

TERRIBLY MANGLED

Section Foreman Cunnahan of Ravenna Run Over.

WAS AN OLD EMPLOYE OF BURLINGTON

More Snowslides in Colorado—A Gusty Wind in Cemetery Near O'Neill—Refuses to Make Defense and Pleads Guilty to Forgery Charge.

Thomas Cunnahan, Burlington section foreman, was instantly killed in the Ravenna yards. Cunnahan had just returned from his noonday meal, and had stepped on the track with a spike maul to place a spike in a switch he was fixing. The spot where he was about to work was for the moment enveloped in a cloud of steam from the blowoff cock of an engine on a nearby track. The switchmen who were about to shove some coal cars up the incline for the coal chutes kicked a string of cars down the track on which Cunnahan was working, not seeing him on account of the steam. On account of the steam and the noise of its escaping Cunnahan did not see or hear the approaching cars. He was killed almost instantly, both arms and both legs being cut off and the trunk of the body badly cut up and mangled.

Cunnahan was fifty-six years of age and leaves a wife and several children in strained financial circumstances. He has been in the employ of the Burlington for many years, having for many years been foreman of the yard gang in Lincoln. He was a man who stood very high in the esteem of all who knew him.

Senator Dietrich's Bill is Passed.

The bill introduced by Senator Dietrich confirming the title to the state of Nebraska of certain selected indemnity school lands was passed by the senate. The bill provides in substance that the title be confirmed in the state of Nebraska to all these certain tracts of land in the O'Neill land district aggregating two thousand, two hundred and twenty-eight acres heretofore selected by the state as indemnity for granted school lands, which selections were approved by the secretary of the Interior May 22, 1897, in list No. 1, and certified to the state of Nebraska by the commissioner of the general land office, but which certification was, on May 5, 1899, declared to be null and void and ineffectual to convey to the state any right or title. The bill furthermore provides, however, that the state shall not hereafter be entitled to further indemnity of the service loss accruing to said state, in lieu of which said selections were made.

Tribes Flocking to His Banner.

Abdul Aziz Ben Feysul, a descendant of the old Wahabi, ameer, with an army of two thousand men, has captured the city of E'riad in Central Arabia.

Abdul Aziz Ben Feysul entered the city by stratagem at night with fifty followers. These men rode to the palace and killed the governor of E'riad and thirty of his retainers. The garrison of the city then surrendered, whereupon the army of Abdul Aziz Ben Feysul entered.

It is believed that the Wahabi dynasty is endeavoring to regain its supremacy and overthrow Ibu Rashid, the ameer of Nejd, and conquer the latter city.

Many tribes are flocking to the banner of Abdul Aziz Ben Feysul.

Battle With Burglars.

In a fight between burglars and officers at Matoon, Ill., Chief of Police Lyons received wounds that may cause the loss of an arm by amputation, and two or three youths whom the police were trying to capture were wounded, one of them probably fatally.

The police, having learned that an attempt would be made to rob a store, stationed several men in the building, and when the three youths entered through a rear window the police attempted to capture them. In the fight that followed Chief Lyons' arm was shattered, Sid Sharp, seventeen years of age was fatally wounded and one of two brothers named Heath also was shot. The Heaths escaped and are still at large.

Cemetery Sexton Unearths a Mystery.

Sexton R. H. Mills made a startling discovery at the O'Neill cemetery. Upon the mound of a grave partially sunken in the earth, with a few frozen clods thrown over the top, was a small rude box. The appearance of the box suggested the idea that it contained something, and tearing off the cover the gruesome remains of an infant were found wrapped in swaddling clothes, and frozen stiff. How it came there, who its probable parents were or how long it had lain, the sexton could not tell nor diligent, but not public, inquiry has yet cleared the mystery. In the earth about the box were marks as of wolves or dogs endeavoring to gain access to the corpse.

Congress of Mothers End.

The sixth national congress of mothers came to a close at Washington with a meeting of the board of managers, at which the chairman of the various committees were selected. Mrs. Frederick Schoff of Philadelphia was chosen chairman of the executive committee.

It is predicted that when the Kansas hen does finally recover from her long period of apathy, eggs will become so common as to be a drug in the market.

WINSBERG GUILTY

Deadwood Jury Says He Tried to Kill Sol Levinson.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty of Leo Winsberg of Deadwood, charged with attempting to kill Sol Levinson, another Jew. The shooting occurred in Levinson's pawn broker's shop in Deadwood December 4, 1901, over the settlement of some business matter between them. Levinson was sitting at his desk and Winsberg placed a revolver almost against his left breast and fired, the ball going through the upper lobe of the left lung. Levinson dodged behind the counters and show cases and Winsberg fired three more shots at him, none taking effect.

