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AROUND THE WORLD.

INTELLIGENCE FROM ALL PARTS OF THE GLOBE.

Official Notice Given by France of the Case of the French—The Big Bombs Explode with Terrible Force—A Horrible Cyclone Does Bad Work—Electrocuted.

HORRIBLE DEATH.

Electrocution Is liable to Accidents and Mismanagement the Same as Hanging.

A ghastly tragedy, the sequel of another one, has been enacted in the prison at Auburn, N. Y. Murderer William C. Taylor who cut the throat of a fellow convict, was placed in the electric execution chair to expire with his own life the crime he had committed. He received a shock of 1,475 volts but the contact was not sufficiently prolonged, and when it was sought to turn on the current again the dynamo would not do its work. The man slowly came back toward consciousness to prevent which morphine was administered while preparations were being made to get electric supply from the city's dynamo plant.

Lincoln quickly connected the power supply with the electric light plant and in an hour all was ready for the second electrocution. Taylor continued to grow stronger and was given an injection of morphine. A small dose of chloroform was also administered. He was then carried bodily to the chair which had been repaired, and was strapped into a sitting position. The current was turned on and the body strengthened up and for half a minute 1,240 volts coursed through Taylor's unconscious form and he was pronounced dead.

BENTON ON WAR.

France Gives Official Notice of the Slam Blockade.

Bangkok special: Notice has been given of the blockade by the French fleet. Outgoing vessels have been warned that they must clear Bangkok and Wob-Si-Chang or submit to detention. The blockade will extend along the entire north coast of the Gulf of Siam. The French fleet, with M. Pavie, French minister resident, has gone to Koh-Si-Chang.

The general expectation is that early in August the French fleet will attack Bangkok and land some 5,000 men. There is little doubt here that France's purpose is to make Siam a French colony. The French Government is exceedingly anxious to avoid open warfare. When the gun boat *Lutin* was at the Mekong bar recently, the foreign minister to M. Pavie wrote to the effect that the King and his advisors were most anxious to avoid open warfare. All such efforts, however, are believed to be vain. Unless England will intervene to assist in a settlement of the dispute there can be little expectation or even hope that France will refrain from extreme measures.

Distillery Wrecked.

Two huge boilers of the Bellville Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, exploded with force, tearing the boiler house to fragments and badly wrecking part of the main building. The noise of the explosion was deafening and the air was filled with flying debris. A portion of one of the boilers was blown a distance of 250 feet. Fortunately nobody was in the vicinity of the distillery and no one was injured. The loss is estimated at \$20,000. The cause of the explosion is not known, as everything appeared to be in proper condition when work was suspended.

WHI Test the Cigarette Law.

The new Ohio cigarette law which imposes a heavy tax on dealers in that product will be tested in the courts. Suit has been brought by J. Stacey Hill of Cincinnati, retail dealer in tobacco, to enjoin the County Treasurer from collecting the cigarette tax. A temporary injunction was granted by Judge Wilcox until the case was fully presented. One of the grounds of the suit is that the law is in contravention of the interstate commerce law.

Hoosier Cyclone.

A severe windstorm struck the western part of Wayne County, Indiana, and did much damage at Centerville, a town of about 600 people. A portion of Edna's church factory was blown away, the Methodist Church leveled to the ground, and three business houses were wrecked. The storm swept a path less than a mile wide, in which timber and crops suffered much.

Blown Up with Dynamite.

George E. Moss was running a saloon at Brooklyn, Ind., in spite of the approval of the better class of citizens. The other night it was blown up with dynamite.

Factory Blasted.

The leather wire factory of Moses F. Clark & Co., at Madrid, Mo., was struck by lightning and together with its contents destroyed by fire. Loss \$20,000, insurance \$12,000.

Heavy Failure at Helena.

Financial troubles have reached Helena, Mont., and resulted in closing two of the biggest banks in the State. They were the First and Montana National.

CRIME AND CASUALTY.

At Pittsburgh Henry A. Hoffman, aged 22 years, committed suicide while standing in front of a looking-glass. Hoffman spent all his leisure time working on patents, many of which were successful. His last conception was a plan to be given a patent medicine, which could not be re-filled when once the original contents had been removed. For several weeks Hoffman had been melancholy, but at no time had his condition been considered serious.

Owing to Dissensions in the West Virginia University, the Board of Regents has asked the entire faculty to hand in resignations.

—Louis Wirschnitzer, an ardent smoker, committed suicide at Columbus, Ohio, by taking morphine.

Moscow Bonebrake was run over at Berlin, Kan., by a freight train. Both legs were cut off, causing his death.

Another Little, Known Attorneys Johnson at Kansas City, Kan., has been held for murder in the first degree by a jury.

—Joseph Gage, of Toledo, Ohio, was found hanging to a nail in his kitchen. His wife's death caused the suicide.

—At Bazzard's Bay, Mass., during the

twelve gal. that prevailed, an unknown fact, containing solid and liquid water. The liquid, which were dropped. The bath had not yet been found. It is believed that at least six persons were lost.

—Rev. George Stocking of Leavenworth, Ohio, who was suffering from poor health, ended his misery by cutting his throat.

—Mark Stevens, aged 19, was run over by the Niagara Falls express at Morrisons.

—Frank Phelps and Henry Schrader were indicted at Indianapolis, Ind., for the murder of Mat Watson last May.

—James Russell, 21, was arrested for stealing \$3,000. While Fair tickets also broke Grant, who purchased them.

—The New England coast was visited by a severe wind and rain storm Sunday. Buildings were blown down and uprooted and other damage done in nearly every city between Portland, Me., and New Haven, Conn.

