

Downhill Grove Reporter.

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DOWNHILL GROVE, ILLINOIS.



Watkins Newman, a prominent citizen near Jefferson City, Tenn., was robbed, murdered and his home fired.

Herbert, son of David Neher, a wealthy man residing near Auburn, Ill., was beheaded by being caught in a belt while repairing a break in his father's thrasher.

J. C. Sturgis, a blacksmith of Kansas City, Mo., finding Albert Hayes, a boarder, in company with his wife, shot both with a shotgun.

The Assumption day collection of Peter's pence in all the churches of Rome aggregated only \$5,000, much less than had been expected.

James R. Keene and former Congressman Jefferson M. Levy of New York are passengers on the Cunard line steamer Lucania, which sailed from Liverpool for New York.

Fire destroyed the large dry goods store of T. V. Howell & Son and Hicks' stationery store at Hamilton, Ohio, and damaged the Second National bank building. Loss \$250,000.

John Burns, aged 35 years, who was born in Palmyra, Mo., and who recently worked in Hannibal at the barber's trade, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor in St. Mary's hospital at Quincy, Ill. He was in the last stages of consumption.

John Warren was hanged at Groesbeck, Tex., for the murder of Doc Stevens, a storekeeper, whose head was split open while he slept. Robbery was the object.

Buring a torchlight procession at Antwerp in connection with the communal fetes a car representing winter caught fire and one of the women occupants was burned to death. Four other women on the car sustained injuries.

The annual report of the postmaster general of Britain shows that the large total of \$2,375,000 was found in letters undelivered during the fiscal year. The undelivered letters totaled 10,000,000.

The United States district attorney of Kansas has decided that trade checks are illegal and that their issuance and circulation are punishable by a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for five years.

A jury has given judgment for \$250 to a Missouri brewing company against "smashers" who destroyed a "job" at Norcatur, Kan. The defendants have appealed to the supreme court.

The United States government officials have decided not to interfere with Cuba's floating loan for \$25,000,000, though it conflicts with the Platt amendment.

July Baker of Fairplay, Col., charged with killing J. Valle, on whose ranch he was employed, was found guilty of murder in the second degree. Mrs. Valle is under indictment as an accessory.

Charmagne Tower, United States ambassador, has returned to St. Petersburg. Mrs. Tower, who accompanied her sons to America, will go to St. Petersburg in the autumn.

George McFadden, colored, has confessed to the Philadelphia police that he is wanted in Lumberton, S. C., for the murder in November, 1900, of Elizabeth Smith, also colored.

The Sparrow Knoll Lumber company of Kenton, Mich., has bought 11,000 acres of fir and spruce timber land on the coast in Oregon. The deal involves over \$900,000. The company will continue operations at Kenton.

Falleman Tom Orr of Paducah, Ky., shot and killed Frank Buckner, colored, while Buckner was trying to escape. The negro had been wanted for six months for malicious shooting. The officer was exonerated.

Robert C. Hoffman of Newwalk, Ohio, and C. D. McDonough of Washington, Pa., sons of wealthy parents, are in jail at Laporte, Ind., accused of horse stealing.

Wong Yee, a Chinaman, formerly of Chicago, under arrest at Toledo for violating the immigration laws, committed suicide in the county jail by hanging.

Texas is to have its first girls' industrial school, the board of regents awarding the building contract to Dennis Mahoney of Waxahachie for \$42,500.

Following a business dispute William Duvoant, a capitalist of Houston, Texas, was fatally shot by W. T. Merridge, vice president and general manager of the Canabel railway.

The commissioner of internal revenue has demanded payment of \$200,000 war taxes due from national banks and withheld pending court decision.

The war department has decided to withdraw army officers detailed as instructors unless higher standards are maintained by schools so favored.

Scott-Dumont, the aeronaut, left New York in a ball, saying the \$50,000 prize he was after was not forthcoming.

John W. Gates won \$50,000 on John A. Drake's horse High Chancellor at Havana.

