

HE KILLS HIMSELF

Aged Nebraskan Found Dead at Nickerson

WITH BULLET IN TEMPLE

Undoubtedly a Case of Suicide—Ill Health the Only Known Cause for the Rash Act—Identified as a Citizen of Fontanelle—Other News

A Fremont, Neb., Nov. 20, special says: A. D. Lewis of Fontanelle, aged about seventy, committed suicide this afternoon at Nickerson, the first station north of here on the Elkhorn, but putting a bullet in the right temple. His body was found in a closet near the depot, where the deed was committed. He had gone there fully dressed, taken off his hat, and placed the revolver to his head. Ill health is assigned as a probable cause for the act.

Lewis had been with his son Robert on a ranch near Chambers, Hold county, and just came from there on the train this afternoon. He was seen by D. G. Riser, the agent at Nickerson, to go to the closet while the train was in front of the depot. Some time afterwards Riser was passing the closet when he saw through the partly opened door that blood was scattered around the interior. He also caught a glimpse of part of a body lying there. The door had been partly barred from the inside and it was not forced open until a physician had arrived from Fontanelle, two miles distant. The corpse was found with every circumstance unmistakably indicating self destruction. After the body had been removed to the freight room of the depot Constable J. J. Jones found the weapon which Lewis used in ending his life. The coroner and deputy sheriff here were notified and left for Nickerson to hold an inquest. Warren Mulliken, who manages an elevator at Nickerson, and Mrs. Riser, wife of the station agent, heard something like a shot, but as the gasoline engine at the elevator sometimes emitted reports they both supposed it came from that source.

Lewis leaves a wife, two sons and one daughter. He is an old resident of Fontanelle and was once in business there. For three or four years his health has been very poor and he has spent the summer on the Holt county ranch in the hope of benefiting it.

NELSON HERSCH KILLED

The Sunday Editor of the New York World Thrown From a Buggy

Nelson Hersch, editor of the Sunday edition of the New York World, was instantly killed near his home at West Brighton, Staten Island, Thursday, by being thrown from a buggy. He fell on his head, breaking his neck and fracturing his skull. Mr. Hersch was driving home before daylight, and his vehicle ran into a ditch which he could not see. The body was taken to his residence.

Mr. Hersch was forty-one years of age, a native of Rock Island, and a graduate of Yale. He was connected with the Davenport, Ia., Gazette and on the staff of the New York Commercial Advertiser for several years. Two years ago he became editor of the Sunday World. He leaves a widow and four children.

Big Fire Loss

A block and a half of property in the business section of Monongahela, Pa., was almost entirely destroyed by fire early Thursday. The loss is \$125,000, insured for \$15,000.

A number of families who were rendered homeless, lost their clothing and barely escaped with their lives. Before the flames were under control aid had been secured from surrounding towns and when the fire fighters arrived it was found that there was no water in the mains with which the flames could be extinguished.

Dynamite was secured and just when it was about to be placed under the burning building the water was turned on and the work of fighting the flames started. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Won Much Sympathy

William Malcolm, secretary of the Passaic Mutual Loan & Building association, who fled, presumably to Europe three months ago, has been indicted on three counts, charging him with misappropriating more than \$150,000. When the irregularities in Malcolm's accounts were first discovered, he claimed they were due to an error in bookkeeping made by his predecessor twenty years ago. He turned over his own home to the association and received much sympathy in view of his sacrifice, but later developments caused him to leave the city.

Four Rustlers Killed Him

A Bonesteel, S. D., Nov. 20, dispatch says: Matt Patterson cashed a draft here for \$500 November 10 and started up the north fork of Whetstone creek to his camp, where he had 2,000 cattle, owned by J. S. Walker of Page, Neb. The next day his hat was found near the trail, his horse quietly grazing near by. Blood was on his saddle and lariat and half the bridle reins missing. A posse of twenty mounted men has searched for clues without success. It is believed he was killed by cattle rustlers and his body thrown in the Missouri.

