

# The Democratic Sentinel

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## NUGGETS OF GOLD.

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN EVERY QUARTER OF THE GLOBE.

The Latest Intelligence Received by Wire from Distant Lands and at Home—The Cream of the News Gathered from All Quarters of the World.

MET DEATH IN A MINE.

Fifteen Men Killed by an Awful Explosion in a Pennsylvania Colliery.

A terrible explosion occurred in the Kettle Coal-Mining Company's new mines, located thirty miles west of Lock Haven, Pa. Of the twenty-one men employed in the drift seventeen were either killed or fatally injured. As soon as possible after the explosion a rescuing party entered the drift, and after an hour's hard work recovered fourteen dead bodies. Two of the injured subsequently died. All but four of the killed were Hungarians or Italians. The names of those killed, as far as could be learned, are as follows: Samuel Killinger, Patrick Donnell, Michael Curran, J. Carlsson, August Pierson, Charles Almon, John Anderson, and Stephen Pluto. The driver, named J. Farrel, was entering the drift when the explosion occurred. He was thrown toward the mouth and escaped. His mule was killed. The force of the explosion was shown in the fact that bodies were blown clear out of the mouth of the drift. The naked body of one miner was found fifty feet from the mouth of the air shaft, through which it had been blown. The explosion is said to have been caused by the use of dynamite by inexperienced men.

A WONDERFUL INVENTION.

A Great Revolution in Telegraphy by Which Two Hundred Words Are Sent in a Minute.

There has lately been invented a new system of synchronism, which, it is claimed, will make it cheaper to telegraph messages than to mail them. Dr. J. Harris Rogers, of Washington, is the inventor, and he claims:

That the world will be almost revolutionized by its discovery. The new system reduces the English alphabet to ten elementary characters. The messages are prepared by means of a machine, resembling a typewriter and manipulated in the same manner; with the use of ten keys—one for each character—any desirable message can be written. Dr. Rogers for the last four years or more has been at work trying to perfect synchronism, which signifies "at the same time." Its application in telegraphy is to make two wheels—one at each end of the line—revolve simultaneously. According to Dr. Rogers over 200 words can be transmitted in a minute by his new system. A test of the new apparatus has been had, and a message of seventy-six words sent over in twenty-five seconds and printed on a tape in plain Roman characters. The inventor says that he can by this system make one wire do the work that ten do now by the system in vogue.

A DAY'S RECORD OF FIRES.

Burning of the Buchanan (Mich.) Manufacturing Company's Furniture Factory.

The Buchanan Manufacturing Company's Furniture Factory at Buchanan, Mich., has been destroyed by fire; also half of the company's lumber yard. The loss is from \$50,000 to \$60,000 and the insurance \$24,000. The concern employed 100 men manufacturing a patent folding bed. The factory was closed recently and was to be sold on a chattel mortgage. The origin of the fire is unknown. The Lowville (N. Y.) Mineral Spring House, owned by John O'Donnell, Railroad Commissioner, was totally destroyed by fire. Loss \$12,500.

ENTERPRISE ILLY REWARDED,

Bandits Rob Two Stage Coaches with Meager Results.

Both stages between Santa Barbara, Cal., and Los Olivos were robbed. Mail packages and Wells, Fargo & Co.'s express boxes were broken, but nothing was obtained from the boxes. The passengers on the stage bound to Santa Barbara were robbed of about \$50.

MAY YOHE IS WEDDED.

She Marries Handsome Jack Mason, of the Boston Museum Company.

It has leaked out in theatrical circles at Philadelphia that handsome Jack Mason, the leading man of the Boston Museum Company, has been secretly married to May Yohé, of the Crystal Slipper Company.

THE OBITUARY RECORD.

Death of Louis McMurray, the Pioneer Fruiter and Oyster Packer.

Louis McMurray, the noted fruit and oyster packer, died at Frederick, Md., of apoplexy.

