

SPAIN AGAIN EXCITED

OVER AMERICA'S INTEREST IN CAPTURED FILIBUSTERS.

Gen. Weyler Threatens to Resign Unless the Death Sentence is Carried Out—Consul General Williams' Conduct Provocative.

Spain Again Stirred Up. There are evidences of growing popular excitement in Spain over the attitude of the United States Government toward the question of the filibusters captured on board the Competitor.

The news of the capture of the men on the Competitor was received with great satisfaction and rejoicing. It was felt to be the first opportunity that had been offered to make an example of those engaged in leading the insurrection.

The public feeling on the subject is fostered by the tenor of the advices received from Havana. Dispatches from there affirm that Capt. Gen. Weyler is greatly irritated at the attitude of the United States on the question of the sentence. It is asserted that if the Spanish Government adopts a contrary view owing to the representations made by the United States Government, Capt. Gen. Weyler will resign his post.

United States Consul General Williams' attitude, it is asserted, is the subject of general censure in Havana, and is said to be very provocative. The story goes on to relate that the United States Consul General shows himself everywhere in public places in Havana, using irritating and menacing language regarding the probable action of the United States towards the authorities in case the sentences upon the Competitor captives are executed.

The London Daily News says in an editorial regarding the cases of the Competitor captives:

"The serious news from Cuba places the Spanish Government between two fires. It is difficult to see how either side can recede. If the Spanish Government sacrifices Gen. Weyler, it will probably have to be prepared to sacrifice its own life."

The London Chronicle says: "If Washington presses the question, Spain is powerless. War is an ugly thing at best and we should be the last to invoke it. But an American ultimatum in the present case would not be the beginning of a war, but would be the end of an interminable guerrilla fight."

Senor Conovas del Castillo has publicly stated that America has not protested against Spain's right to punish filibusters, but only against their summary trial. American citizens are entitled to be tried in the civil courts under the treaties of 1786 and 1877. The Spanish Government is willing to consider the demand and has cabled Capt. Gen. Weyler to delay the executions pending the result of negotiations which are actively proceeding between Washington and Madrid to define the interpretation of the aforesaid treaties.

The rest of the Madrid press are unanimous in the opinion that America has taken an ungenerous and unjustifiable advantage of Spain's difficulties.

Lynched a Negro.

One of the three negroes implicated in the cutting of City Marshal Walker at Fulton, Ky., was arrested by the telegraph operator at Arlington, Ky., a few miles north of Fulton, who, in attempting to arrest him, shot him in the left lung. The negro was taken to Fulton and taken in charge by the sheriff, but the mob which had gathered at the depot rushed madly upon the negro and swung him up. He confessed his guilt. The other two negroes implicated are still at large.

Eight Firemen Injured.

Fire was discovered in the rear of the Metropolitan restaurant, which occupies a three story building in St. Louis, at 1 o'clock Monday morning. Before the firemen could get to work the flames spread throughout the building and soon destroyed it. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

Eight firemen who were injured by the front wall falling upon them were taken in an ambulance to the city hospital. Adolph Hunt, a fireman, foreman of one of the companies, had his back broken.

City Is Wiped Out.

A Panama dispatch says that Puerto Yia Jo, the capital of the province of Manabi, with a population of 10,000, has been entirely destroyed by two earthquake shocks. The shocks were succeeded by floods, inundating the city. Many lives are supposed to have been lost.

Iron Works Destroyed.

The Vulcan Iron Works of San Francisco were destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. The loss is estimated at \$100,000; insurance, \$81,000. The fire was communicated to the Reliance Machine Works, causing \$25,000 damage, fully insured.

Fatal Saloon Row.

In a saloon row at St. Louis like Sheldubur stabbed Mike Roban and a man named Haloran. Roban was killed and Haloran cannot live. Sheldubur escaped.

To Probe Bond Issues.

