

RAYNOR TO MANAGE CASE

Succeeds Wilson as Chief Counsel for Admiral Schley.

COURT DELAYED ONLY ONE DAY.

Hearing is Resumed With Admiral Cotton on the Stand—Modifies Some of His Statements—Captain Wise's Testimony Ruled Out.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Two new witnesses were introduced in the Schley court yesterday. They were Admiral Cotton, who commanded the auxiliary cruiser Harvard, and Captain Wise, who commanded the auxiliary cruiser Yale, during the Spanish war. Both these vessels were used as scouts and both came up with the flying squadron off Santiago on the 27th of May, before the retrograde movement to Key West was begun.

Admiral Cotton testified that he had gone to Admiral Schley's flagship on that day to take dispatches to him, and he said at first that he gave him four or five dispatches addressed to the commander of the squadron. He afterwards modified this statement, saying that probably all but two of these dispatches were addressed to himself (Admiral Cotton), but that they contained information which he thought should be in Admiral Schley's possession. One of these was a copy of a dispatch from Admiral Sampson, which had not been printed in the official records, stating that the Spanish fleet was at Santiago. He also said that the coal could have been taken from the Merrimac on the 27th of May, the day the retrograde movement to Key West was begun for the purpose of coaling.

Captain Wise testified that on the 27th of May he had signalled Captain Phillip of the Texas his opinion that Cervera was inside the harbor at Santiago, but this was ruled out. During the day Admiral Schley said he had selected Mr. Raynor as his chief of counsel, to succeed Judge Wilson.

Dispatches Changed. Mr. Raynor called attention to the fact that three were some material changes in the dispatches as printed in the official reports by the navy department.

Admiral Schley's reply to these dispatches dated May 29, in which he said he could not obey the orders of the department, was then read and Mr. Raynor pointed out various changes in the language of the dispatch as printed in the official report. He addressed the court briefly concerning these changes.

He said that Admiral Schley had spoken of the weather as "boisterous" and that that word had been omitted from the printed copy of the dispatch. He also stated that whereas the admiral had said that 9,500 tons of coal would be necessary, the printed copy made it 10,000 tons. It was also stated in the original that Harvard was going to Port Royal, whereas Kingston had been inserted in the printed copy. There also were other changes.

The order of Sampson, the letter known as the "Dear Schley" letter, was read. It is dated Key West, Fla., May 20, 1898. Referring to a telegram from the navy department, received by Sampson advising the latter to send word to Schley to proceed to Santiago, the letter says:

"After duly considering this telegram I have decided to make no changes in the present plans. That is, you shall hold your present squadron off Cienfuegos. If the Spanish ships have put into Santiago, they must come either to Havana or Cienfuegos to deliver the munitions of war which they are said to bring for use in Cuba. I am, therefore, of the opinion that our best chance of success in capturing their ships will be to hold the two points, Cienfuegos and Havana, with all the force we can muster. If later it should develop that these vessels are at Santiago we could then assemble off that port the ships best suited for the purpose and completely blockade it. Until we then receive more positive information, we shall continue to hold Havana and Cienfuegos."

Charges Against Collieran. Chicago, Sept. 26.—Neglect of duty and conduct unbecoming an officer are the charges which Chief of Police O'Neill will prefer today against Chief of Detectives Collieran. It is claimed that Collieran, while chief of detectives, juggled the evidence in favor of James Dunlap, bank burglar, who was, however, sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary.

Mrs. McKinley's Condition. Canton, O., Sept. 26.—Favorable reports continue to come from Mrs. McKinley. She has not experienced any real change, but has had no symptoms of relapse and gives every indication of steadily regaining her normal condition. The usual visit was made to the cemetery yesterday and a good part of the afternoon was spent driving.

Two Inches of Snow in North Dakota. Bottineau, N. D., Sept. 26.—Over two inches of snow fell here yesterday and it is still storming. Four inches of rain have fallen in the last three days. Much grain will rot in the field unless the weather changes at once. Not one-third of the grain is threshed.

Court to Visit Two Years. London, Sept. 26.—A dispatch to the Times from Shanghai says it is stated "on high authority in the North China News" that the court has definitely decided not to return to Peking for two years. It is added that the court will remain at Kai Fong Foo.

MAGGIO IS BOUND OVER.

Anarchist Who Prophesied McKinley's Death Held to Grand Jury.

