

Strange Cause For Suicide.

St. Louis, Feb. 21.—The peculiarities of the Alice Mitchell-Freda Ward case at Memphis are not confined to the feminine sex was demonstrated by the suicide here yesterday morning of Dr. E. T. Breedlove of Baltimore, Md. Yesterday morning the inmates of Hurst's hotel were startled by a pistol shot. A few seconds later Isaac M. Judson rushed down stairs and informed the proprietor that Dr. Breedlove had just shot himself. Hurst at once rushed to the room, where he found Breedlove's dead body. The man had shot himself in the right temple, and death was evidently instantaneous.

At the police station Judson said he was in the room when Breedlove shot himself and gave the cause of the act as dependency and a strange attachment of the man to himself (Judson.) This latter remark is most significant, when taken in connection with a letter found among the dead man's effects. It says, in part:

"I came intending to first kill you and then myself. I shall only make an end of my own miserable existence. My love for you has been my ruin. I can no more live apart from you than fly. There is but one thing I could wish and that is to pass the remainder of my life in your presence. I shall do that, anyhow, for to die in your arms relieves death of half its terrors. It is cruel for me to do this act, for it will blight your life. I should be more cruel to myself to try to live without you. You have done all but the one right and effective thing to save and make me, but it has all failed. I would gladly beg, steal, do anything, forego riches, forego friends, home, kindred, for a life of blissful association with you.

The blow will probably kill my mother; I shudder to think of it. We might have been happy together had it not been for your rich friend, your high social and business standing, your high ideas of morality that you never fill. But it is too late and the end must come. Good by Isaac. I won't wish you happiness—you will never have that again, and you will follow in my footsteps some time. Men of our nature and sins must have their punishment and ours comes in a terrible shape. You are mine in the sight of heaven and no family ties can claim you better and death. I have loved you better than you have ever or ever will be loved again. Pray for my soul, Amen."

Scraps of other letters of the same tenor were found in the room. Judson says he has been an intimate friend of the suicide for some time past. Breedlove had been depressed in mind over financial matters and his failure to establish himself in his profession. Judson went this morning to the hotel to see Breedlove, who was about to leave on a visit to Baltimore. As he entered the room the doctor handed him a letter and while he was reading it he heard the fatal shot. The parents of the suicide live in Fort Smith, Ark.

A Sudden Death.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Feb. 22.—The remains of Mrs. M. A. Wilson, which were sent to the Toionco for burial four weeks ago, supposedly from Galveston, Tex., have been exhumed. Mrs. Wilson was formerly Mrs. Post, and resided in Litchfield, where her husband was proprietor of the Post house. After the death of Mr. Post she kept control of the house and in a few years accumulated considerable wealth. Last fall these appeared in Litchfield, a dealer in musical instruments named Wilson, who made the Post house his headquarters. He was gay, a smooth dresser and after a brief siege of love won the heart of Mrs. Post. Together they went to St. Louis to be married, Mrs. Post drawing from her bank account, \$4,000. The next heard from them was a telegram received by Mrs. Post's mother at Litchfield, informing her of the death of Mrs. Wilson, formerly Mrs. Post. Mrs. Post, was requested to meet the remains in St. Louis and take charge of them. This she did, Wilson claiming to be too ill to accompany the remains, but promised to be sent at the burial in Toionco. Up to date Wilson has failed to put in an appearance and no accounting has been made of Mrs. Wilson's money or property. No record has been found in St. Louis of a marriage between Wilson and Mrs. Post in that city, nor is there any record that any railroad brought a corpse from Galveston, Tex., to St. Louis at that time. The mystery surrounding her death has caused her relatives to make the present investigation. At the post mortem examination no marks of violence were found, but the stomach has been sent to the university of Illinois for chemical examination.

Duel in Texas.

LAREDO, TEX., Feb. 24.—A duel was fought in the suburbs of this city last evening about sundown between June Flores and another Mexican whose name is not known. When Flores was found he had a bullet hole through his body, from the effects of which he died shortly afterward. Flores is a stranger here. It is thought the duellists came to this side of the river from Mexico to settle their disputes. The survivor fled toward the Rio Grande. Nothing more is known of the affair.

THE FREDA WARD CASE.

Attorneys of Miss Johnson Make Application For Bail.

WILL DECIDE TODAY IF BAIL IS GIVEN.