The Senate on the 7th passed Senator Peffer's resolution for an investigation of the Government bond sales, with an amendment to provide that the investigation be made by the Finance Committee, by a vote of 51 to 5.

Tobacco Trust Officials Indicted.

The grand jury has found indictments against James B. Duke and nine directors of the American Tobacco Company of New York, charging them with "conducting a monopoly in the paper cigarette trade."

REVIEW OF TRADE.

The Business World as Seen for the Past Week.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: That exports of \$5,850,000 gold this week have produced no monetary disturbance is at once proof of the soundness of financial conditions and of the prevailing confidence of better things to come.

Print cloths are 1/2 cent higher, but some other grades have declined so that the average of all quotations is slightly lower. Woolen manufacturers find prices of wool sagging both here and abroad, the decline at London having reached about 5 per cent, while the average of quotations by Coates Bros. of Philadelphia was nearly 1 per cent. lower May 1.

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Traders in wheat have lifted prices a little. Western receipts are still 40 per cent. larger than last year, while Atlantic exports, flour included as wheat, are, for the week, 943,667 bushels, against 1,615,061 a year ago. After a fall to 68 1/2 cents the price rose 2 cents. Corn is lower, but without definite reason. Cotton speculation has lifted the spot price to 8.31 cents, and profits have been realized from the men who have sold cotton they did not own.

Failures for the week have been 238 in the United States, against 227 last year, and 24 in Canada, against 84 last year.

AMERICANS ON TRIAL.

Court Martial of Alleged Filibusters Begins in Havana.

The trial of the men captured on board the alleged filibustering schooner Competitor began before a court martial at Havana, on the morning of the 8th. The statement on behalf of the prosecution did not materially differ from the accounts of the capture already published. The proceedings are being closely followed at Washington and there is ground for the fear that unless the matter is handled with great discretion it may result in straining the present relations and amicable friendship between the United States and Spain. Strong representations have been made to the State Department on the subject and the department certainly will not fail to intervene in the case if it shall appear that the Americans under trial are not treated with all the privileges accorded by all the rules of civilized warfare. An insistence on this point would oblige the Department to refuse to sanction execution of the Americans, and although it is not believed yet that there is disposition to carry the case to extremes, there is some danger that the Spaniards may feel disposed to go further than prudence permits in the effort to discourage American filibustering parties by harsh treatment of these, the first to fall into their hands.

BUT FEW ARE LEFT OUT.

Civil Service to Take in 30,000 More Government Employees.

The long expected order of the President, including in the civil service most of the offices now remaining outside of the classified service, has been issued. The order will include within the civil service 30,000 additional government employees. Practically the only persons left outside the civil service will be the assistant secretaries, heads of bureaus, and, in a few cases, private secretaries and laborers. The order takes effect immediately.

Damage to Crops in Kansas.

The Kansas City Star says: The grain men on 'change received many complaints lately from Oklahoma and Kansas of damage to the wheat crop. Some reports say cinch bugs are doing the damage, but the great majority say the wheat is dying at the top, so that the fields present the appearance of suffering from drouth. Yet there has been plenty of rain.

Boy Train Wreckers.

Watson Hildreth, the boy train wrecker of Rome, New York, was sentenced to life imprisonment, and his companions, Plato and Hibbard, to forty years' imprisonment each, these boys, all under 18, and sons of well to do people, wrecked the New York Central express near Rome last November for the purpose of robbing the passengers. The engineer was killed and the fireman badly injured.

Southern Baptists Meet.

The Southern Baptist convention met at Chattanooga, Tenn., last Friday, nearly 100 delegates being present. Judge Jonathan Haralson of Selma, Ala., was re-elected president. The convention was opened with an address of welcome by the mayor of the city and a representative of the Chattanooga Baptists and responses.

To Shoot Filibusters.

Dispatches from Havana say the American newspaper man, Hamilton, captured on board the schooner Competitor, will be released, but that the others captured at the same time will be shot, in spite of the protests from Washington.

