

CHICAGO'S "SWEAT-BOX."

Public Aroused Over Police Torture Methods.

PRISONER FRIGHTFULLY ABUSED

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 25.—The police methods pursued in securing confessions from suspected criminals in Chicago have caused a burst of indignation in this city that threatens to cause an investigation. The attention of the public was called to the bar- baric practice of extorting evidence by the published reports of the "sweating" of prisoners in a recent sensational murder case here. From day to day reports of the pressure being put on the suspected criminals were published until the press called upon the higher authorities to put a stop to methods which were "a disgrace to the dark ages, and which had no place among enlightened people." Cases were recited where prisoners had been treated in the most shameful manner, beaten and starved, kept awake in the glare of the electric lights for days at a time, in order to force them to give the police what they considered "confessions" in this manner. From the men generally in Chicago expressed their horror at the revelation.

Heard Cries for Mercy.
From the statements of the newspaper men who frequent the police headquarters of the city the application of the "third degree" in order to obtain confessions is the rule rather than the exception. Frightful stories are told of the excruciating agony endured by the police suspects who are strung up by the thumbs, kicked and clubbed until their cries for mercy can be heard beyond the confines of the cells in which they are held. The central station is painted a veritable chamber of horrors, where torture is regularly administered to miserable wretches who have no influence or standing in society.

Worse Than Murder.
Specific instances are related where men have passed into the "third degree" chamber here erect and firm, only to be brought out later in a complete state of collapse, trembling with terror and bleeding from cuts and bruises. A number have been driven insane by the atrocious treatment.

The police officials do not deny the severe methods and defend their action upon the ground that it is necessary to deal with hardened criminals. Confessions obtained in this manner are regularly repudiated by the criminals on the witness stand, and they assert that they made them under torture and to escape further abuse.

SENATOR McMILLAN'S WILL

His Estate Said to Total \$10,000,000.

HOW IT WAS DISPOSED OF

Detroit, Mich., dispatch: The will of the late Senator James McMillan, disposing of an estate variously estimated at from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000, was filed for probate to-day. It contains these public bequests:

To the Home of the Friendless, the Woman's Hospital and Foundlings' Home, the Children's Free Hospital Association and the Little Sisters of the Poor, \$1,000 each; to Grace Hospital, \$60,000.

The Jefferson avenue home in this city is left to his widow, and she is also given a life interest in the Eaglehead property at Manchester-on-the-Sec, Mass. Gifts of \$1,000 each are made to his son-in-law, daughter-in-law and nephews and nieces. George H. Black, Charles Moore and Richard Rice, are left \$5,000 each. All other employees in the Detroit office are left \$250 each. Bequests of \$100 and \$200 are made to all the family servants.

Major Portion to Widow.
All the rest of his personal estate is bequeathed to the Senator's wife and to his sons, W. C. McMillan, Philip McMillan and Francis W. McMillan, and to their survivors as trustees, to hold until the death of the survivor of the Senator's children, unless they see fit to terminate the trust.

The trustees are to pay to the Senator's wife, during her lifetime, one-half of the net income of the trust property, less the amount of certain property, valued at about \$500,000, remainder to his wife and the remainder to his children, W. C. Amy, Philip H. and Francis W. McMillan, and to his grandchild, Gladys McMillan.

TRADE WITH AFRICA.

Canadian Flour in Good Demand There,

ALSO COTTON AND SHOES

A Montreal despatch says there is general satisfaction among the members of the Board of Trade that the Government has arranged a regular service between Canada and South Africa. With the exception of the cable to the Canadian Manufacturers' Association from Sir William Mulock little or no information has been received, but, notwithstanding this, the freight departments of the C. P. R., the G. T. R. and the I. C. R. are unanimous in stating that the new service will be a good thing for Canada, and that they will do everything in their power to provide the steamship people with the necessary freight. Upon receipt of the news Mr. Andrew A. Allan telegraphed to New