Isaac Carter of Bloomington, Ind., was struck by a Vandalla train at Marshall, Ill., and instantly killed. In a quarrel at Anderson, W. Va., William Douglass and son shot and instantly killed B. J. Johnson and his brother. The father and son made their escape.

Corn and wheat will have to be imported in Mexico from the United States next winter. The corn crop in some Mexican states is good, but the general average is not satisfactory.

The body of John McNeal, aged 60, was found in a skiff near Paducah, Ky. He was known from Pittsburg to the Mississippi as "Sailor Jack." It is believed he died from heart disease while alone in his craft.

Henry Glenn of the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf railroad was killed by Cobb Teel in a street car. He used profane language to the conductor. Glenn, who was accompanied by his wife, objected, and in a fight he was shot by Teel.

The Davenport (Ia.) branch of the Electrical Workers' union declared off the strike against the Iowa telephone company, and all the strikers who had remained in town went back to work.

Charmagne Tower, United States ambassador to Russia, visited the United States cruisers Chicago and Albany at Cronstadt.

William Mansfield, a negro railway laborer, while asleep on the track, was killed by a train near Bloomington, Ill.

John Linney, the oldest native Texan, is dead at his home near Refugio, aged 73. He leaves nearly 100 direct descendants.

Mrs. Matilda Oliver, aged 52 years, is dead at the home of her son, C. P. Oliver, near Eldorado, Ill.

Albert Beelow, accused of attempted assault on his daughter, broke jail at Pechontas, Iowa. Bloodhounds are on his trail.

Audrey Newman, 15 years old, was shot through the heart by a guard at the watermelon patch of William Kimbro, near Jefferson City, Tenn.

Herbert E. Hill, the young man who murdered his sister and committed a murderous assault on his mother at their home in Roxbury, Mass., July 8, was adjudged insane and ordered committed to an asylum.

Mlle. Wanda De Bona, an actress of the Comedie Francaise, Paris, is dead as the result of an operation for appendicitis.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to donate \$150,000 for the establishment of free libraries in the borough of Marylebone, London, on condition that the borough provide for their maintenance.

John Warren, a negro, was hanged at Groesbeck, Texas, for the murder of a storekeeper named Dock Stevens. Warren sold his body for \$5.

Major C. M. Studdert and others who were concerned in the alleged fraud and conspiracy in connection with yearnury horse sales in Ireland, have been summoned for trial before the court of Clare county.

The pacer Dan Patch, going against time, paced a mile at the record speed of 2:00 3-4.

The engagement of Miss Vivian Sartoris, granddaughter of Gen. Grant, to Frederick Roosevelt Scovel, cousin of the president, is announced.

The exhibition drill of the life saving crew at Macatawa Park was turned to serious work by the falling of a pier and the ducking of twenty Tracy R. Bangs of Grand Forks, N. D., has been elected supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias.

Charles J. Ross, an actor, was thrown out of Victoria theater, New York, by Manager Oscar Hammerstein after he had called Hammerstein a liar.

The Elks grand lodge has prohibited the holding of fairs and carnivals to raise funds.

Professor Ormond Stone of the University of Virginia, has been appointed by the executive committee of the Carnegie institution as an adviser in relation to original research in mathematics. There are three advisers, the other two being Professor Moore of the University of Chicago and Professor Morley of Johns Hopkins.

Old soldiers of Illinois will petition the next legislature to adopt the Indiana plan which permits veterans and their wives to live together in soldiers' homes.

Mrs. Ignatz Wirschowski and Charles Janaski, the latter an admiral of Mrs. Wirschowski, have confessed at Cleveland that Janaski killed the woman's husband.

Dr. Schweninger of Berlin, who treated Prince Bismarck to reduce that statesman's flesh, has been appointed professor of the history of medicine at Berlin university.

State Veterinarian Knight of Texas has found that charbon is doing considerable damage on the Rio Grande border and has established a quarantine on the infected herds.

Capt. Newman and his son Edward have arrived at Falmouth, England, in a thirty-eight foot kerosene launch, after a perilous voyage across the Atlantic.

John R. Drexel gave his wife a \$200,000 check for a birthday present.

Cuba has asked to be admitted to the international postal union.