Many Killed by an Earthquake.

A New York Herald's Guayquil, Ecuador, dispatch says the province of Manabi suffered terribly from an earthquake in Puerto Viejo. Houses were thrown down burying many persons alive in the ruins and injuring many others.

Girls Wore Tights.

Bitter factions divide the fashionable congregation of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church in Jersey City because in an operatic entertainment given recently by the young people of the church three of the girls wore tights.

To Adjourn the 18th.

In the House on the 6th on motion of Mr. Dingley, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, a resolution for the final adjournment of Congress on the 18th inst., was adopted without division.

SHOT BY A ROBBER.

Chicago Business Man Killed and Two Other People Injured.

While chasing a robber from his store the other night, Thomas J. Marshall, proprietor of the Golden Rule dry goods store, Chicago, was shot and died a few minutes later on the sidewalk in front of his place. The robber, who was a young man, entered the store and while a confederate engaged the attention of Marshall he approached the cashier and demanded what money she had. She screamed and Marshall came to her aid, chasing the fellow out to the sidewalk. Just as Marshall emerged from the door the robber turned on him and fired twice, both bullets entering Marshall's breast, causing his death before he could be carried into the store. Just as the shooting occurred a cable car stopped in front of the store. Many passengers jumped up to see what the matter was. The murderer, thinking they were about to intercept him, emptied his revolver at the crowded car. One bullet hit Miss Hynes in both knees and another struck Mr. Beggs, who was walking along the street nearly a block away. The fellow ran up a side street and escaped arrest. Later it was said that Miss Hynes was very badly injured and her death is probable.

SALVATION ARMY CAVALRY.

Brigade Organized to Work in the Rural Districts of Pennsylvania.

The unique scheme of a Salvation Army cavalry brigade, in which girls as well as men will ride on horseback after sinners whom they hope to convert, is projected by Brig. Wm. Evans of Philadelphia, in command of the Atlantic coast division. The summer months are to be utilized by expeditions which will travel all over the country comprised within the limits of the Atlantic division. The cavalry force of girls will be organized to travel on horseback from town to town in the country, stopping for several days at those places where they may receive the greatest encouragement. Enough musicians will be among them to form an organized band, and a few of them, who expect to lead in the singing, have been well instructed in music. The organized cavalcade, which seems to bear a strong resemblance to an Arab caravan crossing the desert, will be in charge of Staff Captain Blanche Cox, who has had experience in this sort of work in every part of the world. Much of her time has been spent in India, and later she had charge of the Colorado division of the army.

BANK ROBBERS FRUSTRATED.

Attempt to Loot an Illinois Institution Proves Disastrous.

The little town of Washburn, Woodford County Illinois, was the scene of a raid of bank robbers the other night, and as a result one of the desperadoes is lying in the county jail at Metamora severely wounded in the neck and back. The cracksmen entered the town and stole a team and carriage. The moment they entered the private banking house of Ireland & Son the burglar alarm started a gong ringing in the house of the junior member of the firm, who immediately raised a posse of a dozen men and surrounded the building. The first explosion blew out the tumbler of the lock only, and while the men were making ready for another blast the posse made a noise, and the three men dashed out the back door to be met by a volley of shots and bullets. They stood the first crowd off with a volley from their revolvers, but as they turned the corner of the bank another squad fired into them and one robber fell with nineteen large shot in his back and neck. The other two men got away, although the trail of blood showed that one of them was wounded.

Potatoes for One Cent a Bushel.

Potatoes are selling on the wholesale market at Plainfield, Wis., at as low as 1 cent a bushel for Early Rose varieties, the lowest price ever known in the history of that great potato belt. Prices for other varieties are as follows: Kings, 2 cents a bushel; Hebrons, 3 cents a bushel, and Burbanks, 5 cents a bushel. Farmers are spreading their potatoes on their farms as fertilizers.

