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## **GET PETER OLSEN**

MURDERER OF MARY PETERSON FATALLY SHOT.

IS SEEN ON THE STREETS

Officers at Once Start in Pursuit-Murderer Draws a Revolver When Overhauled-His Movement Brings Three

BANCROFT, Neb., Sept. 22.-Peter Olsen, who shot Mary Peterson in Omaha on the night of September 8, was shot and almost instantly killed here yesterday. He came to town last evening and registered at the Park hotel as W. Johnson, having supper, bed and breakfast, paying for the same in the morning. He was around town all evening and got shaved at the barber shop, but was not recognized by anyone. Yesterday morning Lee Fletcher came to town, and although he only saw Olsen once about six months ago, he recognized him, but was not certain enough to cause his arrest. He left a man to watch him and hurried out in the country for M. P. Johnson, an uncle of the murdered girl, and with whom Olsen had visited last June.

Olsen also recognized Mr. Fletcher and seemed to know they were after him and left town. As. Mr. Johnson was coming in he saw Olsen going up the railroad and recognized him by his walk. He at once notified Constable J. O. Copple, who organized a posse and started in pursuit, overtaking him about three miles from town. Constable Copple and John Farley; armed with rifles, were the first to be on the scene, and when about fifty yards from Olsen they dismounted, and taking refuge back of a culvert ordered him to surrender. He reached for his revolver and the second command was given, when the revolver flourished.

The order was given to shoot; three rifle shots were fired, only one taking effect, entering about three inches above the navel and passing entirely through the body. Upon examination it was found that the revolver contained only one shell and that had been snapped three times. There were no papers on his person. The revolver and \$15.55 in money was all that was found. He was loaded into a buggy and brought to town, where a closer examination was held.

The clothes he wore, the scars on his neck and the scar on his side where he was operated on for appendicitis tallied exactly with the description sent out by the Omaha police.

and County Attorney Hunter came over from West Point and upon examination said that there was no question but that he was the right man.

SEES A GREAT TASK AHEAD.

London Papers Predict that the Trusts Have Nothing to Fear.

LONDON, Sept. 22.-The Daily Telegraph, in an editorial article this morning, expresses the belief that in proposing to regulate the trusts by amending the constitution President Roosevelt has undertaken a task so colossal that the remedy will be more dangerous than the disease and that the trusts have nothing to fear for a long time to come.

Referring to the same subject, the Daily News says: "It would almost seem as though President Roosevelt were destined to play as great a part in American history as did Abraham Lincoln, by seizing and directing the growing sentiment against the enslavement of the whites by huge and conscienceless combines."

Going to the Isthmus.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 22.-Rear Admiral Coghlan has raised his flag on the Olympia, and awaits orders to proceed to the isthmus of Panama and assume charge of affairs there. The Olympia is provisioned and coaled for three months.

Must Pay the Fiddler.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—The Daily Mail says that the government has decided that the new South African colonies are to be required to pay \$500,000,000 toward the cost of the South African

Rear Admiral Watson.

VALLETTE, Island of Malta, Sept. 22.-The death is announced of Rear Admiral Burges Watson, R. N. He died on board the British battleship Ramillies.

FOOD IS THE ONLY PROBLEM.

When that is Solved No Trouble to

Reach the North Pole. NEW YORK, Sept. 20 .- Dr. Frederick A. Cook of Brooklyn, who was with Lieutenant Peary on one of his Arctic trips and with the Belgica expedition to the south pole as chief surgeon, expresses the opinion that Peary's latest endeavor was by no means a failure, and that the explorer has added "material to the annals of science which will be found invaluable, in fact, more valuable than the actual discovery of the pole itself."

"All this talk about the terrible dangers to be met before reaching the pole is sheer rot," continued Dra Cook. "A man, all things taken into account, is just as safe on the Arctic ice fields as he is in New York. There not so severe as the cut of the saline gious diseases, no miasmatic swamps, no sewer gas, no decaying vegetables, no rotting rags. Everything is on ice. There is no danger in traversing the ice fields, nor from the cold, which is not sosevere as the cut of the saline blasts on the Atlantic seacoasts.