Walter S. Cross of Cacapon, W. Va., a private in the engineer corps of the army, failing in his efforts to get out of the service, committed suicide at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., by shooting.

A Russian student named Kalafek, recently released from a Siberian prison, has been surrendered to the Russian police, it being suspected that he was an accomplice in the murder of M. Siplaguine, Russian minister of the interior, who was shot and killed April 15.

SENATORS ADDRESS IRISH-AMERICANS

Tillman Urges Them to Take John Bull by the Horns and Humble Him.

MASON SAYS THEY ARE LOYAL

Challenges Any One to Show a Celt in the Ranks of the Anarchists—Declares His Attitude Toward Boers Has Caused Ostracism.

"We want to fight against this tyranny by physical or moral forces. Stick together, arouse public opinion and make a fight for it. Pull together and you will win."

This was the advice given by United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman of South Carolina to Irish nationalists assembled in annual picnic at Chicago. Three thousand people, gathered in Oswald's grove, Fifty-second and Halsted street, indorsed the sentiment with their cheers.

Do Not Pull Together. "The Irish are like a team of horses," continued Senator Tillman. "They are prone to pull in a zigzag manner. One pulls and then the other. If you, the Irish-American, and the Irish of other countries, contribute your moral forces and your physical forces the question of Irish independence would be solved as soon as you could pull together. Take Johnny Bull by the throat and force him to his knees."

Urges United Action. "God did not make Ireland slave to England any more than he made the thirteen colonies slave to the same country, and some day Ireland will throw off the yoke, as did those brave men of 1776."

"I don't see what can become of this agitation for Ireland in America unless some action is taken. Back your resolutions up with action. I think that England should be made, forced to feel public opinion in every possible way. She has no longer the right, nor never had, to put Ireland under the heels of English landlords and nobles and grind her to death."

Attack on Redmond. John Mack Sullivan of New Haven, Conn., at the evening meeting, attacked the purposes of those who are content to fight Ireland's battles in the halls of parliament, as is being done by John Redmond.

"What a spectacle the Irish people would present to the world," he declared, "if they at last become united in supplicating England for money and a crumb! With a history such as no conquered country on earth can boast of, it is an unthinkable proposition."

is Against Weakness. "How long would that nationality have lasted had we kissed the hand of the conquerors, as this latter day convert to constitutional agitation would have us do, and meekly depend on their generosity for permission to live?"

"O'Connell failed, and, as his successor, John Redmond will fail. Constitutional agitation has always been a failure. The present one will follow those which have gone before. The Redmond government will fail."

Senator Mason Talks. While aggressive action was advocated at Oswald's grove, the United Irish Societies, assembled in the old Sunnyside park, indorsed the work of John Redmond and his followers in parliament. United States Senator William E. Mason was the principal speaker here and was given a rousing welcome.

"No nation is good enough to govern another nation without its consent," said the Senator, a statement that brought the crowd to its feet.

Irish Are Loyal. Mr. Mason said the Irish-Americans were the most loyal Americans. "Did you ever hear of an Irishman turning an anarchist?" questioned the speaker. "There is not a case on record."

He said that when he had denounced the Boer war on the senate floor at Washington after he had been criticized and had been made the butt of ridicule, he could go to just two places. To his wife and children and to his Irish-American friends.

ELDORADO SCHOOL IS TO MOVE

President of Colored Institute Calls Meeting of the Trustees.

Carbondale, Ill., special: President J. D. Alston of the colored normal and industrial institute at Eldorado, where Governor Yates has stationed troops for several weeks to defend the school's property and the property of other colored citizens, has called a meeting of the board of trustees to meet in this city Aug. 20 to take steps to move the school from Eldorado. Metropolis will probably be chosen.

Dynamite Wrecks a Mill.

Sargent, Ky., dispatch: On Indian Creek, north of here, a steam grist mill was blown up by dynamite. Stephen Sargent, Sr., aged sixty-one, and his son, Stephen Sargent, Jr., aged twenty-seven were fatally injured.

Training Ship Arrives.