Albuquerque, N. M., Sept. 26.—Antonio Maggio, alleged anarchist, who is said to have declared several months ago that he knew that President McKinley would be killed before Oct. 1, had a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Newcomb at Silver City yesterday and was bound over to await the action of the United States grand jury at Las Cruces, which meets on Oct. 7, under \$10,000 bonds. He could not furnish bail and was remanded into the custody of Deputy United States Marshal Fornoff, who will bring the prisoner here for safe keeping. Several respectable citizens testified that Maggio stated on the streets and in saloons in Silver City less than three months ago that President McKinley would be killed before Oct. 1, and that the person who was to kill him had been selected. When put on the stand, Maggio denied the statements, but admitted that he was an anarchist, but against the United States, but against every crowned head of his own country, Italy, whom he said were responsible for all the hardships experienced by the poor classes in Italy.

FAMILY VISITS CZOLGOSZ.

Father, Brother and Sister of Assassin See Him in Jail.

Buffalo, Sept. 26.—Paul, Waldeck and Victoria Czolgosz, father, brother and sister of Leon Czolgosz, the assassin of President McKinley, were granted an interview with the prisoner in the Erie county jail yesterday. Assistant District Attorney Frederick Haller and Assistant Superintendent of Police P. V. Cusack were present under instructions of District Attorney Penney, throughout the interview.

No other person will be allowed to see the prisoner until after the sentence of death is imposed this afternoon.

The interview between the assassin and his father, brother and sister lasted 35 minutes, but no information leading to the implication of anyone else in an anarchist plot to kill the president was given by the prisoner.

"We have learned nothing that we did not know before," said District Attorney Haller at the conclusion of the conference.

"He talked more than he had at any previous time, but even to his family he was not very communicative."

The family returned to Cleveland immediately after the interview.

FARMERS TRY TO BLACKMAIL.

Demand \$4,000 Under Threat of Blowing Up Railroad Tracks.

Platte City, Mo., Sept. 26.—A few days ago Superintendent Hohl, of the Burlington route, received a letter unsigned, mailed at Waldron, Mo., demanding of the Burlington that \$4,000 be deposited by a light on the public road below Waldron or the tracks would be blown up with dynamite. Superintendent Hohl, Detective Michael and Sheriff Elgin of Platte county went to the place at the appointed time and captured John and James Sanderson, one of whom has confessed, implicating his brother. They were brought to Platte City and are now in jail, awaiting a preliminary examination.

New Mistress of White House.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, wife of the president, took up her permanent residence in Washington last night, when, as mistress of the white house, she occupied apartments there for the first time. She reached the city at 9:30 o'clock, bringing with her two of the Roosevelt children, their governess and a housekeeper. The rooms of the building have been specially fitted up for the presidential party. New carpets and furniture have been bought, and some painting and varnishing done.

Oil Discovery at Peoria.

Peoria, Sept. 26.—Excitement is rife in this city over the discovery of oil bubbling from the ground on the Weigher ground, on the Tazewell side of the Illinois river. A company has been formed and has secured options on 500 acres of land, including the Weigher property. The price of land in the immediate vicinity has been advanced beyond all ordinary valuation.

Death Sentence for Handy.

Kansas City, Sept. 26.—A special to the Times from Unalaska says that at a special term of the United States district court Fred Handy was found guilty of murdering last June Con and Florence Sullivan, brother and sister, of Butte, Mont., and R. J. Rooney of Seattle. Handy was sentenced to be hanged at Nome Dec. 6.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

W. H. Sedden, owner of the 1,200-acre Youmans farm, died at his home near Marshall, Minn., Wednesday.

M. Horen of Rolla, Mo., was instantly killed by falling from an elevator shaft at the glass works at Eldora, Ia.

Prince Albert equaled the world's pacing record of 2:04 3/4 on a half mile track at the Allentown (Pa.) fair Wednesday.

Colonel J. J. Hickman, past worthy grand templar of the Independent Order of Good Templars of the World, is at the point of death at his home in Columbia, Mo.

Turkey has agreed to pay the claim of M. Loranda, a French subject, for money advanced to the Ottoman government years ago. Ambassador Constant is preparing to return to Constantinople.

A grand jury at Centerville, Ia., indicted Sheriff Climie, Constable Smith and Justice Henderson for conspiracy to rob the county by illegally collecting fees for confining tramps under the vagrancy law.

