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DEATH OF MRS. GAGE

Wife of Secretary Succumbs After Illness of Nine Weeks.

MRS. M'KINLEY IS NOT INFORMED

Those at the bedside of the latter fear that such information would be severe as both women were near and dear to each other.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Mrs. Lyman Gage, wife of the secretary of the treasury, died at her residence, 1715 Massachusetts avenue, N. W., at 9:30 o'clock tonight, after an illness of nine weeks' duration. With her when she came were her husband, her married daughter, Mrs. E. F. Pierce of Evanston, Ill., and Dr. W. Johnson, the attending physician.

For a time before her death Mrs. Gage suffered considerable pain, but she maintained her bright and cheerful demeanor and was conscious to the last. Heart trouble, the result of grip complications, was the immediate cause of death. Mrs. Gage was exposed to the inclement weather for about an hour on inauguration day, but at the time her health did not seem to have been affected. March 11 she left here for Evanston to visit her daughter. While there she experienced a chill and took to her bed, but soon recovered sufficiently to return to Washington, where she has been confined to her room ever since.

Mrs. Gage was a native of Albany, N. Y., and 58 years of age. She was married to Secretary Gage in Denver in 1887. There were no children from their union. Mrs. Pierce being a child by a former husband.

The remains will be interred in Rose Hill cemetery, near Chicago. Further than this the funeral services have not been arranged. It is probable, however, that religious services of a simple character will be held at her former residence in this city on Sunday morning, in which event the body will leave here by the morning train for Chicago.

Mrs. Gage was an Episcopalian in her religious belief, but during their residence here she and the secretary have had a pew in the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal church, where the president attends.

Dr. Hills of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, is an intimate friend of the family and it is possible that he may be asked to come to Washington to conduct the funeral services here.

During their residence in Washington, Secretary and Mrs. Gage have taken quite an active part in social life at the capital. Mrs. Gage was a woman of charming personality and, with her husband, delighted in extending the hospitality of their elegant home on Massachusetts avenue.

Mrs. Gage was probably closer to Mrs. McKinley than any other of the ladies of the cabinet.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—The news of the death of Mrs. Gage was received by the members of the president's official family in this city with expressions of regret. The Associated Press bulletin, which was transmitted to Secretary Cortelyou at the Scott residence, conveyed the news to President McKinley. Extra precautions were taken to keep news of Mrs. Gage's death from Mrs. McKinley.

THE BAD SIGNS RETURN.

Mrs. McKinley Grows Worse After a Day of Encouraging Symptoms.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—As the night wore on Mrs. McKinley became restless and the early morning hours are looked forward to with more apprehension.

She did not take nourishment freely, as she had done earlier in the day.

Powerful stimulants, including oxygen, have been administered during the afternoon and evening.

The bone feli on her hand has spread and has discharged pus from another place. The new wound has been lanced.

Troy Strike Is Settled.

NEW YORK, May 18.—A committee from the Troy division of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes has waited upon Mayor Conway and informed him that the strike has been settled. The committee said that under the terms of the agreement the employes are to receive 20 cents per hour and that the company will treat with a committee of either union or non-union men. Headquarters were visited and members of the union informed.

WEATHER COLD AND DRY.

University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.—The last weather and crop bulletin says: The past week has been cold and dry, with less than the normal amount of sunshine. The daily mean temperature has averaged 5 degrees below the normal in the eastern counties, and slightly above normal in the western. The minimum temperatures for the week were generally 33 degrees and 49 degrees, and light frosts occurred on several days.

The rainfall of the week was everywhere below normal, and was with but few exceptions less than 30 of an inch. Wheat and grass have grown well, and in the eastern and most central counties the grain has all the moisture needed, but in the western counties more rain would be beneficial. Oats have grown fairly well, but there is some complaint of a poor stand, and the prospect is not quite so promising as it was a week ago. Corn planting has been delayed in eastern counties by low temperature and wet land; nevertheless, fair progress has been made, and corn planting is nearing completion in several southern counties. The early planted corn is coming up well, but the weather has been unfavorable for germination.