If She is Shown to be Sane She Will be Put on Trial For Life.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 21.—Yesterday morning the usual crowd in the court room showed that the interest in the trial of Miss Lily Johnson, under a writ of habeas corpus, containing a petition for bail was unabated. Miss Johnson, leaning on the arm of her father and supported by her brother, walked down the aisle at 9 o'clock. The young lady was veiled, and so weak was she that her father had to assist her. The Rev. Father Vesale, pastor of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church, was the first witness called. Miss Johnson is a member of his congregation and he testified to her good character. Dr. Hemming, the family physician, said that he had attended the young lady for several years and said she was very frail and delicate. The confinement in the jail was injuring her and the physician declared in his opinion the girl could not live much longer if she was kept in prison.

Attorney Patterson arose and began to argue for his fair prisoner. He went into the history of the case at length, detailing how Miss Alice Mitchell, Miss Lily Johnson and Miss Freda Ward had been friends for years. As the lawyer pictured Lily Johnson's quiet home life and compared it to her present position, with her character forever ruined, though she was very innocent of any complicity in the commission of the crime, the prisoner began to weep, and when he entered into the details and told how Miss Ward's throat was cut, the girl's whole frame was convulsed. The sobs of the father and daughter could be heard throughout the court room. Sympathetic ladies began to weep, but the court frowned. Nothing ever moves the heart of Judge Dutose.

The Judge said he would decide today whether he would grant bail or refuse it, and then ordered the prisoner taken back to jail.

After the disposition of Miss Johnson's motion for bail, the time for the trial of Miss Mitchell for lunacy will be set. If she is proven a lunatic she will be put in the asylum. If she is shown to be sane she will be put on trial for life. There is no doubt but the state will make her pay the penalty of death for cutting Miss Ward's throat.

Will Have Another Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—Long before the opening of Judge Troutt's court this morning the corridors leading to the court room were crowded, and it was with difficulty that those whose business called them there could enter. Discussion in the crowd ran high. Numerous wagers were made upon the result of the jury's deliberation.

Mrs. Curtis came into the court room early yesterday morning, accompanied by a lady friend. As she held a whispered conversation with some of her sympathizing friends, it was plainly to be seen that she was worried. As the time grew close to 10 o'clock the court room commenced to fill up with ladies and theatrical people, mostly friends of the man accused of taking the life of Officer Grant on the night of September 11. Curtis came into the judge's chamber shortly after the entrance of Mrs. Curtis. He looked pale and tired and held a short conversation with his wife. It was evident that the strain of the trial had told on him.

Great Hopes Entertained.

Judge Troutt entered promptly at 10 o'clock and immediately a hush prevailed in the room. He announced that the jury had not yet reached a verdict and that the court would stand adjourned until 2 o'clock. This announcement seemed to please Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, for on this delay they both built up the brightest hopes.

At 2 o'clock the jurors came into court and announced that they had not agreed and that there was no prospect of their ever agreeing. Judge Troutt stated that he would not accept this report for final and sent them back for further deliberations, with instructions that they report at 4:30 o'clock, when twenty-four hours of deliberation had ended. The jury then retired to their room.

When the court convened at 4:30 the jurors filed into the court room and the foreman announced that they were still unable to agree. They stood ten for conviction and two for acquittal. The court thereupon ordered them discharged. The case will be called again Saturday morning, when it will be set for hearing.

Had Another Gift.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—The university of Chicago yesterday had another gift of \$1,000,000 added to its endowment. A letter was received by the trustees from John D. Rockefeller, tendering that sum in 5 per cent gold bonds, to be handed over to the trustees, with accrued interest March 1. The giver reserved the right to designate the expenses to which the income shall be applied. The letter concludes: "I make this gift as a special thanks offering to Almighty God for returning health."

