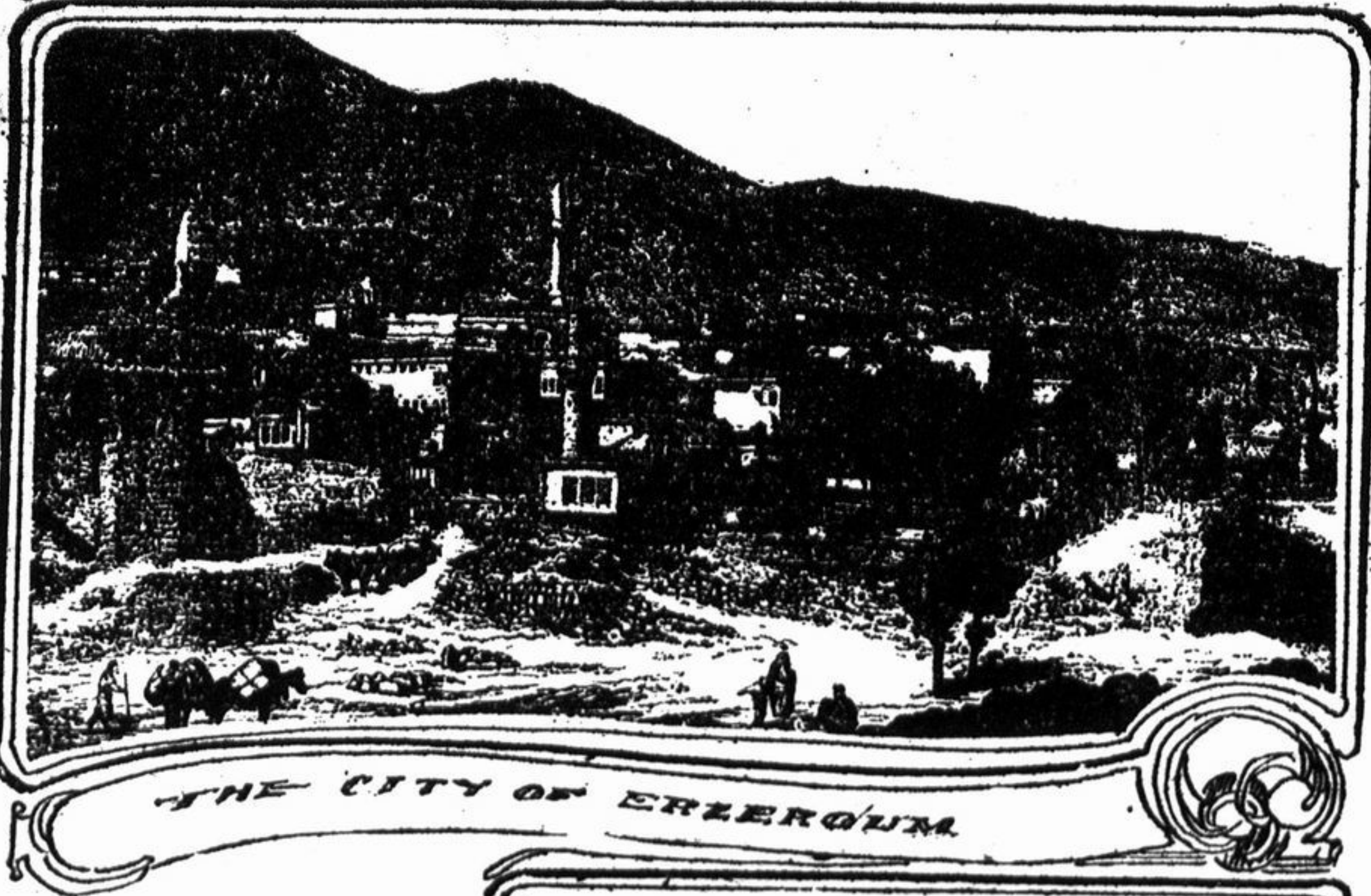


SCENE OF THE EARTHQUAKE THAT KILLED 2,000 PERSONS



THE CITY OF ERZERUM

Two thousand persons, comprising the entire population of Melazgerd, a town in Asiatic Turkey, eighty miles southeast of Erzerum, were killed by an earthquake shock on April 29. The town is a mass of ruins, not a house being left standing. In addition, 400 houses in neighboring villages were wrecked by the same shock. Melazgerd is a fortified post, and the entire garrison was buried in the ruins. The British foreign office received some details from the British consul at Erzerum regarding the recent earthquake at Melazgerd, according to which a strong earth shock, lasting thirty seconds, was felt in the morning of April 29 throughout the entire district between Lake Van and the Russian frontier, and as far west as Kharput. The town of Melazgerd, consisting of 500 houses, was de-



A TYPICAL ARMENIAN VILLAGE

stroyed and much havoc was wrought in the surrounding villages. Col. Khalil Bey, commanding the garrison of Melazgerd, with his whole family, three officers and eighty soldiers perished in the ruins. Lieut. Col. Tayib Bey, whose family perished, became insane.

The telegraph operator who sent the news of the catastrophe said he himself was badly injured and that his wife and sister had been killed. The foreign office has appealed for subscriptions for the relief of the destitute Mohammedans and Christians of the Melazgerd district.

WESTERN CANADA'S IMMIGRATION.

Rapid Settlement of the Wheat Fields Lying North of the 49th Parallel. (From the Chicago Record-Herald.) "Canada has anticipated a very heavy immigration this year, and she now has figures to show that she is actually getting it in a way to meet all her expectations. In the first four months of this year the doors of the Dominion opened to 40,672 persons, according to a report prepared by the committee on agriculture and colonization of the Canadian parliament. This is almost twice as large as the immigration in the corresponding months last year, and fully three times as large as in 1901, the respective figures being 22,482 and 13,393.

"Most of these newcomers have been attracted by the wheat lands of the Northwest territories. They have moved direct to Winnipeg and they have turned that city into a great camp, in which they have been fitting themselves out for the last stage of their adventure for new homes. "Of the immigration of this spring a little over a third has come from Great Britain, the figure being 