Winsberg endeavored at the trial to establish self-defense. He testified that Levinson had said he would kill him and that on the night of the shooting Levinson threatened to kick him out. At the same time Levinson stooped down and opened a drawer in his desk. Winsberg said he thought Levinson was getting a revolver, and that is why he shot him. The defendant said he had purchased a revolver for the purpose of killing himself, not caring to live after being beaten out of all his money, and he intended to shoot himself as soon as he got out of Levinson's place. Levinson has fully recovered and was principal witness in the case.

Fear for Fate of Loyal Filipinos.

While Governor Flores of the province of Rizal was chasing Felizardo and his band of ladrones over the hills of Cavite province, Felizardo, at the head of twenty-five men armed with rifles, entered the town of Cainta, in Morong province, captured presidente of Cainta, Senor Ampil, and a majority of the police of the town.

Senor Ampil has long been known as an enthusiastic American sympathizer, and it is feared that he may be killed by the enraged ladrones. A strong force of constabulary has been sent to effect his release.

The correspondence captured with General Lukban in the island of Samar is of the greatest value. It implicates several Filipinos who have heretofore not been suspected of complicity with the insurgents.

More Snowslides.

A special from Telluride, Col., says: No men could go to the Liberty Bell mine to look for the bodies of those killed in the snowslides, which have not yet been recovered. It is still snowing and it is dangerous to venture upon the mountains.

It is reported that Silver Lake Bank house at Silverton has been swept away by a snowslide, but the report lacks confirmation.

There is an unconfirmed rumor at Silverton that a snowslide carried away all the buildings of the Sunnyside mine on Red mountain, killing twenty men.

Improvements Swept Away.

A destructive prairie fire near Fort Cobb, Okl., in the new country, did great damage to one hundred homesteaders sweeping away their improvements, stock and all personal property and compelling the people to flee for their lives.

A prairie fire near Doxie, Roger Mills county, Okl., in addition to a great damage to property, burned to death the ten-year-old daughter of Joseph Rogers, a homesteader.

Insane Patient Escapes.

William Wilson, a patient at the Lincoln asylum, was missed last Sunday when the last count for the day was made. It is not known in what manner he made his escape. He was a young man of 24 years, weighing about 150 pounds. He was short with a light brown mustache and brown hair cut short. He wore dark clothing a blue shirt and leather slippers. It is not believed that he had a hat. Wilson was brought to the asylum from near Nebraska City.

Albanians Want Independence.

The Vienna Politische Correspondenz reports alarming conditions in Albania, European Turkey.

According to the Politische Correspondenz twenty-six Albanian towns have resolved to demonstrate their independence of the rule of the sultan of Turkey by refusing to pay any more taxes. Anarchy prevails in the districts of El Bassan and Tirana according to the reports where the insurgents have compelled the authorities to open the jails and release the prisoners.

Fifty Killed.

An apparently incomplete list of casualties sustained by the British when the Boers attacked and captured the convey of a train of empty wagons at Vondonon, southwest of Klerksdorp February 24, says five officers and forty-five men were killed and six officers and 116 men were wounded.

Insists on Pursuit of Brigands.

The United States minister at Constantinople, John A. Leisman, has presented a note to the porte regarding the capture of Miss Stone by brigands, demanding the punishment of the guilty party.

The porte, in replying, repudiates responsibility and denies liability.

Guilty of Forgery.

Dr. Frank McQuaid, who was arrested at Omaha and taken to Nebraska City to answer to the charge of forging the name of Attorney John V. Morgan to a check for \$26, entered a plea of guilty before Judge Jensen and was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year. He refused to allow his attorney to enter a plea of not guilty, for he said he would go on the stand and tell the truth, so he was allowed to plead guilty.

MURER MYSTERY

Ranchman's Wife Found Dead in a Cellar.

A BULLET THROUGH HER FOREHEAD

Thieves Find Hiding Place of Broker's Stock — A Shooting Affray Near Tekamah—Horse Thief Given an Eighteen Month's Sentence.

News has reached Kimball, Neb., that Mrs. Bloom had been murdered at her home in Banner county. The body was found in the cellar when her husband returned for the noon-day meal, with both wrists badly cut and a bullet hole through her forehead. The supposition is that some one tried to rob her, as it was known the family kept considerable money in the house, and murdered her trying to get her to confess where the money was kept. She was an estimable lady and leaves a husband and three sons, two of the boys and husband being extensively engaged in the sheep industry.

