

Downers Grove Reporter. NEWS OF THE WORLD

LAND FRAUDS ARE NOT GREAT Secretary Hitchcock Asserts Their Extent Has Been Exaggerated.

postmaster. It was said at the department that there were no charges of corruption against the Brooklyn postoffice.

ILLINOIS NEWS CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE

The British embassy at St. Petersburg is being renovated for the occupancy of King Edward next spring...

Others Besides Asa B. Thompson Will Be Relieved of Their Positions in the Government Service, but Discharges Will Not Be Many.

Colombians Weaken. Washington dispatch: Secretary Hay has been unofficially informed that there is a considerable element in the Colombian congress...

ODD ACCIDENT TO AN ENGINEER

Plug Blows Out and He Is Drenched by Scalding Steam. Charles Glassmeyer was fatally scalded at the smelter of the Federal lead company, at Alton...

LIVES LONG DESPITE TROUBLE

Victim of Many Accidents Dies of Paralysis at Alton. Joseph Kieboldt, a well known resident of Alton, who was said to have been injured more times than any other man in Madison county...

REPORT TRANSFER COAL ROAD

O'Fallon and East St. Louis Line Said to Have Been Sold. It was reported in East St. Louis financial circles that the O'Fallon and East St. Louis line, better known as the Gundlach coal road...

Sunday being the Feast of All Saints, thousands of Viennese made the customary pilgrimage to the graves of relatives and friends...

MORE DISMISSALS IN SIGHT

Washington dispatch: In discussing the indictment in Oregon of Asa B. Thompson and his dismissal as receiver of the government land office at La Grande...

To Protect Vessels. Washington dispatch: Acting Secretary Darling has ordered the cruiser Baltimore to proceed to Puerto Plata, San Domingo, and protect American interests...

POPULAR OFFICER.

H. P. Caldwell of Chicago is one of the most popular members of the Knights of Pythias in the state. At the recent convention of the order he was re-elected grand keeper of records and seals for the sixth consecutive time.



H. P. CALDWELL

Funds for Methodists.

Apportionment of the sums to be raised by the different Methodist Episcopal churches of Springfield was decided upon by the presiding elders of the Illinois conference...

PRESIDENT OF MONMOUTH.

Rev. Dr. Thomas Hanna McMichael, who has been installed as fourth president of Monmouth college, was born near Brook Hill, Ohio, July 7, 1863...



DR. THOMAS HANNA MCMICHAEL

The First National bank of Toronto, S. D., was robbed of \$500 in silver. James Kelley, alias Brennan, alias Dumm, said to be one of the most notorious bank robbers in the West...

Few Officials Are Involved. Neither Oregon senator will make a defense for Thompson. Senator Fulton of Oregon declared stories of the

Littauer Sees Roosevelt. Washington dispatch: Representative Littauer of New York, of glove fame, was again a caller at the White House, his visit evidently not being entirely satisfactory...

The transport Sheridan, sailing from San Francisco for Honolulu, Guam and Manila, will carry \$2,000,000 in silver and gold.



GAY YOUNG SENATE BRIDEGROOMS. —Chicago Tribune.

Charles Gavin, alias Goebel, aged 48, has been arrested at Hot Springs, Ark., charged with robbing a Denver bank in 1882 of \$30,000.

land frauds are greatly exaggerated. "I don't think you will find many public officials involved," he said. "It is true there is a conspiracy, but it is principally among private citizens, aided and abetted by a few officials perhaps..."

ous of having his case reopened. He seeks vindication, but it is not believed the president will grant his request.

The steamer City of St. Louis was burned to the water's edge at St. Louis. The bartender, known as "Jimmy," is supposed to have perished, and Watchman William Stammer and Frank Watson were seriously burned.

Reports on Explosives. Washington dispatch: Lieut. H. B. Ferguson, corps of engineers, has compiled a report on the explosives used in warfare by the various powers...

New National Banks. Washington dispatch: Certificates have been issued authorizing the First National bank of Angola, Ind., and the Citizens' National bank of St. James, Minn., to begin business...

The strike of the Erie railroad's union boilermakers and their helpers in all of the ships on the system between New York and Chicago is now complete. The men left in the roundhouses of the various shops to do "hurry" repair work were called out by the union.

