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The Tennessee Miner.

BY NICHOLAS BAIRD BUCK.  
I visit his kennel in dreams,  
The miner of Tennessee,  
A very kennel it seems,  
The's home to such as he.

On a bare pine table I see  
Some soup in an earthen bowl,  
Some coarse corn bread and tea,  
To feed this miner of coal.

In the dusk the father comes:  
All day he has been in the mine;  
On a remnant, the rick man's crumbs;  
These partners in poverty dine.

The miner's wife is wan,  
And the babe that creeps  
Out to the rags in which it sleeps.

A young lad follows behind  
The father; the curse of the craft  
Is over him, with its grind;  
He early went into the shaft.

No pride of dress has he;  
His mind is blunted by toil,  
This lad of Tennessee,  
For the rich man's son a foil.

The fear of a falling roof,  
The dread of choke-damp and fire,  
Or nerve-strain leave a proof  
Alike on child and sire.

The jewels that glitter and shine  
On the hands of wealth and power  
Are the crystallized tears of the miner,  
The delving poor man's dower.

A FANATIC.

By Mary L. Underhill in The Voice.  
"Fanatic!" they said; yes, he stood for the  
truth.

Defended it always by day and by night;

He wrought for the good of the children and  
youth.

Well knowing the worth of their souls in  
God's sight.

Fanatic was he? Yes, he spent time and  
strength  
In labor of love for the tempted and tossed,  
No toll was too great, no tribe too small  
To offer to Him for the souls that were lost.

Fanatic was he? Yet he cheerfully gave  
Of his income so small, to those who had  
less.

And the poor and the lowly, the sad ones of  
earth.

Had cause this "fanatic" to love and to  
bless.

Fanatic was he? Yes, the world flitted by,  
With its laughter and song, its jest and its  
jeer;

They pitied him so, so they said as they went;

For they fancied his life bitter, cheerless  
and drear.

For they had their pleasures, their wine and  
their glee.

And life was to them gay, and merry, and  
bright.

They lived for themselves, while he toiled for  
those.

Whom born in the darkness, he brought to  
the light.

Ah! little they know how the peace God doth  
give  
Dwelt deep in his heart, sweet, abiding and  
strong.

And how, when in sorrow o'er those whom he  
loved,

God gave in the night-time His presence  
and song.

And one day he died, and they laid him to rest  
On the sunny hill side, 'neath the grasses  
and flowers.

In the sorrowful hush of a heart-broken  
throng.

Where lovingly God keepeth watch through  
the hours.

Ah! happy forever, no longer to toil  
Alone, and in sorrow, and misunderstanding,  
No longer "fanatic," but heir to a throne.  
With all the redeemed, the rejoicing and  
good.

Oh! soul thou hast won—and thy hard race is  
over,  
Time's years are but few, and Eternity's  
long;  
Thy service of love for the sin-stricken earth  
Shall blossom for ever in gladness and song.

TRIPLE TENNESSEE TRAGEDY.

Bloody Sequel to an Unsavory Family  
Scandal—The Murderer Escapes.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 29.—News comes from Fentress county of a triple tragedy in which Edward Harris killed Marion and Dave Beatty and Gwin Bowden. Harris escaped to the woods and has not yet been captured. The shooting was the outcome of an unsavory family scandal in which Mary Beatty, sister of two of the murdered men, was the principal figure.

*Ohio Town's Fatal Fight.*

COLUMBUS, Dec. 29.—Gallipolis, Ohio, is very much excited over a fearful tragedy. Harry Bayes and John Eads, neither out of his teens, quarreled over a girl, Miss Little, to whom the former had presented a ring, and the latter was wearing it. In the scuffle Bayes drew a knife and slashed Eads about the limbs and body. Eads used a hammer with telling effect upon his adversary's head. The knife proved too much for Eads and he fell fainting. A physician pronounced his wounds mortal. Bayes is in jail. It is feared his skull is fractured and he is in a serious condition.

*Lynch Gates Arrested.*

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—David C. Gates, under indictment for leading the assault upon the jail in the attempt to lynch Charles Besso, was caught near the city and placed under arrest. He gave bond in the sum of \$1,000. He boasted of his attempt to get Besso and says the only regret he has is that the mob did not secure the prisoner and hang him.