VICTIM OF BURGLARS.

Denver Broker Robbed of Stocks and Jewels.

The fact has just been made public that J. M. Houghton, one of the oldest stock brokers of Denver, with offices in the mining exchange, was robbed of \$25,000 worth of jewelry and stocks which were secreted in a small box in his office. Mr. Houghton has always preferred placing his valuables into some nook in his office, thinking that burglars would go to the safe for booty and overlook his secret hiding place. His friends claim that his real loss is between fifty and seventy-five thousand dollars.

The burglars apparently watched Mr. Houghton when he placed the small box away and returned at night and made the raid.

Mr. Houghton went to Denver from Nebraska, where he was in business for several years. As yet there is no clue to the burglar or burglars.

MARRIAGE WAS LEGAL

Young Man, However, Not Yet in Possession of His Better Half.

Judge Graves, at Pender, Neb., partially decided the Leon Bouck habes corpus case, in which Bouck is seeking to regain possession of his girl wife, with whom he eloped to Sioux City, where they were married.

The judge held that the marriage was legal, but reserved his decision as to giving Bouck his wife, who is under guard at home.

A sister of Bouck testified she had heard the bride's father tell her that if she went away again with Bouck he would follow her with a shotgun.

On advice of her father and mother and Attorney Martin the wife had filed application in Dixon county for an annulment of the marriage. She said at the hearing that she had changed her mind. She said she still loved Bouck as much as ever, but she now thought it would be best to wait for a couple of years before joining him.

Playmate Shoots His Companion.

While Harold Langstaff and Harry Finlayson were playing with two companions recently at Blair, Neb., at the residence of Dr. Langstaff, Harold went into a bedroom, and picking up a twenty-two caliber revolver, which had been previously loaded by an older brother unknown to him, returned to the kitchen and began snapping it in the face of young Finlayson. The weapon was discharged, the ball striking Finlayson in the face, going in at the inside corner of the right eye. He was carried to his home and Drs. Langstaff and Robinson probed for the bullet, but could not locate it. Late reports are against the chances for the boy's recovery. He is still unconscious. Both boys are about 13 years of age. Harry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Finlayson of that city.

Shot in Family Quarrel.

A shooting occurred near Lake Quinnebog, twelve miles northeast of Tekamah, Neb., on a sandbar island of the Missouri river. J. A. Marsh was the victim, the weapon used was a shotgun in the hands of his son-in-law, John Wedgewood. The cause is reported as being the separation of Mr. and Mrs. Wedgewood, in which the father of the wife is accused of being implicated. The wound is of a dangerous nature and little hopes are entertained of his recovery. Wedgewood escaped arrest and crossed the river into Iowa. It is unknown whether the shooting occurred on Nebraska or Iowa soil.

Fishermen in Peril.

Nearly 300 fishermen are in peril adrift on an immense ice flow in Saginaw bay. Their unstable support broke loose from the shore and the beach is lined with anxious relatives and friends, busy with plans of rescue in case a storm should come up.

A portion of the new addition to the Fidelity Trust company's building at 322 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, in course of construction, collapsed recently, killing two men and seriously injuring two others.

The scaffolding composed of heavy timbers erected over the pavement for the protection of pedestrians, was borne to the ground and the mass of debris was thrown half across the street. The cause of the accident is not definitely known, but it is supposed to have been occasioned by the fall of a derick.

BRITISH SUCCESS

Combined Movement Lasting Two Days Against the Boers.

Following the precedent of Lord Roberts, who announced General Cronje's surrender at Paardeburg on the anniversary of the battle of Majuba Hill (February 27, 1881), Lord Kitchener apparently selected the same anniversary to achieve a big success, by a combined movement, lasting two days, against the Boer forces within the Harrismith and Van Reenan line of blockhouses. The Boer losses aggregate 600 men killed or captured and 2,000 horses and 27,000 head of cattle fell into the hands of the British.

This news was so welcome to the British that it was read out in the house of commons by the war secretary, Mr. Brodrick, from a dispatch of Lord Kitchener as follows:

"HARRISMITH, Feb. 28.—Yesterday the combined operations of the columns terminated in driving the Boers against the Harrismith and Van Reenan blockhouse line. The river Wilge was held by the Leinster regiment and Elliott's mounted infantry from Harrismith, while the columns formed on the Frankfort and Hotha's pass blockhouse line and advanced south, holding the entire country between the Wilge and the Natal frontier. On the first night a very severe attempt to break through was made at a point between Rimington's and Byng's columns, and the New Zealanders behaved with great gallantry.

