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LATEST HAPPENINGS

CREAM OF THE NEWS FROM THE GREAT HOOSIER STATE.

Events of the Day Specially Prepared For Our Readers—Interesting Newsy Gossip of Indians and Their Doings—Minor News in a Brief Form.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 27.—Last night the statement of Statistician Thompson to the governor was made public together with the report of the committee which has been investigating the accounts. It shows Mr. Thompson drew out of the state treasury \$2,394.72 for which he can give no satisfactory explanation. Of this sum he says he deposited \$1,250 to his personal account in Fletcher's bank and he further admits he cannot show where \$1,308.21 went to, the committee, however, allowing him a credit of \$163, leaving the total sum misappropriated \$2,394.72.

Governor Mount, after considering Mr. Thompson's statement and the committee's report, addressed the following communication to the statistician:

DEAR SIR:—The committee, consisting of William A. Ketcham, attorney general, and Americus C. Daily, auditor of state, appointed by the governor to investigate the charges made by John Worrell against Simeon J. Thompson, state statistician, conclude their report with the following, to-wit:

"We therefore recommend that Mr. Thompson be notified forthwith to place in the hands of someone designated by yourself the sums of \$418.55 and \$726.17.

You are, therefore, directed to pay to Americus C. Daily the sum of \$1,144.72, which amount was drawn from the state treasury, the same having not been expended as provided by law, so far as investigation reveals; the auditor of state to hold this amount in trust until May 1, 1907.

During this time you will be permitted to present claims against this amount, held in trust, for all sums you have expended in the performance of your duties as state statistician, for which you have no credit.

After settlement has been made of all legitimate claims due you the auditor of state is directed to cover the remainder into the treasury. He is also directed to cover back into the treasury the \$1,250, the same being the amount claimed to have been withdrawn from the treasury under a misapprehension of the law. Respectfully, JAMES A. MOUNT, Governor.

UNDOUBTEDLY INSANE.

Rev. J. H. Harwell Growing Wiser In His Mania For Drawing Checks.

CAMBRIDGE CITY, Ind., March 30.—Rev. J. H. Harwell, formerly minister of the M. E. Church here, whose queer transaction here and at Richmond are being investigated by the North Indiana conference, is still confined in a sanatorium at Atlanta, Ga. Word has just been received here of the minister stating that the man's mental condition is rapidly growing worse, and no hopes are entertained for his recovery. He still imagines himself possessed of great wealth and persists in writing checks on various banks.

BOILER EXPLOSION.

Two Men Instantly Killed and the Mill Totally Wrecked.

VALERIE, Ind., March 27.—The boiler in a large sawmill owned by Dunn Bros., blew up yesterday totally wrecking the mill and killing two men instantly. Engineer Lucas Fears was blown over 300 feet, and his body was badly mangled. A millhand named Frank Moore, 16 years old, was blown 200 feet and instantly killed. The mill had been idle for some months and had just resumed work.

Kitchell and His Mule.

GREENSBURG, Ind., March 29.—Samuel Kitchell of Rochester, N. Y., has bought of W. W. Hamilton here a mule 18 hands high, weighing 2,000 pounds. It is said \$1,000 was the price. Mr. Kitchell also purchased a low-wheeled buggy and said: "When I drive that mule and buggy through the streets of Rochester more people will notice me than if I had Nancy Hanks in the harness."

State Board of Health.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 27.—The governor, state auditor and secretary of state have named Drs. Henry Jameson of this city and E. O. Laughlin of Orleans, to succeed Drs. Whitesides of Franklin and Ramsey of Mount Vernon on the state board of health. Dr. J. N. Hurty of this city, it is thought, will be continued as secretary.

Good Work of Revivals.

HARLONVILLE, Ind., March 27.—The religious revivals which have been going on here have resulted in uncovering more or less dishonesty. One penitent paid back \$40 he had stolen, another acknowledged that he had sworn falsely against a party in court, and confessions of theft of chickens and hams have been numerous.

Father Merse Dead.

VINCENNES, Ind., March 29.—Rev. Aegidius Joseph Merse, pastor of St. John's German Catholic church, was stricken with paralysis of the heart Saturday and expired immediately. He was born in Fulda, Germany, Sept. 30, 1832. He had served 33 years continuously as pastor of St. John's.

KENTUCKY POLITICS.