New York special: The training ship Hartford has docked at the Brooklyn navy yard. She has 200 young sailors aboard who will shortly be sent to different vessels belonging to the North Atlantic squadron.

FRANK ANDREWS IS FOUND GUILTY

Convicted of Looting the City Savings Bank at Detroit, Michigan.

DECLARES VERDICT IS UNJUST

Outline of the Financial Career of a Country Boy, Whose Ambitious Speculation Made Him a Millionaire and Led to a Felon's Cell.

Frank C. Andrews, former vice president of the City Savings bank of Detroit, was convicted of looting that institution of \$1,576,000, wrecking the bank and sweeping away the savings of hundreds of persons in moderate or poor circumstances.

When the verdict was announced Andrews became deadly pale. "It's a terror," he gasped. "It is unjust. I never intended to defraud or cheat any one. God knows it."

The trial had been in progress four weeks. Only two ballots were taken. The first stood ten for conviction and two for acquittal, but the latter two soon joined the majority.

Lived in Fine Style. A few months before the crash came which swept away his fortune and left him in a felon's cell, Andrews was one of the richest and most prosperous men in Detroit.

He lived in magnificent style in a house on Woodward avenue, which cost him \$100,000; he was police commissioner, he owned stock in half a dozen banks, in several electric railroads and in numerous valuable properties, was the vice president of the City Savings bank, controlled a leading newspaper and was the treasurer of three trolley lines.

Lost His Wealth. Within six months he had lost every farthing of his wealth, and to feed his passion for speculation had robbed others of very nearly \$2,000,000.

Andrews was born about thirty years ago in the little town of Romero, near Detroit, and until 1890 his ambition had not enabled him to rise above a clerkship in a country store.

In 1890 he went to Detroit with \$5 in his pocket and secured a job as a clerk in a real estate firm. His push, his tireless energy and his inordinate love for work won him quick promotion, and at the end of his first year of service he had \$2,000 in bank.

Makes Money Fast. Then he went home, married his sweetheart and returned to Detroit to begin "real work."

At the end of two years Andrews had cleared \$25,000 and was still winning. He was placed at the head of the loan department of the real estate firm and began his third year in Detroit as a full partner in the house.

In 1895 the rising young capitalist and financier first felt the fever of speculation which was ultimately to prove his ruin. Thus far he had wisely invested his savings in bank stock, and was now a power in the financial world of Detroit.

Fortune Grows. His fortune waxed larger and larger until in 1900 he had acquired so much of the stock of the City Savings bank that he succeeded in getting himself elected vice president. The president of the bank was Frank C. Pingree, a brother of the late Hazen Pingree, but the actual management of the institution was largely in the hands of the daring young financier from Romero.

Andrews had by this time proved himself a successful speculator, and he was open in his advocacy of that method of getting rich.

Falls on Amalgamated. He speculated freely, bet on stocks with the coolness of a veteran, and as was generally believed, won some millions in his ventures. But the day on which he was drawn into the betting on Amalgamated Copper stock was the beginning of his downfall.

The banker played copper heavily, and by degrees he added property after property to the burning pile. His railroad stocks went, then his real estate, then his home, then his stock in the banks of other cities, and finally he saw ruin staring him in the face.

Overdrew His Account. One day in January last President Pingree took a little trip to New York to be gone a week or so. The first day that Andrews was left alone he overdrew his account at the bank for \$1,000,000 and cashed worthless checks for \$600,000 more.

Then came the explosion, but the buoyant young financier did not seem to care. He was cheerful in his prison cell, and did not worry about the mean things said of him in the papers. Although he had many friends before his fall, it was only with the greatest difficulty that he secured bondsmen for the \$100,000 at which his bail was fixed.

Bridgeworkers Win.

Philadelphia, Pa., dispatch: The general strike of the structural ironworkers throughout the country has been declared off, the American Bridge Company having granted the demands of the Philadelphia strikers.

Celebrate Manila Capture.

Manila cablegram: The fourth anniversary of the capture of the city of Manila by the Americans was celebrated yesterday. All business in the city was suspended.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR FALL TRADE

Adjustment of Many Labor Disputes Clears the Atmosphere.