SUNK IN A COLLISION.

A London telegram states that the Norwegian bark *Nor*, from New York Oct. 2, for Stettin, collided with and sunk the steamer *Sax Mundham* off Cowes. Twenty-two persons are missing and are supposed to have been drowned. Eight survivors landed at Weymouth. The *Nor* was abandoned. Her crew landed at Portland.

MR. HOWELL DECLINES TO BITE.

The Hon. Mackenzie Howell, of Ottawa, Ont., will not make public the letter sent him asking his advice how to vote in the Presidential election until after election day. United States Consul Hotchkiss happened to be in Mr. Howell's office on official business when the communication was received.

KILLED AT A POLITICAL RALLY.

During the great political rallies in Chicago the Saturday afternoon and evening before election, Frank Day, a young Canadian, was stabbed and killed by a stranger. The crime was due to political enthusiasm and bad whisky.

TOO MUCH WHISKY.

David O'Connell was found dead in an alley at Peru, Ind., after a political rally. Too much whisky is thought to have caused his death.

## MRS. LUCY PARSONS.

She Goes to Europe to Take Part in the Anarchists' Demonstration.

A New York special of the 2d inst. says:

Mrs. Lucy Parsons, the widow of the executed anarchist of Chicago, has gone to London, England, on the invitation of the British Social Democratic Federation, of which William Morris, the author of "Earthly Paradise," is a leader, for the purpose of taking part in the commemoration of the 11th of November, the anniversary of the Chicago executions. Two mass-meetings, at both of which she will be a speaker, are to be held that day, the first in Regents Park in the morning, and the other in Hyde Park in the afternoon. She may also be present at another meeting—a mortuary anniversary—the evening of that day. She said that the Chicago executions would be commemorated this year in London, as well as in Britain but also in France, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, Spain, and other European countries, as well as in a hundred cities of the United States. She expects to return before December 25.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

The Volume of Legitimate Business Unprecedented in a Presidential Year.

The review of trade for last week, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., is as follows:

The simple fact that bank exchanges outside of New York, in the last week but one of a Presidential campaign, exceeded those of last year by 10½ per cent, the clearings of last year having been extremely large, proves that the volume of legitimate business is not only equal to, but only a part of the increase can be attributed to excess of speculative operations. Reports indicate marked improvement in the volume of trade at Nashville, Memphis and Detroit, and a satisfactory business at nearly all other cities, but at Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Kansas City the prevailing quiet is attributed to political excitement, or shade of stringency in money was noted at St. Paul, and an active demand at Kansas City, while some doubt about business prospects in Western Kansas, which leads to caution in dealing with that section. Improvement in collections was noticed at Southwestern and Northwestern centers. The dry-goods trade was comparatively quiet. Boots and shoes sold freely at full rates, especially in the West. The coal trade was somewhat dull. The stock market, after a little depression, was less active but stronger, and the average price of the more active stocks was a fraction higher than the previous week. The market declined the last month about 3 per cent., while the exports fell below last year's about 7 per cent. With wheat, corn, coffee, lard, and petroleum a little lower than the previous week, the general average of prices, nevertheless, remained substantially unchanged. The business failures numbered 275, as compared with a total of 254 the previous week.

MURCHISON THE AUTHOR.

The Los Angeles "Times" Explains How the Letter Became Publ.

The Times of Los Angeles, Cal., the paper that first printed Lord Sackville's letter, publishes what the editor claims are the real facts connected with the Murchison-West correspondence. The Times says:

