and almost blind. The courtship of the aged couple was carried on secretly.

Woman Whipped at Feet.

Lillie Thomas was whipped at the post established by Justice G. L. Walls in Kansas City Thursday. Lillie is about the color of the ace of spades, and was arrested a few days ago on a charge of having abstracted \$3 from the purse of Mrs. Martha Etwell at No. 609 East Fifteenth street, for whom she had been working. The recent succession of extremely hot days planted in Lillie an all-consuming thirst for soda water and lemonade. Having no other means of gratifying her thirst, when she saw a purse with \$3 in it on the bureau at the Etwell home, she resigned without notice.

Snake Skin in Under Arrest.

Jake Skin, the St. Regis Indian, who, backed by chiefs of the Iroquois tribe, held Calquhoun island in the St. Lawrence river nearly six months in defiance of the Dominion government, has been dispossessed and arrested. An armed force had been stationed on the island guarding every point at which the Indians, who claim possession, might effect a landing.

Wealth in Indian Penn.

Indiana this week completes her annual job of packing French peas. This year she has put away between 23,000,000 and 24,000,000 cans that will go out to the markets of the world, and even to foreign countries, during the coming twelve months. Between \$800,000 and \$900,000 will thus be added to the wealth of the state.

MRS. PAUL KRUGER DEAD.

Wife of the Transvaal Statesman Passes Away at Pretoria.

Mrs. Kruger, wife of former President Kruger of the South African republic, died Saturday of pneumonia, after an illness of three days. She was 67 years old. Mrs. Kruger's long separation from her husband, combined with the death of her favorite daughter, Mrs. Smith, last week, had completely broken her spirit. Mr. Eloff and many other members of the Kruger family were at her bedside when she passed away. She was somewhat younger than her husband. She had borne him sixteen children, eleven of whom are still living, including five daughters. In the small, unpretentious house in Pretoria used as the presidential domestic habits were very simple. The president and his wife were habitually early risers.

Woman Strangely Murdered.

Mrs. George W. Lane, wife of a rich retired farmer living two miles north of Canton, Ill., was found dead in a woodshed by her husband on returning from Canton on Tuesday morning. She had been strangled. An examination of the body by the coroner's jury disclosed scratches on her throat, and the imprint of fingers there. Footprints were found leading to the back of the house through a cornfield, and also leading away from the house. A place from which the tracks led was found where some one had been lying, watching the house through a hedge. The object seems to have been neither assault nor robbery. Mr. Lane is 80 years old and his wife was 46.

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EUROPE IS OUR FOE.

GOVERNMENTS PREPARING FOR A TRADE WAR AGAINST US.

Count Goluchowski of Austria Is Being Encouraged by England and Other Nations, Says F. W. Vanderlip, Ex-Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The signs have been many during the past few years that the great powers of Europe are contemplating a trade war against us. The commercial prosperity and it may be added, supremacy of the United States have been gained to a great extent at the expense of Europe and now the old world countries, in hope of retaining their dwindling commerce, are preparing for a trade war. This is the view taken by Frank S. Vanderlip, former assistant secretary of the Treasury, who has just returned to Washington after an exhaustive study of Europe and after extended interviews with its leading men.

"Possibly," says Mr. Vanderlip, "the religious feeling of more than a half century ago which prompted the Holy Alliance under the manipulation of the crafty Metternich was more bitter against us than is the feeling of commercial rivalry today, but I doubt it. If the whole of Europe had been back of the Holy Alliance as the whole of Europe is now back of the feeling that the old world's trade supremacy is seriously menaced, undoubtedly we would have had trouble when we proclaimed boldly our Monroe doctrine as a defiance to European aggression in this hemisphere. But it is extremely dubious, however, that religious feeling is ever so powerful a cement among distressed nations as is the stern realization that commerce is slipping away



COUNT GOLUCHOWSKI (The most bitter foe the United States has in Europe.)

from people that for centuries have dominated the world through that agency. Therefore, I think it not only possible but highly probable that Europe can and will agree to binding terms of trade combination against us within the next few years, and that the result will be the most gigantic and stubborn commercial war in the history of the world. As most of our commercial treaties expire in 1903, I look for the real beginning of the war then in the refusal of most of the continental nations to renew those conventions.

"At the present moment Austria, which never did like us, is leading in the movement against the United States, and I found Goluchowski, head of the ministry of that country, our bitterest and most outspoken foe. Obviously, the other ministers of the old world, including that of even England, are artfully encouraging Goluchowski in his course of opposition, with a view of drawing out fire before they openly declare themselves. For the immediate future our trade prospects were never brighter in Europe. There has been almost a total crop failure in Germany, and from that country we will have this year bigger demands for our cereals and other foodstuffs than ever before. The agricultural outlook is only a little better in France than in Germany, and even in England the crop yield is not very promising. As long as these conditions prevail the European statesmen and financiers who are plotting a trade war against us will not openly avow their hostile intent, but as soon as the continent recovers from its present agricultural depression I confidently believe the tension of war will be soured. The Russians are modeling their tariff system after ours, and in a few years will try to apply it with vigor, but particularly against the United States.

"When the struggle is over, however, the scepter of power will be in our hands, and then the problem will be to keep the distracted hordes of Europe from overrunning this continent and to prevent the desperate monarchies of the old world from acts of territorial aggression in South America, upon which they are already looking with covetous eyes."

His Money Was Missing.

The Kansas City Journal tells this story: "Frank Anderson was for years a well-known commercial traveler who made Galena. He was passionately fond of honey, and the proprietor of the hotel at Galena, at which he always stopped, always had some on hand for him. On one trip Anderson took his wife along, and as they approached Galena he mentioned to her that he was getting to a place where they could have some honey. When the pair were sitting at the supper table that night no honey appeared, and Anderson said sharply to the head waiter: 'Where is my honey?' The waiter smiled and said: 'You man the little black-haired one? Oh, she don't work here now.'"

It is estimated that the 100th of Great Britain spend \$250,000,000 a year on silk hats.

GEN. BUTTERFIELD, CIVIL WAR HERO, IS DEAD.



Gen. Daniel Butterfield, who had been ill for a year or more, died at his home in Cold Springs, N. Y., Wednesday night. Gen. Butterfield was born in Utica, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1831, was graduated from Union college and served with distinction in the civil war. Resigning from the army, he became assistant United States treasurer in New York, and afterward organized and built a railway in Central America. In September, 1884, at St. Margaret's Westminister, England,

he married Mrs. Julia L. James of New York, the bishop of Bedford and Canon Farrar performing the ceremony. He planned, organized and commanded the civic parade on the third day of the Washington centennial celebration in New York on May 1, 1889, the largest movement of civilians in a public demonstration known in modern history. He declined the Republican nomination for Congress in the Tenth congressional district of New York city in 1891.

Two Fires in Michigan.

The big maple flooring factory of Thomas Foreman & Co. at Petoskey, Mich., has been destroyed by fire, together with six million feet of lumber and a dwelling house. The loss is estimated at \$400,000. Insurance, \$350,000. The fire caught from the engine room. The Michigan barrel works, located in the north end of Grand Rapids, Mich., burned with an adjacent lumber pile and a large amount of stock. The loss will reach \$250,000.

Famine Threatens Jerusalem.

"Death and famine threaten the Holy City," says the Jerusalem correspondent of the Standard in a communication, "on account of the scanty water supply, due to the insufficient rains of last winter. The Sultan has granted permission to the municipality to bring water from the pools of Solomon through iron pipes into the city along the line of Solomon's stone aqueduct. The new works were begun today on a graphic orders from the Sultan. They will be finished in two months."