STEEL IS IN URGENT DEMAND

Trade in Print Goods is Delayed by Uncertainty Regarding price of Cotton on Big Crop—Cereals Maintain High Level.

"Prospects have greatly improved through the adjustment of numerous labor controversies, yet the anthracite coal strike situation is unchanged and supplies are nearing depletion. Distribution of merchandise has met with some interruption, owing to freight blockades, the volume of business being very heavy. Statistics of pig iron production on Aug. 1, according to Iron Age, are more satisfactory than might have been expected, in view of the great scarcity of fuel.

Output Shows Increase. "A weekly capacity of 336,405 tons is 15,599 tons less than the high record of May 1, it is true, but compares favorably with all earlier dates and shows an increase of 32,618 tons over the output a year ago. These figures by no means suggest a serious setback in the industry, but rather emphasize the abnormal condition of demand which finds such a heavy yield inadequate. Southern furnaces have contracted so far in advance that they practically have withdrawn from the market, and all dates for deliveries are remote except where foreign arrivals are offered."

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade makes the foregoing summary of the trade situation. Continuing, the review says:

Steel in Demand. "Pressure for steel is undiminished, and the urgency of domestic consumers is shown by additional imports of large size. Structural material is sought by carshops and bridge builders, while many office buildings and other steel structures are planned. Coke production in the Conneville region exceeds 250,000 tons weekly, and outside ovens are also surpassing all records of activity.

"Shoe manufacturers at the east have received practically the fall orders that will be placed, and new business is now restricted to sample orders in spring lines. Leather has again risen in price and sales were heavy during the past week, not only in sole, but also upper stock and betting butts. Recent violent advances in hides have been fully maintained, and large transactions occurred, while heavy Texas steers reached a new record price.

Hinges on Cotton Crop. "Despite the very favorable reports from dry goods jobbers regarding the volume of business transacted, and the bright outlook for fall trade, conditions in primary market and at the mills are now devoid of incident. Buyers are still governed by the impression that a large cotton crop is assured and the resulting lower prices for raw material will bring better terms for goods. Holders thus far have made few concessions and consequently trading is dull, except specialties.

"Considering the official report of cereal crop conditions the firmness of quotations during the last week has been somewhat surprising.

"Failures of the week numbered 196 in the United States against 168 last year."

BAD BOYS WHIPPED IN COURT

Janitor Wields Rawhide on Twins in Obedience to a Judge.

West Superior, Wis., dispatch: "Twenty lashes across the back" is the sentence imposed by Judge Bailey in the municipal court on twin boys, 13 years of age, who were accused of burglary. The boys are Robert and John Scott, sons of a prominent family. It was alleged that they had committed a large number of burglaries during the summer. Judge Bailey gave the prisoners the option of a reform school sentence or a cow-hiding and they chose the latter. The sentence of the court was carried out, a janitor wielding the rawhide. The father of the boys was once mayor of Superior.

TWO ARE KILLED IN AUTO CRASH

Vehicle Runs Into a Tree, Causing Death of Americans.

Evreux, France, cable: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fair, Americans, who were related to Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., (Miss Virginia Fair) were returning to Paris from Trouville when their automobile swerved and crashed into a tree. Both were killed. The chauffeur became insane as a consequence of the shock.

Realizing Big Profits.

New York dispatch: The profits realized by the Monon purchasing syndicate in the sale of the \$7,000,000 worth of bonds jointly guaranteed by the Louisville and Nashville and Southern roads amount to \$302,300.

Skeletons in a Sand Pit.

Bromley, Ky., dispatch: While Jacob Burk was at work in a sand pit he unearthed the skeleton of a man of gigantic proportions. Further excavation disclosed two more skeletons of the same size.

ILLINOIS CROPS ARE BOUNTIFUL

Wheat Exceeds Last Year's by Nearly Five and a Half Million.

LITTLE DAMAGE DONE TO CORN

Heavy Rains Disastrous to Oats, but in Spite of This the Value of the Product is Placed at Over \$47,000,000.