"It is the food question," he added, 'that closes up the way to the pole." When this problem is solved reaching the pole will, in his opinion, be quite a simple undertaking.

BOXERS ARE GROWING QUIET.

Gunboats Are Hurrying Toward the City of Chen Tu.

PEKIN, Cept. 20 .- The situation at Chen Tu, capital of Sze Chuan province, and the scene of the recent boxer activities has improved. British and French gunboats are now within ninety miles of the city. A squadron of French marines has raeched Cheng Tun Fu and they are expected to return to their gunboat with the French consult there. An investigation is to be made by the French consular agent into the murder of the missionary, Bruce and Lewis, at Chen Chow, Ho Nan province, by a mob has disclosed the fact that military officials of Chen Chow are culpable in the matter because they refused to receive or rotect the missionaries.

At Baltimore Next Year.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 20 .- The Sovereign Grand I. O. O. F. will adjourn at noon today, after the installation of officers, to meet the third week in September, 1903, at Baltimore, Md. The location was determined by a vote of 95 for Baltimore to 93 for Hot Springs, Ark. An amendment to the constitution was adopted providing that "attentive benefits" which involve the payment Coroner Sammons, Sheriff Kloke of money shall be only given those members who are entitled to weekly

Queen is with Her Father.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 20 .- Queen Alexandra arrived here today from England on board the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, which was met outside the harbor by King Christian; her father, and other members of the royal family and was escorted into the roadstead by a Danish squadron of warships. All the cabinet ministers and members of the diplomatic corps met the royal party at the landing place and they all drove to Bernstoff castle through cheering crowds.

Wreck on the Baltimore.

CHILLICOTHE, O., Sept. 20 .- No. 2, the Royal Blue flyer on the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern, was wrecked at Leesburg last night, the train having run into an open switch while running at the rate of fifty miles an hour. To add to the disaster, the engine exploded and Engineer Philip Roe and Fireman Charles Studer, both of this city, were killed outright. Every coach on the train left the track but passengers were not seriously injured.

To Release Ten Millions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20 .- Secretary Shaw announced before leaving Washingion this afternoon for the west that during the week he had authorized the distribution in round numbers of \$10,000,000 of public funds among banks throughout the country which have bonds available for security. The money will be released and deposits will all be completed within a few days and just as rapidly as the bonds are received at the treas-

Smallpox in Jamaica. KINGSTON, Jamaica, Sept. 20 .-News has reached here that 266 cases of smallpox occurred at Barbadoes, B. W. I., during the fortnight ended September 15.

SEVENTY-EIGHT COLORED PEO-PLE LOSE THEIR LIVES.

"FICHT" MISTAKEN FOR "FIRE"

Stampede Follows Quarrel Between Delegates and Choir Master-Suffocation Causes Most Deaths-Heaps Ten Feet High at Doors.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 20 .- Seventy-eight people known to be dead and eighty injured, some perhaps fatally, is the result of a panic which occurred in Shiloh negro Baptist church here last night during the evening session of the national Baptist convention. Fifteen hundred delegates were crowded into the church, which had only a seating capacity of 400, when the audience was thrown into a stampede by a conflict between two of the delegates in the rear of the church. The cries of "fight" the audience mistook for an alarm of "fire," and in the wild rush seventy-eight persons were crushed to death and eighty more received injuries some of which may prove fatal. The list of dead and injured included only negroes in attendance. In the case of the visiting delegates the identification has been diffi-

The catastrophe occurred at 9 o'clock, just as Booker T. Washington had concluded his address to the national convention of Baptists, and for three hours the scenes around the church were indescribable. Dead bodies were strewn in every direction and the ambulance service of the city was utterly incapacitated to move them until after 10 o'clock. Dozens of dead bodies were arranged in rows on the grounds outside of the house of worship, awaiting removal to the yarious undertaking establishments, while more than a score were laid out on the benches inside.

