

KIDNAPPING AND MURDER.

Young Boy Stolen and then Killed to Prevent Discovery - Slashed Seven Times - Contest of the Crime

LONDON, Oct. 12.—The particulars of a most atrocious crime, committed a short time ago...

MURDER CONFESSED.

William Marianne de Jongh, clerk to the Minister of the Colonies at the Hague...

PLANNING THE CRIME.

He said that on September 23rd, before he committed the crime, and before he was in possession of the boy, he wrote the letter referred to...

THE KIDNAPPING.

"Do you know me?" he asked of the boy. "To be sure," the latter replied, "I have often met you in the park."

THE MURDER.

When they arrived on the downs the murderer sought a quiet place, where he threw the boy on the ground, bound his hands and feet with cord...

MOTIVES FOR THE CRIME.

After his avowal of his crimes his father asked him what motives he had for the horrible deed. He answered that he was poor...

LUNENBURG, N. S.

Trial of Robert Smith for Murder.

HALIFAX, Oct. 13.—The trial of Robert Smith, for murder, was continued at Lunenburg today. One witness for the prosecution proved that Smith, about sundown, took his gun and ammunition and went out of his house...

Victims of the Fire.

HALIFAX, Oct. 15.—About eight o'clock on Tuesday morning the Picton jail was attacked by a fire which broke out in the lower cells. He went down and found the five prisoners in the cells pretty well smoked by a burning stove which they had set on fire...

Even if they are ruining the country members of the coal oil ring are co-loyal to each other.

Venor predicts a warm sunny November. With he hadn't, it is sure to be the other way.

In the Austrian, German, French, Italian and other European armies, regimental officers may not wear the objects of their affections until they shall have deposited a certain sum of money...

DISASTERS AND CRIMES.

New York, Oct. 14.—Michael Lynch, aged 48, who lost all his savings for the past 25 years in bets on the Indiana election...

Belleville, Oct. 14.—Several accidents occurred on the driving track at the East Hastings Fair yesterday. Mrs. Harford Ashley was thrown from her buggy...

Dublin, Oct. 14.—A sad accident, with fatal results, has occurred within three miles of this place. It seems that Mr. R. Carpenter was hauling a large stack of timber to the railway station...

New York, Oct. 14.—Robt. Smith, a boy of 14, was caught opening a box at the post-office belonging to Schumaker & Krone, cotton brokers...

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WOMEN AND LADIES.

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LATE NEWS.

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

—Ice manufacturing machines have been sent out to military posts in Central Asia, to supply the Russian troops with ice in hot weather.

—Under the direction of a chemist, the fatty matters contained in the suets from Paris laundries are collected and utilized in the manufacture of toilet soaps.

—Montigny finds that a very vivid scintillation is produced in the atmosphere when a fall of temperature in the upper regions of the air, and consequently the approach of bad weather.

—During a recent ascent from Rouen, a balloonist tried the experiment of photographing the land over which he was passing, and succeeded in securing a dozen or more finely executed views.

—Among the late arrivals at the London Zoo, a large lizard is a most interesting specimen. This gigantic insect is found in South American forests. It is covered with hair, and has a body three inches long, with less in proportion. Its natural food consists of mice and small birds.

—Prof. Marks recently made some calculations as to the maximum speed at which locomotive engines could be driven before the centrifugal force acting on the tires of the wheels would become so great as to cause them to burst. These calculations gave a limit of speed in the neighborhood of 150 miles an hour.

—Prof. Palmieri considers it proven that great earthquakes are always preceded by preliminary tremblings; and he believes that, by means of telegraphically connected stations for observing and reporting these tremblings, it would be possible to foretell earthquakes just as storms are now predicted, and to issue warnings to threatened districts probably as much as three days in advance.

—English skaters are now trying a new skating surface, called "crystal ice." It is solid at all atmospheric temperatures. It consists chiefly of a mixture of carbonate and sulphate of soda, which forms a crystalline mass when the water is frozen. The friction is upon ordinary ice. When the surface becomes worn and rough, it is readily smoothed by a special steaming apparatus. A floor of this material will last many years at slight expense.

—It has just been shown that the sounds the woodpecker produces by striking its bill against the trunk of a tree, are as pure as any place of sound in other birds, and have no connection with the quest for food. It carefully selects the spots on partially decayed trunks from which the most sonorous sounds may be produced, and frequents the same places day after day. This is probably the only case among the birds in which the note in which the vocal is replaced by instrumental music.

—It is the general practice to judge of the wholeness of water by the quantity of organic matter which chemical analysis shows it to contain. Hence the opinion expressed by Prof. Huxley is somewhat startling. He says that water may be as pure as any water regards chemical analysis, and yet, as regards the human body, be as deadly as prussic acid; and on the other hand may be chemically pure and yet do no harm to any one. That is, much organic matter is harmless, while the particular forms which produce disease are not so.

—In San Salvador more than 600 shocks of earthquake were felt during the last ten days of 1879. They were the severest on record since 1825. In the Lake Chapala region, the shock broke the telegraph wire, made the ground a network of cracks, opened new springs, increased the rivulets to ten times their usual volume, muddied the water of the lake, and rolled hundreds of thousands of tons of rocks down the steep banks of the river. The volcanic island of Itepec, in the middle of the lake on the nights of January 21st and 22nd, and now remains as a volcanic island of five acres in extent.

—On the slopes of the volcano of San Salvador, in Central America, exists a curious intermittent spring. It is known to the natives as "La Fuente de las Indias." During seven consecutive years sufficient water flows from it to form a veritable river, when, at a fixed time, the water disappears, and the river bed becomes dry and dusty. At the end of another period of seven years the flow again commences. A period of seven years' drought, which began in 1873, and was succeeded by a period of drought from 1873 to 1880. In January of the year the water reappeared. Science is not unacquainted with such phenomena, but the length and regularity of the period of intermittence in this case are remarkable.

—A New York correspondent writes:—"Mr. Daly, whose heart was made glad with the large success of 'Our First Families,' is having his joy slightly tempered at present by an unpleasant prospect, which is steadily throughout the ages. If the world could only understand the foolishness, they might make the world go their own way; but the foolishness of the world is the wisest and keeping their thoughts to themselves.

—A London correspondent at Cattaro has received news from Cattaro that the Montenegrins, before occupying Dulcigno desire a guarantee that they will not be attacked by the Albanians.

—In the matter of the Cuban chief Calixto Garcia, in the Council of the Ministers presided over by the king, was this week decided that the Spanish Government do not further object to an act of royal clemency for all Cubans transported to Spain under surveillance for political offences, provided General Blanco approves of such a measure. This opinion has been asked for by telegram already. At the request of Calixto Garcia, his secretary was set free in Alicante on Thursday. The Cabinet is now disposed toward a policy of conciliation in Cuba, and has instructed the director of the Treasury in Havana to examine with the Governor-General whether the estimates will admit of a reduction in the export duties there next year.