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## A NEWSY MELANGE.

### DOINGS OF OUR NEIGHBORS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Events of Interest and Importance in Every Quarter of the Globe—Religious Intelligence—Crimes and Casualties—Industrial Notes—Personal Mention.

#### GOLD IN INDIAN TERRITORY.

##### Mining Excitement in the Chickasaw Nation Increases.

When the first reports were sent out that rich leads of gold-bearing quartz had been found in the Arbuckle Mountains in the Chickasaw nation, Indian Territory, the stories were thought to have been exaggerated, but now the news comes that several car-loads of rich quartz have been taken from the mines. The company recently chartered to operate the mines will meet at Tishomingo, the capital of the Chickasaw nation, Saturday and take steps to put \$100,000,000 of stock on the market at once. Senator Tabor of Colorado has had specimens of the quartz sent him, and pronounces it the richest he has ever seen, and as an evidence of his good faith he has offered to assist in floating \$65,000,000 of the stock. Considerable excitement exists at West Superior, Wis., over the finding of a silver vein near Fond du Lac, Minn., and a number of persons have become interested in a scheme to develop the mine. The land on which the vein was discovered is owned by J. B. Scoville. Messrs. Grinner and Turgeon, two citizens of Superior, have obtained from Mr. Scoville an option on the land, and will have the find inspected, and if the inspection proves satisfactory a company will be incorporated for the purpose of developing the mine.

#### JACK THE HAIR CUTTER BEATEN.

##### A Detroit Girl Gives the Fellow a Sound Drubbing.

It now seems certain that two persons are working the hair-cutting dodge in Detroit, and one of them has met his match. A few days ago Miss Tillie Kuhn, who is employed in a millinery establishment, received a letter signed "Jack the Hair-clippener," in which the writer said that Miss Kuhn would be the next victim. She has beautiful black hair and was in the habit of having it done up loosely. She was frightened by the letter and changed her habit, doing her hair up tightly on top of her head, and to this Jack owes his failure. As Miss Kuhn was going home Jack stepped out of an alley and threw his arm around her neck. He had hard work to catch her hair and partially let go his hold on the girl. She screamed lustily and behaved Jack over the head with her umbrella. Her screams attracted attention and Jack fled before he had secured much of her hair. Miss Kuhn ran into a store, and there it was found that her umbrella was plentifully sprinkled with blood. At about the same time Susie Liddy, six years old, was stopped by a man in another section of the city and an attempt made to cut her hair. She screamed and the fellow ran away.

#### HEARTRENDING SCENES.

##### Starving People in Ireland Beg the Authorities to Give Them Work.

Telegrams from Skibbereen, County Cork, Ireland, state that a heartrending scene was witnessed at the meeting of the Board of Guardians for the Poor Law Union of Schull. Believing that the guardians had power, as they ought to have, of relieving distress caused by the failure of the potato crop, a crowd of forlorn, ragged farmers and laborers, some of them bringing their wives and children, flocked into the little town of Mizenhead, Crookhaven and other remote seaboard districts. Not a few were half naked and all had a starved appearance. They besieged the board-room and to the accompaniment of sobs and wails told pitiful tales of their suffering. They were anxious to get work, and would prefer that to any other form of relief. The guardians told their wretched petitioners that the law did not permit the board to grant relief in the form demanded.

#### Long Bicycle Ride.

Frank Stanwood, of Chicago, has just arrived in West Newbury, Mass., having made a trip from home without "purse or script." In September his mother went East to visit friends at her former home, leaving Frank behind, as she did not wish to take him away from the High School he was attending. She reached Chicago on the return early in October. Three days later Frank took his bicycle and started for Massachusetts. He finally reached the residence of Mrs. Joseph Low, his grandmother, tired, hungry, and nearly played out. The young man who made this remarkable record is 17 years of age.

#### To Protect Christians.

The Governor of Armenia has stationed troops in the Christian quarter of the city of Erzeroum to protect the residents, who fear the Moslems intend to conduct an organized pillage of the quarter. Six Moslems have been arrested on suspicion of being implicated in a plot to rob the Christians. Brigandage is rife along the caravan route between Erzeroum, in Armenia, and Trebizond, twelve miles northwest of Erzeroum. A number of caravans have been attacked and plundered by the brigands.