The church is the largest house of worship for negroes in Birmingham, and the pastor says there were at least 2,000 persons in the house when the stampede began. Instructions had been issued to allow no more to enter, but the negroes forced their way inside and were standing in every aisle. Even the entrance to the church was literally packed.

Just as Booker T. Washington concluded his address, Judge Billou, a negro lawyer from Baltimore, engaged in an altercation with the choir leader concerning an unoccupied seat and it is said a blow was struck. Someone in the audience cried "They're fighting." Mistaking the word "fighting" for "fire," the congregation arose enmasse and started for the door. One of the ministers quickly mounted the rostrum and admonished the people to keep quiet. He repeated the word "quiet" several times and motioned his hearers to be seated. Again the excited people mistook the word "quiet" for "fire" and renewed their efforts to get out. Men and women crawled over one another to get to the door. The ministers tried again to stop the stampede, but no power on earth could stay the struggling mass of humanity.

The level of the floor is about fifteen feet from the ground and long steps lead to the sidewalk from the lobby just outside of the main auditorium. Brick walls extend on either side of these steps for six or seven feet, and these proved a veritable death trap. Negroes who had reached ica. the top of the steps were pushed violently forward and many fell. Before they could move others fell on them, and in fifteen minutes persons were piled upon each other to a height of ten feet, where twenty died from suffocation.

SUPREME COURT TO SIT SOON.

Will Resume Next Month with Case Against Dewey. WASHINGTON, Sept. 20 .- The Unit-

ed States supreme court will reassemble October 13. No business will be transacted on the opening day. The court will make its customary call on President Roosevelt. On the following day the court will resume the hearing of cases.

Among the first cases to be heard are those of Bird against the United States, brought to determine the legality of a murder trial in Alaska; the Line Wolf case, involving the validity of an act of congress relating to Kiowa Indian lands, and the prize money cases of the United States against Admirals Dewey and SampFIRM GRIP SAVES HIS LIFE.

Man Suspended in Air One Hundred Feet High Twenty Minutes.

CHICAGO, Sept. 19.-Suspended only by his hands, McNaughton Wright, a prominent member of the Board of Trade, hung between life and death for twenty minutes at the top of a grain chute in the Rock Island elevator.

When rescued Mr. Wright was exhausted and on the point of releasing his hold, which would have meant a fall of 100 feet to the hard floor of an empty bin, and almost certain death.

He had entered the elevator to inspect some wheat. Making a misstep, he fell into the chute, but succeeded in clutching the edge and hanging by his hands. Mr. Wright's calls for help were finally heard by an employe, who pulled him out. He fainted then and was unconscious for nearly an hour, so great had been the strain.

INDIAN PRINCE A BANKRUPT.

In Debt Because the Government Has Made Allowance Too Small.

LONDON, Sept. 19 .- At a meeting today of the creditors of Prince Victor Dulep Singh, who was declared a has been unwarrantably interferred bankrupt September 4, the chairman said the prince's debts amounted to \$471,600, of which \$360,000 was secur-

The debts were attributed to stock exchange speculation and gambling. Among the assets is a claim for \$3,-000,000 against the Indian government with respect to the estate of the bankrupt's father.

The prince ascribes his bankruptcy to the "ridiculous insufficiency" of his allowance from the Indian government. To maintain his position the price received \$35,000 yearly and his wife received \$10,000.

BOERS WISH NO FIREWORKS.

Botha Telegraphs Brussels Not to Prepare Demonstrations.

BRUSSELS, Sept. 19 .- The Boer ed the following telegram from Gention to occur upon the occasion of our visit to Brussels, our missing being non-political and purely charita-

Dr. Leyds, the Boer representative in Europe, has issued a denial of the report that the Boer generals-Botha, Delarey and Dewet-would abandon their tour. He declares the generals to be in complete agreement with himself and the other European Boer

HAY'S NOTE ABOUT JEWS.