The fighting was at close quarters, and the Boers, as usual drove a large herd of cattle in front of them. Manie Botha, the Boer leader, was killed and thirty-five dead Boers were found on the ground.

Over one hundred horses were killed and 6,000 head of cattle were left in our hands. Other small attempts to break out were made and in two cases succeeded.

On the last day 450 Boers, with rifles and horses were captured. All the columns have yet reported and the operations have been very wide, but over 600 Boers have been either killed or are prisoners in our hands; also 2,000 horses, 28,000 head of cattle, 200 wagons, 60,000 head of sheep, 600 rifles and 50,000 rounds of ammunition. The prisoners include general DeWet's son and his secretary, Commandants Meyer and Trutcher and several field cornets. These satisfactory results are very appropriate on the anniversary of Majuba."

WILL COME HOME

Force to Be Gradually Reduced in the Philippines.

Secretary Root, in conformity with assurances made to various committees of congress, has arranged for a gradual reduction of the military force in the Philippines to about 32,000 men. Orders have been sent to General Chaffee, commanding the division of the Philippines, to arrange to send home all the regiments under his command that were sent to the Philippines in 1899. About 13,000 troops are affected by these orders.

The movement will be made very slowly, a regiment at a time, in the order in which they arrive in the Philippines, and in each case only when the regiment can be spared without embarrassment and without impairing the military control of the situation.

Vote of Censure.

Senators McLaughlin and Tillman of South Carolina were severely censured in the United States senate for the sensational personal encounter between the two senators on the floor of senate, during the consideration of the Philippine tariff bill. The adoption of the resolution of censure probably closes the incident, so far as Mr. McLaughlin or the senate it concerned.

Representative J. R. Williams of Illinois introduced a resolution for an investigation of the charges and complaints against the present administration of the pension bureau.

The president has signed the bill for the relief of parties for property taken by the military forces of the United States during the civil war. The bill has been before congress for a great many years.

Agree on Census Bureau

The conferees of the two houses of congress on the bill creating a permanent census bureau reached an agreement. The bill as agreed upon embodies most of the amendments made in the senate, though some of them are retained in modified form. The senate provision concerning the civil service is retained.

The director's salary is fixed at \$6,000 per annum. Four chief statisticians and four chiefs of divisions are provided for.

Mystery Surrounds Death.

Miss Frances Doan, twenty-six years old of Quincy, Ill., was found dead in a room at Burlington, Ia. Two rooms had been engaged by a stranger for his "sister." He has disappeared. There were no marks of violence on the girl's body, and it is not believed to be a case of suicide. The police are looking for the mysterious man, and considerable mystery surrounds the case.

Stabs Wife to Death.

Stephen Popwick, of South Chicago, stabbed his wife to death with a pocket knife and then cut himself so seriously that it thought he will die. Just before he lapsed into unconsciousness he said, through an interpreter, that his wife was enamored of another man, and was about to run away with him.

At Nebraska City, Frank Robinson, who sold a horse and cart at Dunbar, and then, it was charged, stole the same, was captured at Papillion, taken to Nebraska City and convicted.

WITH THE JESTERS

The Funny Side of Life as Depicted by the Humorous Writers.

A prominent business man was recently treated by Dr. Cyrus Edson for a peculiar growth in his throat. "Dr. Edson seemed very much preoccupied at times," said the patient. "I was much surprised when I called on him one day without being recognized. I thought it rather odd, having paid him a small fortune in fees, that I had to explain that I wished him to look at my throat."

"Open your mouth," said the doctor. "I did so, and the doctor seized my hand cordially. 'My dear Mr. X.,' he exclaimed, 'really I didn't recognize you at first!'"

A Yard of Milk.
John Flannigan, the big policeman who has his beat along Third avenue above 14th street, strolled out of the rain the other day into a grocery store above 17th street and, seeing a big crock of milk on the counter.
"Will ye give me a yard or so o' milk, me boy?"

The "bho," himself not slow, dipped his finger into the crock and drew a line about a yard long on the counter.
"Here ye are, sir. Five cents, please."

"Thin rowl it up an' O'll take it home!" said John.—New York Times.

The True Reason.

"Is it true," asked the Investigating Gentleman of the Saloonist, "that you put so much salt on the free lunch in order to induce thirst in your patrons?"

"Not much," said the Saloonist, growing suddenly communicative. "We put salt on it to preserve it."

And he pointed out some sandwiches and cheese that had decorated the table for two years without losing their pristine beauty.

Danger of Resentment.