#### Reball Writing a Book.

Birchall, the slayer of Benwell, is still in the best of spirits. He spends three or four hours daily writing his autobiography, which will be of re-pecable proportions. In the preface he states that the book is not written for the purpose of securing fame, but that he might make some provision for his faithful wife. It will contain a complete story of his life.

#### Murdered an Unknown Russian.

A young Englishman named Carmichael murdered an unknown Russian near Williamson, N. D., and then escaped to Canada.

#### Murder and Suicide.

A murder and suicide was committed at the corner of Frio and Perez streets, in San Antonio, Texas. Mrs. August Michlin, the handsome young wife of a railroad laborer, was shot and killed by Isaac Weiss. Weiss then placed the muzzle of the smoking revolver in his mouth and literally blew out his brains.

**DIED ON THE GALLOWS.**  
A thrashing machine engine exploded near Litchfield, Minn., killing a boy named Kelly and fatally injuring A. L. Tompkins, the engineer. A dozen others were slightly injured.

#### Poisoned Them Both.

##### A Young Girl Pleads Guilty to a Double Murder.

Mary Metzdorff, aged 17, who killed her brother James and Louise Broadwater, by putting poison in the breakfast coffee, was arraigned in court in Baltimore. While the Clerk read the indictment the prisoner sat sobbing with her head resting in the palms of her hands. When he finished reading the clerk asked if she was guilty or not guilty, and to the surprise of all she said: "I am guilty." For a time silence reigned, broken only by the sobs of the girl. "Do you know," said Judge Stewart, looking up somewhat amazed, "the enormity of the crime with which you are charged, and do you realize the punishment attached?" "No," she replied, "I do not." "Then you had better withdraw your plea of guilty and enter one of not guilty." But Mary would not withdraw it, saying she would be telling a lie if she said otherwise. Her sobbing increased, and all efforts to get her to withdraw her plea were fruitless. Judge Stewart had a consultation with Deputy State's Attorney Campbell, and then said he would accept the plea of guilty and suspend sentence. When Mary was arrested and told what she had done she laughed heartily, and said she had done it for fun. There was no cause ever developed for the offense. Her stepmother, Mrs. Metzdorff, who had partaken of the poisoned coffee but recovered, had always, as far as could be learned, been kind to the girl. Mary had been rather wayward, and had at one time been sent to the House of the Good Shepherd. At the time the poisoning was done she was employed in a wholesale drug store, where she obtained the poison.

#### KILLED BY BURGLARS.

##### Ohio City Has a Bitter Experience with a Gang of Safe Blowers.

As several citizens were returning home about three o'clock in the morning from a neighboring town, they detected robbers in Franklin Hall's grocery and general store at Ohio City. The robbers were at work on the safe, when they were discovered by the men, who immediately gave the alarm, and a posse was organized to capture the men. The town has been troubled with burglars and safe-blowers for some time, and when it became known that they had been discovered in the act every one was anxious to have the burglars arrested, and accordingly they turned out en masse. A guard was stationed at the rear end of the building, while double the force started in at the front entrance. No sooner had the first guard made its appearance than the robbers detected it and opened fire. A large number of shots were exchanged. The robbers had the advantage, and while the battle was going on in front of the store blew open the safe. The ammunition of the crowd of citizens gave out, and the robbers, seeming to be abundantly supplied, drove them back, but not until one of them was left behind, and Charles Hoover and William Place, two of the crowd who attempted to arrest them, were killed, and Adolph Kern and G. W. Sanders badly wounded. The four robbers then made good their escape.

#### AFTER MILLER'S SEAT.

##### Who Will Fill the Vacant Seat on the Supreme Bench?

While it is not expected that the President will name the successor of the late Associate Justice Miller before December, as the appointee, whoever he may be, would not care to participate in the deliberations of the Supreme Court before confirmation by the Senate, speculation is already ripe as to the men whose names will be considered by the President. Naturally it is taken for granted that he will choose a Western man, but will not feel that he is confined to a selection from the judicial circuit presided over by the late Justice Miller. Among the names first mentioned in connection with the vacancy is that of Attorney General Miller, who holds a high place in the esteem of President Harrison, and is said to have narrowly missed appointment when Judge Brewer got the prize. Friends of Secretary Noble claim that if the nominee is taken from the Cabinet Mr. Noble will be more likely to be appointed than Mr. Miller, because the former is equally popular with the President and will have stronger support outside of his own State. Respecting Judge Gresham of Illinois, it is believed that the President is fully aware of his fitness for the place. Senator Spooner of Wisconsin is popular, able, young and energetic. The President is known to be particularly partial to Senator Spooner. President Harrison makes no concealment of his desire to take time to make the best possible selection from among the names that may be suggested as available west of the Alleghany.