Samuel J. Roberts and Secretary Taylor Hold Conference on Senatorial Situation.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 29.—A large number of legislators and politicians, who had spent Sunday at home, returned last night and the situation is again full of interest. Mr. Samuel J. Roberts, late chairman of the Republican campaign committee, and generally regarded as McKinley and Hanna's personal representative in Kentucky, arrived from Lexington last night and was ushered into a conference with ex-Secretary of State Sam W. Taylor of Ohio, which lasted till a late hour. The conference is supposed to have related to the dual subject of Hunter's election, if possible, and the substitution of a new candidate if Hunter does not win on the next ballot or two. The anti-Hunter men in the legislature gave out a statement explaining more fully their grounds of opposition to Hunter. The anti-Hunter leaders claim that they will have one and probably two accessions from the Hunter ranks today. At any rate an election on today's ballot is not considered possible.

BLOWN INTO ATOMS.

Explosion of Nitro-Glycerine at the Dupont Chemical Works.

GIBBSTOWN, N. J., March 27.—Three men were blown to atoms and 10 other persons injured by an explosion of nitroglycerine at the Dupont chemical works near this city late yesterday.

The dead are:

JAMES HAMILTON, aged 30 years, Paulsboro, N. J.

CHARLES WRIGHT, aged 25 years, Paulsboro, N. J.

J. T. STILES, aged 28 years, Paulsboro, N. J. All were married.

The injured are:

John Langford.

William Gardiner.

William Tassey.

John Jefferson.

Peter Fellman.

John Williams.

Joseph Donnelly.

Charles Madeira.

Lizzie McGinnis.

Emma Bates, all of Gibbstown.

All the dead and injured were employed in the works, the women in the canteenhouse. Most of the workmen were not at their posts or the loss of life would probably have been greater.

MAY BE A BIG STRIKE.

Master Steam Fitters of New York Practically Lock Their Men Out.

NEW YORK, March 29.—All the steam fitters and helpers employed by firms belonging to the Master Fitters' association received Saturday night the following notice on applying to the cashier for their wages:

Inasmuch as the agreement heretofore existing between the Master Fitters' association and the Enterprise and Progressive associations has been grossly violated by the last named associations the Master Steam and Hot Water Fitters' association has declared the said agreement null and void. Therefore each and every steam fitter or steam fitter's helper who wishes to continue in our employ is hereby directed to report at our shop on Monday morning, March 29, at 8 o'clock, and there agree to and sign our new rules before going to work.

The notice is tantamount to a lockout, and 60,000 men may be called out in a sympathetic strike.

Double Drowning.

PITTSBURG, March 29.—A double drowning occurred at McKees Rocks, a suburb of this city, yesterday, when Willie Dewalt, aged 5, and Elmer, his brother, aged 10, were carried off by Chartiers creek. The little boys were playing on the creek bank and Willie slipped into the water and was carried rapidly down stream. Elmer, though unable to swim, heroically made an effort to save his brother, but was carried off by the swift current and both boys were drowned.

Chinese Mason Buried.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—Lee Pon, grand recorder of the Chinese Free Masons in America, was buried here yesterday. His obsequies provided entertainment for 5,000 people and scared more horses than the police have any record of. Three Chinamen on horseback led the procession to the cemetery, sharing the honors of public notice with a Chinese band which played confucian dirges and a German band which performed circus tunes.

Going Home to Fight Turkey.

NEW YORK, March 27.—On board the French line steamship Champagne which sailed today for Europe were 150 Greeks who are going home to fight against Turkey if called on. They were given an enthusiastic farewell by their compatriots in this city. They assembled last night at the Parthenon restaurant where Rev. Father Agathodoris, in full vestments, repeated the ancient Greek war prayer.

Henderson Not a Candidate.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 30.—Colonel John A. Henderson, vice president of the Florida Central and Peninsular railway and United States senator by appointment from Governor Bloxham, is in Savannah. Asked if he was a candidate for the office he is now holding by appointment, he said: "Most decidedly I am not. I do not want the place."

CHANGING STANDARD

JAPAN MONETARY SYSTEM TO BE PLACED ON GOLD BASIS.

H. Clay Evans of Tennessee Appointed Pension Commissioner—Ex-Congressman Cannon on Trial For Criminal Libel—Other Washington News.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The secretary of the treasury is in receipt of information from the United States minister at Tokyo, Japan, to the effect that during the present session of the Japanese diet a government coinage bill will be presented for consideration of that body, which will, if passed, change the standard of value in Japan from silver to gold. It is proposed to fix the government ratio between the two metals at 33 to 1. The unit of value will be a gold yen which will be one-half the weight and value of the old gold yen, which is of the same weight and fineness as the gold dollar of the United States. The proposed unit of value will, therefore, be the exact equivalent of 50 cents in United States money and approximately of the same value as the present unit of value in Japan, the silver yen, which at the current rate of exchange is worth about 51 cents in United States money.