Information has been gathered directly from the few persons who are on the inside and possess knowledge of the secret. The letter of writing a letter to Minister West originated with Murchison himself in the latter part of August or early in September. He is a reputable citizen of Pomona, in this country, of English parentage. He consulted a confidential friend in its preparation. Murchison said at the outset, and before sending the letter, that the object was not to perpetrate a joke or gratify curiosity, but to get Minister West's opinion on the topic embraced in the letter. Murchison's letter was dated Sept. 4, and was sent to the White House on Sept. 12. The Minister's letter was re-sent to Pomona Sept. 20 and kept by the receiver until Oct. 10, a full month when it was brought to Los Angeles by W. A. Bell, City Attorney of Pomona, and laid before W. P. Fitzgerald, a member of the State Republican Committee; Henry J. Gage, Delegate-at-Large at the Chicago Convention; Harrison Gray Otis, editor of the Los Angeles "Times"; and one other local candidate. They saw the letter and were of the opinion that it was a point of view, and it was unanimously determined by the persons present to make the letter public without delay, which was done, the date of the first publication here being Oct. 21.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

Bradstreet's Comes Out Ahead in a Famous Suit.

An important decision, and one which will be of interest to business firms, has been rendered by Judge Gordon at Philadelphia, Pa. Crew, Levick & Co., oil merchants, sued the Bradstreet Company to recover damages for alleged untrue information furnished them. The plaintiffs had asked the agency to give them a report of the Union Refining and Manufacturing Company, of New Jersey, and they reported that the company had a paid-up capital of \$600,000, and were in good condition. On the strength of this crew, Levick & Co. gave them credit for the amount of \$1,500, which they have never been able to collect. It was alleged that the Union Refining Company was insolvent at the time the report was furnished. The Judge, on a motion of non-suit, granted it on the ground that the contract was as if between two private people; the defendant corporation being a private and not a public one, and that crew, Levick & Co., in signing their contract with them, had waived the right to recover on the ground on which they are now striving to get a verdict. He said that if they could have proved willful or malicious negligence the circumstances would have been different.

A SUB-COMMISSION FOR AMERICA.

Testimony in the Farnell Case to Be Sought in This Country.

A well-known Irish attorney of Denver, Col., has received information from London to the effect that after reaching a certain stage in the proceedings of the Times-Parnell investigation the Judges constituting the commission will appoint a sub-commission who will come to America to take testimony relative to the utterances of the Irish Nationalists in this country. The sub-commission will hold sessions in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, and Denver, and will subpoena witnesses from all parts of the country, who will be examined as to their utterances as published in various papers. The gentleman, who expects to appear as one of the attorneys in the case, further stated that if the witnesses fail to appear before the commission it will be taken for granted that they are afraid to answer the questions that may be propounded to them.

HAPPY WESTERNERS.

The New Street-Car and Wagon Bridge at Omaha Opened.

The new Council Bluffs and Omaha street car and wagon bridge has been formally opened to the public. At least one hundred thousand people were present at the exercises. Special trains on all the

railroads leading into the Bluffs brought thousands from the State of Nebraska. The Governors of Iowa and Nebraska were present and participated in the exercises. A mammoth industrial display was made by both cities far surpassing anything ever seen there. The procession was over six miles long. The work of constructing the bridge was begun last November. The structure with approaches is 3,000 feet long and cost \$600,000. It is handsome and durable and will be of incalculable advantage to the cities.

## BELVA AND WELLES.

The Two Candidates for President and Vice President of the Equal Rights Party.

Charles Stewart Welles, of New York, who was nominated for Vice President by the Equal Rights party in place of A. H. Love, has written a letter of acceptance. His platform contains twelve planks, the principal one of which, of course, is suffrage for both men and women. He wants to stop the adulteration of food, to reform the marriage and divorce laws, and favors a pro rata tax. Government ownership of all public improvements, and several other things. The ticket is now Lockwood and Welles.

## PERISHED IN THE FLAMES.

Four Persons Lose Their Lives in a Devastating Prairie Fire in Minnesota.

A prairie fire started at Jackson, Minn., and spread quickly, causing the farmers to flee. The bodies of four persons who perished in the flames have been recovered, their names being Henry Ochsenreiter, aged 16; his mother, aged 40; Mrs. Mollie O'Connor, and a baby 4 weeks old. Henry was fatally injured. Many others were injured, but none fatally burned. The losses amount to \$20,000.