For a Cable to Japan.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations has agreed to the compromise bill for a cable to Hawaii and Japan. The bill authorizes the Postmaster General to enter into a contract on behalf of the United States with any company which may lay a cable and to pay subsidies not exceeding \$160,000 per year.

Three Republics United.

The New York Herald's correspondent in Salvador writes that Congress has approved of the treaty of Amalaha, which unites the republics of San Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras, which will hereafter be called by the name of Republica Mayor de Centro America.

Would Increase Pensions.

The House Committee on Pensions has ordered a favorable report on the bill increasing pensions of veterans of the Mexican and Indian wars and their widows from \$8 to \$12 a month.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Sioux City—Cattle: Stockers and feeders, \$2.75 to \$3.85. Hogs: Prices ranging from \$3.15 to \$3.25. Grain: Wheat, 45c to 50c; corn, 18c to 21c; oats, 14c to 15c; rye, 20c to 25c; hay, \$4.50 to \$5.50; butter, 14c to 15c; eggs, 7 1/2c. Chicago—Cattle: Beef steers, \$3.45 to \$4.50; stockers and feeders, \$3.00 to \$3.95; Hogs: Prices ranging from \$3.15 to \$3.75. Grain: Wheat, No. 2 spring, 62 1/2c; No. 3 spring, 59c to 62 1/2c; No. 2 red, 67c to 67 1/2c; corn, No. 2, 29c to 29 1/2c; No. 2 yellow, 29 1/2c to 29c; oats, No. 2, 19 1/2c; No. 2 white, 21 1/2c to 21 1/4c; No. 3 white, 20c to 21 1/4c; rye, No. 2, 96c; flax seed, No. 1, 87c; timothy seed, \$3.30. Kansas City—Cattle: Beef steers, \$3.00 to \$4.20; stockers and feeders, \$3.00 to \$3.40. Hogs: Prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$3.40. Sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00. South Omaha—Cattle: Beef steers, \$3.25 to \$4.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.85 to \$4.00. Hogs: Prices ranging from \$3.25 to \$3.45. Minneapolis—Grain: Wheat, May, 60 1/2c; July, 61 1/2c to 61 3/4c; No. 1 hard on track, 62 1/2c; No. 1 Northern, 61 1/2c.

OF A GREAT STATE

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF NEBRASKA.

Tekamah Officials Vigorously Prosecute Alleged Fish Pirates—Would Like the Omaha Game Protective Society to Take a Hand.

Will Protect Game Fish.

The preliminary hearing of alleged fish pirates, George and William Brown and Albert Palmer, took place in the county court at Tekamah and they were bound over to await the action of the district court. They endeavored to escape by claiming that their net was only used to catch chubs and shiners for bait. It was shown by testimony that they have made shipments of live black bass to Dr. Geo. L. Miller of Omaha, and there is everything to prove that their net was used in the capturing of these fish. Tekamah people would like to have the Omaha Game Protective Society take a hand in helping to protect this lake, which is one of the greatest fishing resorts in the state. It is not likely that the prisoners can furnish bonds, and, if not, they will have to remain in jail until fall, when the district court will be in session.

Should Not Have Paid It.

Ex-Clerk Baker of the Lancaster County district court has just been obliged to pay the sum of \$200.45 under rather peculiar circumstances. Some time ago John Peterson had property sold under foreclosure proceedings. The sale left some money on hand with Clerk Baker, which belonged to Peterson. A creditor of Peterson's named O'Donnell sued the former in a justice court and garnished the money in Baker's hands. Baker paid it to O'Donnell, and now the district court says that the money should not have been paid over only upon an order from the district court, and, accordingly, enters judgment against Baker for the amount above stated.

Fifty Thousand Short.