SCHOOL LAND IN DEMAND.

All desirable areas have been placed under contract. LINCOLN, Neb., May 20.—Aside from a few hundred acres of undesirable land in the northwestern corner of the state, all of the Nebraska school land has been placed under lease and it is not likely that any of it will be released by the holders until the latter part of the year. Land Commissioner Folmer is planning to hold auctions in September or October if there is any land available at that time, but the present outlook, he considers, is not encouraging. The holders of leases are paying their rentals promptly and no disposition is being shown to forfeit any of the land.

There is a heavy demand from all parts of the state for school lands and especially in the cattle country, where land seems to be more valuable than at any time in the last ten years. The only school land not under lease is situated in the "bad lands," a section of the state unfavorable to farming or cattle raising. If any land is forfeited during the summer or voluntarily released by the holders it will be leased at auction by Commissioner Folmer during the fall of the year.

OMAHA MAN ON THE BOARD.

OMAHA, Neb., May 20.—Governor Savage has appointed Clinton Orcutt of Omaha to succeed B. F. Allen of Wabash as a member of the board of trustees for the institute for the blind at St. Mary's City and the institute for deaf and dumb at Omaha. Mr. Allen was appointed to the position three years ago by Silas A. Holcomb and his commission has expired. Although it carries no salary, the position is an important one and much sought after by persons interested in the work of homes for the blind and deaf and dumb.

Congressman Neville. OMAHA, Neb., May 20.—Congressman Neville, who was grievously stricken at Washington in the winter, was in Omaha in a few days on his way home. After he had sufficiently recovered at Washington Mr. Neville went to a health resort in Georgia, where he spent several months. He then went to Hot Springs, Ark., where he has been for three weeks. He improved much in Georgia and has still further improved at Hot Springs and will presently leave for his home in North Platte.

Woman Is Burned to Death. AURORA, Neb., May 20.—Mrs. Bauha, six miles northwest of town, died from the effects of severe burns. She was burning some trash in the yard and was standing with her back to the fire when her clothing caught. She ran into the house, but before the fire could be extinguished was severely burned. Mrs. Bauha was quite old, but not feeble.

Forty Days Without Food. BEATRICE, Neb., May 18.—Henry Cordes, who started on Good Friday to fast forty days, finished his time on the 16th. Only upon one occasion has Mr. Cordes broken his fast, and then he ate so much that the food didn't stay upon his stomach.

Special Wire for His Use.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—A special Western Union wire was stretched into the Scott house yesterday and direct telegraphic communication established between the president and national capital. Secretary Cortelyou is thus enabled to notify Washington of Mrs. McKinley's condition without entrusting his messages to outside hands and a considerable saving of time in their transmission will be effected by the new arrangement.

Washington Firm Falls.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The stock brokerage firm of Gurley & Johnson in this city has failed and notice of the suspension of business will be posted on its doors. The open accounts make up a total of \$450,000. The liabilities are \$150,000. The failure is a result of the recent Wall Street panic. Ever since the election the firm has been doing an enormous business, handling more transactions in stocks than any other brokers.

BLOODSHED AT ALBANY

Militiamen on the Street Open Shot Into Surrounding Crowd.

INNOCENTS ARE FATALLY WOUNDED

One of Them Is Dead From Effects of Injuries Received—Violence Aids Protruding Business Men—Strikers Cheap But Are Wholly Angry.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 17.—Five hours of conference tonight, with all the warring elements represented, failed to settle the Albany strike of street railway employes.

The strikers waived all the demands for the removal of the non-union men. The executive committee of the United Traction company will consider the proposition in the morning and may accept it and settle the strike. Meantime Major General Roe intends to take every precaution and at midnight ordered out the Ninth regiment of New York. It will arrive here tomorrow afternoon, 800 strong, and if the strike is not settled, will assist in opening up the other lines of the traction company in this city.