—At St. Louis, John Stadtmiller, aged 23, was stabbed and fatally injured by his brother Frank, who was a member of the mob that beat Bill which Frank claimed was done by his younger brother. Both were drunk.

—A powder house near Huntington, Ind., containing 250 pounds of dynamite and 600 pounds of powder, exploded. Hugo Harvey and Honor Householders were killed and John O'Neil, the baby boy, Try my was shot through the head. A man was severely injured in the accident.

—Comptroller Eckels was notified that Casimir Lomax, of the First National Bank of Vernon, Texas, which failed, had shot and killed himself.

—The New York mail train on the Ohio came into a freight car standing on the track at Dodgeville, Mass. The train was making forty miles an hour when it struck the car.

—C. Miller, belonging in New York, was instantly killed, and another clerk named Murphy was seriously hurt. Several of the passengers were also injured.

—Marshal Alexander Hamill, of Ashtabula, Ohio, was shot by two burglars whom he was pursuing. Hamill had chased the burglars some distance when they fled upon him. His wife was shot to death.

—A cyclone at Clio, I. L., destroyed a number of buildings and ruined crops.

THE FIRE RECORD.

—An incendiary fire almost wiped Ewing, Mich., out of existence. The loss is between \$150,000 and \$200,000. It is reported that a man suspected of being the firebug was lynched.

—The village of St. Anne de la Perade, near Quebec, was completely destroyed by fire. Sixty families are made homeless and the money loss will reach several hundred thousand dollars.

—A carefree cigarette smoker started a fire in Little Goose Canyon, Wyo., and much valuable timber has already been destroyed.

—St. Mary's Church, in Long Island City, was destroyed by fire, along with adjoining buildings.

—The mail cars from the South Milwaukee burned, entailing a loss of \$80,000, with probable insurance of \$8,000.

—A blaze in the Ohio Transfer and Storage Company Building at Columbus, Ohio, destroyed the plant. Loss \$300,000.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—A. J. Drury's will was probated, showing that his \$30,000.00 was given to charity and much to heirs.

—Obituary: Washington, General John G. Walker, aged 70.—At Worcester, Mass. Charles F. Washburn, head of the hardware manufacturing firm of Washburn & Moen, aged 64.

—The engraving of Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of the Review of Reviews, and Miss Jessie, a woman of leading, Pa., is announced.

—John H. McAvoy, a Chicago brewer, died at his residence. His health had been poor for several years.

—Obituary: At Venture, Cal., ex-Representative William Van Derveer.—At Jersey City, N. J., General William F. Abbott, aged 80.—At Wooster, Ohio, Nancy Q. Larwill, aged 100.

FROM WASHINGTON.

—Secretary Carlisle, accompanied by his family, returned to Washington after an absence of three weeks at the World's Fair. The Secretary was much pleased with the reception.

—As viewed at the Treasury Department there is dawning an era of brighter financial prospects. A number of the recently failed banks are being reorganized to be re-opened, and Comptroller Eckels is looking for them all the aid possible. He was notified Monday morning that the failed First National Bank of Kendallville, Ind., and the failed Northern National Bank of Big Rapids, Mich., will probably resume business at once. The First National Bank of Santa Fe, N. M., which resumed business on Saturday, will be reorganized to be re-opened in December, it is said, while the withdrawal of \$20,000.00, with which it was closed, is to be made.

—At Indianapolis, the Indianapolis National Bank and the Bank of Commerce; at Milwaukee, the Wisconsin Fire and Marine Insurance Company; at Toledo, the Merchants' National and Louisville Deposit Banks suspended Tuesday morning. This makes four Louisville banks that have collapsed in three days. In each case the depositors will be paid in full, although the stockholders may lose considerably.

—The reported failure of the International Trade Company at Denver is untrue. The company, as trustee under a reorganization, has simply made a formal party defendant in the suit for a receiver for the International.

—The Grand Jury against Col. Frederick C. Adams, chief of the First National division of the War Department, George Dant, the contractor employed to make the excavation for the electric light plant; William E. Covert, superintendent; and Francis Sasse, engineer of the building, holding these responsible for the Ford's Theater disaster of June 9 last, in which twenty-three persons lost their lives and a large number of others were injured.

FOREIGN.

—The stinging, as an outcome of the dispute with King Oscar regarding the appointment of Norwegian consuls, has reduced the British and American appanage from 200 to 250 persons.

—Captain Hugh Halstet, of the British ship *Garnet*, has arrived at Victoria, B. C., and denies the Mohican sensation.

—Monday's dispatches say Siam's reply to France's ultimatum's but a concession is to remain in force. Part of the British Government has found a way to meet the demands made, and that war appears to be inevitable.

—The Plainview (Neb.) State Bank, which was burglarized of \$2,000 in cash, has suspended.

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THE MARKETS.

—The Cattle—Common to Prime..... \$3 25 65 25

WHEAT—No. 2 Spring..... 64 14 65 25

CORN—No. 1..... 40 45 45 45

—BUTTER—Choice Creamery..... 10 15 15 15

POTATOES—New per bushel..... 1 20 15 25

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MISCELLANEOUS.

—Five Marshals Murphy and David Barnard have been released from the findings of the cold storage disaster verdict.

—Mrs. Thomas Maran, critically sick, was carried out of her house and left upon the sidewalk by Chicago constables.

—At South Bend, Ind., the Provincial Council has selected Very Reverend Father Morrissey to succeed Father Walsh as President of Notre Dame. Father Morrissey, who has been a success, will be Vice President.

—Cholera is ravaging St. Louis, the capital of French Senegambia, and has made its appearance at Alexandria, Italy.

—The Omega division of the Order of the Knights of Columbus has been dissolved.

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