Springfield, Ill., dispatch: The Illinois department of agriculture has compiled the following statement of the yield and condition of some of the principal crops, the reports having been made on Aug. 1: The area of wheat harvested this year, 1,774,000 acres, is 85,000 acres less than the 1901 area, but, notwithstanding this deficiency, the 1902 wheat crop exceeds that of last year by 5,476,000 bushels, 36,589,000 bushels having been harvested. The average yield of twenty bushels per acre is the largest ever reported and has been equaled but once, in 1894.

Valuable Wheat Crop. The ruling price Aug. 1 of 63 cents per bushel is a little higher than last year and makes the crop worth to the producer \$22,907,000, the most valuable wheat crop raised in the state since 1891. About 6 per cent of the area seeded last fall was destroyed, that little being by water-killing or chinch bugs, which did considerable damage to wheat in southern Illinois.

Rather more rye was planted last fall than for several years past, 114,000 acres being reported. The average yield was twenty bushels per acre and the total yield 2,296,000 bushels. The average price of this grain Aug. 1 was 50 cents per bushel, making the value of the crop \$1,152,000.

Larger Area in Corn. A larger area was devoted to corn this year than last by 124,000 acres, the area reported being 8,201,000 acres. The Aug. 1 condition of the crop is excellent, 96 per cent of a seasonable average. It was thought a month ago that this crop was seriously damaged by the heavy and long-continued rains of the latter part of June, but the injury was overestimated and the indications now are for a very large crop. In the southern part of the state, where there was not so much rain as farther north, chinch bugs did some damage to the crop, but it is believed it is now beyond danger from this source.

Big Yield of Oats. The oats area of 1902 amounted to 3,748,000 acres, not quite so large an area as that of last year. The average yield per acre of thirty-eight bushels is considerably above that of 1901. The total yield was 141,435,000 bushels. The heavy rains were very disastrous to this crop, causing it to lodge badly, and a good deal was lost from this cause.

Part of the grain was thrashed while damp and consequently was sold at a low price, but the ruling price of 33 cents per bushel for good grain was the highest price reported in twenty years. The total value of the crop at this price was \$47,378,000, the most valuable crop ever produced in Illinois.

THE LATEST MARKET REPORT

Wheat. New York—No. 2 red, 76 1/2c. Chicago—No. 2 red, 67 1/2c. St. Louis—No. 2 red, 63c. Kansas City—No. 2 hard, 66@66c. Milwaukee—No. 1 northern, 78@78 1/2c. Duluth—No. 1 hard, 75c. Minneapolis—No. 1 northern, old, 76 1/2@76 3/4c.

Corn. New York—No. 2, 64c. Chicago—No. 2, 55c. St. Louis—No. 2, 54c. Kansas City—No. 2 mixed, 49@49 1/2c. Peoria—No. 3, 58c.

Oats. New York—No. 2, new, 39@41c. Chicago—Standard, 32 1/2c. St. Louis—No. 2, 27c. Kansas City—No. 2 white, 30c. Milwaukee—Standard, 36@45c. Peoria—No. 3 white, 33@33 1/2c.

Cattle. Chicago—\$4.00@9.00. Kansas City—\$2.00@8.25. St. Louis—\$1.75@8.00. Buffalo—\$3.50@7.75. Omaha—\$1.25@8.20.

Hogs. Chicago—\$5.40@7.10. Kansas City—\$6.00@7.10. St. Louis—\$6.25@7.10. Buffalo—\$4.75@7.10. Omaha—\$6.60@6.80.

Sheep and Lambs. Chicago—\$3.60@6.75. Kansas City—\$2.10@6.75. St. Louis—\$1.50@6.80. Buffalo—\$2.25@6.00.

State's Soldier Weds. Springfield, Ill., dispatch: The marriage of Colonel Theodore Ewart, assistant Adjutant General of the Illinois National Guard, and Miss Lillian Bell, a popular young woman of this city, was solemnized here.

Kill Notorious Brigand. Rome cablegram: Lombardo, the most notorious Italian brigand after Musolino, has been surrounded by Italian troops on Mount Ispromonte, in the province of Reggio, and killed after a serious encounter.