Papal Delegate Arrives

A Baltimore, Md., Nov. 20, dispatch says: Mgr. P. Conio, the new apostolic delegate to the United States, arrived here this evening and was driven to St. Mary's seminary, where he spent the night. An informal reception and entertainment was tendered him at the seminary. He will tomorrow celebrate his first pontifical mass in the chapel of St. Mary. He will be assisted by a number of Baltimore clergymen, and Cardinal Gibbons will be present at the mass. The delegate will probably go to Washington tomorrow.

STEAMER FOUNDERS

Reported as Sunk With One Hundred Fifty Persons Aboard

A Vienna, Nov. 20, special says: A Bucharest newspaper publishes an unconfirmed report that the steamer Bosnia, belonging to the Floria and Rubattino company, loaded with cereals, has foundered in a gale in the Black Sea, off Sulina, at the mouth of the Danube, and 1550 persons are reported to have perished.

HAD WARNED THEM

Knew of Infatuation Which Led to Miss MacFarlane's Death

James MacFarlane, father of Terrence MacFarlane, who was killed, it is alleged, by Mrs. Frank Young at Rochester, N. Y., Monday, learned of his daughter's death upon his arrival at Indianapolis, Ind., Thursday. Mr. MacFarlane, who is a traveling man, says his daughter and Frank Young had been infatuated for some time and that he had warned the latter to cease his attentions to Miss MacFarlane. Mr. MacFarlane was preparing to telegraph his daughter a birthday gift when the news of her death was broken to him.

LOOTED

Merchandise Store at Cedar Bluffs Robbed of Fine Silks and Satins

The general store of Balde Bros., at Cedar Bluffs, Neb., was entered by burglars Wednesday night, and \$500 or \$750 worth of fine silks and dress goods taken, besides some cigars and other stuff.

The thieves bored a hole in the glass of one of the big front doors and reaching inside turned the spring lock. They had previously stolen a horse and buggy from A. Allen, a retired farmer living in this town. In this buggy they are supposed to have made their escape with the plunder. The officers have found buggy tracks leading towards North Bend, and it is believed the men have gone in that direction.

The men knew their business, as the work was done smoothly and quietly and only the best goods were taken. The town watchman says he passed the store at 4 o'clock this morning and everything was all right at that time. The first known of the affair was when Mr. Allen came downtown early this morning, much perturbed, to report the loss of his team.

Class Fight Ends Badly

A Tiffin, O., Nov. 20, special says: Edward Zechel of Culver, Ind., and Roy Zachman of Marion, O., members of the freshman class in Heidelberg university, were seriously wounded last night by a shot gun in the hands of a member of the sophomore class. The freshmen attempted to steal the conveyances of the sophomores who were holding a class party several miles in the country when they were met by the sophomores with the above results.

Wu Ting Fang in Omaha

Wu Ting-Fang, the retired Chinese minister to the United States, passed through Omaha early Thursday over the Northwestern-Union Pacific, en route to San Francisco, from where he sails for home. He inquired about the political conditions in the west, and chatted with some local gentlemen of prominence on the result of the recent election. He refused, however, to express any opinion on their significance.

Martial Law Repealed

A Pretoria, Nov. 19, dispatch says: Martial law today was repealed throughout the new colonies. The proclamation, however, reserves the right to reimpose military rule in case of necessity, provides for the expulsion of every one considered dangerous to the peace of the country and authorizes the arrest without warrant of any one suspected of sedition.

Ordered to Pay

A London, Nov. 20, dispatch says: The privy council has reversed the decision of the court of King's Bench of the province of Quebec on the appeal of the Bank of Toronto against the St. Lawrence Fire Insurance company, and has ordered the latter to pay \$2,500,000 the amount secured by the policy in dispute and costs.

THE NEWS CONDENSED

The duke of Marlborough has resigned the office of paymaster general and has been succeeded by Sir Savile Crossley, M. P.

Field Marshal Prince Edward Saxe-Weimer, who died a few days ago, has been interred in Chichester cathedral with full military honors.