Met a Frightful Death.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The story of the burning of the sailing vessel Loodiana, which has been missing for two months, was told by the second officer of the Egyptian Monarch, which arrived here yesterday and which saw the Loodiana on fire at sea. The officer, who was the lookout on the night of January 16, says: "I was on the lookout. The wind was blowing furiously and the water seemed mountain high above us. Suddenly, away over on the port bow, I saw a glare in the heavy sky. Then I saw a sudden flash and what seemed to be an explosion lighting up the horizon for miles around. Seizing a glass I found that a sailing ship was on fire. At 1:30 a. m. we rounded too near the burning vessel. It was the Loodiana, and she was ablaze almost from stem to stern. The flames had nearly reached the bows. In the bright glare I saw two figures sitting astride the jib boom. The glass showed them to be a man and a woman, whom we afterwards learned were the captain of the Loodiana and his wife. Volunteers were called for and were on the point of starting out in a boat to what seemed certain death when the elements forestalled us. The stays supporting the jib boom had been burned away. A few minutes afterward the ship swung around. The flames leaped toward the keel of the bowsprit; an awful cry of agony went up from those poor tortured ones. Down they fell into the firelit waves. We saw them for one short moment. The man was holding on the stump of a spar and the woman was clinging to him. A heavy wave lifted them up and dashed them against the side of the vessel. We never saw them again."

Arrested For Intention.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 27.—D. P. Destines, colored, son of the secretary of the republican state central committee, was arrested yesterday for violating the separate car law. Destines, who is a light quadroon, tried to enter a car on the Louisville & Nashville railroad reserved for the whites. He was arrested charged with the violation of the separate car act and arraigned before the second recorder's court.

The act, which was passed by the last legislature, prohibits negroes and whites from occupying the same railroad car under severe penalties. It is known as the "crot" car by the negroes, and ever since its passage they have been agitating for its repeal and have raised a considerable amount to test its legality to the courts. The ejection of Destines from the whites' car and his arrest for intrusion will be made a test case by them.

Six Convicted Prisoners.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., Feb. 24.—Circuit court for Fall River county has just closed, and Sheriff Gifford started last night with six convicted prisoners for the penitentiary at Sioux Falls. They were Andy Handy, who was found guilty of shooting Andrew Engstrom, a bridge foreman on the B. & M. last November. Handy, who is a notorious character and desperado was out hunting and his dog jumped on Engstrom's dog. When the latter tried to rescue him Handy emptied both barrels of a gun into Engstrom's body, leaving him a cripple. Handy will serve eight years at hard labor. Walter Parker (colored) was sent up for ten years for slugging Chris Frinkler, a recently discharged soldier, in July last, fracturing his skull, from the effects of which he died. Joseph Fregley got one year for taking a B. & M. time check from a fellow workman, forging his name to it and drawing the money, pending on to the indictment. Martin Cr. Franklin Smith and George Rich got one year each for killing range cattle and disposing of the beef.

Fall River county is doing well "busters" in a summary manner and that business has received a dash blow. The prisoners were all chained together and every precaution taken to prevent escape, as they are resolute and determined characters.

The Story of Mrs. Deacon.

PARIS, Feb. 23.—Mrs. Deacon says, in an interview at Paris, that she had been visiting the Countess Pourtales at Cannes and was tired and went to her mother's. She was there when Abeille arrived and accompanied her to her apartments in the Hotel Splende. In her salon bed room she was accustomed to relinquish ceremony and she went into her bed room to get her dressing gown, Abeille remaining in the salon. They were quietly conversing when her husband shouted: "Open the door, or I will burst it in."

"As I was in the salon," said Mrs. Deacon "it took time for me to cross into the bed room and light the candle. Although used to being ill treated, I was frightened when I saw the revolver in my husband's hands. Abeille was reclining against the mantelpiece when my husband leveled the revolver at him. I tried to prevent Mr. Deacon from shooting, but without effect. Abeille, seeing the danger, naturally sought shelter behind the sofa. Three shots were fired by Mr. Deacon, one of the bullets being buried in the cushions. If Abeille had been guilty of anything that would have caused him to fear violence, he could easily have escaped by way of the salon into the passage or onto the cornice, eight inches wide, which surrounded the outer wall of the building."

Mrs. Deacon says she intends to bring an action for divorce from her husband.

The Fire Record.

DECATUR, Ill., Feb. 23.—The Library block in Decatur burned last night, entailing a loss of \$100,000. The fire started in the steam bakery at 11 p. m., and burned all night.

Shot His Wife.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—James Stevens, a bartender, went home last night, quarreled with his family and shot his wife and her cousin, Nellie Smith, seriously injuring them, and then suicided. Both women jumped from windows on the second floor after being shot, but passed by caught them and saved them from being dashed to death on the pavement. Their wounds are not necessarily fatal. Stevens intended also to kill his father-in-law, but the old man and Stevens' little child hid under the bed.