York for South African rates, but has not yet received a reply. Subsequently the three lines interested held a meeting at the offices of the Furness Line to talk over the situation. Mr. Thom, manager of the latter company, stated that the announcement was to them as a thunderclap. "We had absolutely no warning of it, and we have no news beyond the mere cablegram announcing the fact." On change the announcement was well received, and although many leading business men are not so sanguine as those on the "floor" are out there was now a splendid thought there was now a splendid opening for Canada, more especially in view of the encouraging report of Mr. J. J. Jardine, the Canadian trade commissioner in South Africa. Canadian exports were very large during the war, and many firms, including boot and shoe manufacturers and cotton men, have received repeat orders, which they have been unable to fill owing to the lack of commodities. Both the Ogilvie and the Lake of the Woods Milling Companies are preparing to send large shipments of flour to the Canadian article having given immense satisfaction there, and commanding a large market during the war. Over 250,000 sacks of Canadian flour were shipped last year. Canada sold something over \$10,000,000 worth of flour to South Africa. Of course much of this was for war consumption, but advice received by a leading produce broker here this week states that the outlook, especially in the Transvaal, for breadstuffs is excellent.

BOER LEADERS IN HOLLAND.

Botha Said They are the Dependencies of Ruined People.

NO ANTI-BRITISH SPEECHES.

The Hague, Aug. 25.—A public reception was accorded the Boer generals on their arrival here to-day from Rotterdam. The space in front of the hotel where apartments had been secured for the Boer generals was closely packed with people, shouts of "Long live the Boers," greeting the South African commanders when they appeared. The crowd sang the Transvaal National Anthem, whereupon the general bowed their heads and waved their hats in acknowledgment of the enthusiastic welcome accorded them. Subsequently a reception was held in the drawing-room, former State Secretary of the Transvaal Reitz and Dr. Leyds, the European agent of the Boers, introducing the local celebrities to the visitors.

Botha declared that he and his colleagues had not come here to hold festivities, but the cordiality of their reception was some recompense for the great sorrow they had experienced.

"We are deputies," said the Boer commandant-general, "of one of the most ruined people—ruined only because we have done our duty, defended our liberty and independence, for which no sacrifice could be too great."

The generals have requested the members of the Pro-Boer Association to refrain from making anti-British speeches, which the Boer commandants say may possibly impair the success of their mission to Great Britain. During the day the Boer generals visited ex-President Steyn.

It is expected that they will visit ex-President Kruger at Utrecht tomorrow and will probably remain there until Aug. 31.

The generals also attended the pro-Boer exhibition, which is being held here. Responding to the welcome they received at the exhibition building, Gen. De Wet, in a voice broken with emotion, said:

"All those who organized this exhibition of art and industry have contributed to the growth of both nations. We South Africans were on the road to development of art and industry, but our logs were cut from under us; consequently we need help and support to rise again. It is for that very purpose that we have come to Europe, and we are thankful for the honors shown and the help given us by the Dutch."

KRUGER WILL ABDICATE.

Will Hand Over Reins to Botha, DeWet and Two Delegates.

London, Aug. 25.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at The Hague telegraphs he is informed that at the approaching meeting between General Botha and his colleagues and former President Kruger, the latter will formally abdicate his position as Afrikaner chief, and hand over the reins and the residue of funds to Gen. Botha and Gen. De Wet, and Messrs. Fleiter and Wolmarans, who were formerly Boer delegates. Mr. Wolmarans, according to the correspondent's information, will endeavor to dispossess Dr. Leyds, the European agent of the Boers, of the power of signing cheques.

There are also rumors, says the correspondent of the Daily Mail, of an impending struggle for supremacy between Gen. Botha and Gen. De Wet.

SHUTTING OUT DISEASE.

Proclamation to Give Effect to Immigrant Act.