16,457. This is three times as large as the British immigration of the corresponding months of the preceding year, and it is within 2,500 of the number of immigrants that the United States attracted from Great Britain and Ireland in the same period this spring. As to the remainder of the immigration into Canada, 13,700 settlers came from the United States, a 50 per cent increase over the preceding year, and 10,445 from Continental Europe, a 40 per cent increase.

"These 40,672 immigrants into Canada may appear trifling in comparison with 297,070 persons who entered the United States in the same period, but they are proportionately more important to the country. Canada's population is one-fifteenth of ours, but her immigration is now two-fifteenths as large as ours. It is worth remembering also that Canada's immigrants are almost entirely Anglo-Saxon and Teutonic races, while our immigration is now two-thirds made up of Romance and Slav elements."

"Speculation is natural as to the future of Canada in her relations to the United States when her Northwest territories are filled up, but the one absolutely certain fact of the near future is that the United States is to have a great competitor in the grain markets of the world."

The above editorial article taken from the columns of the Chicago Record-Herald of May 16th, shows the condition of the Canadian immigration, which as pointed out, has had a constant growth—a marvellously increasing growth—for the past six or seven years, until this year, it is confidently assumed the increase to Canada's population, by way of immigration, will exceed 100,000. This is accounted for by the great agricultural resources which abound there. It is no fairy tale, but the matter of fact experience of the tens of thousands bear ample testimony to the wealth and riches in store for all who choose to accept of the opportunities offered.

Those who wish to learn more of the country can secure illustrated atlases, pamphlets, etc., giving full and reliable data issued under government authority, by applying to any of the authorized agents of the Canadian government. These agents whose names appear below will quote you the exceptionally low rates that take you to the free grant lands of Western Canada and render you any other assistance in their power: T. O. Currie—Room 12, B. Callahan Building, Milwaukee, Wis. C. J. Broughton—420 Quincy Building, Chicago, Ill. J. C. Duncan—Room 6, Big Four Building, Indianapolis, Ind. J. M. MacLachlan, 307 Third street, Wausau, Wis.