*A Robber Leader Shot.*

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 29.—Frank Cooley, leader of a gang of robbers in this county, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded by one of his band during a drunken row. The people hereabout only hope the shot will prove fatal. Cooley and his gang have robbed and terrorized the people around here for years.

*Electrocution Victims.*

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Judge LaCombe, of the United States circuit court, signed the mandate to the warden of Sing Sing prison commanding him to proceed with the execution of murderers McElvane and Trezza. The condemned men will be brought to Brooklyn to be sentenced.

## PRESSING THEIR CLAIMS

### TIDAL WAVES IN THE PACIFIC.

Numerous Candidates Anxious to Succeed Senator Plumb.

## HUMPHREY IN NO HURRY

Ex-Congressman Perkins Steals a March. Crawford Drops Out in Favor of Ed-  
itor Hudson—Senator Ingalls' Chances.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 29.—Governor Humphrey, in an interview, stated that he did not think he would appoint a successor to Senator Plumb before the end of the week. The governor has been importuned and harassed so persistently by delegations which urge the claims of the different candidates that he is losing patience.

The claims of J. W. Ady, United States district attorney for the district of Kansas, were first presented to the governor. Ex-Congressman S. R. Peters of Newton, Kan., backed by the entire Seventh congressional district, made the presentation. He occupied the governor's time from 2 o'clock until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

## WAR ON THE RIO GRANDE.

United States Troops Ordered to the Scene of Trouble—Great Activity Manifest at San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 29.—There was great activity at the military headquarters here this morning. Two troops of cavalry have been ordered to the scene of the war on the frontier and left this evening on a special train. The state troopers are making ready to march from Austin to the border at once. The war department at Washington has authorized General Stanley to employ all the necessary scouts and guides, and everything points to active work in the near future.

Mexican Troops to the Front.

LAREDO, Tex., Dec. 29.—Thirty-three car loads of Mexican troops, comprising about eight hundred men, arrived in New Laredo, New Mexico, from Saltillo. This seems to indicate that the reports of advantages gained along the border by Garza are not altogether wrong. These newly arrived troops will proceed down the river at once. A runner has gained circulation in the city that the three revolutionists who were captured by Mexican troops in the skirmish Sunday, were convicted and shot.

Of all the candidates for the appointment ex-Senator Ingalls enjoys the distinction of being the only one who has no lieutenants on the ground working for him. In fact, he is not even an avowed candidate. His friends, however, say he would accept the appointment if it were tendered him, but he will not go into the scramble for the honor with the common herd. The ex-senator has nearly all the "practical" politicians against him. They urge that after his defeat a year ago he refused to lend them his valuable aid in reclaiming the state from the Farmers' Alliance. But the ex-senator is not without backing. All the work that is being done in his interest, however, is unsolicited and has the merit of spontaneity. He is unanimously endorsed by the people of his own town, Atchison, has an enthusiastic following from the Grand Army of the Republic, and is the idol of the young Republicans of the state. He is also in a position to be settled upon as a compromise candidate. He is making no fight and therefore no enemies.

Another candidate dropped out of the race. He is ex-Governor Crawford, who is in Washington. He telegraphed the governor that he was not a candidate and urged the appointment of Major J. K. Hudson.

## TROTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION.

Annual Election of Officers in a Meeting at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The annual meeting of the Northwestern Association of Trotting and Pacing Horse Breeders elected John L. Mitchell of Wisconsin president. Among the vice presidents are: J. D. Creighton of Nebraska, Walter L. Hayes of Iowa, W. A. Sanborn of Illinois, J. L. Case of Wisconsin. The treasurer is H. D. McKinney of Wisconsin, and the secretary Robert Allen of Joliet, Ills.

## New Base Ball League.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—President Isaac H. Bailey, assignee in bankruptcy of Daniel Drew, to recover certain securities which Drew assigned to his son, Wm. H. Drew, before his failure, has been decided in favor of the defendant by Justice Lawrence of the supreme court. During the panic in 1873, Daniel Drew became heavily involved. He then held securities of a par value of \$4,344,000 and of an actual value of \$1,454,600 which he assigned to his son. He went into bankruptcy in 1876. Mr. Bailey began action against his son individually and as executor of his father's estate, to recover these securities, alleging that the assignment of them had been made in view of the pending bankruptcy and that it was in fraud of creditors.