The Chicago & Alton railroad has announced a voluntary increase on December 1 of the wages of all engineering, trainmen and switchmen. The increase will average 10 per cent.

The sultan of Morocco has presented \$5,000 to Mrs. Cooper, of New York, widow of the English missionary who was murdered by a native last month and whose assassin was shot to death in front of a mosque by order of the sultan.

The general freight agents of the western roads held a meeting at Chicago with a view to restoring the rates which were in effect January 1, 1902. Instruction to restore all such as could possibly be restored were issued by the executive officials, and it is stated that they will be carried out to the letter.

It is reported that a crisis has occurred in the Peruvian cabinet.

The American Oithologists' union decided to hold its next convention at Philadelphia November 16, 1903.

Late Thursday evening papers were signed completing a combination of steel companies at Donora. The new company will be known as the United Steel company and will be capitalized at fifty millions.

While working on the third story of a building at Port Washington, Wis., the scaffolding gave way and three men were dashed to the ground below. Two will die.

STREET VIEW, GRANSTOWN, BAHAMAS



Life in the tropics has little of the strenuousness associated with the struggle for existence in these northern climes. Nature provides

almost every necessity, and the climate breeds habits of indolence, so that the happy languor of the inhabitants of the Bahamas is

not surprising. Our illustration shows a street scene in Granstown at midday, the time of the inevitable siesta.

TO DESTROY WILD BEASTS.

Scheme in India That Closely Approaches Actual Warfare.

In spite of the many plans which have been tried by the Indian government, there is no diminution, but rather the contrary, in the number of deaths caused by wild beasts. Various conjectures are hazarded to account for this failure of the executive, but it is pretty well agreed that the destruction of game by sportsmen and by drought compels tigers, leopards, wolves, and hyenas to prey to a greater extent on humanity.

Whether that be the case or not, Lord Curzon has unquestionably gone the right way to work by resorting to the novel expedient of employing Goorkha soldiers in some of the worst infested districts. Born sportsmen as they are, and perfectly fearless, they readily take up with this new sort of military duty, and there seems every likelihood that the venture, if persevered with, will be crowned with complete success. Wolves are, it appears, much greater delinquents than the more lordly carnivora; they are debilitated with nearly 300 deaths per annum in the United Provinces alone.

But they will have a hot time of it when the Goorkhas carry out their proposed scheme of a scientific jungle hunt, much on the lines of Lord Kitchener's blockhouse system. First one patch, then another, will be surrounded and cleared by detachments marching concentrically, the intervals between them being filled up with beaters thumping on tom toms as at a tiger hunt. There will be a reward it may be assumed, for every wolf or other man-killing animal slain, but the Goorkha does not need any monetary inducement to enlist his best services for such thoroughly congenial work.

Big Length of Cable Laid.

Another stretch of the long Canadian-Australian cable has been completed, the big cable-laying steamship Colonia having placed on the Pacific ocean's bed its one load of 3,540 miles of cable, which it took out from Victoria, B. C., Sept. 18. The captain of the vessel reported that everything went splendidly on the voyage, and that there was not a hitch of any

kind. The route over which the stretch of cable was laid has a remarkably even bottom, and this simplified the work, although the section is said to be the longest in the world. This now leaves a section of 2,100 nautical miles between Fanning Island and Suva, in the Fiji Islands, to complete the cable.

Could Not Work Judge.

Judge Foster of the New York court of general sessions has put the stamp of legal condemnation on the idea that