HUNT TO BE JUDGE.

Governor of Porto Rico to Go on Montana District Bench.

COUNCIL AIDS IN LOVE-MAKING

Aldermen Allow Boys and Girls to "Spoon" on Schoolhouse Steps.

Fire at St. Louis partially destroyed the steamer Lotus Sims, which had arrived from Memphis and discharged its cargo. The crew barely escaped with their lives.

Washington special: Gov. Hunt of Porto Rico will next January be appointed United States district judge for Montana to succeed Judge Hiram Knowles...

Janesville, Wis., dispatch: "Sweethearts may continue their 'spooning' on the school stoop at night at any of the public schools without interference by the police, says the city council. The decision is a victory for Ald. Edward Connell, who has championed the cause of young lovers...

The main buildings of the William C. Newport company's chemical fertilizer factory at Riverside, Del., were destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Postal Inquiry at Brooklyn. Washington dispatch: It is announced by postoffice department officials that before the investigation of the New York office is completed the inspectors will be sent to the Brooklyn office to make inquiry into the doings of certain departments there.

Fort Massac Trustees. A meeting of the state board of trustees to purchase the site of old Fort Massac on the Ohio river and to establish a state park there, was held in the state house at Springfield...

Burglars went through the dry goods store of Jonas Brothers at Madison, Wis., and got away with \$1,000 worth of silks, besides a small amount in money and stamps.

Heath Not a Candidate. Indianapolis, Ind., dispatch: Jerry Matthews, close political friend of Perry S. Heath, said for Mr. Heath that the latter will not be a candidate for re-election as secretary of the Republican National Committee.

Ten Years for Embezzler. Manila cable: Lieut. James W. Walsh, constabulary supply officer, stationed in the province of Visayas, convicted recently of embezzling \$14,000 of government funds, has been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

Humbert Cattina and Martin J. Fishkur, Italian miners, fell from a cage descending into the Minale Healy mine, and striking the sump 1,000 feet below were instantly killed.

Motormen Will Not Strike. New York dispatch: An agreement has been reached between the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and the motormen, which averts the possibility of a strike in New York.

Mrs. William Pohse of Mascoutah was taken to St. Elizabeth's hospital in Belleville to be treated for burns received from falling on a stove seven weeks ago. It is feared that both her arms will have to be amputated.

Wendell Rezac, who on May 28 following a quarrel murdered his wife and then attempted suicide, was sentenced at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to prison for twenty-five years. Rezac pleaded guilty under the second degree.

Attempt to Rob Gambler. Memphis, Tenn., special: Two highwaymen with handkerchiefs over their faces and pistols in each hand, entered the gambling rooms of Harry Strong, but secured no booty.

Sues For Miner's Death. Elias Scuttgood of Springfield has brought suit against the Washab railroad company for \$5,000 for the death of her husband, Joseph Scuttgood, who was killed in a coal mine belonging to the defendant.

The political situation in Japan has been easier since the last conference between Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister, and Foreign Minister Komura.

Indian School Matron. Miss Reecle Henderson of Ashland has left for the Navajo Indian reservation in New Mexico, where she goes to accept a government appointment as matron of the Indian school.

Miss Amputate Arms. Mrs. William Pohse of Mascoutah was taken to St. Elizabeth's hospital in Belleville to be treated for burns received from falling on a stove seven weeks ago. It is feared that both her arms will have to be amputated.

Lord Strathcona, Canadian high commissioner, has accepted the nomination to the chancellorship of Aberdeen university. The nomination was offered to Andrew Carnegie, who declined it in favor of Lord Strathcona.

New State Bank. The state bank of Chandlerville has been organized by Messrs. Dr. Howard Boone, S. C. Fielden, William K. Mertz, J. J. Clegg and Dr. J. G. Frankon, with a capital of \$50,000.

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The French bark Turgot, Capt. Gezary, while leaving Hamburg, for San Francisco, collided in the Elbe with a government vessel and had some of its plates bent and her headgear and figurehead damaged.

Sell High School Bonds. The board of directors for the Centralia township high school has succeeded in disposing of the \$35,000 of 4 1/2 per cent bonds to a Chicago bank at par.

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