An Ottawa despatch says: An Order-in-Council has been passed for the issue of a proclamation putting in force "an act to amend the Immigration Act" passed in 1902. In view of a large number of immigrants who are now coming from the United States via Canadian ports it has been deemed expedient to prohibit the landing in Canada absolutely of any immigrant or other passenger who is suffering from any loathsome, contagious, or infectious disease, or from any other disease or ailment, or from any ailment or ailment which is likely to be transmitted to any other person, or from any ailment or ailment which is likely to be transmitted to any other person, or from any ailment or ailment which is likely to be transmitted to any other person.

LADY RAGLAN HAS A SHOW.

Exhibits Herself in Her Coronation Robes.

SIX CENTS TO HAVE A LOOK.

London despatch: The Beckenham Journal printed an advertisement the other day stating that Lady Raglan, the wife of the former Under-Secretary of War, would wear her coronation robes and exhibit herself with her coronet to-day at Copers Cope House. The object was the raising of money for the Cottage Hospital, and the admission fee was fixed at three pence.

To-day according to the programme, Lady Raglan exhibited herself, garbed in all the splendor of her coronation robes, at her country house in Beckenham, at the modest charge of admission. Five hundred of her ladyship's neighbors, and many families of country people and tradesmen in Beckenham and Bromley, took tickets. A small, red-headed girl, guarded by an imposing-looking policeman, took tickets or "trippings" at the gates. She shouted constantly: "This way, where her ladyship is receiving guests; now please go right in." Then she ushered them into a small drawing-room, where she was seated in the middle of the room wearing about thirty men and women examining Abbey coronation tickets.

In the farthest corner Lady Raglan was seated by an escritoire. She was dressed in her white satin State robes, with her crimson coronet, and the rope of pearls. The guests stood silent in open-mouthed wonder at a respectful distance. Then Her Ladyship would rise and sweep the train across the floor, giving a view of her scarlet cloak, and causing a murmur of admiration and laudatory comments. The guests then went to small tables at an extra charge of 3d.

Her ladyship conversed freely with her guests regarding the necessity of such a charitable institution. She seemed to be anxious that her guests should take in all the details of her costume, even showing the coronation medal, which was presented to her and her husband. The hospital is a result of the idea.

It is likely that the example of Lady Raglan in exhibiting herself in her coronation robes will be followed by several other ladies in aid of charitable undertakings. It is reported that Lord and Lady Harrington will exhibit their robes at a bazaar in Belmont, Kent, next week.

ICE FOUND IN COFFIN

But Body of Alleged Dead Kansas Man Was Gone.

Guthrie, O., Aug. 25.—The mystery surrounding the supposed death of C. S. Morris, of Madison Kan., was heightened to-day when his grave near Orlando was opened in the presence of about 500 persons and found empty. Friends of Morris, who believed that he had been murdered, had requested the authorities to exhume the body. Telegrams of inquiry had been received from Morris' wife, and from insurance orders in Madison, Ohio, which he was a member.

Morris appeared a week ago in company with a man who gave his name as Cox, and who represented himself as a loan agent. On Monday Cox reported that Morris had been killed in a runaway accident. The man purchased a lot in a country cemetery near Orlando and bought a coffin, which he buried with the assistance of a colored man.

The coffin to-day contained a cake of ice weighing about two pounds. The police have no clue to the whereabouts of either man.

A man giving his name as John Cox was arrested at Chandler to-day, and is held pending an investigation.

SWALLOWS HIS FALSE TEETH

Accident to a Connecticut Telegrapher.

Winsted, Conn., Aug. 25.—While eating on Friday evening, Frederick M. Darrow, ex-station agent at Norfolk, and telegrapher, well known throughout Connecticut, swallowed his false teeth.

The plate, which held two front teeth, passed down into his stomach, and all efforts to locate it have been unsuccessful. He was removed to the hospital in Hartford this afternoon, where he will probably have to undergo an operation. The X-rays will first be employed to locate the teeth.

KAISER HONORS MOTHER.

A Statue of Late Empress Unveiled at Homburg.

Homburg, Aug. 25.—A statue in honor of the late Empress Frederick was unveiled here to-day with considerable ceremony in the presence of the Emperor and Empress, the Crown Prince Frederick William, other members of the Royal family, and the civil and military authorities, and deputations from the regiments of which the late Empress was honorary colonel.