RHEA ALL BUT ESCAPES

Doomed Man Foiled in Attempt to Cheat the Gallows.

SAWS TWO BARS ON CELL DOOR.

Is Detected Before Reaching the Third One—Murderer of Herman Zahn Makes Desperate Effort to Secure Freedom—Governor Will Investigate

Lincoln, Sept. 26.—William Rhea, under sentence of death for the murder of Herman Zahn at Snyder last winter, made an ineffectual attempt to saw his way to liberty from the state prison last Sunday.

From some source the doomed man secured a saw and last Saturday night sawed through two iron bars on his cell door. It was necessary to saw a third bar in order to effect his escape into the corridor, where he would have to confront the night guard. Rhea postponed the work on the second bar until Sunday night. Early Sunday morning the prison officials detected the condition of the bars and immediately removed Rhea to the new cell house, where he will hereafter be confined behind the malleable steel bars.

In Rhea's cell were found several table knives, two pocket knives and a rudely constructed lancet, made from a razor. These articles were secreted by Rhea in a niche which he had cut in the stone wall of his cell. Just how all these articles were passed to Rhea is a mystery.

Immediately opposite Rhea's old cell is the "dark hole," the door of which is barred with a scantling. Rhea's scheme was to use this as a weapon in "doing" the guard to secure possession of the keys to the east gate and regain his freedom.

Rhea, whose real name is William Klein, is not yet 22 years old, yet he has the reputation of being a desperate man. He escaped from the Saunders county jail while under sentence for burglary, and is now awaiting a decision of the supreme court on a motion filed by his attorneys asking that the death sentence be changed to life imprisonment.

Governor Savage took possession of the saw and other implements found in the cell of the prisoner and will make a rigid investigation.

CUSTER HAS \$50,000 FIRE.

Blaze of Incendiary Origin Destroys Block of Business Buildings.

Custer, S. D., Sept. 26.—A block of business buildings in this city was destroyed yesterday. Estimated loss, \$50,000; with some insurance. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. Nine buildings were burned, Wright's billiard hall, Blackley's billiard store, Custer Shoe store, Fadden's meat market, Weather's grocery, Walding's grocery, the Boston store, A. E. Jones' drug store and Finch & Willis' clothing house being destroyed.

The town is without fire protection and without wells. A further spread of the fire was prevented by tearing down several buildings in the path of the flames, while a force of several hundred, who formed in line with buckets, dashed water upon the burning structures.

LEXINGTON GETS A TWISTER.

Storm Lasting Thirty Minutes Does Much Damage to Property.

Lexington, Neb., Sept. 26.—A terrific windstorm visited this vicinity last night, accompanied by rain and lightning. Trees were uprooted, houses were lifted from their foundations and outbuildings of all kinds were destroyed.

A new barn, 16x32 feet, belonging to Iver Nelson, was struck by lightning and then literally torn to atoms by the wind. The flying embers demolished a new windmill. A number of other windmills were blown down. Many chimneys were leveled to the roofs. The storm lasted 30 minutes.

Coursing Meet at Madison.

Madison, S. D., Sept. 26.—The International Coursing club was welcomed to the city yesterday by President Rothschild of the local club. Responses being made by Messrs. Handy of Minneapolis and Kellogg of San Francisco. Thirty-two entries were made in the all-age class and 24 in the puppy class. Pairs being drawn for the first trial, about 300 sportsmen in carriages and on horseback went to the park, where the pairs were run off on wild jack rabbits. Game was plentiful and the sport exciting.

Tornado in South Dakota.

Clear Lake, S. D., Sept. 26.—A storm which almost attained the proportions of a tornado passed through the western portion of this county last night, doing great damage. A school house was blown down, numerous dwellings and farm buildings were twisted from their foundations and great numbers of grain stacks were scattered and destroyed. Two inches of rain fell.

Convicts Attack Guard.

Leavenworth, Kan., Sept. 26.—Two negro convicts working on the site of the new United States penitentiary attacked John Kennary, one of the guards, yesterday with bricks, knocked the officer down, inflicting severe injuries. Assistance reached the guard in time to prevent his being killed. The guard had reproved the negroes for shirking their work.

City Treasurer a Suicide.

Elk Point, S. D., Sept. 26.—Edwin G. Jay, city treasurer of Elk Point, committed suicide by swallowing poison. It is believed his accounts are all right. Jay has been ill and despondent for some months.

