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HISTORY OF A WEEK.

PEOPLE, PLACES, AND THINGS OF THE WORLD.

Five Men Carried Down to Death in a Railway Accident—Awful Death of a Girl Maniac at Elgin, Ill.—Serious Mine Explosion—A Shower of Mud.

A SHOCKING TRAGEDY.

A Girl Maniac Shoots and Kills Her Former Attendant and Then Suicides.

Eglin (Ill.) special: Mary Linnet of 43 North Campbell avenue, Chicago, shot and instantly killed Elizabeth Trowbridge, a prominent young lady of this city, and then killed herself. The double tragedy occurred on South State street, one of the principal residence streets of the city. The murderer was a former patient at the insane asylum, and was discharged as cured in December. Miss Trowbridge was her attendant, and she had conceived a passionate affection for her. She came here to induce Miss Trowbridge to return to Chicago to live with her. Miss Trowbridge could not be induced to do this, and the girl determined to kill herself and her friend rather than to be separated. Miss Linnet was 18 years old, and about two years ago tried to kill a girl friend in Chicago, for whom she had conceived an unnatural affection. Miss Trowbridge was 25 years old and a niece of Judge David Sherwood, of this city, and a member of one of the most prominent families here. The two girls, accompanied by Alice Trowbridge, sister of the murdered girl, were going to the depot when the tragedy occurred.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

A Stone Train Breaks Through a Trestle and Falls Over Seventy-Five Feet.

Mitchell (Ky.) special: Five men were instantly killed and two others so badly injured that they will die, in a bridge accident. It happened half a mile from Bedford Junction, on the Bell railroad, on which the stone from the Bedford quarries is transferred from one road to another.

The train consisted of an engine and two gravel cars and was running at a high rate of speed at the time of the accident. While passing over what is known as the Standard trestle, the last span from the direction of Bedford collapsed. The locomotive was at that time beyond the trestle, and had it not been pulled from the track by the weight of the cars behind it, the men on the engine would have escaped. As it was, the two cars went down with the trestle into a ditch seventy-five feet deep, and the engine pulled backward in spite of the momentum of the train, rolled over and plunged down an embankment seventy-five feet high.

Knocked from a Train.

John McLoughlin, a prominent stockman of near Carrollton, Ohio, met his death under peculiar circumstances, at Bowersettown, a Pan-handle shipping point fourteen miles south of Carrollton, Ohio, where he was shipping horses. Boarding the stock train at the yards, McHugh rode toward the station, but alighted near the bridge. In an attempt to board the moving train he was knocked off the bridge into the Conotton, a distance of twenty feet, where he was found. R. Thompson, of that place, jumped in to save McHugh, breaking his arm and narrowly escaping being drowned.

Hotel Dynamited.

A dynamite bomb was exploded under a hotel at Lithonia, Ga., where non-union laborers were staying. The building was badly wrecked but no one was fatally injured. The thrower of the bomb is suspected to be a union quarry workman and is the sequel of a conspiracy on the part of the union men to kill the non-union men, who made their habitation exclusively in the wrecked building.

Serious Mine Explosion.

A serious explosion of deadly mine gas occurred at the Woodward mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., whereby five men were badly burned and otherwise sustaining serious injury. Their names are William Morgan, John Evans, Arthur Golightly, James Lewis, and William Powell. The exact cause of the explosion has not been learned.

Hoosiers for Cuba.

Capt. Jas. Watt, a prominent citizen of Lebanon, Ind., and veteran of the late war, is organizing a company for the purpose of going to Cuba to assist the insurgents. Capt. Watt expects to have at least a hundred men in his company when he lands on Cuban soil. They will probably leave the last of this month.

Haitians Accept Amnesty.

A special from Kingston (Jamaica) says: Haitians who became refugees during the presidency of Hypolite, are accepting amnesty offered by the new President, T. Simon Sam, and are making preparations to return to Hayti.

Masonic Temple Theater, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

April 20.—"Trip to Chinatown."

April 22 and 23.—"Side Tracked."

Shower of Mud.

A singular phenomenon was a shower in Lander, Wyo., the other night. First red and then yellow clay fell, followed a little later by almost black mud. People who were out in the storm looked as though they had been churned in a tank full of mud.