The Murderer Captured.

TALLEGUAH, I. T., Feb. 27.—James Craig, one of the parties charged with the murder of Deputy United States Marshal Poorboy and Thomas Whitehead, of this place, last December, was captured last night by Heck Bruner, Deputy United States marshal. Craig is now in jail under safe guard, and will be taken to Fort Smith at once. Bruner is the marshal who killed Waco Hampton and captured John Doch, both of whom were implicated in the matter.

Caused By a Miscalculation.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 27.—The Jacksonville Southeastern passenger train, which left here at 8 a. m. ran into the rear coach of the Moine & Ohio eastbound passenger train terminus of the Mississippi river bridge. The engines and cars of both trains were derailed, and bridge traffic was blocked for several hours. Mail Clerk Waite of the Mobile & Ohio train was slightly hurt. No other persons were injured. The accident was due to a dense fog, which prevented the engineer of the Jacksonville train seeing the train ahead.

PRORIA, Ill., Feb. 27.—A collision between a freight and a passenger train occurred on the main line of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway yesterday morning at Utica, Ill. According to private telegrams, there was no one killed, but one engineer was badly injured. The accident was caused by a misplaced switch.

Typus in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—A case of typhus was discovered yesterday in ward 19 at Bellevue hospital. The patient is August Herde, 30 years old, a cook and a native of Switzerland. When Dr. O. O. Cooper visited Herde his suspicions were aroused and he notified Dr. E. Johnson of the bureau of contagious diseases. A member of the board of health ordered Herde to be removed to North Brothers Island. There were twenty-three other patients in ward 19. After Herde had been removed the ward was fumigated. Deputy Warden Rickard said he did not expect a spread of typhus in the hospital. Samuel Abraham, 10 years old, developed typhus at the quarantine house and was taken to North Brothers Island.

Wishes to Marry.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 25.—A man about 35, resident at the St. James as Bishop H. Tureman of Philadelphia. To reporters he stated that he was endeavoring to get married. He said he was a native of Finland and a count. He has been in America eight years, a part of which time he attended an eastern college, and later was pastor of a Lutheran church in California. He would prefer to marry either into the Harrison or Wansam families, and he had telegraphed Miss Wansam and written to her father.

Narrowly Escaped Lynching.

LAWRENCE, Kas., Feb. 25.—The people of Eudora were very much excited last night by reason of an assault upon Mrs. Anna Neustifer, a German woman of that place, by W. Iler Dickus, a mulatto from Lawrence, who is about eighteen years old. Mrs. Neustifer had been in Lawrence and started to walk to Eudora going down the Santa Fe railroad track. Dickus had evidently followed the woman from Lawrence, and when about half way between the two places he made an assault upon her. He struck her in the back of the head, knocking her down, and then started to drag her across the road into the woods, when he was seen by William Young. Young at once hurried to the spot and Dickus dropped the woman and ran away. Young followed and caught him, and, calling assistance took him to Eudora. Mrs. Neustifer was also taken there.

Dickus was placed in jail, but in a few minutes a crowd gathered and when they discovered what had been done immediate preparations were made to break into the jail and hang the mulatto. With difficulty the officers prevented the crowd to disperse, and as soon as night came it was evident that Dickus would be taken out and dealt with as he deserved. The officers took their prisoner from the jail and brought him to Lawrence without attracting any attention, and when the mob gathered their intended victim was not to be found.

This morning Dickus was brought before Judge Carleton in this city and his hearing set for tomorrow. He makes no excuse and offered to plead guilty to any charge the officers would bring against him. Mrs. Neustifer was not seriously injured, although the fright has apparently injured her mind.

A Terrible Crime.

SEDALIA, Mo., Feb. 25.—The people of Sedalia have determined that the punishment meted out by the people of Texas to the negro ravisher is needed by a negro desperado who started one town with a series of crimes last night. About 9 o'clock he entered the house of a widow, Maro Moore, choked her into unconsciousness, stole her few valuables and escaped. A little later he stopped P. H. Buckley and Miss Lottie Gilker, on the street, with a drawn revolver. Miss Gilker fled, the negro pursued, and fell her to the ground with the butt end of his revolver. Buckley and others coming up then, he escaped.