After a speech by the Burgomaster, in which he eulogized the late Empress, the troops presented arms and the statue was unveiled. Emperor or William then placed a wreath on the pedestal and made a speech, depicting his mother as a steadfast promoter of art, scientific research, and the advance of women. He referred to her resolute spirit, which enabled her to triumph over the hardships of a long and arduous life, and a choir then sang an anthem, and cheers were given for the Emperor William.

A number of other wreaths were deposited on the pedestal, including one from Dowager Queen Margherita of Italy, who was present at the ceremony.

PARIS LAD'S AWFUL FATE.

Caught in an Elevator in a Detroit Shop.

Detroit, Mich., dispatch: Harry Stewart, aged 22, of Windsor, who was instantly killed in Metzger's automobile repository, Detroit, late yesterday afternoon.

He was about to take an automobile to the repair shop on an upper floor. He opened the safety gates of the elevator, which was in the basement. In some way Stewart let the gates slip and was caught and held by them in such a way that the ascending elevator floor caught him, and dragged him through the gates and then dropped him into the basement.

WARSHIP BLOWN TO PIECES

Explosion That Wrecked the Chinese Cruiser Kai-Chih.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 25.—The Navy Department has received information concerning the explosion which completely wrecked the Chinese cruiser Kai-Chih on June 22nd last, while the ship was lying at her station at Nan-King. The explosion occurred at 12:35 p. m. The vessel was blown to pieces, and all of the officers and men, about 130, were lost, with the exception of a seaman, who was picked up slightly wounded.

The report was described as a sharp tearing sound, resembling a gun fired with smokes powder close by, and afterwards, it is stated, an immense column of smoke arose to a great height, the air being filled with broken and burning fragments of the ship, as well as shells and scraps of metal.

A heavy pall of smoke settled over the spot where the cruiser had been, the bow of the Kai-Chih was seen sticking up in the air. The surface of the river was covered for many acres with splinters of woodwork, but there was no sign of life.

The cause of the explosion could not be ascertained definitely, but it was believed that either the careless handling of ammunition or the want of care in using lights in or near the magazine was accountable for it.

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JEWIS FOR CANADA.

Methods by Which Immigration from Russia is Paid for.

London, Aug. 25.—Many Russian Jewish families are now emigrating to Canada. At the head of this movement stands one of the rabbis of the Government of Volyn. A Jewish family desiring to emigrate to Canada sends £1 to the rabbi. He forwards this money to one of the London rabbis, who sends in return a deed of sale of 75 acres of land in Canada at 2s per acre.

On receiving this deed the emigrants make another payment of £1 10s, while the remaining £5 is paid by them in instalments on arrival in Canada. For the trip to Canada each family has to pay £8.

The emigration movement is directed by the well-known "Jass" Association, which has already organized in Canada a Jewish colony by the name of "Hirsch."

CONORTIONIST'S BARGAIN.

Outlives Two Doctors Who Paid Him \$100 Each for His Body.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 25.—Walter Wentworth, a famous contortionist, now 77 years old, who lives in Medford, is wrestling with a legal problem. Physicians have marvelled at this wonderful little man in his defiance of the laws of nature in dislocating joints never intended to be dislocated, and two eminent gentlemen with him, in which was included a clause stating that the physician "does hereby agree to set up the skeleton of said body in a glass case in his private office in such a manner that it may be exhibited to my professional and other friends."

Dr. Widler died recently, and this gives Wentworth hope that the contract is void because of the inability of the physician to keep that portion of it alluding to the setting up of the skeleton, thus thwarting any claim of Dr. Widler's heirs for Wentworth's body.

TOOK IT COOLLY.

Accused Boy Murderer at St. John Committed for Trial.