NEW INFORMATION BUREAUS. George H. Daniels, General Passenger Agent of the New York Central, Booming Resorts. To boom pleasure and health resorts along the New York Central and associated lines and thereby increase the earnings of his department, George H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the Central, has installed information bureaus throughout the country. He is trying this plan of advertising for the first time.

The function of these bureaus is to convey information concerning the Central and the pleasure resorts, and also to sell tickets to any one who may wish to buy. These bureaus have been established in this city, Brooklyn, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Montreal, Toronto, Cleveland, Detroit, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Chicago, Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Portland, Ore.—From the New York Herald.

\$15.00—Texas and Back—\$15.00. June 16th, from Missouri to Indian Territory and Texas via M., K. & T. Ry. Stop-overs en route south of Clinton, Mo., and Kincaid, Kan., up to July 1st. Final return limit July 7th, 1903. See Texas in all its glory—its progress—and prosperity. Write "Katy," St. Louis, for further particulars.

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LEVEES BREAK; LOSS IS GREAT

Thousands of Acres of Rich Bottom Lands Are Under Water.

DAMAGE REACHES MILLIONS

Mississippi River Near Des Moines Forms a Lake Fifteen Miles Wide—Federal Forecaster Warns St. Louis to Prepare for Big Rise.

Keokuk, Ia., special: The flood in the Mississippi at this point and south of here passed all records and became the most destructive in the history of the upper Mississippi valley. The Hunt and Indian Grove levees broke and the districts protected by them are being inundated. The district includes 75,000 acres of the richest bottom land along the river and the loss is conservatively estimated at \$10 an acre. The immense tract of Missouri bottoms flooded early in the week makes the total area flooded over 200,000 acres. The loss in addition to the crop loss includes the damage to the levees, the loss of stock and the destruction of buildings. Loss is \$3,000,000.

The sly levee broke, and now all levees in the flood plain are broken. The Mississippi at the mouth of the Des Moines forms a lake fifteen miles wide and it extends as far south as Hannibal, with nearly the same

The Armourdale Flood association has issued an appeal for aid, saying that 16,000 people are homeless; that they have lost their furniture, clothing and everything, and their houses have been carried off or totally wrecked. Money is asked to be expended for their relief by giving them material to rebuild their houses. At Topeka, Kas., the list of known dead now reaches seventy-one, with thirty people identified. River is on the Rise. St. Louis, Mo., June 5.—Forecaster Bowie said the rate of rise here will continue rapid, and 33.5 feet will be reached Friday morning and 34.5 feet Saturday morning. A stage of 35 feet is forecasted for Saturday night or Sunday. He advises preparing for a 36-foot stage.

OHIO REPUBLICANS SELECT STATE LEADER

Name Myron T. Herrick for Governor and Indorse Roosevelt, Hanna and Foraker.

Governor.....MYRON T. HERRICK
Lieutenant governor.....WARREN G. HARDING
Auditor.....W. D. GUILBERT
Treasurer.....W. S. MCKINNON
Attorney general.....WALTER H. ELLIS
Judge of Supreme court.....A. N. SUMMERS
School commissioner.....E. A. JONES
Member of board of public works.....GEORGE H. WATKINS

Columbus, O., dispatch: The Ohio Republican state convention completed its work by nominating Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland for governor and a complete state ticket.

The feature of the convention was Senator Foraker's speech in praise of Senator Hanna, and his declaration that Ohio would keep Hanna in the United States senate as long as he lived. The resolutions indorse President

KANSAS IS NO LONGER A HOBO PARADISE.



It is reported that Kansas farmers have press gangs out after "tourists."

with the entire distance of sixty miles.

The high water mark of 1851, the highest ever known, has been passed at Alexandria, south of the mouth of the Des Moines, and it is being approached here.

