

# The Democratic Sentinel

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## ANOTHER EMBEZZLER

CARNIVAL OF THIEVERY IN CHICAGO'S CITY HALL.

Pitiful Tale of a Teacher and a Pupil—Anent the New Tariff Bill—Boy's Foolishness Cost His Employer \$10,000—Another Lynching.

### Nagi in Disgrace

Tuesday developed another sensation at the Chicago city hall in the way of embezzlement by a city official. This time Julius Nagi, a brother of the Superintendent of the West Chicago Street Railway Company, is the dishonest one. The amount of which the city was robbed by him is believed to be less than \$600. The defalcation was made known to Charles Nagi about weeks ago and the matter was "squashed" without prosecution by the embezzler's brother coming forward with a check for \$581 and leaving word that if further deficits were discovered he should be informed at once in order that he might make them good. All this was done without the authority of the Mayor, the Superintendent of the Water Department or the Commissioner of Public Works, so far as is now known. The development of Nagi's embezzlement, coming on the heels of the discovery of Connors' dishonesty, it is said, will be the cause of a thorough investigation of all departments of the city government with a view of determining just how much crookedness is in progress or has been completed.

### CAUCUS MEN ARE DEFEATED.

Tariff Bill to Go to House as Soon as Finished.

Washington dispatch: The new tariff bill, which is being formulated by the Ways and Means Committee, is attracting the attention of the Democrats with a force second only to the interest formerly taken in the repeal bill. Many Democrats—in fact, the majority—desire that before the bill is introduced it should be submitted to a party caucus. The result of such a step is not a puzzle. Once before the caucus, the bill would emerge, but hacked and hewn beyond recognition and in a hopeless condition. Therefore, Messrs. Bland, Culbertson and others bitterly oppose the caucus until the bill has been introduced. The bill will be submitted to the committee, and it will be referred to the clerk and printed. This will probably be done to give the Republicans ten days to prepare a minority report and also save as much time as possible. The bill is rapidly nearing completion and several sub-committees have about finished their work, but so far all details have been kept as secrets. As soon as all the sub-committee work is done the various divisions will be reviewed as a whole by the Democratic wing of the committee.

### ARMS FOR RIFF TRIBES.

Moorish Agent in New York Claims to Have Shipped 8,000 Repeating Rifles. Hassan Ben Ali, now in New York City, says he is buying arms for the Riff tribes who are fighting the Spaniards about Melilla, Morocco. He is responsible for the statement that 8,000 repeating rifles have already been placed in the hands of the Moors and were used in the last heated engagement. "I have just negotiated for 5,000 repeating rifles and I will superintend their shipment from Boston next week." Rifles of the kind which he says he has already shipped cost at least \$200 apiece and the purchase he claims would entail an outlay of \$1,000,000. Ben Ali was in charge of the Moorish Yankees in the Midway Plaisance. His statement is taken with a grain of salt, but it is believed that he has acted to some extent as the Sultan's agent.

### Settled a State Building.

The Sheriff took possession of the Washington State Building at the World's Fair grounds Monday. He acted on attachment proceedings brought in the Superior Court by the Union National Bank to enforce claims for \$1,325. The State Commissioners held an account at the Merchant's National Bank, Tacoma. They drew a check for \$325 and a draft for \$1,000 on the account, but the bank had suspended and payment was refused. The Union National Bank of Chicago had cashed the paper, and brings suit to recover the amount advanced.

### "Pun Shooting" in Stores.

Mrs. Anna Swanson, of Chicago, has been awarded \$10,000 by a New York court for the loss of an eye in the dry-goods store of George Leboultier. Mrs. Swanson was making a purchase March 12, 1889, in the store, when she was struck in the eye with a pin shot from a rubber sling by one of the cash boys. The plaintiff charged that the proprietor of the store knew his cash boys were in the habit of shooting pins about the place, and took no pains to stop the practice.

### Burned to Death.

The district schoolhouse at Cooperville, two miles from Nunda, Livingston County, N. Y., burned. May Porter, the teacher, and Willard Johnson, a little pupil, burned to death. The teacher battled heroically with the flames, but it is supposed that her clothing caught fire. The little boy was too small to set on the flames like the others, and perished with his young teacher.

### Negro Lynched by Negroes.

At Varner, a station on the Iron Mountain Railway, twenty miles south of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, a colored negro, who a week ago murdered another negro, was lynched, shot and his body burned by a mob exclusively of colored people, who broke down the jail, took Nelson to a convenient tree, riddled his body with bullets, and then set fire to it.

### Shot by a Masked Man.

Two masked men shot ex-Alfredo Geo. Thorpe, a wealthy citizen of El Paso, Tex., Saturday night.

### Licked Up by Flames.

At Regina, a station on the T. & T.—Twelve business buildings; loss, \$70,000. At Duluth—Howard Lumber Company's yards; loss, \$30,000. At Ashley, Minn.—Seven business buildings; loss, \$30,000. At Hammond, Ind.—Lewis' icehouse; loss, \$10,000 (incendiary).