NEW SHIP HAS ROUGH PASSAGE.

Big German Liner Comes Into Port With Deck Badly Littered.

New York, Sept. 26.—The new twin screw steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm arrived in port yesterday. It left Bremen on Sept. 17 and Southampton and Cherbourg the 18th. From the time of leaving Cherbourg harbor the huge steamer plunged into head seas with heavy southwesterly gales. The sea broke over the ship's bow, smashing the forward rail, stove in the deck houses and let the water in the forward saloons. A companionway was smashed also. The weather was so rough the steamer was obliged to run under reduced speed for three days and a half. The screws were reduced to 50 revolutions. The great steamer was unable under these conditions to make any attempt at record-breaking and most of the time only 9,500-horse power was used. However, the speed increased when the weather moderated, and on the 23d it made 54 knots and the 24th it made 57 knots, which the chief engineer claimed to be the best day's run ever made on an initial voyage. The time of passage was 6 days, 10 hours and 15 minutes. Total distance, 3,045 knots; average speed per hour, 19.74 knots.

STAFF OF ELL TORRANCE.

Commander-in-Chief of Grand Army Gives Out Some Appointments.

Minneapolis, Sept. 26.—Commander-in-Chief Torrance of the Grand Army of the Republic yesterday announced the following staff appointments:

Adjutant general, S. H. Towler of Minneapolis; quartermaster general, Charles Burroughs of Rutherford, N. J.; inspector general, Wilfred Witherbee of Boston.

This will be General Burroughs' fourth successive term as quartermaster general. He has served under Commanders Gobin, Sexton and Rasseleur.

The appointment of Mr. Towler makes it certain that Minneapolis will be the headquarters of the Grand Army during Judge Torrance's administration.

Enjoy Trip Across Canada.

Fort William, Ont., Sept. 26.—The special train bearing the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and their traveling companions westward spent yesterday on the north shore of Lake Superior, and by night had put Fort William and the lake behind them and were speeding on toward Manitoba. The day's run was for the most part through long stretches of unsettled country, but at all the widely separated towns and villages the people gathered to offer their cheers and welcome to the royal party. There were lumbermen, hunters and miners and some Indians in the little crowds, and the welcome was always a hearty one. Both the duke and duchess took a lively interest in the country through which they passed.

Lead Producers Combine.

Chicago, Sept. 26.—The Record-Herald says that the lead producers of the country, stirred by the reported projection of a great \$20,000,000 lead trust, under the control of the Whitney-Ryan-Gugenheim smelting syndicate, are planning a close combination of the producing interests. Their object, it is stated, is to get into a position where they will not be at the mercy of the smelting combination. The plan as set forth is to form a corporation of moderate capital, which shall become the selling agency of the producers. The producers plan also to store their product when the conditions of the market make the move advisable.

Cummins Blames the Press.

Philadelphia, Sept. 26.—The second day's session of the 27th annual session of the Catholic Young Men's National union was devoted to the discussion of public press. Thomas J. Cummins, of the International News Bureau, read a paper on "American Journalism." He said he deplored the tendency toward sensationalism of the papers and declared that the assassination of President McKinley was due in a measure to the inflammatory utterances of the press.

Russians Seize American Sealer.

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 26.—The sealing schooner Vera, which has arrived from a sealing cruise to the Copper islands, with 636 skins, brings news of the seizure by a Russian man-of-war of one of the schooners sailing out of Hakodate under American ownership, the Josephine. No details were learned of the seizure, but it was understood the schooner had been taken to Petropaulowski and what disposition has been made of the crew could not be learned.

Four Arrested for Army Theft.

Denver, Sept. 26.—The police have arrested four men in connection with the theft of several thousand pairs of shoes from the army quartermaster's department in San Francisco. The suspects are James Murphy, Thomas Sullivan, George Wellington and William Ready. The arrest was made on information furnished by second hand clothing dealers. Ready was taken while in the act of disposing of some of the shoes.

Latta is Acquitted.

Logan, Ia., Sept. 26.—Richard J. Latta, charged with train robbery, was yesterday acquitted. The jury was out 30 minutes. Daniels repeated his former confession on the witness stand, implicating Hans. Hans, who was subpoenaed as a witness by the defense, failed to appear. G. C. Porter, subpoenaed by the defense, also failed to appear.