An Important Appointment.

The President has sent to the Senate the appointment of Fitzhugh Lee of Virginia, to be Consul General of the United States at Havana, Cuba, vice Ramon O. Williams, resigned.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

President Cleveland Brings to a Crisis the Relations Between the United States and Spain.

A special to the Chicago Times-Herald from Washington says: At last President Cleveland has taken action in behalf of Cuba. He has made to Spain a formal proposal that the good offices of the United States be accepted in mediation between that country and her rebellious colony in the West Indies. This proposal was made in a telegram of instructions to our Minister at Madrid, Mr. Taylor, which was dispatched Saturday. This brings to a crisis the relations between the United States and Spain, which have been unsettled since the outbreak of the Cuban rebellion. The note thoroughly explains the attitude of the United States and the reasons which led to this action.

A Woman Fiend.

London special: A sensational arrest has been made at Reading of a woman of the name of Dyer and her son-in-law, Palmer, charged with murdering a number of infants. The bodies of six children, who had apparently been strangled to death, have been recovered from the Thames, into which they were thrown, weighted down with rocks, &c. It is added that letters were found at the parents' house showing that many of the parents with whom she and her supposed accomplice had dealings were aware of the fate intended for the infants. These letters, it appears, were from persons in all classes of society. Twenty children have disappeared.

A Fatal Accident.

A ponderous steam excavator, pushed along by a light engine, jumped the track while crossing the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway bridge over the Maumee River at Toledo, and, tearing through the iron work of the structure, carried the whole of an eighty foot span into the river with it. The engine remained on the track. James Marshall of Ironville, a switchman, riding on the excavator, was carried down by it and drowned. His body has not been recovered. He leaves a wife and four children. The property loss is estimated at \$7,000. The bridge was erected in 1882 at a cost of \$250,000. The traffic of the road will not be interfered with.

Cuban War News.

Havana special: The insurgents have burned the cane fields and 1,700 tons of sugar at the plantation of Santa Rita De Baro, province of Matanzas. Near Javeanos the insurgents are reported to have killed four laborers with their machetes and at Takaste they are announced to have hanged a local guerrilla. A dispatch from Trinidad says that Manuel Gonzales, the insurgent leader, has been killed and a telegram from Oliver says that four insurgents have been captured there and that in addition the authorities have made a prisoner of the mistress of the well known insurgent leader, Bias Hernandez.

Entire Family Cremated.

Wheeling special: Word has just been received in this city from Whetstone, Marshall County, about fifteen miles from this city, that an entire family was cremated in a fire which destroyed the dwelling of Jackson Martin. The dead are: Jackson Martin, his wife and child. Some neighbors returning from church saw the roasting bodies in the fire, but were too late to give any relief. It is supposed that Martin woke up and the smoke being so dense prevented him from finding the door and he had torn a plank off the wall, as the body was found in this opening made.

A Boiler Explosion.

An explosion occurred at the saw-mill of Dennis Boyd, situated at North Mountain, nine miles north of Newville, Penn., which resulted in the death of two men and the injury of four persons, two of whom were girls. The explosion occurred shortly after the men had finished their dinners. The men with a number of other employees of the mill were sitting near the huge boiler, while several workmen were engaged in repairing a belt. Suddenly, and without any warning, the boiler blew up, wrecking part of the building. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

Fatal Plunge.

In anticipation of being released next day, when his term of imprisonment would expire, John Thomas sang and danced in the Allegheny County Jail Friday. He was standing on a scaffold forty feet high, and was whitewashing down a wall, when he turned suddenly to joke with other prisoners. He lost his balance and pitched head foremost to the ground, forty feet below. He alighted on his head, crushing his skull and breaking his spinal column. He died in three minutes. His home was in Youngstown, Ohio.

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Dutch Soldiers Killed.

A special from Batavia, Island of Java, says: The garrisons which were besieged by the Chinese insurgents have been relieved. Forty Dutch soldiers were killed or wounded.

Governor Jones Dead.

San Francisco special: Gov. Jones of Nevada, died at the Palace Hotel in this city. Mr. Jones has been ill for several months, and came to this city for medical treatment.

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