YESTERDAY'S PLUMS.

Heary Clay Evans of Tennessee For Pension Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The president yesterday sent the following nominations to the senate:



H. CLAY EVANS.

CHARLEMAGNE TOWER of Pennsylvania to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Austria-Hungary.

ANSON BURLINGAME JOHNSON of Colorado, to be consul of the United States at Fuchan, China.

WILLIAM S. SHALLENBERGER of Pennsylvania, to be second assistant postmaster general.

THOMAS RYAN of Kansas, to be first assistant secretary of the interior.

HENRY CLAY EVANS of Tennessee, to be commissioner of pensions.

DISAPPOINTING RULING.

First Assistant Postmaster General Heath on Offensive Partisanship.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Another factor in the policy of the postoffice department has been announced by First Assistant Postmaster General Heath. It is that offensive partisanship will not be considered provocation for removal unless such action is shown to have been detrimental to the administration of the postal service. Fully half a dozen of such charges were made to Acting Postmaster General Heath yesterday, including the offices at Hastings, Neb., where Senator Thurston made complaint, and at Ashland, Ill. Every case, however, lacked the essential requirement of specification of damage to the service.

Ex-Congressman Conn's Trial For Libel.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The trial of Charles G. Conn of Elkhart, Ind., ex-congressman and late proprietor of the Washington Times, for criminal libel on an indictment sworn out by District Commissioner Truesdell, began here yesterday. The alleged libellous publication was what purported to be an interview with a western senator, charging Mr. Truesdell with using his office as commissioner to further his private interests and directing improvement funds to sections in which he was heavily interested.

Detailed For Duty at Culver, Ind.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Captain John Q. Adams, U. S. A., has been detailed for duty as professor of military science at Culver, (Ind.) Military academy.

BOILER EXPLODED.

Three Men Fatally Injured In a Sawmill Explosion Near Brookville, Ky.

AUGUSTA, Ky., March 30.—The boiler of a sawmill owned by Mrs. Rolls on the farm of A. S. Norris, near Brookville, exploded yesterday, fatally injuring Samuel Tucker, "Pap" Boone and Michael Laundigan.

Results of Sunday's Storm.

DALLAS, Tex., March 30.—The damage from Sunday's storm was the greatest in central Texas. Railroad bridges and tracks are gone in many places and passenger trains are running irregularly on the Santa Fe, Waco and Northwestern, Texas Central, Texas and Pacific and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas. Damage to barns, outhouses and growing crops will be enormous. Hundreds of heads of stock were drowned.

Fought With a Mad dog.

CHAGRIN FALLS, O., March 27.—Mrs. Sherman Millard, wife of a prominent farmer, was attacked by a mad dog on entering the barn. The brute leaped for the throat, grasping her shoulder. She beat the animal off but it again buried its teeth in her thigh and she was terribly lacerated before assistance arrived. Mrs. Millard is prostrated.

Sailed With Sealed Orders.

PENSACOLA, Fla., March 30.—The United States cruiser, Marblehead has arrived in port to take coal and relieve the cruiser Montgomery, which sailed down the west coast with sealed orders.

Kate and Jake Bender.

CHILLOTTE, O., March 27.—Detective George W. Caldwell says that Kate and Jake Bender, two members of the notorious family who murdered nine people near Independence, Kan., over 20 years ago, are now hiding in this county. He has them located, and will arrest them as soon as he hears from the authorities in Kansas.

Heir to a Fortune.

PARIS, Ky., March 29.—Gas Wesselman, who has been driving a dairy wagon in this city, has inherited a fortune by the death of an uncle in Cincinnati. Wesselman went to Cincinnati to inquire into the matter, and found \$17,000 in a Cincinnati bank subject to his order. He also gets one-fifth of an estate in Ireland valued at \$35,000.

Tried to Break Jail.

PLYMOUTH, Ind., March 30.—William Diller, charged with chickenstealing and bigamy, made an effort to break jail by building a coal fire on a steel-plate in the floor, hoping to crack it and escape to the cellar. The sheriff was awakened by the smoke and caught Diller in the act.

Premeditated Suicide.

VALPARAISO, Ind., March 27.—A patient right agent named McLean committed suicide here yesterday by throwing himself under a Fort Wayne passenger train. Letter found shows the act was premeditated and caused by family trouble.

Epworth League Convention.

MUNCIE, Ind., March 30.—The district convention of the Epworth league will be held at Gas City, May 26 to 28.

Food and Drink Consumed in a Lifetime.

The average man takes 5½ pounds of food and drink each day, amounting to a ton of solid and liquid nourishment annually. In 70 years he eats and drinks 1,000 times his own weight.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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