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## Hordes of Pythians.

KANSAS CITY CROWDED WITH THE ORDER.

Cholera Within a Step of Our Shores—Narrow Escape of a Pennsylvania Train—The Sultan Is Bloodthirsty—Cannibals Stir Up the Lion.

**Letter Carriers Convene.**  
Indiana is the scene of the National Letter Carriers' Convention. Several hundred delegates will be present at the first session, which will be held in Lorraine Hall. One of the most important questions to be considered is the advisability of instituting in the insurance feature of the association a graded assessment for the levy rate which now prevails. The carriers will also urge another grade to \$1,300 and the extension of the civil service rules to all postoffices having a free carrier system.

### PYTHIANS IN SESSION.

First Meeting of the Supreme Grand Lodge at Kansas City.

The seventeenth biennial meeting of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythians of the World, commenced in Kansas City Tuesday morning, and will continue in session for ten days, or until all the business before it is completed. A public reception was tendered the members of the Supreme Lodge at 9 o'clock that morning. The hour was fixed thus in account of the necessity, imposed by the size of the lodge, to divide a certain amount of business at its first day's session. The reception was held at the Grand Opera House, and the auditorium was appropriately decorated in honor of the occasion. In his report Supreme Chancellor Shar congratulated the order upon its steadily increasing progress and its continued prosperity and upon the harmony which universally prevails. The order enters the twenty-eighth year of its existence, says the report, with a splendid army of more than 300,000 men marching steadily forward under the tri-colored banner of Pythianism. One year ago 263,000 names were enrolled upon the roster of membership throughout the Supreme jurisdiction. Within the past twelve months this number has been increased to 308,000, making an increase during the year of 44,000, or about one-sixth. No fraternal organization in the twenty-seventh year of its existence has ever been able to attain such a percentage of increase. The development of the uniform rank is a marvel. The record shows an increase of 153 new divisions during the past year, with a total membership exceeding 35,000, being an increase during the year of 6,000 members, or over one-half.

### HOMESTEAD MEN GIVING WAY.

Leaving the Town Secure Employment Elsewhere.

A Homestead dispatch says: It is evident that many of the non-union men in the mill have come to stay. About sixteen families are now quartered in company houses, and others are prepared to come when the houses are ready. On the other hand a large number of the locked-out men have secured work elsewhere, and are now away from Homestead. About 15 went to Youngstown yesterday, and others are preparing to move to the steel mill at Newcastle. Notices were thrown inside the mill fence this morning warning the men at work to quit by to-morrow or take the consequences. Repairs on the new Bessemer mill are progressing favorably, and the company expect to start it on Monday. Two open hearth furnaces will also be charged on that day. The number of men yesterday was 1,800. Thirteen men were discharged and nineteen quit. It is expected to have 2,000 men working by the end of next week.

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**MORSE THE MAN.**

Michigan Democrats at the Grand Rapids Convention Name Him for Governor.

Gov. Winans sent a letter to the Michigan Democratic Convention declining to be a candidate for another gubernatorial term, and the following ticket was chosen: Governor, H. N. Higinbotham; Allan B. Morse, Lieutenant Governor; James P. Edwards, Treasurer; Frederick Marvin, Secretary of State; James A. Vanner, Auditor General; James A. Vanner, Attorney General; Adolphus A. Ellis, Superintendent of Public Instruction; F. F. Fitch, Commissioner State Land Office; George T. Shaffer, Member of State Board of Equalization; James A. Burr, Elector-at-large, Eastern District; George H. Durand, Elector-at-large, Western District; Peter White, BAKER HAS RESIGNED.

H. N. Higinbotham Unanimously Elected to Succeed Him.

William T. Baker's resignation as President of the World's Columbian Exposition was presented and unanimously accepted Thursday afternoon by the Board of Directors. H. N. Higinbotham was at once elected President to succeed Mr. Baker, and Ferdinand W. Peck was promoted from the ranks to the First Vice Presidency, vacated by Mr. Higinbotham. Robert A. Waller remains Second Vice President. No other changes in the executive staff were made.

**DOCTORED THE MILK.**

Forty milkmen in Akron were arrested Tuesday charged with adulterating milk.

John Fairchild, an Arkansas negro desperado, who killed a man at Pine Bluff, Ark., was arrested at Memphis, Tenn. As the officer put his hand on Fairchild he was reading a telegram sent by his mistress, which stated evidence that salicylic acid and borax had been used to preserve the milk, and these ingredients, rendering it indigestible to infants, are responsible for the increased mortality.

**FLAMES STILL RAGING.**

The Hotel de l'Ors and thirty houses at Grindelwald, Switzerland, have been destroyed by fire, which is still raging fiercely.

**MARKET QUOTATIONS.**

**SAYS HE KILLED THE BORDENS.**  
Charles H. Peckham Confesses that He Committed the Murder.  
Charles H. Peckham, of Central Village, Westport, Mass., walked into the Central Police Station at Fall River Thursday morning and said to Assistant Marshal Fleets: "Well, Mr. Marshal, I killed Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Borden, and have come from home to give myself up. I went over the back fence and through the rear door of the Borden house two weeks ago, and I killed both of those people out of pure love for blood. I went out the back door over the back fence, walked over the New Bedford River home. I'm the murderer, and I want to be locked up." The Marshal took him to the cell-room and searched him. He found a pocketbook with a few receipts in it and also unearthed some official communications from the Russian Bureau at Washington. Peckham is 65 years of age, about five feet six inches tall and has a thin gray beard. He says he leases a farm from Edmund Davis. The police have started to hunt up his relatives or friends.

**COAXING IMMIGRANTS.**

Vermonter to Settle in Canadian North-West Territory.

A delegation of farmers from Vermont who have been sent West to inquire into the possibility of establishing a New England colony in the Canadian Northwest have returned home. Several made home-steading entries, with the intention of immediately returning to their new homes. The Canadian minister in charge of immigration said that he intended pushing his scheme for drawing settlers into Canada from Dakota, Montana and Missouri. Arrangements have just been completed for locating a large number of crofter families from Scotland in the Northwest Territories, in addition to those being brought out from Scotland by the British Columbian government. Minister Dewdney says that the government has decided to leave no stone unturned to insure the populating of the Territories, and that for future a vigorous and aggressive policy will be carried out, as he considers that the importance of settling Manitoba and the Northwest Territories will justify the lavish but judicious expenditure of money to attain that end.

**TRADE LINES ARE STRONG.**

Dun Finds Many Favorable Features in the Market.

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

Trade advices from the West promises rather better crops of wheat and corn and cotton prospects are a little better, though it will still approach that of last year. With abundant supplies brought over, the outlook is so good that business distinctly improves, and the prospect of trade made everywhere is decidedly bright. The grain market in New York, Pennsylvania and Tennessee, which call into service troops in three great States, appear to have scarcely an appreciable effect upon business as yet, and though interruption of trade is threatened on more important railroads stocks are considerably lower than a week ago. More grain has gone abroad, but money is abundant and easy, and collections in almost all quarters are more satisfactory than usual.

**SAD NEWS FOR CANADA.**

Toile Leveled After Sept. 1 Upon Her Vessel Passing the Soo Canal.

The President has proclaimed retaliation upon Canada in accordance with the authority conferred upon him by the "act to enforce reciprocal relations with Canada" passed last July. The proclamation suspends the free navigation of the St. Mary's Falls Canal and imposes a toll of 20 cents a ton levied upon all freight passing through that canal.

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