

A FAMILY ANNIHILATED
BY A FLYING RAILWAY TRAIN
AT ELMIRA.

A disastrous blaze renders many people homeless—shocking accident at a picnic—two Kentucky tramps kill many people—counterfeiter captured.

STRUCK BY A FLYING TRAIN.

A wagon containing seven persons caught on a crossing and six killed. At Elmira, N. Y., an Erie train struck a wagon, in which were a man and his wife and five children, at a crossing. Four of the party were instantly killed, while two others are fatally injured. A freight train was cut in two, leaving a space between the cars sufficient to drive through at the crossing. The party were driving in a covered wagon and came upon the tracks at a rapid pace. The fast passenger train came down upon them at a speed of forty miles an hour. The dead are Wellington White; his daughter Lillian, aged 9 years; Hattie Hastings, 9 years; and Susie McCarthy, a little nurse girl, aged 12 years. Mrs. White sustained a severe fracture of the skull, as did also her infant daughter, and neither can recover. Mr. White was a minister to Japan, a graduate of Amherst College, and of the New York Theological Seminary.

BLAIR IN ASHES

A thriving town is almost totally obliterated by fire.

The village of Blair, of about 400 inhabitants, in Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, and one of the most flourishing on the Green Bay, Winona and St. Paul Railroad, was almost entirely destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of at least \$150,000. The town had no fire protection and everything was built of wood, and a brisk wind was blowing. There was nothing to do but try to save what was possible, though the amount was inconsiderable. Ten or twelve families were left homeless, though there were no injuries or fatalities. Some of the individual losses are as high as \$15,000; the insurance light. The town will rebuild immediately.

ON THE DIAMOND.

How the Clubs Engaged in the National Game Stand.

Following is a showing of the standing of each of the teams of the different associations:

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

W. L. W.	W. L. W.
Chicago... 47 32	Philadelphia... 38 40
New York... 42 31	Brooklyn... 35 42
Boston... 43 34	Cincinnati... 33 46
Cleveland... 41 42	Pittsburgh... 31 45

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

W. L. W.	W. L. W.
Boston... 56 26	Philadelphia... 44 49
St. Louis... 52 21	Cincinnati... 49 50
Baltimore... 47 39	Louisville... 33 36
Minneapolis... 41 41	St. Louis... 37 32

WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

W. L. W.	W. L. W.
Omaha... 43 26	St. Louis City... 40 42
Minneapolis... 51 32	Cincinnati... 38 42
Minneapolis... 45 29	Denver... 32 47
Cleveland... 41 37	Duluth... 30 45

Policeman Killed in a Row.

There was a sight on the platform of a coach near Lockwood, Pa., James Kelly, a policeman of Johnstown, drew a revolver to quell the row. The crowd sprang upon him and forced him between the cars. Kelly dropped under the wheels and was killed. Lucas Myers, of Latrobe, was thrown from the platform and killed.

Jesse James' House at the Fair.

Mrs. Samuel, the mother of Jesse James, the outlaw, has accepted an offer from Chicago to exhibit their house, a one and a half-story log structure, at the World's Fair. The up-stairs is a low loft in which the James boys used to hide and the north and east sides are full of loopholes from which they could shoot their enemies.

Fahey Was Not Hurt.

Near Wheeling, W. Va., at a family picnic, Andrew Height came up with a shotgun and Joseph Fahey took it from him, asking if it was loaded. Height said it was not, and Fahey snapped it. Miss McGowan died in ten minutes. Weatzel will lose one of his eyes.

Yellow Fever in Mexico.

Vera Cruz advises state that the yellow fever is spreading. The British consul at Baker and Pedro Barana, the noted Mexican general, died recently. Advice from Tampico say that work on the harbor improvement is progressing rapidly, and will soon be finished.

Wife-Murder and Suicide.

At Corona, L. I., Henry Nelson committed suicide, after a horrible murder of his wife, Jennie. There were found in the room scraps of paper upon which Nelson had written that he killed his wife in self-defense.

An Old Offender.

William A. Teal, who has served three terms for counterfeiting, is held for the same offense by Indianapolis officers. He was first arrested in the '70's. He is a chip of the old block, his father having died in prison.

Kentucky Murders.

Near Paris, Ky., a tramp killed a farmer, his wife, and son, and dangerously wounded another son. Five miles away, a negro killed Charles Conway, his mother, and wounded another of the family, when he was shot dead by a neighbor.

Formed a Gypsum Trust.

The price war between the gypsum stucco mills of the West has come to an end. Two years ago stucco sold from \$6 to \$8 a ton. During the war it sold as low as \$2.50. The old prices are restored.

Made a New Record for Divers.

At Kansas City, Mo., Frank Lindenstine broke the world's high diving record by five feet. He dived eighty-five feet.

John Brown's Body.

John Brown, a negro desperado of Jackson, Tenn., was lynched for the unprovoked murder of John Gardner.

Killed His Rival.

