

# Condensed News of the Week

The body of F. Kent Loomis, who disappeared so suddenly and mysteriously from a steamer, was found on July 17 at Warren Point, near Plymouth, England. At the inquest it developed that the young man had received a wound behind the ear which is supposed to have caused his death, after which he was probably thrown overboard.

The Homestead steel works at Pittsburg, Pa., has resumed business at its full capacity after a year of comparative idleness. When the mills were opened the residents around that place fired off one thousand dollars' worth of fireworks which were furnished by the owners of the works.

Miss Clara Lamphear was sent to Casper, Wyo., where she will probably have to undergo an operation to dislodge a hatpin which she accidentally swallowed. She is suffering the most intense pain.

Two people have died and four others will die as the result of eating toadstools which they mistook for mushrooms, in a mining town between Johnson City and Herring, Ill.

Judge Dennis McKoon of New York, an aged lawyer, has been kidnapped and is being held as a prisoner in a house, the whereabouts of which is unknown to the police. It is said that the judge has disappeared several times before in a similar way, but has ultimately turned up all right.

Foreign Minister Delcasse received Ion Perdicaris in Paris and conferred lengthily with him on the situation in Morocco. M. Perdicaris expressed thanks for the French efforts in his behalf and urged the necessity for energetic action toward Morocco.

Moors fired on the isolated residence of an Englishman named Levison at Bubana, two miles outside Tangier, and Mohammed El Torres, the foreign minister, sent a strong guard to the place.

Dr. Isaac Roberts, the well known astronomer and geologist, died in the garden of his private observatory at Crowborough, England. He was born in Debigshire, North Wales, in 1829.

The directors of the Northern Securities company authorized James J. Hill, president of the company, to appeal from the decision of Judge Bradford in granting a preliminary injunction restraining the distribution of the company's assets on the pro rata plan.

The transportation of boots and shoes in less than carload lots from Massachusetts to East St. Louis is to be investigated by the interstate commerce commission at a hearing in Boston August 10. It is alleged the published rate of 82 cents per 100 pounds on this class of freight is not adhered to by the railroads.

General Miles, in a letter explaining why he pulled out of the race as a candidate for the prohibition presidential nominee, says: "If the temperance people of the country could get together they could elect a president and break the partnership of the government and the saloon."

The war department yesterday demanded and received a full report from Lieutenant Haight, who resigned as military aid to President Francis of the St. Louis exposition as an outgrowth of his request to a colored regiment assigned to the exposition to occupy a camp outside the military reservation there.

The prohibitionists of North Dakota met at Fargo July 20 and nominated the following state ticket: Governor H. H. Aker, Fargo; lieutenant governor, R. A. Taylor, St. Thomas; secretary of state, H. B. Kent, Ellendale; auditor, John Dynes, Gardner; treasurer, P. L. Bervig, Langsford; superintendent of public instruction, Mrs. Mattie Davis, Fargo; attorney general, A. G. Coville, Sykeston. The republican nominees for judges of the supreme court will be indorsed.

The democrats of South Dakota met in state convention at Aberdeen, July 20. The following state ticket was nominated: Governor, L. N. Crill, Elk Point; lieutenant governor, Fred S. Rowe, Stanley Co.; secretary of state, John Wade, Brown Co.; auditor, M. M. Bennett, Yankton; su-

perintendent of schools, Miss Emil Meade, Charles Mix Co.; attorney general, Olaf Eldorn, Brookings; railroad commissioner, Frank Apt, Fall River; treasurer, P. F. McClure, Hughes; commissioner of public lands, H. Peever, Roberts; electors, James Philip, Stanley Co.; John L. Bean, Douglass; Captain S. E. Egan, Fall River; Dr. H. C. Burch, Spink; W. A. Lynch, Beadle Co.; Wesley A. Stewart, Meade Co.; supreme court judges, U. S. G. Cherry, Minnehaha Co.; Chauncey Wood, Rapid City; E. G. Bohni, Clark.

An Associated press report of the South Dakota convention says: "When the convention was called to order at 2 o'clock, Temporary Secretary Shickley read the call for the convention. This was followed by prayer by Rev. T. J. Dent, pastor of the Congregational church in this city. State Chairman Martin nominated T. M. Simmons for temporary chairman, as a representative of the younger element of the party, who had been decided upon after a contest in the state committee. The nomination was unanimously indorsed, and B. H. Lien of Minnehaha and S. A. Keenan of Clark escorted him to the platform. In Mr. Simmons' address the house went wild at the mention of Parker's name. The convention reopened at 7 o'clock with a full quota of delegates and spectators present. The resolutions of the convention not only indorsed the nominees of the St. Louis convention, but closed with glowing praise of "that matchless exponent of democracy," William Jennings Bryan. On state issues they proposed revision of taxation; change in the conduct of the soldiers' home, and criticised republican extravagance. The nominations were mostly by acclamation.

The republicans of North Dakota met in state convention at Grand Forks July 20. A state ticket was nominated as follows: Governor, E. Y. Sarles, Hillsboro; lieutenant governor, David Bartlett, Cooperstown; secretary of state, Edward F. Porter, Melville; auditor, H. L. Holmes, Bathgate; treasurer, A. Peterson, Cogswell; superintendent of schools, W. L. Stockwell, Grafton; attorney general, C. N. Frich, Dakota; insurance commissioner, E. C. Cooper, Grand Forks.