Notwithstanding the vigorous kick registered by Attorney D. G. Courtney against the employment of the law firm of Lambertson & Hall to assist County Attorney Woodward in the suit to be instituted against the bondsmen of the late Maxey Cobb, the Lancaster County treasurer, the county commissioners announced that they would stand by the contract made with Lambertson & Hall, and that they knew of no good reason why they should not do so. Examiner Fodrea has reported that the deficiency in Cobb's accounts amounts to nearly \$50,000.

Alfalfa Culture as an Art.

Alfalfa culture is getting to be one of the prominent features of Cass County farming and is receiving a great deal of attention from progressive agriculturists. County Commissioner J. P. Falter had on exhibition at the court house a bunch of this product of this spring's growth which measured twenty-two inches in length, which is considered an extraordinary showing for this early in the season. Mr. Falter says that the secret of success in raising alfalfa is to plant enough seed to get a firm stand. Nature does the rest.

Refused to Pay the Tax.

Stanton is practically a prohibition town. The other night the city council met and among other matters considered the applications for license. There were four applications, but no licenses were granted. The council placed the occupation tax at \$250, the same as last year, and with the state tax of \$500, makes a total of \$750. This amount the saloon men refused to pay, claiming that the business does not justify so heavy a tax. Then the council became obstinate and refused to accept less, and every saloon was closed.

He Was a Populist.

T. J. Dungeon of Trumbull is a populist and when he received a sample copy of a Republican newspaper he took it as an insult. He sat down and inscribed a few words, more emphatic than ephorisms, and fired it back to the editor. The worst part of it was the paper had to pass through the postoffice again. When the editor received it he turned it over to the postmaster and complaint was made against Mr. Dungeon, and he will be tried for the misuse of the mails.

Same as Personal Baggage.

Theodore M. Roche, president of the Young Men's Democratic Union of New York, has written a letter to Gov. Holcomb in which he says he encloses a copy of the bicycle baggage bill, recently signed by Gov. Morton, and trusts that the Governor will do all in his power to have a similar measure enacted by the Nebraska Legislature. The New York bill provides that railroad corporations shall carry bicycles at the same rates as charged for personal baggage.

Dundy County Crop Prospects.

The great activity and revival of all business so noticeable in Dundy County this spring can be attributed to nothing else but the abundance of rain and bright prospects for crops. Corn planting is now in its zenith, and thousands of acres are being planted, and the acreage will be larger than in any previous year. Vegetation of all kinds is quite well advanced, and the broad wheat fields of from fifty to 200 acres are verdant and rank.

Preliminary to Damage Suits.

William H. Bond and A. J. VanBuskirk have taken out papers in the Dundy County court asking that they be appointed administrators for Mand Bond and Charles P. VanBuskirk respectively, who were killed at the railroad crossing the latter part of December. This is the initiatory step for commencement of damage suits in the district court in July against the B. & M. road for \$5,000 for each life.

Forced Saloon Men to Quit.

The seven saloon keepers of the town of Howells, Colfax County, have quit business. They say that their town board passed an occupation tax ordinance this spring and as they didn't propose to pay the tax they closed down their places of business and the town is now "dry."

His Wife Refused to Prosecute.

It now looks as though the case of D. H. Lingle, the Beatrice real estate man charged with shooting his wife with intent to kill, will not be prosecuted, as Mrs. Lingle says she will go upon the stand and testify that he did not shoot at her.

Big Shipment of Live Stock.

The largest stock shipment from Willsonville was made a few days ago when nineteen cars, ten of cattle and nine of hogs, were pulled direct from there for Omaha on a through train.

DOUGLAS COUNTY LOSES.

Poor Farm Cases Settled by the Supreme Court.

The supreme court handed down an opinion in what are generally known as the Douglas County "poor farm" cases. The one case decided, which involves them all, is that of Henry M. Stenberg against the state ex rel Charles B. Keller. This was an application to the district court of Douglas County for a writ of mandamus to compel respondents, the board of commissioners of Douglas County, to take the necessary steps to cause a warrant to be issued upon the county treasurer in favor of relator, in payment of a judgment recovered in said court by Keller and Geo. W. Doane against Douglas County for the sum of \$4,832.62 and costs. The writ was ordered as prayed for, upon which the commissioners appealed to the supreme court. The court has affirmed the judgment of the district court of Douglas County. The cases involve several hundred thousand dollars.