St. John, N. B., Aug. 25.—Frank Higgins, the fifteen-year-old boy charged with the murder of William Doherty, his clubman in Rockwood Park, on August 1st, was committed for trial to-night at the next session of the Supreme Court on September 2nd. The Crown has established in addition to circumstantial evidence, that the boy was an unwilling accomplice in the dreadful deed. Though evidence of a start-ling character was submitted, the accused sat through it all with calm indifference, smiling contemptuously as his former comrade told the fearful details of his crime.

Asked if he had anything to say, he coolly said: "Nothing, except that I am not guilty."

A NEGRO WHITE IN SPOTS.

Due to Disease—If It Doesn't Kill Him, He May Be All White.

New York, Aug. 25.—William R. Weeks, a negro, was sent to Bellevue on August 14th, in a St. Vincent's Hospital ambulance from the Charles Street Police Station. He had been acting strangely, and on his arrival at the hospital he was put in the insane pavilion. When the doctors examined him they found that all over his body there were patches of skin which had turned white. Since his admission streaks of white have appeared on his chin and face.

The doctors are much interested in him. They say he is suffering from tuberculosis, a form of disease which is believed to be a chance of becoming a white man before he dies.

When he was admitted as insane, evidence of his insanity was that when he was married on July 24th he pulled some keys and a few cents from his pocket after the ceremony and offered them as a fee to the minister.

Weeks formerly lived at No. 216 East Fifty-Sixth street and was a barber.

STARVATION KILLS A MINER.

Body and \$1,700 Found in Cabin Weeks After Death.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug. 25.—The body of Peter Anderson, known as the hermit prospector of Park City, was found in his lonely cabin, near the Anchor mill, in the Park City mining district, in the city, evidently had been dead for weeks. It is believed that he died from starvation, notwithstanding that \$1,700 had been found in his cabin. When he was found, his credit was in various banks. For twenty-six years Anderson lived around Park City, at times owning many valuable mining properties. He was always extremely miserly. His only known relatives live in Sweden.

Oldest Ship in the World.

London, Aug. 25.—What is stated to be the oldest ship in the world has been sold at Tenerife to a barber.

This is the Italian ship Genoa, registered at the port of Santa Marta, which resembles Christopher Columbus' ship, the Santa Maria, was built in Genoa in 1548, and effected her last voyage at the end of March, 1902, from Naples to Tenerife. The Anita was a weathered countless storms and tormented by all parts of the world, and she was also the slowest ship afloat.

9 KILLED, 5 MISSING, 4 HURT.

Explosion of Two Steel Digesters in a Pulp Mill.

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 25.—Nine workmen are known to have been killed, five are missing and three others were badly injured by the explosion of two steel digesters in the Delaware pulp mill of the Jesup & Moore Paper Co., on the Christiana River, to-day.

Those who were not killed outright were mangled and burned by escaping steam that flowed over their bodies from the broken digesters.

To add to the horror of the disaster, the wreckage took fire, but after some difficulty the fire department managed to subdue the flames, and the work of rescue was continued.

Killed by a Meteor.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 25.—Ramon Cruise, a Mexican shepherd, was struck on the head and killed by a fragment of a meteor while herding his flock near Ellis, in Edwards county, on Friday. Cruise was seated on a large flat boulder, watching his sheep, when the meteor fell. It struck the boulder and was shattered. A fragment hit the herder on the temple and penetrated his head, causing instant death. The largest piece of the meteor found weighs about four pounds.

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HERE AND THERE

Dean Bradley, of Westminster Abbey, has resigned.

Dr. Solmers, of Paris, declares that education breeds insanity.

United States capitalists will build a \$500,000 hotel in Winnipeg.

Lord Dundonald is the guest of Lord and Lady Minto at Quebec.

The new Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, Earl Dudley, has been sworn in.

The last session of the K. of P. convention in San Francisco has been held.

Fowls' grain elevator and 2,000 bushels of grain were burned at Campbellford.

Hog cholera prevails in Middlesex. Mr. Frank Chantler, near London, lost seventeen hogs.