EVERYTHING UNDER ONE ROOF

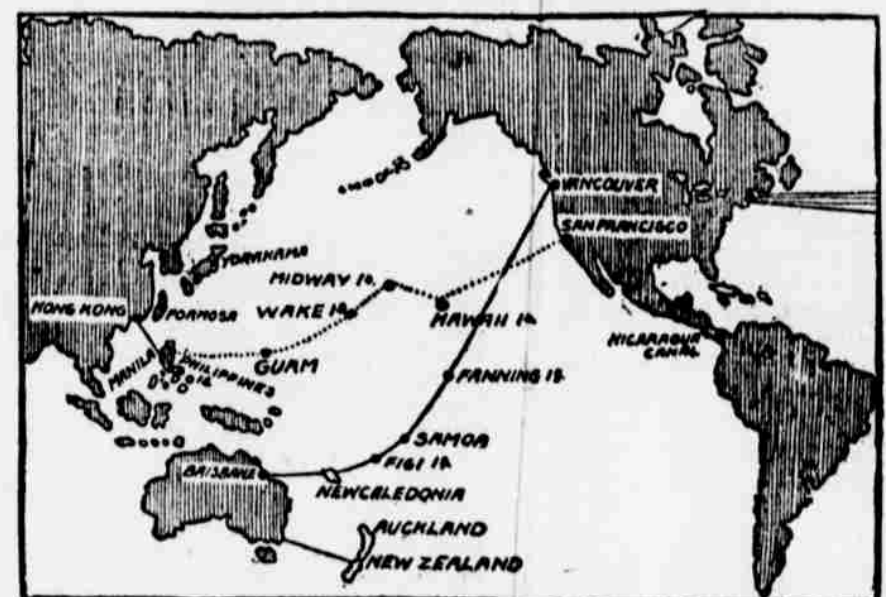
Discovery of a Man From Up the State in a City Hotel.

"I never appreciated the completeness of your big hotels," said the traveler from up the state, "so much as this trip."

"I got in about 7 one night and went to one of them I had to get into my evening clothes in a hurry and hustle to keep an appointment."

"I'd just begun to get ready when I discovered that I couldn't open my

CABLES IN THE PACIFIC



New Line Just Completed Between Vancouver, B. C., and Brisbane, Australia. Dotted Line Shows the Projected American Cable From San Francisco to the Philippines.

it is wise for a woman to marry a criminal for the purpose of reforming him. The judge was asked to suspend sentence on a young man convicted of larceny because the accused was engaged to "an estimable young lady." His honor refused, saying he had investigated the fellow's record and found it bad. He added a hope that the young woman would also investigate and take back her promise to marry. Then he sentenced the man to six months in the penitentiary.

trunk. Something was wrong with the lock and I thought I was up against it for fair.

"On general principles, I hit the button for a bellboy and told my troubles. 'Is that all?' he says. 'I'll send the locksmith up in a minute.'"

"Do you keep a locksmith on all the time?" I asked.

"Sure," he says. "In about five minutes a man floated in with an outfit that would have opened a burglar-proof vault. He had the trunk open while I was taking off my coat and vest."

"But that wasn't all. He had to take the lock off, so I said:

"Where'll I send this to now so's I can get a new lock on in a hurry tomorrow?"

"Send it out!" he says. "You don't need to. I'm only the night locksmith, and I haven't got all the tools handy, but if you'll send for the day locksmith in the morning he'll put a new lock on it for you in a few minutes."

"And he did. Maybe that's nothing new for you New Yorkers, but to a man from a cross-roads' village like Rochester, it seemed about the limit on having everything under one roof." —New York Sun.

Hardly the Same Thing.

Senator Mason of Illinois is the possessor of a fine voice. He exercises it frequently when at his home by singing melodies that strike his fancy. The other day he received a compliment upon his vocal abilities. At least he thought it was a compliment until it was explained to him. The senator tells the story.

"I was out at my summer home," he said, "and as usual I went around singing. One day my daughter came to me."

"'Father,' said she, 'Mrs. X. thinks you have a fine voice.'"

"I was quite flattered."

"'What makes you think so?' I asked."

"'Oh, she told me the other day that you sang heavenly.'"

"'Well, for a minute I wanted to send for Mrs. X. and ask her if she wanted any passes. Then my daughter finished the compliment."

"'She didn't say it was heavenly, but she said the same thing. She said it was unearthly.'"