A Trowel Causes Murder.

Glen Santee met death at the hands of W. R. Welch, in a lonely cabin in the neighborhood of Ida, a postoffice about twenty miles southwest of Chadron.

The murderer, accompanied by his wife and two children, drove to Chadron and gave himself up to the sheriff, after stating that he had killed his neighbor. The particulars of the tragedy, gleaned from an interview with the accused, are about as follows:

Santee came to Welch's home about dusk the other evening, claiming that Welch had a trowel belonging to him. There had been some difficulty between the men at a previous meeting, and Santee, becoming incensed at some words of Welch's, struck at him, but Mrs. Welch, throwing herself between the men, stopped the blow, which fell her to the ground. Santee then turned to Welch and the men clinched, and after a terrible struggle Welch got his revolver from his pocket and shot Santee through the breast. The wounded man staggered out of doors and fell dead on the threshold.

Santee's father is in business at Woonsocket, S. D., and Welch formerly lived in Carroll County, Missouri.

Stole His Brother's Wife.

About a week ago a man giving his name as G. W. Spicer arrived at Shelton, accompanied by a woman supposed to be his wife. The man secured work on a farm near there and they lived together as man and wife. The other evening John Spicer of Leon, Iowa, arrived at Shelton and caused the arrest of the man and woman, claiming that they were his wife and brother, and that they had run away together. G. W. Spicer resides at Salem, Ill., where he has a wife and seven children. He claims that the woman left her home voluntarily and followed him, while husband says that his wife was enticed away. The woman also says that she did not come of her own accord.

Burglars Rob an Auburn Residence.

Burglars broke into the house of Hon. Thomas J. Crummel the other night at Auburn, where the family was asleep, and took about \$23 in money from his pocket, and his gold watch. They also ransacked the dresser in the room of Miss Belle Crummel, and took all her jewelry including a diamond pin, but left her watch, a valuable one, lying on the dresser in plain case. After helping themselves to a good lunch in the pantry, the party left through the front door, which was locked with a night latch. The loss will amount to \$250.

For the Good of All.

On the 28th inst. there will be held at Norfolk a convention of the county commissioners and supervisors of the state of Nebraska for the purpose of discussing matters of public interest, and for the adoption of uniform methods for the transaction of county public business by the county boards throughout the state. Much interest has been expressed by commissioners and supervisors in the coming meeting, and indications are that the attendance will be large and much benefit will result. The railroads have made a fare and one-third rate for the round trip.

Railroad Man Hurt.

J. C. Stowell, fireman on the Chester branch of the B. & M., while loading a heavy ear spring at Fairmont met with a bad accident. He lifted the spring onto the tender and supposing it was safe let go and stepped back. It fell and struck Stowell in the breast, crushing him to the ground, and it was ten minutes before he could get a natural breath. When the engineer got to him the spring was lying across his breast. It weighed 150 pounds.

Hardware Store Burglarized.

Thieves forced a window in the rear of Fuller's hardware store at University Place. They made a haul of pocket knives, fine silverware, razors, revolvers and ammunition to the amount of about \$300. They made a clean sweep of the show cases. R. E. Peterson, who owns a stock of jewelry and runs a watch repair stand in the same room, was saved from a similar fate by having taken all his jewelry to his private room.

Suspicious Characters Jailed.

James Sullivan and Hale Perrine, the two men arrested by the Omaha police as suspicious characters and turned over to Sheriff Hallaway of Cass County on suspicion of having robbed the store of Edwards Bros. of Louisville, were arraigned before Justice Archer and bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500 each. They were unable to furnish bonds and were remanded to jail to await trial.

