

FEARFUL BOILER EXPLOSION.

Killing Three Men and Seriously Wounding Others.

THE LINCOLN INSANE ASYLUM

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The boiler house of the asylum is a mass of ruins, the result of the explosion of the boiler therein, and two human lives paid the penalty. There were patients in the asylum. No sooner had the news of the terrible disaster reached the city than The Bee representative went to the scene, only to find disorder and ruin, and the ghastly remains of the unfortunate victims. The excitement at the hospital was intense, and the condition of the patients there was very bad. The explosion occurred on the coldest nights of the year starting them in face and no means of any kind at hand to provide heat for the rooms. It will be impossible to have fire to-night and much suffering may result. The victims who paid the penalty of the accident with their lives were:

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Warner Miller Disclaims Having Sought Cabinet Honors.

THE LATEST SPECULATIONS

Make Him Head of the Agricultural Bureau and Ex-Governor Rusk of Wisconsin, Secretary of War-Territorial.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 5.—The presence of ex-Senator Warner Miller on the floor of the senate and in the cloak rooms this afternoon, started the tongues of cabinet-gossips wagging. He chatted informally with his republican friends and insisted that he is not a candidate for a place in the cabinet; that he has never been, and that all persons who have mentioned his name for the cabinet have done so without his authority or approval, which explanation created considerable surprise.

CABINET GOSSIP.

The only additional general impressions received here as to the formation of the cabinet are, that ex-Governor Rusk, of Wisconsin, will be secretary of war, and that Warner Miller, of New York, will be secretary of agriculture. The New Yorkers are at ease as to what will become of ex-Senator Platt. Some of them yet cling to the belief that Senator Everts will be attorney general. They say he is willing to accept, and he anticipates an invitation. Colonel Newhall is expected to be secretary of the interior. It is also expected that ex-Governor Rusk, of Wisconsin, will be secretary of war, and that Warner Miller, of New York, will be secretary of agriculture.

AN ASSIGNMENT.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 5.—[Special to The Bee.]—John Ring, jr., dealer in watches, clocks and jewelry, made an assignment to the sheriff last night for the benefit of his creditors for between \$3,300 and \$4,500. Max Meyer, of this place, \$1,000; Griffin A. Allen, of this place, \$1,000; and a claim of \$200. There were several smaller claims.

THE DEAD PRINCE.

Impressive Ceremonies Attending the Funeral of Archduke Rudolph.

VIENNA, Feb. 5.—This city today was entirely given over to mourning, all places of business being closed. Enormous crowds commenced to assemble outside the court chapel early in the day. Perfect order prevailed in the funeral procession, and the crown prince attended requiem mass at the oratory of the palace, at which the Miserere was sung by the court choir. The service ended at noon. The coffin lay in state at 2 o'clock and the key confided to Prince Hohenzollern, as court marshal. Soon after the gates of the chapel were opened and the funeral procession started. The coffin lay in state at 2 o'clock and the key confided to Prince Hohenzollern, as court marshal. Soon after the gates of the chapel were opened and the funeral procession started.

THE STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The tie-up on the surface roads was declared off to-night. In the afternoon it was decided by the executive committee to submit such a proposition to the local unions, and reports received from several other unions were favorable, declaring the strike off to-night.

WINDOM FOR THE TREASURY.

His Appointment Now Seems to Be a Fixed Matter.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 5.—As far as can be learned here, Windom for the treasury seems to be a fixed fact. That he has been or will be tendered a place is accepted on all sides. On the other cabinet places nothing new has developed, and while it can be traced to no certain source, all agree in the opinion that the present incumbent, who was removed last night, was a rumormonger. It is believed that word had been received from Blaine that he would not accept the nomination, and that the cabinet was then re-arranged. It is believed that word had been received from Blaine that he would not accept the nomination, and that the cabinet was then re-arranged.

THE MERCHANT MILLERS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 5.—A large number of merchant millers from Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Tennessee, Kansas, Michigan, Iowa, Nebraska and other winter wheat states are in the city to perfect an organization of the millers of the country. The purpose of this organization is to bring about a friendly action of the millers towards each other, and to protect them from fraudulent brokers, outright competition and other damaging influences.

ARRANGING A MOUNTAIN SCHEDULE.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 5.—Over a hundred delegates, almost evenly divided between operators and miners, assembled here to-day for the purpose of agreeing upon a scale of wages for mining coal for the coming year. In Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, there is a delegation, also, of the Knights of Labor here.

PRISONERS BREAK JAIL.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 5.—[Special Telegram] Five prisoners escaped from the jail at Norton county last night. The escape was made by cutting off two of the bars at the north window, the sheriff being absent at the time. Among the fugitives are Jim Stewart and Richard Lewis, two notorious desperadoes, who were held for murder.

PROHIBITORY LEGISLATION.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The house republicans adopted the proposed constitutional prohibitory amendment this afternoon.

A Printing Office Destroyed.

THUNDERBOLT, Colo., Feb. 5.—[Special Telegram] The Corriso and Corriso printing offices were destroyed by fire this morning. The fire is believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

FURNITURE STORE BURNED.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 5.—[Special Telegram] The large furniture establishment of W. M. Dignon was burned down this morning. The fire is believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

A CANADIAN EARTHQUAKE.

