

CAUGHT AT LAST.

A Convict Makes a Confession Which Leads to the Arrest of Train Robbers.
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., October 29.—On September 28, 1883, three men attempted to rob an express car on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad near Condega, Kan. The engineer and conductor were both shot and killed by the robbers, and the fireman seriously wounded. Great excitement was occasioned by the robbery, and had the James gang been in operation the crime would have been laid to them. The railroad company as well as the State authorities tried every method possible to obtain a clue as to the identity of the robbers.

The Grand Army boys of Bertrand, Neb., recently gave a bœuf supper which was attended by all. Had the public been informed at that time that a minister of the gospel had unraveled the mystery and pointed his finger and witnesses to substance lie wood, the assertion would have been ridiculed, but nevertheless such is the case. At the Nauvoo trial, last year, of the Jackson County Criminal Court, a young man named Henry Kellon was convicted of house breaking, and sentenced to the penitentiary for four years. He was received at the penitentiary here, and attracted no more attention. Rev. Dr. Gierow, of Grace Church, in this city, is a man of influence as a minister or through his influence from other sources. Kellon recently made a full and complete confession to the fact that he, A. E. Waller and Fred Baum, were the parties who attempted to rob the train at Condega, Kan. His statement was made in writing and detailed the organization and movements of the gang just from the time of their organization down. This statement Dr. Gierow sent to the Kansas authorities and they were fully satisfied that it was correct. The Governor of Kansas then made a request of Governor Martinique.

SETTING FORTH THE ABOVE FACTS, and that Kellon will be pardoned from the penitentiary in order that his testimony might be used in convicting the other two parties, both of whom are under arrest, Governor Martinique accordingly granted the pardon. Immediately after Kellon's release from the penitentiary he was arrested by Constable Joseph Thompson of this city, on a warrant from Governor Martinique, and lodged in jail until the arrival of the midnight train, when he was taken charge of by William Higgins, agent for the State of Kansas, who left with his prisoner for the scene of his crime.

SERIOUS DISASTER.

A Staging Gives Way and a Large Number of Persons are Precipitated Into the River.

EAST SAGINAW, Mich., October 29.—A 630-foot evening fire broke out on the Ing McDonald, lying at the dock about 100 feet south of the Genesee avenue bridge. A large number of people were congregated on the bridge, when a piece of sidewalk on the bridge five feet wide and forty-five feet long, containing about sixty people, gave way with a crash, and precipitated them into the river fifteen to eighteen feet deep.

A strong current. The night was cloudy and dark, miraculously saving many lives.

The fire was now being fought and the body of one boy named John Fallon, aged eight years, has been brought up. It is thought several perished, as twelve or thirteen are missing. James Twatts was rescued, but is badly hurt;

John Rothberg, injured about the leg; George A. Iwan, slightly injured. E. D. Cowles, managing editor of the *Courier*, was standing on the extreme farther point of the bridge when it went down. He could not swim a stroke and was dragged by the struggling people to the bottom of the river.

Twats, but got clear, and drifting along to a pile until rescued, sustaining but slight injuries. Owing to the large number of persons on the bridge at the time of the disaster, the darkness and the fact that the people picked up along the river were hurried to their homes, it is impossible to tell how many are missing. It is reported that there are thirteen.

Practically nothing is known of the missing, but it is believed that the body of John Fallon has been recovered, that of the boy Fallon. The current is very swift, and it is thought that some bodies may have shifted some distance down stream. John Bush, Chester Meenes, James Murphy and a lad named Sharp are missing and supposed to be drowned, as it is claimed they were on the bridge when it went down.

FRED WARD.

He is Convicted of Grand Larceny—The Case to be Appalled.

NEW YORK, October 29.—The features in the Ward trial yesterday were the opening for the defense by Boutin Cockran and the appearance of the witness stand of William S. Warner, the alleged "mysterious" partner in Ward's transactions. Until yesterday Warner has kept his mouth closely shut as to these matters. Mr. Cockran had evidently carefully prepared himself for the occasion. His arrangement of ex-President Fiske's testimony was particularly masterful. Warner preserved well his recently acquired reputation for silence and mystery. The important part of his testimony was his sending the \$1,800 check to the basis for certification. He caused no little amusement when telling of his apparently trifling failure to get the check from Mr. Fiske, "I am a man of no importance," he said. The court room, as usual, was crowded. The white compass-like face of the convicted bank president was seen in the throng part of the time, but he was not again called to the stand. U. S. Grant, Jr., was also an interested spectator. After the examination of witnesses the case was given to the jury. At 12:45 o'clock the jury re-entered the court, and returned a verdict of guilty in the first trial. The sentence was immediate conviction of the court. Ward gave evidence of a severe struggle as he stood to receive the sentence. In response to the question: "Have you anything to say?" he replied: "Nothing." Sentence was postponed until Saturday morning. The case will be taken to the Court of Appeals. The jury first stood eight for conviction and four for acquittal. On the second ballot it was ten for conviction, and on the third it was eleven to one.