So far as known there has been no loss of life. The lowest estimates on the loss between Keokuk and Hannibal is \$2,000,000 and many place it at a much higher figure.

Brave Hello Girl. Quincy, Ill., June 5.—There are two more crevasses in the levees north of the city, and 60,000 acres of land that were rich in growing crops are now under water up to the rooftops. The town of Meyer, fifteen miles above Quincy, is under and practically deserted. The telephone girl still remains at her post. She reports that a break in the levee is threatened directly in front of the town, and if it goes every house in the village will probably be swept away.

Situation at Kansas City. Kansas City, Mo., June 5.—Estimates of the damage done by the flood are being reduced. At first they ranged from \$10,000,000 up, but now they are all much below that sum. The greatest loss was of the sixteen bridges across the Kansas river, all substantial structures. At Armour's the fires have been lighted. The wheat and the flour in the mills and the elevators was not injured, but 750 carloads of grain submerged on the tracks was ruined.

Miss Stone's Claim Fails. Washington special: Miss Ellen M. Stone, the American missionary, cannot furnish the evidence required by the state department to base a demand on the Turkish government for indemnity and none will be made.

Archbishop Grows Weaker. Fond du Lac, Wis., special: Reports indicate that the condition of Archbishop Katzer is not encouraging. It is said that he is gradually losing weight and physicians cannot agree as to the real cause of his illness.

Bulgarians Crucify Greek. London cable: A serious situation exists in the vilayet of Adrianople where the Turks are searching for arms. A Greek notable failed to pay his ransom and promptly was crucified.

Find Suicide. New York dispatch: Mrs. Ida M. Cournon of North Brighton, S. I., found the body of a strange man still alive hanging by a rope to the transom of a door in an upper room of her home.

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ITALY'S KING A STUDENT.

Victor Emmanuel Has Knowledge of Many Languages.

The most literary monarch in Europe is without doubt the young Victor Emmanuel of Italy. He knows English, French and German equally as well as his native language and has even a reading acquaintance with that very difficult language, Russian. He spends at least three hours every day in his study busy with current literature of every kind. He is said to prefer the monthly reviews to daily journals; but, however this may be, it is quite certain that no monarch alive keeps himself more thoroughly posted in all questions of the day. He has more than once astonished English visitors by his intimate acquaintance with the intricacies of their party politics and social questions, in which he is better read than many members of the British parliament.

ACTRESS TO CHRISTEN WARSHIP.

Miss Florence Worden's Action Will Establish Precedent.

Perhaps for the first time in the history of the navy department, an actress will christen a United States war vessel when, next September, Miss Florence Worden breaks a bottle of champagne over the bow of the torpedo boat destroyer Worden, named after her uncle, Rear Admiral John Larimer Worden. Miss Worden was formerly a member of "The Chinese Honeymoon" company and is now playing in "The Runaway." Her



FLORENCE WORDEN

voices was trained in Europe, and she has sung at Berlin and other European centers. Prefer Elms to Statues. Occupants of fashionable apartment houses and hotels in the neighborhood of the Fifty-ninth street plaza, New York, where the Sherman statue stands, are making a fuss because the commissioners are cutting down the old elms near the monument. Some of these trees are over fifty years old and their beauty is a matter of pride in the neighborhood. "You can buy a statue at any time, but you cannot duplicate the trees," is the basis of the objection. Still the trees are coming down.

OWN MUCH PAYING STOCK.

Municipal Ownership Flourishing in Many English Towns.