Boer Leaders Banished.

Pretoria, Sept. 26.—Ten Boer leaders, captured since Sept. 15, have been permanently banished from South Africa.

AMERICAN ATHLETES WIN

Beat Britons in Six of the Nine Events.

HURDLE EVENT THE CLOSEST.

Colors of Cambridge and Oxford Traded in the Dust at Berkeley Oval by Harvard and Yale, Who Divide Honors.

New York, Sept. 26.—The athletes of Yale and Harvard met the athletic representatives of Oxford and Cambridge universities at Berkeley oval in track and field events, and, as was expected, the Americans proved to be too much for the visitors, the Americans winning six out of the nine events on the program. Points were counted for wins only, so that the Harvard and Yale men defeated their English opponents by a score of six points to three. Between the American universities honors were equally divided, Harvard and Yale winning three events. The Oxford men failed to gain a point for the visiting team, the light blue of Cambridge being to the front in the three events won by the Englishmen.

The closest event of the day was the 120-yard hurdle event. Garner of Oxford and Converse of Harvard had the issue between themselves, the latter winning by barely six inches, the time being 0:15 3/5. Hargrave of Yale made a superhuman effort toward the finish of the 100-yard dash, which he won in 0:10 2/5. Cambridge won the one-half, one and two-mile runs.

Breeze for Yacht Race.

New York, Sept. 26.—The weather sharks and yachting experts unite in expecting that a breeze will be blowing today that will give the Shamrock and the Columbia a race which will be memorable in the long series of cup events. The two vessels turned out yesterday for the last preparatory work in a breeze that was kicking up the whitecaps.

SHAFFER'S PROOF DEMANDED.

Gompers and Mitchell Challenge His Charges Against Them.

New York, Sept. 26.—In an open letter issued here yesterday, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor and vice president of the Cigarmakers' International union, and John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, and second vice president of the American Federation of Labor, challenge T. J. Shaffer of the Amalgamated association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers to prove his statements recently made against them.

Jailer's Posse Beats Off Mob.

Louisville, Sept. 26.—The jail at Shelbyville is being heavily guarded to prevent the lynching of Anna Field, a negro woman, and Jumbo Field and Clarence Garnett, negro boys. William White, a printer, was found dying in a path leading to the Field woman's house Saturday night. The two boys have confessed to the murder and all three have been indicted. Monday night 40 masked men made an attack on the jail and succeeded in breaking the door and getting into the corridors, but they could not get into the prisoners' cage. The jailer summoned a posse and managed to beat them off. The threats continue.

Another Strike of Steel Workers.

Chicago, Sept. 26.—Another strike of steel workers that may extend to the South Chicago plant of the Illinois Steel company is a probability. Within three days of the settlement of the Amalgamated association strike the Bayview steel workers at Milwaukee have declared their intention to again abandon work because of a radical reduction of their wage scale by the company. On Monday the rollers at Bayview were informed that the tonnage rates on which they worked had been reduced materially, in some cases being cut from \$1.25 to 40 cents.

Work of Eastern Star.

Detroit, Sept. 26.—Delegates to the supreme chapter of the Eastern Star were kept busy yesterday from early morning until almost midnight. The morning business session began with a discussion of the report of the committee on jurisprudence in relation to a revision of the ritual, and the debate was not finished when the afternoon session adjourned. Last night the local chapter entertained the delegates with a musical program in Music temple and Detroit commandery Knights Templar gave an exhibition drill.

Kaiser and Council Again at Odds.

Berlin, Sept. 26.—Emperor William and the Berlin city council are again at odds. While the re-election of Herr Kauffman as second burgomaster has naturally not tended to relax the strained relations, a new difficulty has arisen with regard to the proposal that another tramway should cross Unter Den Linden. Emperor William insists that the line shall go underground and has refused a further audience on the subject to the chief burgomaster, Dr. Hischner.

Prince Chun Not Coming.

Berlin, Sept. 26.—Prince Chun, the Chinese envoy, will not return home by way of the United States. In accordance with telegraphic instructions the prince will go to Naples, and Oct. 10 will sail direct for China.

SIEGEL'S SHORTAGE IS \$500,000.

Rockefeller Will Suffer Loss of Nearly Half a Million.