Unprovoked Murder.

PORTLAND, Ore., October 29.—Two Indians have just been arrested on the Grand Ronde Reservation, charged with the murder of James Sherman and his wife and the fatal wounding of an unknown German. The murder was committed some time ago and the authorities have been tracing the murderers ever since. The Indians belong to the reservation. The murderer was committed without the least provocation. Sherman, his wife and the German were driving peacefully along the public highway, when the Indians opened fire on them from thickets timber and then fled. The prisoners confess their guilt. They are certain to hang. There is a strong talk of lynching.

Chicago Insane.

CHICAGO, October 28.—The extraordinary charges which for some time past have been current concerning the neglect, brutality and abuse to which the unfortunate patients of the Illinois Asylum for the Insane, and the Cook County Hospital have been subjected, are at last in a fair way to be investigated. On Saturday night at an interdenominational meeting of prominent citizens at the Stetson House, a committee was appointed to investigate the management of the Insane Asylum and report at a mass meeting of citizens to be held at an early date, while at two o'clock this afternoon the Hospital Committee of the County Board commenced a public inquiry concerning the matter.

GRAND ARMY GLEANINGS.

THRIFTY IMMIGRANTS.

Claiming to Have No Money as a Matter of Economy.

"Some people don't know any more where they're going than a dead man," said an agent yesterday who has had long experience in transferring immigrants bound for Western points. "Before our present system was established," he continued, "they used to give us a great deal of trouble, but now everything runs like clockwork. A man passes through every incoming train before it reaches the city, and the immigrants are going, and then gives them colored cards indicating the depots to which they should be transferred.

"When they reach the station they are separated into different groups, and each lot is taken to its proper depot, bag and baggage, by Palmer's boys—the bus receiving the people paying their bus fare. Then, when our consignment arrives here, for instance, I have to sort them all over again and give them new slips designating their towns and trains. After I've seen to it that each party gets aboard the right train I am done with them."

"Before the fire I was in the employ of an immigrant aid society that used to take care of the immigrants in a big room over on Illinois street. There was an eight-hole range in the room, and every little while the women would get into a fight and rush up to my desk in the corner screaming: 'I put my pot on first!' She took my pot off," in different languages, and with arms akimbo.

"There used to be a great deal of bumming in those days, too. You see people already over here would write back to their friends, telling them to say that they had no money when they reached Chicago, and that somebody would take care of them and send them on free. I remember one Norwegian, for whom I was just about to get a pass, when a man came over to get the ship with him told me that he had a big bag of gold. The Norwegian refused to swear that he had no money, and I then gave him just enough to get out of the house. The next day he bought a ticket and paid for it in gold."

"The neatest catch I ever had though, was a woman whose husband had written a letter to her here. She couldn't read, and so she asked me to read it to her. I read along until I came to a sentence that made me stop. It was: 'When you get to Chicago, say that you haven't got any money.' I asked her if she had any money, and she replied that she had. Then I went on with the letter—not without remarking to her, however, 'Madam, your husband is a scoundrel.'

"We don't have much of that sort of thing now. If a man gets stranded here and hasn't much money, we give him a ticket out what he has. If he's going to a place where he has friends, we telegraph to them, and if they deposit the price of the ticket at the other end of the line, we send him on. In case he has nothing but some baggage, we give him a ticket and turn his baggage check over to the conductor."

"Which naturally gives you the least trouble?" he was asked.

"Well, the Germans, on the whole, the Norwegians and Poles are the worst because they won't believe anybody. Then there are the half-gentlemen who have been behind the counter in the old country, and who expect you to take off your hat to them. I speak German, Swedish, Norwegian and Italian for transfer purposes; but Poles, Bohemians, and Finns I can't do anything with. I have to get an interpreter."

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—The losses from hog cholera in this country this year are enormous, many farmers having lost every hog they owned, in some instances as high as two or three hundred head. The amount of money thus taken out of circulation will amount to thousands of dollars.—*Lawrence (Kan.) Herald and Tribune.*

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