## An Atlantic Steamer Lost.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 29.—Captain Hopkins, of the British steamer Ocean Queen, reports having encountered a terrific gale in mid-ocean on Monday, Dec. 21. Four of the crew were lost. Captain Hopkins reports that on the next morning he sighted a large ocean steamer flying signals of distress. The vessel to all appearances was a passenger steamer bound from Liverpool to New York. Owing to a dense fog the Ocean Queen was unable to go to her rescue. When the fog lifted nothing was seen of the distressed steamer. A ship's compass encased in cork was picked up afterwards. The initials "J. P. C. of England" were engraved on the case. Captain Hopkins is positive that the steamer was wrecked.

## Diphtheria Epidemic.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Owing to the number of reported diphtheria cases at Bethel township, the school directors at a meeting concluded to close the schools until the spread of the disease ceases. Seven cases were reported within three and five deaths have been chronicled within two days.

## Violated the Banking Law.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Charles H. Universal, treasurer of the Union Square bank, was arrested charged with a violation of the banking law. He was arraigned in the general sessions court and held in \$1,000 bail for trial. He furnished the amount in cash.

## Crazed by Fear.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 29.—Anthony Schioltz, a farmer living a few miles from this city, who last week shot an Italian who was trying to steal a calf, has become crazed by the fear that the man's friends will kill him.

## A Shortage of \$100,000.

WARRINGTON, Va., Dec. 29.—A statement of the affairs of Rosenberger, Splender & Co., of Newmarket, Va., the bankers who had branches here and in two other towns, places the combined shortage at \$100,000.

## Mud Disposed of by Cold.

BURLINGTON, Dec. 29.—The recent cold snap has fairly raised the late serious mud blockade that existed all over this part of the country and cost business men and farmers thousands of dollars. Trade is rapidly reviving and it is hoped that some of the losses may be made up.

## Killed His Companion.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 29.—William Broderick, aged 15 years, shot and killed his companion, John Hollister, while shooting at a mark.

## TIDAL WAVES IN THE PACIFIC.

Great Loss of Life and Property in the South Sea Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Advices from the south seas give startling news from the Gilbert islands in the Pacific by the mission bark John Williams, now at Samoa. It seems that just before the bark visited the group there were several tidal upheavals, the result doubtless of submarine disturbances. Tidal waves broke high over some of the islands of the group, causing great loss of life, and completely demolishing houses. At one island alone, the Rev. J. W. Hills, of the London Missionary society, writes, no fewer than eighty natives perished. The track of the tidal waves is not known, but as it is scarcely probable that other islands have escaped devastation and further information is anxiously looked for.

## Rushing the Miantonomah.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The big double-turreted monitor Miantonomah will be ready for sea Friday, or five days sooner than expected. The work of coaling her was finished and her stores of powder and projectiles will be put on board at once.

## Washington News.

Nothing New From Chile—Bering Sea Arbitration—In the Railroad Sink-

ing Funds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The secretary of the treasury gives notice that there is remaining in the sinking funds of the Union and Central Pacific railroad companies the following described currency, viz.: \$45,000 maturing February 1, 1896; \$207,000 maturing January 1, 1897; \$1,644,000 maturing January 1, 1898; \$601,000 maturing January 1, 1899. He will accept hereafter in exchange for the two first mentioned amounts \$252,000 of first mortgage Pacific railroad bonds maturing on or after January 1, 1867. With this exception the receipt of the first mortgage bonds in exchange for currency will be limited hereafter to those maturing on and after January 1, 1898. The terms upon which the exchanges will be made are the same as those heretofore in effect upon the basis of 12 per cent. increased income per annum to the sinking funds.

## Washington News.

Famishing Russians Robbed.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—The authori-

ties are appalled at a display of enter-

prise on the part of a Russian newspaper.

It appears that the urban com of St. Petersburg recently bought with city

money, for the benefit of the starving,

300,000 pounds of barley flour.

The newspaper, Novoye Vremya, having sus-

picio no to the honesty of the transaction,

investigated and found that the pur-

chase was fraudulent, the greater

part of the flour being dust and other re-

use. The paper published the story and

there is widespread indignation against

those responsible for the purchase and

who are supposed to have divided the

large part of the money among them.

The paper is applauded for its course,

and, while the authorities have not in-

tended to stop the exposure, it is said

that the action of the Novoye Vremya is

regarded in high quarters with consider-

able aversion.

## Plot Against the Czar.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A dispatch from

Warsaw says a plot against the life of

the czar has been discovered. Many