"Republicans are ungrateful," said the hero, sadly.

"Well," answered the business man, "I suppose a republic has a great deal of human nature about it. Nobody likes to be dunned, and some people are liable to make the mistake of continually reminding a republic of its debts."

Expressive.

Riter (after reading his poem)—Now, what do you think of it?

Critic—Well—

Riter—Of course, I know the meter is a little slow, but—

Critic—Yes, I was going to say its feet appear to be asleep.

Good One Indeed.

"Can a man with a family be a good Christian on a salary of \$5 a week" is a question causing great discussion in Eastern circles. If he is a Christian at all he would have to be a good one on that salary.

Necessity and Invention.

I



Circus tickets cost a quarter, Uncle Joey had just one. And he'd promised Ebenezer They would go and see the fun.

II



As they entered, Uncle Joey Chuckled, "Patrick Henry said Dat if folks don't hang togedder Dey would sho' git left instead!"

Her Destination.

An Irishwoman, broad of back and gray of hair, walked into a dingy cross-town horse car one day last week. "I want to go to the Fish theater," she said in a rich brogue.

"The Fish theater?" echoed the conductor.

"Aye," said she. He had never heard of it, no more had the driver or the prim youth on the platform, the man with the bus-

die forward or even the messenger, boy, who looked up from his nickel library to acknowledge it. No one had heard of the Fish theater. A somewhat labored cross-examination brought out the fact that she wanted to go to the Aquarium. She got a transfer at Broadway.—New York Times.

A Bad Admission.



Judge—Your face seems strangely familiar to me?

Prisoner—Well, your honor, two years ago I gave your daughter singing lessons.

Judge—Ten years.

Composite.

Dashaway—Quilldriver seems to be a fellow of extremes—one who writes awful lush and sublime prose, and who is at the same time an idiot and a genius.

Cleverton—Where did you get such an idea?

Dashaway—I've just been reading the reviews of his latest book.—Harper's Bazar.

Things Are Different in Boston.

Says the Boston Globe: "In taking her out sleigh riding, young man, be careful of that vaccinated arm."

That advice may do for Boston young men, but out here a sensible youth would rather forego the minor pleasure of the ride than be hand-capped in that provoking manner.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Sister Ships.

Mrs. Crimstoneak—I see by this wireless telegraph, while at sea, one ship can communicate with another."

Mr. Crimstoneak—One ship can talk back to another?"

"Yes."

"Well, that's an additional reason why they should be called sister ships."

Right in Their Line.

"Those cold Boston girls naturally enjoy the Abbey 'Holy Grail' decorations in the public library."

"Why?"

"Because a frieze is right in their line."

Great Courage.

Blotts—The colonel is utterly fearless of public opinion.

Slotts—That's right. I once heard him admit before a crowd of people that he didn't like grand opera.

Kept a Record.

Mrs. Styles—John, do you keep an account of the money you spend foolishly?

Mr. Styles—Yes, dear; I've got all your millinery bills in my safe.

In a Lighter Mood.

She: "No man has ever kissed me." He: "I wouldn't boast of my unpopularity, if I were you."—Philadelphia Record.

"War is very expensive," said one South American official. "Very," responded the other; "our bill for type-writer supplies this month was simply enormous."—Washington Star.

They asked the visiting Englishwoman what she thought of New York. "I think it will be charming when it is finished," said the Englishwoman.—New York Evening Sun.

Bramble: "I made a good bargain with Jones just now." Thorne: "What was it?" "I'm to let him have the exclusive use of my automobile and he's to pay for half the repairs."—Life.

"By Jove! I left my pocketbook under my pillow." "Well, your servant girl is surely an honest person." "That's just the trouble. She will give the pocketbook to my wife."—Pileg-ende Blaetter.

"Did the prisoner indulge in oburgations?" asked the young attorney of the witness. "No, sir," replied the latter. "I never knew him to take anything but whisky."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Boggs: "Do you believe that half of the world doesn't know how the other half lives?" Pogs: "Sure; it's a very rare case when a woman doesn't get up a better-than-usual dinner when she has company."—Indianapolis Sun.

"No man ever obtained anything worth having without working hard for it," said Mrs. Bickers to her husband, who was in a discouraged mood. "That's so," replied Mr. Bickers reflectively. "I remember that I obtained you without the slightest difficulty."—Tit-Bits.

"These editors make me weary," complained the Eminent Architect. "Explain," suggested the Sympathetic Friend. "Well, I designed a ten-story building for Flibber's Magazine, and they have rejected five stories, and said they would pay for the others after publication."—Baltimore American.