### Queer Sentence for Larceny.

David Jennings has pleaded guilty to grand larceny at Richmond, Ind., receiving a sentence of two years in the penitentiary and disfranchisement for three years.

### His Heart Was Literally Broken.

Sentenced to Death, Toledo, Ohio, was found dead at his home with his heart broken, literally as well as figuratively speaking, for the organ was rent in twain. His sudden demise was the culmination of continued brooding over the misdeeds of his son, S. B. Parker.

### Small Cotton Crop.

The cotton returns of the Department of Agriculture for the month of November indicate a diminished harvest as compared with that of 1892, which was smaller than any in the last decade. Local estimates range from one-fourth to three-fourths of a full crop.

### SECURITY OF THE MAILED.

Interesting Information in Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell's Report.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell, in his first annual report, says that during the last fiscal year 1,181 persons were arrested for violations of the postal laws. Of these only 454 were post office officials, a small number when compared with the total number of postal officials, which on June 30 last was upward of one hundred and eighty-five thousand. Of the cases determined 38 resulted in conviction and 37 from acquittal. Fifteen of the four accused persons were discharged on preliminary hearing; proceedings were dismissed or prosecutions abandoned in twenty-three cases, and in twenty-one grand juries refused or failed to indict. Seven of those arrested escaped from custody, five forfeited their bail, and one died while awaiting trial. There were 228 post offices of postmasters against 203 in the preceding year. This crime is growing. While the entire number of arrests fell off 225 from the total number made in the preceding year, the number of burglars arrested increased by five. During the year there were 5,646 complaints of loss of letters or packages and the other half of the absolute loss of letter or packages and contents. In 2,557 cases no loss was found to have occurred and in 1,846 cases the complainants were well founded. In a large number of cases the missing articles were traced and found. In thirty-five complaints it was found that the articles claimed to have been sent had not been mailed at all.

### BUSINESS IS BETTER.

Demand for Manufactured Products Is Increasing.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade sums up the situation as follows: "The turn of the tide has come. Since the elections there has been a direct improvement in business and particularly in manufacturing. There is some increase in actual transactions and much of the tone of business is more optimistic. In fact, the tone is ground for greater confidence, the silver question being put definitely out of the way, and the chance of disturbing action in other respects being lessened, while the right of the people to rule their rulers is more firmly established. While it is too early to look for great changes, there is already a distinct improvement in the demand for manufactured products since the action on the silver bill, some increase in the output of pig iron and in sales of wool, cotton and silk in the textile industries, and failure for the time being to show lower liabilities. In brief, the recovery which began when the silver repeal bill passed continues with increased strength.

in the last decade. The causes of the light yield have been heretofore reported, viz., drought, excessive moisture in some sections, and the ravages of the insect enemies of the plant, and some other causes of a minor nature. Local estimates vary in range from one-fourth to three-fourths of a full crop."

### FOUGHT WITH A CRANK.

Myron T. Herrick, of Cleveland, demands a demand for \$50,000.

A crank attempted to take the life of Myron T. Herrick, Treasurer of the Society for Savings, at Cleveland, and after a terrible fight escaped. He shot once at Herrick, and threatened to blow up the place with dynamite if he was not at once given \$50,000 in cash from the vault. Herrick seized the hand that held the revolver and struck the fellow in the face, staggering him. The man recovered and fled, and they clinched. First one was down and then the other. Chairs were overturned, the table upset, and books scattered from one end of the apartment to the other. Finally the intruder seized his revolver, leveled it and fired. The bullet passed through the lower edge of Herrick's vest, on the left side, grazing the skin. One of the great windows stood slightly open, and the man mounted a chair, just as the clerks and watchman appeared at the door. There was a rush toward him, but he leaped through the window to the sidewalk below, startling men who were working in the street. He ran like a deer, waving the smoking pistol, and disappeared as thoroughly as though the earth had opened and swallowed him.

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not resume her throne, I believe, without bloodshed, and it remains now to see whether the United States service will be used to establish her in power again. The question of annexation is one of deep interest to America, and will be handled, I have no doubt, by the newspapers and the people in a patriotic manner."

### HARD TO EXPLAIN.

Results of the Election a Surprise to Washington Politicians.

Washington dispatch: The result of the election was received with surprise by all political parties here. The unexpected happened in so many instances that in no case were the predictions of Democrats, Republicans, or Populists fully verified. The chief surprise of the Democrats arises, not from the fact that they were defeated, but that the defeat was so general in all doubtful States and the Republican majorities so overwhelming. Expressions from nearly all the prominent Democratic leaders at the capital several days before election showed that the Democrats were prepared to defeat in those States where the free coinage element is strong and the disappointment over the passage of the repeal bill intense, but it was hardly expected that in the "sound money" States of New York and Massachusetts the Democratic majorities of the past would so ruthlessly move down and the careful efforts of perfect organization avail so little. Despite this all the prominent Democratic leaders unite in ascribing the general defeat throughout the country to two causes. The dissatisfaction of the agricultural elements over the financial question and the widespread apathy of disappointed office-seekers who have failed to realize the fruits of the last Democratic victory. In Iowa the defeat of Boies is important not in that it means a Republican Governor in that State and a Republican United States Senator next winter, but that it practically removes Boies from the list of Western candidates for the Presidency in '96.