The Iowa republican convention was held at Des Moines, July 20. A platform was adopted along the lines of the republican national platform. On state affairs the administration of Governor Cummins was indorsed. Presidential electors were chosen as follows: First district, W. B. Bell, Washington; Second, W. H. Wilson, Scott; Third, F. B. Blair, Delaware; Fourth, George E. May, Charles City; Fifth, Ward Wilson, Tama; Sixth, Ellsworth Rominger, Davis; Seventh, A. U. Proudfoot, Warren; Eighth, Paul Jungin, Adams; Ninth, Captain John W. Scott, Cass; Tenth, A. D. Clarke, Kossuth; Eleventh, Fred F. Faville, Buena Vista. N. S. Ketchum, candidate for railroad commissioner, the only office over which there was a contest, was nominated on the second ballot. W. B. Martin, for secretary of state; Gilbert S. Gilbertson, treasurer; R. F. Carroll, auditor; W. B. Mullan, attorney general, and Horace E. Deemer, judge of supreme court, were nominated by acclamation.

J. Marbourg Keedy, a New York attorney, was appointed prosecuting attorney for the Panama canal zone. Mr. Keedy served as prosecuting attorney in Porto Rico during General Davis' administration as military governor and prepared the code of laws afterward adopted by the legislature and now in force.

Ex-Senator Vest is in a serious condition at his home at Sweet Springs, Mo. He appears to be growing weaker each day, and his vitality is very low. The senator has been exceedingly feeble for months, and it is now feared that he may not be able to survive the summer, owing to his present debilitated condition.

Directors of the Northern Pacific Railway company declared a quarterly dividend of one-half per cent and an extra dividend of one-quarter per cent, both payable August 1, "to those lawfully entitled to receive the same."

James K. Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, has issued the following call for a committee meeting: "Under the authority of the democratic national convention I hereby call the democratic committee to meet at the Hoffman House, New York city, on Tuesday, July 26

at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of organizing and transacting such other business as may come before the committee.

The new battleship Ohio came out of the dry dock at Hunter's Point, Cal., and anchored in the stream. It is expected that she will be ready for her trial trip by the early part of next week.

The first conference between Senor Pacheco, Costa Rican minister to Panama, and Thomas Arias, Panama minister of foreign relations, regarding the delimitation of the Panama and Costa Rican frontiers.

At the stockholders' meeting of the Southern Pacific, held at Beechmont, Ky., a resolution increasing the capital stock of the company \$100,000,000 by the issue of preferred stock was adopted.

The commissioner of the general land office has withdrawn from public entry and sale 14,500 acres of land adjoining the Owl Creek reservoir site, Rapid City district, South Dakota. The action was taken in furtherance of an irrigation project.

The democratic congressional convention for the First Nebraska district has been called to meet at Lincoln, August 10, at 10 o'clock a. m.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of Butte, Mont., July 21, says: F. Augustus Heinze and his agents are now charged with having taken advantage of underground workings in the Minnie Healy mine to loot the rich ore bodies in adjoining mines belonging to the Boston and Montana company. The value of the alleged plunder is placed at \$5,750,000 in a suit that was begun in the district court today by the Boston and Montana company.

The democratic state convention for Missouri met at Jefferson City July 20. A state ticket was nominated as follows: Governor, Joseph W. Folk, St. Louis; lieutenant governor, Thomas L. Rubey, La Platta; secretary of state, Samuel B. Cook, Mexico; auditor, of state, Albert O. Allen, New Madrid; treasurer of state, Judge James Cowgill, Kansas City; attorney general, Elliott W. Major, Bowling Green; railroad and warehouse commissioner, H. Rubey Oglesby, Warrensburg.

No little excitement and trouble has been occasioned at Bonesteel, S. D., by the rough element composed of highwaymen and gamblers and the police officers seemed powerless to stop their operations. On the night of July 22, the police had captured a gambler and while trying to take him to the jail the officer in charge was almost lynched by the friends of the gambler who at length succeeded in getting him away from the officer.

The beautiful new home provided by the Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania for their aged members was dedicated at Grove City, Pa., on July 21. Three years ago a subscription fund of \$1.00 started the enterprise and now every cent of the \$65,000, which the home cost, has been paid.

During the discussion of South African affairs in the house of commons in London, Colonial Secretary Lyttleton announced that the government intended next year to give Transvaal representative institutions by substituting elected for nominated members of the legislative council.

The Panama canal commission received notification from the government of Panama of the ratification of the monetary system of the new government constitution in accordance with the agreement reached by the joint commission.

Officials of the Chinese Commercial Steamship company have received a concession for the establishment of a Chinese colony on the southern coast of Mexico.

The officials of the China Mutual Steam Navigation company steamer Pak Ling deny the report circulated last night that the vessel had been seized by a Russian volunteer fleet cruiser in the Red sea.

Joseph Chamberlain, defending the introduction of Chinese labor into the Transvaal, contended that white laborers would not work side by side with black laborers on equal terms.