## INTERESTING SUITS.

A Negro, Having Been Driven Out of Fort Bend (Texas), Wants Damages.

Some interesting suits are soon to be filed in the United States Court in Galveston, Texas, against a number of citizens of Fort Bend County for damages growing out of recent troubles in Fort Bend, the result of which was the driving of a number of colored people out of that county. Among them was Charles Ferguson, who has been in Chicago, where he has enlisted in his cause some prominent legal talent.

## Captain Kidd's Treasures.

James M. Eddy, of Providence, R. I., dug up 1,500 silver coins in his back yard at Horseneck. They were planted there by an ancestor of his, who sailed with Captain Kidd, buried his treasure on his farm, and left a chart locating it. Mr. Eddy will keep on digging.

## Appointed Charge d'Affaires.

The Hon. Michael Henry Herbert has been appointed British Charge d'Affaires at Washington. Lord Sackville has returned to England on leave of absence. It is understood that the English Government will allow his case to rest until after the Presidential election.

## Railroads to Consolidate.

It has been learned from a reliable source that the Chicago, St. Paul and Kansas City Railroad will consolidate with the Iowa Central within a month. A. B. Stickney is President of both roads, and the closest of traffic arrangements now exist.

## Shot Her Dead.

While Dolly Phillips, aged 20, was watching the Republican parade at Terre Haute, Ind., a man walked up to her, and, exclaiming "There, take that," shot her dead. The murderer, whose name is said to be Gallo-way, escaped.

## Reduction of Salaries.

President Strong, of the Santa Fe Road, has reduced his own salary 25 per cent., and will reduce the wages of other employees, excepting engineers, firemen, switchmen, brakemen, and mechanical operators, 10 per cent.

## Twenty-one Persons Killed.

A St. Petersburg special says: It is reported that the accident to the Czar's train resulted in the killing of twenty-one persons. The Minister of War and the commander of the body guard were injured.

## THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Prime Steers.....	\$ 5.50	@ 6.00
Good.....	5.00	@ 5.50
Common.....	2.50	@ 2.75
HOGS—Shipping Grades.....	5.25	@ 5.75
SHEEP.....	2.50	@ 4.00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	1.17	@ 1.18
CORN—No. 2.....	.40	@ .41
OATS—No. 2.....	.24	@ .25
RYE—No. 2.....	.55	@ .55
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.21	@ .27
CHEESE—Full Cream fat.....	.11	@ .11
EGGS—Fresh.....	.18	@ .20
POTATOES—Car-loads, per bu.....	.35	@ .40
PORK—Mess.....	14.50	@ 15.00

MILWAUKEE.

WHEAT—Cashed.....	1.11	@ 1.12
CORN—No. 3.....	.40	@ .41
OATS—No. 2 White.....	.29	@ .30
RYE—No. 1.....	.57	@ .58
BARLEY—No. 2.....	.71	@ .73

PORK—Mess.....

CATTLE.....	4.00	@ 4.50
HOGS.....	5.00	@ 5.50
SHEEP.....	3.00	@ 4.00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	1.13	@ 1.14
CORN—No. 2 White.....	.42	@ .43
OATS—No. 2 Mixed.....	.27	@ .28

TOLEDO.

WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	1.12	@ 1.14
CORN.....	.42	@ .43
OATS—No. 2 White.....	.25	@ .26

NEW YORK.

CATTLE.....	3.50	@ 6.00
HOGS.....	5.75	@ 6.25
SHEEP.....	3.00	@ 4.75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	1.13	@ 1.14
CORN—No. 2.....	.48	@ .51
OATS—White.....	.30	@ .40
PORK—New Mess.....	15.75	@ 16.50

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE.....	4.50	@ 5.50
HOGS.....	5.75	@ 6.25
SHEEP.....	3.00	@ 4.75