Protest Against Their Treatment in Roumania Approved.

LONDON, Sept. 19 .- The United States' initiative in protesting to the countries which are parties to the treaty of Berlin of 1878, against the treatment of Jews in Roumania, meets with approval here. The Globe, however, the only after-

noon paper which comments on Secretary Hay's note on the subject, sees nothing in Mr. Hay's action but self interest. The Globe, nevertheless, hopes that it will lead to a check being placed on the wholesale exportation of undesirable persons from eastern Europe to Great Britain and Amer-

The Boxer Attack.

PEKIN, Sept. 19.-The Boxer attack on Cheng Tu Fu, capital of Sze Chuan province, in which 50,000 Box2 ers made an ineffectual attempt to take the city, began September 14: When the rebels endeavored to enter the city a conflict ensued. The at tackers were driven back and the gates of the city were closed and guarded by troops. Soldiers quelled the disorder within the city. Fourteen Boxer leaders and several other rebels were executed.

Senator Bard Improving.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 19 .-The condition of Senator Bard this morning was more hopeful than at any time since his illness, and it is felt that his chances for recovery are now excellent.

Will Remain for Short Session. DUBUQUE, Ia., Sept. 19 .- It is announced tonight that Speaker Henderson does not intend to resign the speakership at the coming session of congress.

THE BOXERS MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO TAKE CHENG TU FU.

A Chinese Merchant Predicts That the tating everything in its path. Efforts Whole Province Will Be on Its Bad Behavior if the Fifty Thousand Rebels Succeed.

Shanghai under date of September 17, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says that Cheng-Tu-Fu, capital of the province of Sze-Chuen is surrounded by 50,000 Boxers, but that their attempts to take the city have failed so far. Without immediate help, however, Cheng-Tu-Fu must fall.

"A prominent Chinese merchant tells me," continues the Daily Mail correspondent, "that if Cheng-Tu-Fu is taken a rising in the province is inevitable. To further complicate mat: ters, the fends between Catholic and Protestant converts are worse now able. than at any previous stage and magisterian injunction in various matters with by priests and missionaries."

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 18 .- A letter received from a thoroughly trustworthy Chinese correspondent at Nanning states that the rebellion is entirely at an end. General Ma, one of the ablest Chinese officers in the south was killed.

Though the rebellion, so called, is at end, a disquieting feature of the situation is that a large quantity of upto-date rifles are still imported constantly. The Chinese complain that they are smuggled over the Tonking frontier. The town of Tunghua Hisan, northwest of New Chwang, is reported to have been occupied by the brigand leader. Tiu Tang Tsae, and followers. Making this their headquarters, they are said to be busily loots ing all the districts around.

The Boxers are still active in Chengte and increasingly so. The loeral Botha: "We shall be glad if you cal foreign officer reports the district inform the population of Brussels that to be in great disorder, several places we desire no anti-English demonstra- having been attacked, others burned down and a number of Christians and others who have resisted having been, killed. The British and Foreign Bible society has had one killed in that district and there are rumors, not yet confirmed, but believed to be reliable, that two others have suffered the same

A gentleman who recently visited New Chwang says the Russians are making all preparations for retirement from Manchuria at an early date, and expresses the belief that they will do so. At the same time he admits that they are not likely to give up some of the places on which they have spent considerable sums, such as New Chwang and Talien bay, nor to retire without some sort of equivalent, for what they supposed they had acquired nor even then to make an absolute relinquishment of their claims upon that country.

PREMIER BOND IS SATISFIED.

Nefoundland Statesman Pleased with Progress of Fisheries Treaty.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Sir Robert Bond, premier of Newfoundland, who recently visited Washington with the The time is three hours and fortyobject of furthering a fisheries reci- eight minutes better than the best procity treaty with the United States, is in this city. Regarding reports that his mission had been a failure, he said:

"I was unable to accomplish anything in Washington the other day simple because Acting Secretary of State Adee needed to consult the president in order to get authority to begin negotiations. During the interval of the slight delay occasioned by the necessity of consulting the president at Oyster Bay I took advantage of my freedom to come to this city for reasons of private business.