In a discussion of municipal socialism the Liverpool Daily Post uses some interesting facts from the experience of English towns, which may be tersely stated. Bath owns its hot springs and has extended the grand pump room at a cost of \$150,000. Harrogate draws large income as proprietor of baths, gardens and theaters. Leamington owns baths and a pump room. Southport draws \$17,500 a year from pleasure boats, toboggan and "aerial flights." Brighton owns a pavilion and an aquarium. Nottingham, Birmingham and Wolverhampton clear altogether \$189,500 a year cultivating sewage farms. Colchester owns an oyster fishery. Bradford operates a hotel. Plymouth owns a theater and a hotel. Birkenhead maintains ferry steamers to Liverpool at a profit of \$50,000 a year. York owns the Foss canal, and Manchester, with \$25,000,000 stock, is principal owner of its ship canal. Bradford has wool-testing machinery. Leicester, Liverpool and Bradford manufacture stone from clinker. Towns, 228 in number, net \$2,760,000 per annum from markets, and Lancaster, Chester and Lincoln own race courses.

HONORED BY HIS COUNTRYMEN.

T. P. O'Connor Re-elected President of Irish National League.

Thomas Power O'Connor, who has been re-elected president of the Irish National League, is the noted Irish statesman, journalist and author who has sat in parliament for the Scotland division of Liverpool since 1865. Mr. O'Connor, who is so familiarly and so affectionately known as "Tay Pay," is 55. At 18 he was a B. A. and senior scholar in history and modern languages at Queens College, Galway. Mr. O'Connor went to London in 1870. He was the first editor of the London Star, the London Sun and the London Weekly Sun.

Famous Wit of the Past.

J. Edward Addicks, who recently withdrew from the senatorial fight in Delaware, was born in Philadelphia and is well versed in the history of the Quaker city. One of the figures of the past that he most admires was the brilliant Judge Peters, who lived at Belmont mansion and whose wit made him famous. One of the stories of Judge Peters that he sometimes tells relates to the presentation to the jurist by a lawyer of his only son. "This is my all," the lawyer said, in making the introduction. "Your aw!" Peters returned. "He is your last, too, no doubt, though I can't well call him a strapping fellow."

Fashionable Set in Alarm.

Swell residents of White Plains, N. J., had just begun to get over the scare caused by the burning of fifteen fine stables there, the fires being clearly of incendiary origin, when someone attempted to poison the valuable bulldog owned by Richard Croker, Jr. Mr. Croker has twenty-five of these high-priced animals and his kennel master found poisoned meat around the building. The incendiary and the poisoner are believed to be one, but what has prompted him to such devilry is unknown.

SLEPT IN ROOM WITH CORPSE.

Negro Stabbed Kid Carson When He Approached Her Bed.

A negro longshoreman, known along the East river front as "Kid Carson," was stabbed in the heart, in the tenement at 143 Cherry street, New York, by Grace Hasbrook, a negro, and died almost instantly. The woman told the police that Carson had visited the home of Ernest Bullen and his wife, with whom she lived, but had gone from the house when she retired at 10 o'clock. As she was falling asleep, she said, she saw the man approaching her bed, and she reached to a nearby mantel for an open clasp knife and jabbed him with it. He fell to the floor with a groan and she went to sleep. When she awoke she saw his body on the floor. The knife blade had penetrated his heart.

She told Bullen about it and the latter called in Policeman Gibbons, who arrested her. To Coroner Goldenkranz she declared that she did not know at the time that the man had died, and while thinking what she had best do she fell asleep and slept until morning.

FOR GOVERNOR OF OHIO.

Myron T. Herrick Named by Republican Convention.

The Republicans of Ohio in convention last week nominated Myron T. Herrick, for governor. Senator Hanna's great friend, George B. Cox of Cincinnati, named Warren G. Harding for lieutenant governor and Wade Hampton Ellis for attorney general as well as being the most potential factor in nominating Judge Sum-



Myron T. Herrick.

mers. Auditor Guilbert and others, especially McKinnon for treasurer, were strongly indorsed.

Successful Editors.

Some bright boys of the Blaine school in Chicago have succeeded in editing and printing a school paper very ably, without slighting their studies. What is more, the paper is said to be on a paying basis. The subscription price is ten cents a year. One boy has secured 937 subscribers in five days. The paper is devoted mainly to school news, and as far as space permits, the pupils of the institution are given a chance to contribute to its columns.