

DAYS OF JOY AND NIGHTS OF PAIN.

COL. A. K. MCCLURE DIES.

FAMOUS PEOPLE BY FANNIE M. LOTHROP



GEORGE J. GOULD Photo by Fack Ross, New York.

Remarkable Railroad Career. GEORGE J. GOULD, the head of the Gould system of railways, controls 17,000 miles of track, sufficient to run a road three quarters around the earth at the equator.

Famous Civil War Figure Founded and Edited Philadelphia Times. Colonel Alexander K. McClure, friend and biographer of Abraham Lincoln, prominent figure in Pennsylvania and for many years a prominent figure in politics and journalism, died Sunday at his home in Wallingford, Delaware County, Pa., aged 81 years.

During the Civil War he was one of the sturdy, picturesque figures of Pennsylvania politics and did much to guard the interests of the Union. In 1873 Mr. McClure sought to become mayor of Philadelphia, making a brave fight against the machine.

\$650,000 FIRE; MAN KILLED.

Big Mill and Elevator of Cereal Company at Decatur, Ill., Destroyed. In a fire which started shortly after 1 a. m. Tuesday from electric wiring on the sixth floor of the mill of the Decatur Cereal Company, the entire plant was destroyed, with a loss of \$650,000.

HUNDREDS IN FLOOD PERIL.

Life Lost in the Rise of North Platte River. One life has been lost and heavy property damage has been caused by floods in the North Platte River and its tributaries. The North Platte is at record flood stage, and continues to rise at the rate of half an inch an hour.

WOMAN KILLS SON AND HERSELF.

Wife of Boy is Believed to Have Worried Politician's Wife. Mrs. Elizabeth Sharp, well known in society and the wife of G. V. Sharp, a politician and manufacturer of Salem, O., killed her 12-year-old son, Harold, and then herself with a revolver.

U. S. GAINS IN CANADA TRADE.

Reports Show That British Are Losing Dominion Business. Merchandise from the United States forms a steadily increasing share of the imports of Canada, as shown by figures from Canadian official publications just received by the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor in Washington.

POLITICS and POLITICIANS

Walter E. Clark, a Washington newspaper man, has been appointed governor of Alaska, and William S. Washburn, of New York, has been appointed civil service commissioner to succeed James T. Williams, resigned.

LIFE OF MURDERER SPARED.

Actuated by Wife's Petition, President Commutes Sentence. Through the intervention of Mrs. Taft a Russian named Perovich, who was convicted of murder at Fairbanks, Alaska, and sentenced to die, has been saved from the gallows.

MAN HERO; WIFE SUICIDE.

Husband Leaps Into Niagara River, but Falls to Save Her. A thrilling tragedy and rescue took place in Niagara River between the First and Sister Islands Sunday afternoon when Mrs. Sarah Cohen, wife of Louis Cohen of Buffalo, jumped into the river as her children and husband looked on.

Five Held as Counterfeiters.

Four men and a woman, all Italians, were arrested in Newark, N. J., on suspicion of being counterfeiters. The police found a number of two-dollar bills in a trunk in the house, similar to many counterfeit bills which have been circulated in that city recently.

FIND SUNKEN TREASURE SHIP.

Dredgers Near Fort Mifflin Discover Traces of Wealth. Government officials are agitated over the discovery of an obstruction in the Delaware River, in the vicinity of Fort Mifflin, which, they think, may prove to be a treasure ship which went down in 1812.

ASK ACRES IN DESERT LAND.

Big Rush at Phoenix—Railroad Representative Jailed by Ruling. The rush at the Phoenix, Ariz., land office Thursday resulted in the filing of seventy-three applications on a total of over 20,000 acres of desert land at different points adjacent to Agua Fria River, twenty-five miles west of Phoenix.

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SLAYS FIVE AND HURTS THREE.

Slaughterer at Massachusetts Packing Plant Grazed by Blood. Crazed by lust of killing, Thomas Murphy, a pig slaughterer at the North Packing plant at Somerville, Mass., weighing 200 pounds, ran amuck the other afternoon.

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WANTS A NEW TREATY WITH UNITED STATES

President Taft May Hasten Action Desired by Japan on Friendly Compact.

EXCLUSION IS TO PLAY A PART.

Mikado's Empire Now a World Power and Demands More Favorable Treatment as Such.

The first step in what will become the most important negotiations that have occurred in the relations of the United States and Japan have been taken in Washington by Ambassador Takihira, the representative of the Emperor of the far Eastern people.

The humiliation of Russia added to the prestige of Japan, and the latter now appears in the council of the powers, their equal in standing, and seeks to have the treaties between them and her modified in accordance with her international position.

There is a tactical advantage in this situation for the United States, since the first difficulties connected with the negotiations will be thrown upon Great Britain, which must arrange a new treaty to become effective in 1911.

Consequently it may be decided by President Taft as a mark of friendship to Japan to agree to the termination of the present treaty in 1911 and to enter upon new negotiations next year.

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