It has suddenly been decided to hold the German manoeuvres in Prussia, instead of Poland.

The U. S. and the Porto are again likely to have difficulty over delays in promised settlements.

Mr. George Mahogany, of Southampton, was killed by the explosion of gas in a tank.

There is much excitement in the peninsula of Yucatan, where petroleum has been discovered.

The Parliament of Cape Colony will meet to-morrow for the first time since Oct. 13th, 1900.

Powers, plaintiff in the N. P. Merger suit, has returned to New York and been placed in jail.

Several large herds of cattle are coming into Alberta and Assiniboia from the United States.

The new Bishop of Keewatin, Rev. John Loftus, D. D., was consecrated in Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg.

The British Columbia Fruit-growers' Association is sending five tons of fruit to the Winnipeg horticultural show.

A horse driven by Mr. John Smith ran away near Jones Falls, throwing the driver, who was instantly killed.

A cloudburst uncovered about 75 coffins in a Madison, N. J., cemetery, and many of them were swept out of the graves.

The British Lifeboat Association is considering the establishment of a wireless service around the coast, including the lighthouses.

Willie, the four-year-old son of Mr. Johnston, was run over in the Canadian Northern Yards, Winnipeg, on Saturday night and killed.

U. S. Senator J. R. Burton has been instructed to visit Hawaii and inquire into ex-Queen Liliuokalani's claims to the crown lands.

Terra-cotta sleepers are in use on Japanese railways. The increased cost is compensated for by the greater resistance to decay.

At the request of Cardinal Gotti, prefect of the propaganda, a list has been furnished of the most important affairs pending at the Vatican.

Col. St. Remy, of the French army, refused to obey an order to close a congregation of school, and will be imprisoned and court-martialed.

In a runaway accident at Seely's Bay, John Smith, farmer, aged 45, was killed. His body was badly crushed, and he died almost instantly.

E. E. Leadbeater, son of W. E. Leadbeater, of Wexford, is home after a trip to Martinique. He says he was the first man to ascend Mount Pelee after the eruption.

A strike was ordered to-day by the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers in all New York shops where an advance of 10 per cent in wages is not granted.

A despatch from Cleveland states that Rev. Morgan Wood, formerly of Toronto, will run for Congress against Mr. T. E. Burton. Rev. Mr. Wood will be Mayor Tom L. Johnston's candidate.

Arthur Noble, Toronto, has been presented with the bronze medal of the Royal Canadian Humane Association for bravery in saving from drowning a lad named Fair at Oakville in July last.

Out of eighty men employed by the Grunsky Co., Toronto, which has a strike on its hands, sixty-two are now said to be at work, and some of those who are absent are said to be away for private reasons.

The British Government has accepted the invitation of the United States Government to take part in the Exposition at St. Louis in 1904, but will, it is understood, limit its exhibits to education and fine arts.

Further news has been received of the Nordenskjold Antarctic expedition. The vessel is imprisoned in the ice and preparations had been begun to procure the dog sledges. The health of the members of the party was excellent.

At a meeting of the Conductors' and Railwaymen's Association in Montreal resolutions were adopted pledging its members not to use or handle coal moved by non-union labor. The association, it is claimed, represents over 20,000.

The Scotch machinists at the Kingston Locomotive Works have received notice of expulsion from the union from New York. They say the headquarters of their society is in England and that there are there the circumstances before they left.

Walter H. McFarlane, a Toronto business man, left the city some-thing like two months ago, the exact date being uncertain. The young woman in charge of the business seems very secretive on this point, and his residence at 1,508 West King street is vacant.

A Johnston, Dominion traveling immigration agent, was told by some crossing the Atlantic one of their party, a man named Robert Hewett, jumped overboard and was never seen again, although a diligent search was made.

The Japanese Government called a few days ago to Hon. T. Nosen, Japanese Consul-General, that they would accept Mr. Fisher's offer, and would erect a separate building of 7,000 square feet, for Canada, at the Osaka Exhibition, granting all rights and privileges given to other exhibitors.