"I am waiting now until negotiations can be properly carried on. I expect to return to Washington for by Boxers in the province of Szethat purpose the latter part of this Chuen. week or the first of next.

"I do no see any indications that the project will fail of success. It is not, of course, proper to make public at the present time any of the propositions which I may submit, but I have no reason to believe that they will not be well received."

Life without faith is like a roofless house. It lets all the elements in and offers no protection against the ills

FURIOUS FIRES IN WYOMING.

Burning in Eighteen Different Parts of the State.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Sept. 17 .- Governor Richards has been informed by telephone from Grand Encampment that for many miles along the Wyom-WHAT ITS FALL WILL MEAN ing-Colorado line, north of Pearl, Colo., a furious forest fire is raging, devasto subdue the flames have been exhausted without effect. Governor Richards immediately communicated with Governor Orman of Colorado and arranged for both to send a telegram LONDON, Sept. 18.—Cabling from to the secretary of the interior asking for aid.

> According to the latest reports, there are at least eighteen serious forest fires burning in Wyoming, to say nothing of numerous smaller fires burning in southern Albany county that are destroying great swamps of fine pine timber in the Medicine Bow range and threatening mining buildings.

> Although a hundred miles away from Cheyenne, the smoke from these fires obscures the sky here and the odor of burning wood is plainly notice-

> > HENDERESON IS OUT.

Speaker of the House of Representatives Declines to Make the Race.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Sept. 17.—Speaker Henderson, finding that his views in respect to the treatment of trusts by reducing the tariff in whole or in part, are not in accord with the views of many of his party in Iowa, has this day declined to accept the nomination for congress and has withdrawn from tne race.

Speaker Henderson announced his withdrawal after a conference of several hours' duration with Chairman Classer of the congressional committee and friends. He has been contemplating this action for two weeks, but had intimated nothing of it to his friends. At the conference his friends implored him not to take the action, but to no avail. He said he had made up his mind and no argument could cause him to change his decision.

GOLD IS COMING THIS WAY.

Yellow Metal Being Imported from Australia and South Africa.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17 .- J. & W. Seligman & Co. announce that they will receive \$1,250,000 gold from Australia. The gold will reach San Francisco on October 2.

Fully \$1,000,000 of the gold obtained by the National City bank from South African sources leaves London Monday for this port, per steamship Majestic. The balance will follow shortly. Officials of the bank decline to make any explanation of the mechanism by which this gold was diverted from its original destination, except to say that the transaction is without special feature. Intimations from an authoritative quarter indicate that the South African consignment will amount to more than \$2,500,000.

Shortens Time Across Atlantic.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17 .- The North German Lloyd steamer Kron Prinz Wilhelm arrived in port from Bremen, Southampton and Cherbourg, beating all westward records, making the run of 3,047 miles in five days eleven hours and fifty-seven minutes, an average speed of 23.09 knots per hour. previous record of the Kron Prinz Wilhelm.

It Breaks the Deadlock.

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 17 .- The republican deadlock in the Fourteenth congressional district has been broken by the nomination of C. C. Pratt. An umpire appointed by State Chairman Quay cast the vote which broke the deadlock.

Catholic Converts Boxerated.

LONDON, Sept. 17 .- A dispatch to a news agency from Pekin says: Catholics here understand that from 300 to 1,000 converts have been killed

Injunction is Asked For.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 17.-Attorney General Pratt today filed suit for an injunction to prevent the contest between Terry McGovern and "Young Corbett," scheduled to take place before the Southern Athletic club in this city September 22, from being held. The case will be argued before Judge Fields of the common pleas division of the Jefferson county circuit court Thursday morning.