#### BUSINESS IS IMPROVING.

##### The Volume of Trade Keeps Pace with the Increase in Circulation.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

In all directions the business outlook improves, and the volume of trade so increases that, notwithstanding the recent enormous increase of circulation, the money markets are again in a strong position, having a remarkably large and the domestic trade is such that exchanges outside New York exceed last year's by 15 per cent. But while New York and Boston money markets are fairly supplied and steady at 5 to 6 per cent, the market is tight at Chicago and stringent at Philadelphia, only part of the commercial paper offered being taken at 6 to 7 per cent; St. Louis notes an active market at 7 to 8 per cent.; Milwaukee a close market at 7, and Savannah a tight market. Trade is strong everywhere. In Boston wool is rising and going at a better demand, while cottons are in great demand, and the foreign trade is stimulated by new duties. Child reports smaller receipts of grain, cured meats and dressed beef, cheese, and butter than a year ago, but a slight increase in lard and double the receipts of wool.

#### OCTOBER CROP REPORT.

##### The Condition Generally Good—Winter Wheat.

The present month opened with a general need of moisture. Pastures were very short, and the ground needed rain for plowing and for seeding winter wheat. As the month has advanced the rainfalls have increased to a very gratifying degree. In southern Illinois the wheat is all up and the stand very good. Receipts from farmers' hands are very small. Millers have about enough wheat to last them for sixty days. The reports from Ohio all show that the seeding of winter wheat has been done under very favorable circumstances. The crop is up two or three inches and looks clean and healthy.

#### DIED ON THE GALLOWS.

##### James Maxwell Hanged at Morris, Ill., for the Murder of Farmer Lecker.

James Maxwell was hanged at Morris, Ill., for the murder of Charles Decker June 25. Maxwell retained his self-possession until the last. He walked from the jail to the gallows between two officers unassisted, took his seat on the drop, heard the minister's prayer, mad a kick because the windows of the temporary shed were not curtained, whispered to the death-watch, and was dropped into eternity without revealing his identity. Some called the de-

liberation of his action nerve, while others looked upon him as not possessing the instincts of a human being to an extent that he could realize the awfulness of the situation. Maxwell left the following letter for a Christian woman who had sometimes prayed with him:

To Mrs. Tinsman:

DEAR FRIEND IN CHRIST—If I am to believe all I have heard and read and what instructions I have had from my Christian friend, Miss Gordon, I earnestly hope and pray we will meet beyond that beautiful river of which I have so often sung. All my trust is staid on Him who has said: "He who will see me I will in no wise cast out." Language fails me to express my feelings of thankfulness to you and my appreciation of your many acts of kindness to me, and for your expressions of sympathy. Hoping and trusting that your prayers and the prayers of all good Christians in my behalf may be answered, I remain your brother in Christ.

J. F. MAXWELL.

#### WANTS RECIPROCITY.

##### Sir Richard Cartwright on the Trade of Canada with the United States.

Sir Richard Cartwright, the Canadian statesman, discussing trade relations between Canada and the United States, declared that the policy of the Dominion Government in this matter had been vacillating and puerile. He dwelt upon the importance of the United States becoming the natural market for most of Canada's products and upbraided the Government for its dereliction of duty in not making sufficient effort to bring about closer trade relations with this country. He quoted statistics setting forth that the United States furnished customers for fully one-half Canada's exports. He held that the tendency of a protective tariff was to the formation of rings and trusts for the purpose of increasing prices of goods to the consumer, and strongly pronounced in favor of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States. This he maintained, would be immensely advantageous to the people of Canada as a whole, opening up to them the benefits of a population of 65,000,000.

