

Guiteau Attempts to Kill his Guard.

WASHINGTON, August 17.—The news of the president's critical condition gave rise to a number of rumors at the jail yesterday, increased by the fact that early last night the guard was doubled and military drill was held in the rotunda, the noise of which awoke Guiteau to a state of feverish excitement.

Mr. W. C. McGill, who has charge of the jail on alternate nights, visited the cell, and coming to the conclusion that Guiteau had heard from some of the prisoners the alarming rumors he watched him with unusual care.

Mr. McGill looked anxiously and said: "So help me God, I have no knife."

Mr. McGill insisted that he had stepped toward the prisoner, when Guiteau sprang up and rushed at him furiously and made a savage cut at his throat. McGill drew back and the knife passed through his coat collar, cutting off a button and making a clear cut on the left shoulder.

The guard drew a revolver without cocking it, but finding himself unable to disarm his assailant he cocked the revolver when Guiteau dropped the knife and grasped the more formidable weapon, crying for help and calling out that he was being shot, the pistol was accidentally discharged and several guards rushed to the cell.

When Guiteau was disarmed the assassin stated that he was using it in self defense and that McGill had attempted to shoot him.

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The startling episode created intense excitement at the jail. Mr. McGill, the guard, told the reporter this morning that he supposed Guiteau thought the President dead and took this means of proving his insanity most conclusively.

The success of the plan to kill the guard would not have given Guiteau any chance to escape and so that motive could not have prompted the deed. The theory advanced by some is that the knife was given to him by a prisoner. A thorough investigation will be ordered by General Crocker at once and all the facts brought out.

The Calvert Courier relates a very good story of a young Irish family who came to Nebraska a few months since hoping to build up a respectable home here. They were very poor and the husband went to work on the Republican valley railroad.

The St. Joe Gazette says some editor out at Denver has been slandering Missouri. Any editor who would slander Missouri when there is so much disgraceful truth to tell, must be hard up for a subject to lie about.

And there will also be silk worms at the Nebraska State fair.

Missouri Train Robbers.

"What do you think," said I, "about this robbery within the past week or two of that train on the Rock Island railroad, the shooting of the conductor, and the stampeding of the passengers and stealing of the express packages?"

"That is an abominable outrage," said my friend, who is well acquainted in Missouri. "It does not arise from any want of administering the law in Missouri. They hang there now pretty efficiently. The trouble in Missouri is that these outlaws are remnants of old rebel bands, such as Quantrell's, and they have the sympathy of a number of the people, through the communities where they raid. No matter what they say on the subject, it is true. The newspaper published at Sedalia, called the Sedalia Democrat, has been the open avenger and advocate of the James and Younger boys, and its editor has published a history of Quantrell, glorifying him as a hero. I understand that a man named Crisp, who runs for Congress in one of the western districts of Missouri, gets considerable support from his popularity with the James boys. It is even said that Senator Vest, who formerly lived in Sedalia, but now lives in Kansas City, has had interviews with those brigands. Now, what is the use of talking about immigration to Missouri in such a state of things? There is Kansas City, almost entirely a northern settlement, with seventy thousand energetic people in it, almost in the midst of those depredations, which go on around it without moral aid in the older community. They cannot expect immigration to come to Missouri when people are killed for opening their mouths against the James boys, and railroad trains are stopped and their conductors and innocent passengers murdered."—Gath.

Hayti.

A New York special to the Inter Ocean thus describes the Minister to Hayti, who describes the politics of that country:

A tall, dark, black-whiskered gentleman, with flashing eyes and regular, fine cut features, sat easily in an arm chair in Room 340 at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, this morning. He was the Hon. John M. Langston, United States Minister to Hayti.

The Minister is enjoying a sixty day's leave of absence, and, uncertain of his return, is on his way to Washington to pay his respects to the President. "When you ask me to tell you something about the Republic, I hardly know where to begin. It is a state peculiar to itself, alike in politics, society and commerce. And first as to its politics. Party lines are divided there in a very marked way. They have two great parties, the Liberal, whose chief, Boyer Bazile, is now in exile, and whose power is on the wane, and the National or Conservative, whose leader, Salomon, is now President, and whose strength is apparently well established. They accomplish changes there, not by election, but by revolution; the leader of the armies being named for President, whichever the victorious forces may be.