PEACE IS POSSIBLE

Miners and Operators May Effect a Settlement

OUTSIDE OF COMMISSION

Proffer Made at Scranton—Rough Deal Outlined for a Compromise—Announcement of Overtures Made by Chairman Gray

A Scranton, Pa., Nov. 21, special says: The mine-workers, through their representatives, have agreed with the mine-owners to attempt to adjust the differences existing between them outside the anthracite coal strike commission. The proposition was made on a compromise basis, and negotiations, it is expected, will be at once entered upon, with a reasonable hope of settlement without the aid of the arbitrators. The rough proposition, which is to form the basis of negotiations, is a 10 per cent increase in wages, a nine-hour day, and trade agreements between the miners and the company by whom they are employed. The only one of the four demands not touched upon is that of the weighing of coal by the legal ton. While both sides have expressed a willingness to settle their differences among themselves, it is not to be construed that it carries with it the acceptance of the terms proposed. They are mentioned only as a basis, it is understood, from which a settlement is to be effected. It is possible that the foundation already laid can be wrecked by either party holding out too strongly against some question, and thus leave the whole matter in the hands of the commissioners, who in the meantime, will act as a sort of board of conciliation, rather than as a board of arbitration.

Few persons were aware that an attempt would be made at an outside settlement until it was practically so intimated by Judge Gray, the chairman of the commission, who read a carefully prepared announcement from the bench. The move, one of the most important in the whole history of the coal strike, created a mild sensation when it became known. The surprise was all the greater when it will be remembered that numerous persons from the president of the United States down, and many organizations from the national civic federation to the small boards of trade of the mining towns failed to bring the two parties together. It is said it was all brought about by both sides seeing that the proceedings before the commission would be interminable, and that in the intermingling of the lawyers for both sides the outside agreement proposition was broached and taken up.

Stolen Property Found

The horse and buggy of A. Allen, stolen from Cedar Bluffs, Neb., have been recovered, but the thieves who took it and with it a quantity of plunder from Balde Bros.' store are still at large. The horse and rig were abandoned several miles from Cedar Bluffs and were taken up by a farmer, of whom they were reclaimed. It is believed the thieves had another rig in waiting and that they drove on with it after transferring their booty.

Marked the Old Grain

The Farmers' Elevator company at Thayer, Neb., shipped out their first grain last week. They have received returns for the sale of two cars o wheat. The wheat shipped was worth on the Thayer market 46 cents per bushel, and their return on the two cars reported show that one of them netted 53 cents and the other 55 cents, which makes a fair profit for handling the grain.

His Reason for It

A letter found in the pocket of A. I. Lewis, who committed suicide at Nickerson, Neb., shows that he had suffered some business reverses, and that he together with his poor health, led him to kill himself. The letter was addressed to his wife and stated that he could not come home to her in view of the financial losses he had sustained.

BOILED DOWN

The democratic congressional campaign committee is to be made a permanent institution.

Fire at Lake Contrary, Mo., destroyed the grandstand and most of the bar at the race track. The loss will probably amount to \$20,000.

Both December and May wheat options on the San Francisco board trade reached \$1.40 per cental, the highest quotation in four years.

The past week has witnessed a considerable depression at all the lead centers of the British iron and steel industries and prices have undergone all-around reduction.

The Venezuelan government energetically protested against the entering of the Orinoco river by the British war ship Fantome, which it claimed was an infringement of Venezuela's sovereignty. The government continues to attack Great Britain.

The extension of the Chicago Northwestern railroad to Bonesteel, D., is now open for traffic. Bonesteel is on the edge of the Rosebud Indian reservation, which is to be opened settlement next spring. The new line passes through some rich grazing lands, and the opening to entry is expected to attract a large number of people.

Vicar General Henry Muehlstein, aged sixty-eight years, one of the noted church men in the middle west, suffered a stroke of paralysis several days ago and is reported dying at Ursuline convent.

The international banking corporation which was established under the act of congress to act as an agent for the United States in orient at a meeting of its directors New York increased its capital and plus from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000, elected William L. Moyer as its president. The bank has established branches in London, Yokohama, Shanghai, Manila and Singapore.