#### MAY THROW OFF THE YOKE.

##### Muttering of Discontent Heard in Cuba—Probability of a Revolution.

"It will require but a spark to drop among the patriotic people of Cuba to kindle the fire of revolution which will wrest the Queen of the Antilles from the mother country," said a gentleman just arrived in New York from Havana. "For the last eight years the financial missteps of Spain have disastrously affected the industries of the island, until ruin and starvation threaten the inhabitants. They are just now engaged in adopting measures to free the colony from the burdens which oppress it. The hopeless condition of the tradesmen throughout the island has impelled them to start a movement which contemplates the formation of a league designed to protect their interests, and the greatest importance is attached to the venture. Dozens of cigar manufacturers have been compelled to close their factories since the baneful effects of the McKinley bill were felt. There are over 10,000 cigarmakers out of work in the city of Havana and vicinity, and the suffering of these people will soon be great, this being the season of the year when the cigarmakers usually receive the highest wages."

#### FIVE MEN BURIED ALIVE.

Five men were buried alive by a cave-in of rock in shaft No. 1 of the Ludington Mine, at Iron Mountain, Mich., and three were taken out dead. Work was at once begun to liberate the imprisoned miners, and soon two of them were rescued unjured. J. Fisher was discovered almost covered with ore and pinned down by timbers. He was alive when found, but died before he could be got out. William Bailey and W. R. Davis were dead when the rescuing party reached them. The shaft was about to be abandoned and the timbers were being removed.

#### GOV. STEELE THREATENED.

Gov. Steele, of Oklahoma, en route to Kingfisher to attend a Grand Army of the Republic reunion, received warning that he would be assassinated if he passed through Oklahoma City, because of his having vetoed the bill locating the territorial capital at that place. At the solicitation of his family and his friends he left the train at a small station before reaching Oklahoma City and continued his journey by stage. The feeling against the Governor is very bitter, and it is believed that desperate men would have carried out the threat had not the Governor changed his route.

#### BIG FAILURE IN TEXAS.

The Blankenship-Whale Manufacturing Company, at Dallas, Texas, whose specialty is the manufacture of jeans and cotton goods, have made an assignment. J. B. Baker is named as assignee. The failure was precipitated by the North Texas National Bank of Dallas and the B. C. Evans Dry Goods Company of Fort Worth running in attachments—the former for \$47,000 and the latter for \$7,000. Before the attachments had been served, however, the assignment had been made a matter of record and the creditors will share alike.

#### DEFaulter Hagedorn Dead.

A letter has been received at Virginia, Ill., from the Coroner of Sacramento County, California, saying that the body of a man had been found alongside the railroad track two miles south of Fresno, with the head severed from the body. The only person found in the body was a slip of paper with "M. F. H., Virginia, Ill." written on it. From the description given in the Coroner's letter there is no doubt but the body is the remains of Miller F. Hagedorn, who left Virginia Sept. 23 last, and who was

missing for a week.

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#### STRUCK BY A RAILROAD TRAIN.

Isaac Bremmer and his wife and son were killed at Centerville, Iowa, by being struck by a railroad train while crossing the tracks in a wagon.

#### AN ARCHITECT COMMITS SUICIDE.

A. B. Mullett, of Washington, D. C., at one time Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, committed suicide on Sunday.

#### KILLED BY A BOILER EXPLOSION.

The boiler of an engine on the Monongahela Connecting Railway exploded. The engineer and fireman were instantly killed and other trainmen were injured.

#### A BISHOP'S GOLDEN JUBILEE.

The celebration of the golden jubilee of Bishop McLoughlin, of Brooklyn, was begun with a reception, at which 8,000 persons were present.

#### KILLED IN A CYCLONE.

One person was killed and several injured and a number of houses blown down by a cyclone at Haste, N. C. Great damage also was done at Floral College, and two persons were fatally injured.

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An aged farmer and his wife, living near the town of Albany, Wis., were buried almost to death by a party of drunken men. All old grudge of one of the men against the old folks was said to be the cause.

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#### THE BISHOP TAKES IT BACK.

Bishop Gilmour, of Cleveland, is out with a card withdrawing every word said by him in a recent letter of apparent disrespect to Rome.

#### FATALITY AT CLEVELAND.

An explosion in the Bessemer department of the Cleveland Steel Works injured fifteen men, three of the number badly.

#### IN FAVOR OF RECIPROCITY.

Havana planters met and decided to send to the Ministers of the colonies a petition in favor of reciprocity with America.

#### DROPPED DEAD.

William Budd, who lived near Lebanon, Ind., dropped dead when he heard that his wife had applied for a divorce.

#### THE MARKETS.