Died from Poisoning.

Little Edith Schrandt, the 9-year-old daughter of Charles Schrandt of Gordon, died from the effects of poisoning. About three weeks ago the family ate of canned corn purchased of a local dealer and several of the household were taken very sick.

An Omaha Suicide.

Minnie Gentry, a colored woman of the burnt district of Omaha, committed suicide by jumping into the Missouri River at the foot of Jones Street.

Misused the Mails.

Harvey Becker of Nehawka will plead to the charge of sending a questionable proposition to a young lady by way of the postoffice.

Where Crops are Good.

Prospects for crops are the finest ever known in the vicinity of North Bend. A large acreage will be put in of both corn and small grain. There will be about 250 acres of beets planted and 210 acres of Chisora, which makes the outlook promising for all concerned, as this will employ a great many men.

Sneak Thieves at Beatrice.

The residence of D. W. Cook of the Beatrice National Bank, was entered by sneak thieves the other night and quite a little property appropriated.

HOLMES IS HANGED.

ARCH CRIMINAL PAYS THE DEATH PENALTY.

The Author of Many Crimes Executed in Moyamensing Prison, Philadelphia—On the Scaffold Protests Innocence.

End of a Fiend.

H. H. Holmes, convicted on circumstantial evidence of the murder of Benjamin F. Pitzel, was hanged in Philadelphia Thursday. The execution took place in the Moyamensing County jail. The drop fell at 10:12 1/2 o'clock. It was not until a half-hour later that he was pronounced dead. His neck was broken by the fall.

The marvelous nerve of the man never deserted him to the end. Even on the scaffold he was probably the coolest person in the solemn assemblage. In a few well-chosen words he proclaimed his innocence of any murder, including that for which he was convicted and hanged. He declared that the only wrong-doing in the taking of human life for which he could be held responsible consisted in the death of two women who had died as the result of criminal operations at his hands. He did not name these victims.

Holmes spent the greater part of his last night on earth writing letters. At



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midnight he went to bed and slept soundly until 6 o'clock in the morning. It took two calls to awaken him. Promptly arising he received a visit from his spiritual advisers, Fathers Daly and Macepeak, of the Church of the Annunciation. They administered the last sacrament and did not leave him until nearly 9 o'clock. During their absence he ate a hearty breakfast of eggs, dry toast and coffee.

At 10:02 o'clock the Sheriff called together the official jury, and after each man had answered to his name and subscribed to the certificate the solemn march to the gallows was begun. As the gathering stood in intense silence before the gallows Holmes, accompanied by the two priests mounted the fatal scaffold. A moment of prayer elapsed and then Holmes stepped to the front of the scaffold and, resting his hands on the rail before him, made his statement of innocence.

It was received in absolute silence. Two minutes later he had finished his valedictory. Then at a silent signal from the priests he bent to his knees, his eyes fixed on the crucifix clasped in his hands. Until 10:12 the prayer continued. Immediately afterward he arose, shook hands with the priests and his lawyers and in a firm voice bade them good-by.

Without an instant delay his hands were bound behind him and the black cap adjusted. Sheriff Clement placed the noose about his neck and after an instant of terrible stillness the crack of the bolt rang out like a pistol shot and the man had fallen to his doom.

Consciousness left him instantly, said the doctors, although his heart continued a feeble beat for fifteen or twenty minutes. After an examination had been made by several physicians Holmes was pronounced dead and the swinging corpse was cut down.

WINTER WHEAT.

Condition of the Crop as Reported by the Farmers' Review.

Reports have been received from the correspondents of the Farmers' Review in ten States on the condition of winter wheat, and on the loss to that crop from freezing and thawing.

In Illinois the total loss from freezing and thawing has not been large, taking the State as a whole, though there are counties where the loss from this cause has been great. With the advent of the recent rains there was a change for the better and the plant is now rapidly pushing forward. Fair will express the