Near Painesville, Ohio, William Wood was found in a dying condition in a field, and a German named Herman was arrested. Herman and Wood had been cursing Agnes Schwind. Herman was jealous. When arrested his clothes were covered with blood.

Kept Sick Indians.

Three Indians, at Billings, Montana, got drunk and started home. Two went to sleep on the railroad tracks, and the third told the stationmaster he was "keen sick." A few minutes after a train ran over his two companions and killed them.

ROYAL ARCH MASON.

Convention of the General Grand Chapter at Minneapolis.

The General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America held its twenty-eight triennial convocation at Minneapolis, Minn. The body is the largest Masonic body in the world, having a membership of 141,901. It is also the oldest body in the United States, and it will celebrate its centennial in 1897. The address of welcome was delivered by Mayor P. B. Winson and the response was by General Grand High Priest D. F. Day, of Buffalo, N. Y. The report of the general grand scribe showed that in two years the net growth of the order was 14,942. The total membership now is 141,901. Since 1889, \$186,795 was collected and \$168,097 expended. There were 2,069 enrolled chapters. Interesting reference was made to the growth of the order in Asia, Mexico, and South America. The grand chapter in Chile had not been heard from on account of the civil war. The general grand high priest, in his address, said that the grand chapters of Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia, which were still independent, would probably be brought under the general chapter, as well as the Canadian grand chapters, before the centennial.

TRADE IS FAIRLY GOOD.

General Improvement Noted, with Confidence in the Future Unstinted.

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

Some improvement in the business situation is still noted. There is more actual trade in most of the leading branches, and more general confidence as to the future. But the monetary situation does not grow clearer. A spirit of confidence is spreading, which threatens to make trouble when the crop movement becomes large. Distribution of circulars in enormous numbers from Minneapolis and Washington, professedly by the Farmers' Alliance, advising all farmers to hold their wheat, does not yet affect actual receipts, but stimulates speculators to buy largely, in expectation of a boom, and much money has already been locked up in carrying accumulating stocks. With the utmost freedom in movement of wheat, the recovery from Europe of the \$70,000,000 gold shipped this year would be difficult, with wheat exports checked for some months, security in which could be felt in all markets and in all branches of industry. The condition of trade is generally more favorable than a week ago.

SEVEN KILLED AND SCORES INJURED

A Freight Crashes Into an Excursion Train at Middletown, Ohio.

While the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton excursion train of fourteen cars was returning with the National Cash Register employees from a picnic at Woodsdale Park, a freight train crashed into it at Middletown Station, Ohio, killing seven persons and injuring fifty more. The excursion train broke a draw-bar while pulling on the siding, and in the delay of repairing a freight train came along and ran into the next to the rear coach, causing the awful disaster. The breaking of the excursion train couplings was caused by one of the excursionists pulling the air-brake cord for a joke.

FIFTY PERSONS KILLED.

An excursion train wrecked just outside of Paris, France.

Just out of Paris, France, a collision between excursion trains occurred at St. Maude, in which fifty persons were killed and 100 wounded, and three carriages were wrecked. Both trains were returning from a musical festival at Fontenay. The guards van and the three rear carriages of the first train were wrecked and caught fire from the gas. Most of the dead victims are legless, their limbs having been crushed off through the jamming together of the seats. The driver and fireman of the second train were burned alive. It is reported that the stationmaster has gone mad and decamped.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY IN TEXAS.

B. Wilkerson May Be Lynched Because of His Infatuation for a Stepdaughter.

About a week ago H. B. Wilkerson eloped from Belton, Texas, with his stepdaughter. He was arrested at Lorena, Texas, and brought back. The affair has finally culminated in a double murder. Wilkerson shot and killed his wife and then attempted to carry off the stepdaughter. Her cries brought some of the neighbors to her rescue, and as one of them, W. Hamilton, got within ten feet of him, Wilkerson leveled his shotgun and shot him dead. Wilkerson will be lynched if caught.

ELOPED WITH A GAMBLER.

A Wealthy Pennsylvanian's Heiress Unites Her Fortunes with a "Handsome Harry."

At Shamokin, Pa., a sensation has been caused by the elopement of "Handsome Harry," the king of Pennsylvania gamblers, and Miss Lizzie Johnson, daughter of Lawyer Johnson, who for forty-five years was Register and Recorder of Montour County, and who died nearly a year ago, leaving \$100,000. Miss Lizzie is a beautiful brnette, a graduate of the Boston Conservatory and a favorite in society. Harry Latimer has long been called the king of gamblers. He has won and lost thousands of dollars.

HIRING SAILORS FOR BALMACEADA.

An Agent of the Chilean President Trying to Secure New Englanders.

It is stated that an agent of Balmaceda's government has traversed the whole coast of New England, from Cape Cod to Eastport, for the purpose of hiring sailors to make up crews for two men-of-war. The ships have been fitted out in France, but the necessary officers and crews could not be secured in Europe. The agent offers large bounties and big wages. How far he succeeds, is not known.

CONVICT WAR IS OVER.