Found Dead in His Room.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 27.—About noon yesterday the proprietor of the Cincinnati hotel, south west corner of Ninth and Sycamore streets, detected a strong odor of gas in the building. Summoning a bell boy he gave him instructions to find the leak, and upon opening a door of an old room the boy was almost knocked down by escaping gas. On the bed lay the dead body of an unknown man. An examination showed that he had been dead some hours. How he got into the room nobody knows, as he was a stranger. He was about 40 years of age, under medium height, wore a iron-gray mustache and a beard of about three days growth. Subsequently the body was identified as Mat Dungan of Augusta, Ga., who had registered two days ago, he being assigned to room 58, the room in which he was found. The chambermaid who took him to the room had left the empty of the key, and the new one did not know of the room being occupied.

Amateur Must Die.

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Dearly Loved Freda.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 25.—The criminal court was again crowded yesterday morning to hear the continuation of the proceedings in the habeas corpus case of Miss Mitchell in the murder of Freda Ward. Miss Johnson was examined and said she went on board the steamer Ora Lea with Alice the Friday before the killing. She went at Alice's request, who said she wanted to be aboard the boat to tell Freda good by. Alice dearly loved Freda even after they quit speaking. Other members of the Johnson family were examined, and the court adjourned.

Typus in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 25.—Two cases of typhus fever have been discovered among recently arrived Russian Jews.

800 Indian Children Particulated.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Feb. 25.—The celebration of the thirteenth anniversary of the Indian training school took place here yesterday, some 800 Indian children participating in the exercises. Yesterday afternoon the commencement exercises took place and were largely attended. Dr. James E. Rhoades, president of Bryn Mawr college, in a speech presented the graduating class with their diplomas. Speeches were then made by United States Senator Dawes, Congressman English and others.

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ALL OVER NE

Dodge has a new horse. A new d-pole is being Creek.

Culbertson will have blocks in the spring. Music will be taught in Island schools hereafter.

The North Platte Y. M. membership of nearly 200. The Catholic church is burned with all its contents. Mrs. Lillian Hesse was Weeping Water insurance.

Plattsmouth is the most town over the state in Nebraska. There are 265 G. A. E. braska, with a membership.

Citizens of Pierre are works and have seen acres of valuable coal.

The Ereter Coal company Dodge, lost fifty head of Nebraska now has the cure, and more are coming.

D. K. Staples of Nebraska lately from some. The South Omaha, state claims a capital of \$100,000.

An attempt is being made Blair merchants to close 8 o'clock. Frank Day brought Water market a big price.

Horses are so plentiful of Weeping Water that the low price. Arrangements have 300 volumes a year to the public library.

It is said that an English has made an offer to buy a nursery at Geneva. R. J. Collins of Weeping a "quarter" for \$100,000 he cleared \$1,500,000.

A dog showing unusual hydrophobia was killed by Madison. It was charged. The problem of water court house or continue agitating the minds of the people.

And now Kearney, a republican state congressman, trying to capture the seat.

Omaha will go over to base ball grounds. Farmers are too full of corn to ball park.

The Ohio elevator, the month of January 25, wheat, 1,801 bushels of bushels of corn.

Gates college boys built a sidewalk around and the girls rewarded the tion in the evening.

Grand Island has two which to secure the best. She will be false to her if she does not get it.

Colonel A. M. Applegate handsome residence at \$2,700 and will devote his boom Hot Springs, N. Capt. W. C. Henry will see his grip on the masses soldiers' home, will result to both town and country.

The country roads of Missouri seldom were worse than the work of making them profitably begin as soon as possible.

Plattsmouth has a named Peter Ellington, living out as an artist. He is local and are said to be successful.

Relatives of Joseph Star killed near Burwell by the of his wagon while he was sued the saloonkeeper liquor for \$10,000.

Mrs. Riordon got a judgment against Kearney saloonkeeper liquor to her who fell from his wagon and was killed.

Every little while some German or English citizen trip over to visit the "old" it is noticeable that it is that they go. They come braska and bring some with them.

A young man named south of Taylor, in Loup refused food, drink and sleep twenty-five days. On recovery delirium tremens he became he was going to die and to course to make sure of it.

The Nebraska G. A. E. is not considerate. It counts the prominent candidates, but after electing Governor Judge Church was made Robert La Fountain junior boys are in the line of progress.

The wholesale saddle business employs twenty-six and out an immense number. Collars are made a specialty load orders for them are adequate home patronage. And Hastings is sure to support her share of such last.