The President did not show that intense interest in the returns that would have indicated a confidence in Democratic victory. Early in the evening the President went to his country home instead of remaining at the Executive Mansion, as is usual on election nights, and the returns he received were only those of sufficient importance to be telephoned out to Woodley by Private Secretary Thurber as the latter received them from the telephone wire at the White House.

Gov. Boies Is Resigned.

A dispatch from Waterloo, Ia., Governor Boies' home, says: Governor Boies takes his defeat philosophically. On account of his illness he was not present at the result until next morning. The Governor manifested no surprise, and said that personally he had no feeling of regret, though for his party he had hoped for a different result.

### CARTER HARRISON'S ASSASSIN.

His Trial Will Come Off During the Last Week of November.

Eugene Joseph Prendergast, the assassin of Mayor Harrison of Chicago, has been very quiet, except for the first few days, since his arrest, and has refused to answer any questions. In stead of being the criminal hero he expected to become he finds himself discredited. The actors, his fellows, have been outspoken in their denunciations of him, and he knows their sentiments well. This general abhorrence had its effect on Prendergast, and after a few days' incarceration he lost much of the fierce look and speech of madness which he betrayed on his arrest. When the physicians appeared to call him a "crazed" and that he had been "driven mad" by the criminal government he was not so quiet. The physicians addressed him as "the maniac" and "the lunatic." The trial will be a trial of the maniac.

Queen Liliuokalani announced her intention Saturday, Jan. 14, to proclaim a new constitution, but the opposition of her ministers and the public caused her to withdraw and just sign the paper when the fire broke out. The actors had difficulty in saving the property. The Aldine hotel was burned and the Gazette office so badly damaged that the newspaper will be issued from the News office.

The Academy was built twenty years ago and for the first ten years was the only theater building in the city until succeeded by the Masonic Temple and since then has been given over to museum purposes, with seating capacity of 1,000. It was owned by Ronald T. McDonald and Judge R. S. Taylor. After a hard struggle the other buildings in the square were saved, and the fire was under control at 3 o'clock in the morning. The total loss was \$100,000.

Call It a Crime.

The committee recently appointed at Indianapolis by the Supreme Lodge of Knights and Ladies of Honor to examine into the condition of the books of ex-Supreme Treasurer McBride has made a report and finds that a shortage of nearly \$16,000 exists. The committee chooses to call it a "claim" against McBride, and that it is the result of merely bad book-keeping. The report exonerates E. D. Macbeth, late cashier for McBride, of all responsibility for the shortage. The shortage, according to the books of the order, dates back eight years.

Fatally Hurt by a Tame Deer.

J. G. McKeever, aged 70 years, while walking over his farm near Knobmaster, Johnson County, Mo., noticed three deer quietly grazing in his wood pasture. Knowing that they were tame and supposing them harmless, he was walking by them when he was attacked and thrown down by an old buck, and had several broken bones and was otherwise injured internally. He managed to reach the house for medical aid, but owing to his advanced years his recovery is not as all probable.

Chemical Bank Dividend.

Competitor Eckels has ordered the payment on Dec. 1 of a 20 per cent dividend to the creditors of the Chemical National Bank of Chicago. This payment will dispose of 70 per cent of the liabilities, and is regarded as the final completion of a remarkably excellent showing.

Rubber Found Dead.

The body of the notorious bandit and outlaw, Jasper Gordon, was found hanging to a tree near Little Rock, Ark. His body was riddled with bullets. It was generally believed that he was one of the Iron Mountain train robbers.

Mine Strike in Parliament.

Samuel Woods, member of the House of Commons from the lace Division of Lancashire, has moved the adjournment of the House for the purpose of calling attention to the case of the striking coalminers.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Common to Prime... \$3 50 @ 6 00  
Sheep—Sheep & Lambs... 4 00 @ 6 25  
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring... 62 1/2 @ 63 1/2  
CORN—No. 2... 39 1/2 @ 40 1/2  
RYE—No. 2... 46 1/2 @ 48  
BUTTER—Choice Creamery... 27 1/2 @ 28 1/2  
EGGS—Fresh... 20 1/2 @ 21  
POTATOES—No. 1... 30 1/2 @ 31 1/2

INDIANAPOLIS.

CATTLE—Sheep... 3 00 @ 5 25

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SHEEP—Common to Prime... 20 00 @ 23 1/2

WHEAT—No. 2 Red... 57 @ 57 1/2

CORN—No. 2 White... 38 @ 38 1/2

OATS—No. 2 White... 30 1/2 @ 31 1/2

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE... 3 00 @ 5 50

HOGS... 3 00 @ 5 50

SHEEP... 2 00 @ 3 75

WHEAT—No. 2 Red... 59 @ 59 1/2

CORN—No. 2 White... 34 @ 35

OATS—No. 2 White... 27 @ 28

RYE—No. 2... 44 @ 45

CINCINNATI.

CATTLE... 3 00 @ 5 00