Miners Agree to Keep the Peace and No Blood Will Be Shed.

The Tennessee convict war is over, at least for the present. The law will be enforced without resistance and the dignity of the State maintained. A telegram from Coal Creek says everything is quiet and orderly, and the miners are rejoicing over the peaceable ending of the trouble. The convicts will return to work for the present and the miners will depend on the Legislature to repeat the law.

ELLIOTT BREAKS LOOSE.

Sensation in the Murder Trial at Columbus, Ohio.

W. J. Elliott, on trial for murder at Columbus, Ohio, caused a sensation by calling Prosecutor Huling a liar, when in his argument he referred to charges against a female member of Elliott's family. Elliott's lawyers tried to stop him, but he wildly gestured and continued: "If I hang there will be hung like a gentleman." The Sheriff seized him at this juncture and forced him into a chair.

HOLD BANK ROBBERS.

Three Crooks Get Away with \$4,000 in Broad Daylight at Easton, Pa.

A daring robbery was committed in the Easton, Pa., National Bank at noon by

three men who secured \$4,000 and made good their escape. At the hour mentioned three men entered the bank and while two of them engaged the two clerks who were on duty in conversation the third man managed to get to the vault from which he secured a package containing \$4,000.

JUDGE THURMAN'S HEALTH.

The Studious Habits of the Venerable Statesman Producing Bad Effects. Word comes from Columbus, Ohio, that Judge Allen G. Thurman is failing fast. Failure to take exercise is causing him to lose his physical strength. Since he left public life he has practically shut himself in his library.

TOWN CAVING IN.

Edwardsville, Pa., Falling Into the Mines Beneath the Town.

The earth has caved in in many places in Edwardsville, Pa., causing houses to topple over and rendering the land in the vicinity useless for further building.

CAR SHOPS PURCHASED.

The great East street shops, Springfield, Ohio, the largest in America, and excepting the Krupp gun works at Essen, Germany, the largest in the world, built by William N. Whiteley, quondam Reaper King, seven years ago at a cost of over \$1,500,000, have just been sold to a syndicate of Chicago, Cleveland and New York parties. The purchase price agreed upon is \$200,000, two-thirds of the appraisement. The company's corporate name will be "The Central Car Repair Manufacturing Company." Its manufactures will be railway cars, car repairs and railway supplies of every kind.

Tragedy Among Criminals.

At Topeka, Kan., a tragedy was enacted at the State penitentiary. While returning from divine service two colored convicts happened to be together. One of them, through accident or design, kept stepping on the heels of his fellow convict. A fight ensued, during which the offending convict was thrown or pushed to the stone floor beneath a distance of thirty feet. He soon died.

BANK THIEVES SNATCH \$2,000.

At Akron, Ohio, while George C. Berry, Jr., cashier of the Werner Printing and Lithographing Company, was answering a decoy telephone call his assistant, Otto Schenck, aged 18, swept \$2,000 in greenbacks and gold into a basket, ran through the open door, jumped into a two-horse carriage in which were two confederates about his own age, and disappeared.

PREACHER COMMITS SUICIDE.

At Indianapolis, Ind., the body of Rev. J. N. Wright was found floating in the canal. It is supposed that he drowned himself. He was 78 years old and was one of the oldest Methodist preachers in the State.

WILL CULTIVATE FIGS.

Great interest is aroused among the people of Pomona Valley (Cal.) by the purchase of 400 acres of land, with an option of 300 more, for the purpose of planting the largest fig orchard in the world.

GUARDED UNABLE TO PAY.

It is announced that Guatemala is unable to pay the \$30,000 due the San Salvador Government for cable messages paid by Salvador to the cable company at Libertad on her account.

AFTER AN ALLIANCE JUDGE.

G. W. McKay, the Kansas Alliance Judge who ignored a decision of the State Supreme Court, was summoned before that tribunal, and was made to promise to abide by its decisions hereafter.

MURDERER OZBURN HANGED.

Charles M. Ozburn was hanged at Atlanta, Ga., for the murder of John M. Bradley on May 5, 1890. The execution took place in the county jail before about forty witnesses.

WILL TEST THE LAW.

An editor of the New York *News* has been indicted for publishing an account of the recent electrocution at Sing Sing. The New York law forbids such publication.

THE ONLY ONES NOW OUT.

The only country now outside the Universal Postal Congress are Cape Colony and the South African Republics.

FIRED HIS BEDDING.

At Woodstock, Ill., Anton Motil, an insane prisoner in the county jail, fired his bedding and was burned to a crisp.

WOMEN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Women's Home Missionary Society of America is holding its annual session at Ocean Grove, N. J.

BUSINESS FAILURES.

The Citizens' Bank of Jefferson, Texas, has made an assignment, with T. D. Rogers as assignee.

DIDN'T REACH PORT.

The French Senate adjourned before reaching the port section of the tariff bill.

DAMAGE TO THE CROPS.

A bad storm did great damage to crops in McPherson County, S. D.

THE MARKETS.

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