Upon the installation of one chief the rival one is sent into exile to Kingston, Jamaica. Salomon is now enjoying great popularity. Although his party was victorious in the last revolution, and at once named him for the presidency, he waited until the nomination was confirmed by the National Assembly composed of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies in joint session. The Senate is elected by the Chamber of Deputies, the representatives to which are elected by the popular vote from the five great departments of the state, divided according to locality. The term of the President is seven years.

At Grenada, Col., three train robbers boarded a train and began to rob passengers. A colored sergeant of the army resisted, and drew the attention of the three robbers. In the fight one of the robbers shot the sergeant, slightly wounding him, when he took the robber's pistol from him and killed him instantly. The other two robbers escaped with \$500 of the sergeant's money. The colored man fought the three desperadoes single handed. Had some of the white men on the train had as much courage as the negro, the robbers could have been all killed or captured.

A correspondent of the State Journal writing from Santa Fe, N. M., thus refers to our friend and whilom citizen Henry M. Atkinson:

I have had several pleasant chats with Surveyor General Atkinson, a well known Nebraska man. I have met here two gentlemen from Washington who are visiting the territory upon official business, and one of these gentlemen told me that General Atkinson is counted in Washington the most thorough and efficient of all the territorial surveyor generals. His friends in Nebraska I am sure will be glad to know this.

The Terrible gold and silver mine at Petkin, Colorado, was recently purchased by C. H. Lawrence, of Leadville at a price of \$100,000. Pitkin and Gunnison City with the advent of railroads and their fine precious mineral developments, are having a "boom."

The Next Congress.

When the XLVIIIth Congress meets next December there will be 37 Republicans, 38 Democrats (including David Davis, of Illinois) and one readjuster Democrat (Gen. Mahone) in the Senate. There were elected to the house 148 republicans, 135 democrats, 8 greenback men and 2 readjuster democrats. This would have given the republicans a majority of three over all democrats and greenback men. At present there are four republican and two democratic seats to be filled, including the one the South Carolina democrats recently voted to fill. The South Carolina seat may be given to a republican, but in the other districts there will probably be no change. If all the vacancies are filled without loss to either party, the size of the republican majority will depend upon the action of the members elected by a coalition of republican and greenback voters. Of the eight greenback men, four, and possibly five may be reasonably counted upon to vote with the republicans in organizing the House. Should the republicans secure four greenback votes their majority will be 11 in a full house. If the vacancies are not filled before congress meets the republicans will still have 144 members, a majority of one over all others in a House of 287 members. With four greenback votes they would have a majority of 9, and with 5 greenback votes and 2 readjuster votes their majority would be 15 in a house of 287 members. With all the vacancies filled and 5 greenback men and 2 readjusters voting with the republicans, their majority would be 17. In other words, the republican majority in a full house may range from 2 to 17, and from one to 15 in a House of 287 members.—New York Tribune.

Prof. Williams, of the Hastings Nebraska, whose daughter Minnie was found dead in Salt Creek, at Lincoln a few days ago, does not accept the theory of suicide on account of threatened blindness, or for any other cause. He says her eyes were in an improved condition, that her mind was easy, her surroundings happy, her prospects such as to make life here with parents and friends desirable. Mr. Williams makes it plausible that his daughter accidentally fell into the water or was put there by violence.

The decision of the Supreme Court sustaining the constitutionality of the Slocumb law, is a great disappointment to the whisky dealers. It also opens up a wide field for the temperance people, to see that it is enforced. If compelled strictly to adhere to the requirements of the present law, the amount of liquors sold in this State will be reduced at least one-half. A vigilant watchfulness in this behalf, will be the most effective work that Mr. Finch, and his co-workers can do for a year to come. Will they do it?—Hastings Nebraska.

A horse belonging to a man traveling through Wheeler county last week, nearly died from starvation. A corn cob had become wedged fast between the back teeth on the upper jaw, and lying directly across his mouth, prevented swallowing. The horse's refusal to eat was attributed to other causes, and several days had elapsed before the real cause was removed.—Ord Journal.

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Hon. T. W. Pepon, of Pawnee county, has purchased a half interest in the Falls City Journal, and will soon straddle the tripod as chief editor of that excellent paper. Mr. May will attend to the "pay local" department.



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