William Walsh, one of the men wounded by a bullet from a member of the Twenty-third regiment, died at 10:15 tonight.

Leroy Smith, shot in the same melee, was slightly improved at midnight. The shooting of Smith and Walsh had a very depressing effect upon the members of the Twenty-third regiment and tonight when stones were hurled at the picket men around Quill Street barn they did not fire in the dark. Two private were hit and hurt, but they did not care to take a chance by firing. It was held by the officers and men generally that the order to fire was entirely justified, but there was general regret at the consequences of the volley.

With the addition of the Ninth regiment tomorrow there will be over 3,000 guardsmen in Albany.

One man dead, two others fatally shot, hundreds of persons with broken heads and cut faces, cars running merely as arsenals with no patrons, the city under martial rule, with its citizens in a frenzy of excitement and the city authorities and leaders of the strikers trying to get the railway company to come to an amicable settlement was the situation when darkness put an end to the strife growing out of the street car strike tonight.

WILLIAM WALSH, head of a plumbing company.

Those fatally wounded are: Leroy Smith, merchant, both shot by national guardsmen. William Marshall, a non-union motorman, skull fractured. Others most seriously injured are: George Boone, citizen, cheek ripped open by bayonet. William Rooney, citizen, shot by national guard.

Gilbert Hall, non-union motorman, shot by mob.

The bloodshed came after a day of peace. From early morning the crowds had melted away before the bayonets and shotguns, cars had been operated under heavy guards and there was an impression that the spirit of turbulence was waning. There had been some minor demonstrations, particularly in North Albany, but not a shot had been fired and as the day passed the running of cars attracted but little attention.

The volley fired on Broadway by a squad of Twenty-third infantrymen, in which Leroy Smith and William Walsh, well known citizens, fell mortally wounded, changed all that. It stirred anew the feelings of hatred as the exciting tidings swept through the city and the guardsmen were bitterly denounced. Neither of the men had been guilty of an offense, but were caught in a crowd, some member of which had stoned the guardsmen and, by mistake, were hit. The disturbance was not a serious one and "murder" is the title applied by inflamed public sentiment to the shooting. The guardsmen seem but to have followed their duty as soldiers, for they were under no shot if at all.

The bright prospect of a settlement of the strike has not served to allay the growth of vindictive feeling, and if the present situation continues, acts of bitter revenge and violence may be expected. It was on the last run of the soldiers on the cars that the tragedy of the day occurred.

Crushed by Falling Rock.

ROME, May 17.—Most of the houses of the village of Accenzo, near Potenza, have been swept away by the fall of an immense rock. Troops have been dispatched to the scene of the disaster. Thus far fifteen bodies have been recovered.

Gen. Hoffman Drops Dead.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 17.—Adjutant General Hoffman of the National guard dropped dead yesterday while in consultation with Major General Roe.

British Elite Joists Shoot Well.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, May 16.—The experiments with the old coast defense ironclad Scorpion as a target for tow by way of New York. He will return to Washington to consult with the president before leaving for his post in China.

DOLE FORCES COMING

Complaining and Defending Factions Each have a Delegate on the Way.

ARE TO EXPLAIN THEIR TROUBLES

Faction Among Hawaiian Governor's Personal Is to Be Postponed—Republicans Send an Embroidered Contrast—Setting Home Ruler's Charges.

HONOLULU, May 18.—Via San Francisco, May 15.—By the steamer Mariposa today Home Rule Representative F. W. Beckley, Hon. Samuel Parker, Delegate R. W. Wilcox leave for San Francisco. Beckley goes to lay before President McKinley a long rule resolution passed in the house and senate asking for the removal of Governor Dole. Parker has a memorial unanimously indorsed by the republican members of both houses and by the territorial republican central committee replying to the home rule charges against Dole. Wilcox is on his way back to Washington and says he has nothing to do with the fight.