ST. FLAVIE, Quebec, Feb. 5.—A slight earthquake was felt at Grand Metis this morning, coming from the west and lasting a few seconds.

FATAL STREET CAR ATTACK.

An Officer Shoots into a Crowd and Kills a Man.

WIELDERS OF THE CLEVER.

Declares War to the Knife on Chicago Dressed Beef.

PASS HOSTILE RESOLUTIONS.

The Local Dealers of New York City Want to Keep That Market for Themselves.

A BUTCHERS' BATTLE.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—[Special Telegram] The local dealers of New York City want to keep that market for themselves. The case of this growth of the sale of Chicago dressed beef has been particularly noticeable in the falling off of the slaughtering industry here. Over 7,000 men have been thrown out of employment since the winter set in. The price of the Chicago slaughtering is so low that the price is made possible by the unscrupulousness of the Chicago slaughtering as to quality. It is alleged, further, that there is no practical way of securing the quality of the meat which the animal killed was in good health, and all sanitary measures are thus obviated. The consequence is that the price of Chicago beef decreases the more the sanitary laws become a dead letter. In view of these facts, the drafting of a law stopping the importation of meat from the east has been under discussion during the last few weeks, and the agitation culminated in a meeting held last night and attended by nearly all the representatives of wholesale dealers in this city and its vicinity. In the debate of the question it was decided that the resolution be passed, and are strongly in favor of the proposed measure. Representatives of slaughter house workmen out of work were also present.

THE PARNELL COMMISSION.

Some New Features Introduced by the Times' Counsel.

WITNESS FROM ACROSS THE SEA.

Damaging Testimony Offered by an American Named Beach Against the National League—The Clan-na-Gael.

AMERICAN TESTIMONY.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—At the opening of today's session of the Parnell commission Attorney General Webster said he had finished with the Irish portion of the Times case and would now take up the American part. A witness named Beach then testified. He said he joined the Fenians in 1855, and was appointed military organizer. After the failure of the invasion of Canada by the Fenians he joined the society known as the "B. C." and would now take up the American part. A witness named Beach then testified. He said he joined the Fenians in 1855, and was appointed military organizer. After the failure of the invasion of Canada by the Fenians he joined the society known as the "B. C." and would now take up the American part.

THE CLAYTON MURDER.

A Detailed Statement of the Circumstances Surrounding the Affair.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 5.—Powell Clayton and Judge W. H. H. Clayton submit to the press and public a lengthy statement of the facts leading up to the assassination of a party to the state of Arkansas at Morrilton, Ark., January 29. In the statement they say that all are agreed that it was a political assassination, and it is, therefore, necessary for them to refer to the political conditions and circumstances surrounding it. This they do in no partisan spirit, but only that justice may be done their brother, and that a knowledge of the facts may lead to the state to correct the evils from which this and other crimes have arisen.

THE ROCK ISLAND RAPIDS.

Report on an Examination With a View to Improvement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—There was laid before the house to-day the report of the engineer officers of the examination and survey of the present channel of the Mississippi river at the Rock Island Rapids, made with a view to the improvements. The board is of the opinion that the present channel is the best route coming within the instructions for a canal from the headrapids to the upper part of the river along the Illinois shore. It would be about ten and a half miles long and formed the same as in the Des Moines canal, by embankments in the river with a width of from 200 to 500 feet, and a depth of low water increasing from six to twelve feet, having two locks each with a rise and 325 feet in length of the rapids from Rapid City to the Rock Island railroad bridge is about thirteen and one-half miles, but between the Rock Island and the shore and the pool of the Moline-Hawley Power company the conditions are such as to prohibit the extension of the canal along the water front of Moline, and it becomes necessary, therefore, the report says, to make two independent canals connected by a section of the river in order to continue navigation to the foot of the rapids.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

The Nebraska Militia—A Letter From Laird.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The adjutant general of the United States has sent to congress a statement showing the active and available militia forces of the country by states. It shows that the militia of Nebraska consists of 1 general commanding, 18 generals of the 1st, staff and company officers, 38 cavalry officers, 5 artillery officers and 11 privates, 24 cavalry, 43 artillery and 695 infantry, a total of 1,034. The available force aggregates 110,000 men.

THE CREEK AGREEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The president today transmitted to congress for its approval and ratification the provisional agreement lately entered into between the United States and Creek Indians. By the terms of the agreement the Creek Indians of the United States the title to the entire western half of the domain of the nation lying west of the division line established by the treaty of 1866. The United States agreed to pay to the Indians \$2,282,557—\$280,000 to be paid to the national treasurer of the nation, and \$2,002,557 to remain in the United States treasury to the credit of the nation and bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. The nation agrees to devote not less than \$50,000 annually for educational purposes.

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THE AUSTRIAN SUCCESSION.

It is Engaging the Anxious Attention of European Diplomats.

A WOMAN TERROR GONE.

PORT SMITH, Ark., Feb. 5.—Word has been received here from Aulafa, I. T., that Belle Starr was killed there Sunday night. Belle was the wife of Cole Younger and Jim Starr, her second husband, was shot down by the side of Belle less than two years ago. Belle Starr was the most desperate woman that ever figured on the borders. She married Cole Younger directly after the war, but left him and joined the outlaws that operated in the Indian territory. She has been arrested for murder and robbery a score of times, but always managed to escape.

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