Kansas City, Sept. 26.—The Times says: The expert accountants who have been at work on the books of the defunct Siegel-Sanders Commission company for many months, practically completed their labors yesterday and for the first time since the concern went to the wall Frank Rockefeller, the Standard Oil capitalist, learned the full extent of his financial losses.

The startling revelation was made by the expert accountants that Mr. Rockefeller will suffer a loss of nearly \$500,000 as a result of alleged manipulation of the books by Frank Siegel, the company's former president who is now resting under two indictments.

One of the most interesting features of the case was made known yesterday when Mr. Rockefeller announced that he would not prosecute Siegel, who is now out under bond awaiting trial, but would place the entire matter in the hands of Utley Wedge, receiver for the Siegel-Sanders company.

Nebraska Day at Buffalo.

Omaha, Sept. 26.—Tuesday, Oct. 3, has been set aside by the Pan-American Exposition company and designated by Governor Savage as Nebraska day, and it is expected that Nebraska will be represented very largely at Buffalo at that time. It is urged that all Nebraskans who contemplate visiting the Pan-American this fall make it a point to be there on Nebraska day. Special arrangements have been made to entertain the governor and his staff, who will leave Omaha Monday evening, the 30th, arriving in Chicago the next morning, traveling from Chicago to Buffalo via the Washburn line in a special car, the Washburn having been designated as the official line from Chicago to the east. If all arrangements are carried out as contemplated, there will be enough Nebraskans on hand to run a special train over the Washburn from Chicago to Buffalo on Tuesday, Oct. 1. Very many people of the state now visiting in the east may be induced to be at Buffalo, and the present low rates between Omaha and the Pan-American city will enable the Nebraska delegation to make a very creditable showing on Nebraska day.

Troops Sent to Madisonville.

Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 26.—Under orders of Governor Beckham, the Owensboro and Bowling Green companies of the state militia have gone to Madisonville. This action was in response to a report made by State Mine Inspector Henry Hines, who has been there investigating the trouble at the coal mines.

Baseball Results Yesterday.

National League—Chicago, 3; Philadelphia, 4. St. Louis, 2; Boston, 1. Cincinnati, 2; Brooklyn, 9. Pittsburgh, 10; New York, 5. American League—Washington, 3; Detroit, 2. Milwaukee, 4; Philadelphia, 6; Boston, 5; Chicago, 2. Baltimore, 7; Cleveland, 5.

In the School of Work.

Charles A. Dana of the New York Sun was a man of extensive learning and attached great importance to college training, but was quick to recognize the value of the practical education that a man of good parts may pick up in this workaday world outside of university walls.

A young man went to The Sun office one day and asked to see the editor in chief. He would not be rebuffed by the subordinates and after some delay was admitted. He stated his business without a moment's loss of time.

"Mr. Dana," he said, "I believe I could be of some use on this paper, and I want you to give me a trial. If you don't find me of any use, you needn't pay me any salary, and if you do I shall want a good salary. If I don't find my proper groove in a month, you can drop me out."

Mr. Dana looked him over.

"Young man," he said, "I like your looks. Have you ever attended any institution of learning?"

"Yes, sir. I am a graduate of two newspaper offices, one a country weekly and the other a daily paper in a city of 100,000 inhabitants."

"I'll take you. Go and report to the managing editor."

And Mr. Dana turned again to his work.—Youth's Companion.

Tennessee's Wealth of Oak Timber.

One of Tennessee's richest fields of natural resources is in its forests. Most of her timbered land is as yet virgin, and at the top of the list of the varieties to be found is oak. That tree is one of the most valuable that ever grew, and this state is more than usually rich in it.

Oak timber is practically indestructible when not exposed to the elements of the atmosphere. I mean that oak timber can be submerged in the ground or buried in the water, where the atmosphere does not affect it, and it will last for so many years that the man who had put it there is dead and forgotten by the time it has decayed.

It is a growing favorite, and deservedly so, in many ways of manufacturing furniture and in finishing fine houses. The price on it is always firm, and every now and then it makes a spurt and climbs up a point from which it never will fall. If the forests of this tree to be found in Tennessee today are here 90 years from now, this will be one of the richest states in the Union.—Knoxville Sentinel.

Healthy Trees.

The time in the summer at which the leaves begin to turn is a tolerably sure indication of the soundness of the tree. Some trees will keep their foliage green until September, while the leaves of unhealthy trees will begin to show signs of turning brown or yellow in August.