In the house this morning, Representative Emmelh, home rule, made a sensational speech against the governor. The legislature had been called in special session for appropriation bills and had just completed its organization when Emmelh introduced a resolution to provide for the sending of Berkeley to San Francisco. In support of it he declared that the conditions that had led to the revolt in 1893 had developed again, with Dole now the usurper of power instead of the ex-queen. It was intended by the home rulers to have the resolution to send Beckley concurrent, but the senate adjourned for the day too early, and, as the steamer was leaving this afternoon, the house passed it as a house resolution. Both houses organized for business and re-elected most of their former organizations.

The republican members of the legislature and the members of the central committee and the joint caucus have endorsed the action of Governor Dole in refusing to extend the session of the legislature, and after the adoption of the home rule resolution of last week making charges against the governor, asking for his removal and declaring that he was responsible for the failure of the legislature to do any considerable amount of business, the republicans prepared a statement in reply which Samuel Parker takes with him.

The reply states that the home rule party, having control of the legislature, blocked every effort at substantial legislation; that bills were so illogically put together that it was impossible to do anything with them; that the home rule party was constantly hampered with petty jealousies, and that these party bickerings caused the president of the senate, himself a member of the home rule party, to resign in disgust. The reply states further that one of the causes of the failure of the members of the home rule party to attain their objects, and which prevented the legislature from accomplishing more, was the insistence of the home rule members upon the use of the Hawaiian language in the legislative proceedings, notwithstanding the organic act provides that "All legislative proceedings shall be conducted in the English language." They elected interpreters and required interpretation of all bills, resolutions, motions and debates.

Mrs. Nation Decries Insanity. TOPEKA, Kan., May 18.—Mrs. Nation will appeal from the verdict received against her and declares she will argue her own case hereafter and demand women jurors. "I had two things to contend with," she said; "my lawyers bungled the case and there were anarchists on the jury. I am not insane and begged my lawyers not to enter such a plea."

First Payment Next Year. BERLIN, May 18.—A dispatch received here from Pekin says the note of the Chinese peace plenipotentiaries, accepting the amount of indemnity demanded by the powers, propose to pay the first of the thirty annual installments of 15,000,000 taels in July, 1902.

Has Not Sold Northern Pacific. BERLIN, May 16.—It is authoritatively confirmed that the Deutsche bank has not sold its holdings of Northern Pacific to Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

Mrs. Blow Is Eravate Home.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Mrs. Jennie Goodell Blow, who originated the hospital ship idea for the British in South Africa, arrived here last night, en route from Europe to her home in Colorado. While in England Mrs. Blow was the recipient of high honors, both from Queen Victoria and King Edward VII. When she returned from South Africa King Edward appointed her Lady Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Pay of Iowa Postmasters. WASHINGTON, May 18.—The salaries of the postmasters at Spencer, Spirit Lake, Storm Lake, Sumner, Traer, Vinton, Waverly, Williamsburg and Winterest have been increased \$100 a year and the salary of the postmaster at Sioux Rapids and Tabor have been decreased \$100.

W. C. Phillips of Clarinda, Ia., has been appointed a steward in the marine hospital service.

Charged With Cattle Theft.

SIDNEY, Neb., May 18.—Henry Bartley, an old resident of Cheyenne county and a wealthy stockman, was arrested by Dave Beattie, sheriff of Logan county, and taken to Sterling, Colo., charged with stealing cattle from W. C. Bullock. Bartley's son John was arrested for horse stealing last fall and he was to be tried at this term of court, but failed to make his appearance and his bond of \$3,000 was forfeited.

Bellwood Elevator Burns.

BELLWOOD, Neb., May 18.—Spells & Co.'s elevator at this place, together with 2,000 bushels of corn in the elevator and 2,000 bushels of corn in the crib, was burned. From the Speltz elevator the flames leaped to the Central Granaries company's elevator, which together with an engine and 2,000 bushels of grain was consumed. A Burlington freight car was also destroyed. The fire was the largest ever in Bellwood.

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