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## HIDEOUS SKELETON.

### GRINS FROM THE CLOSET OF THE VANDERBILTS.

Some One Makes Big Money Out of the Whisky Trust—Mississippi River Little More than a Succession of Mud Puddles.

**Row of the Vanderbilts.**  
For a month past very definitely stated reports have been current among American friends of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. K. Vanderbilt in London and Paris that formal negotiations were in progress between them for a judicial separation. Falling that, it has been said, there was a probability of a suit for divorce on the part of Mrs. Vanderbilt. There is no doubt that Mrs. Vanderbilt has consulted friends as to the advisability of instituting such proceedings. She threatens to sue for divorce unless given three mansions and a yearly allowance of \$300,000. The name of Nelly Neustetter, a well-known woman living in Paris though of Dutch birth, is mentioned in this connection, with what authority is not known. She has recently established herself in expensive apartments at the Cafe Madrid, Paris, and at Deauville, with an elaborate entourage of servants.

**BIGGING THE MARKET.**  
Nearly a Million Made on the Whisky Trust Stories.

There is much excitement in the financial circles of Chicago and New York over the performances of the men at the head of the Distillers' and Cattle Feeding Company, better known as the whisky trust, whereby some favored individuals have made a profit of almost \$4,000,000 in speculating in the shares of the company, and at the same time an opportunity to save for the company a great sum was thrown away. By the operation characterized among speculators as "rigging the market," the price of whisky shares was carried up, then down, and then up again, and immense profits were made by those who knew how the cat was going to jump. But the stockholders of the Distillers' and Cattle Feeding Company are independent, they complain that the interests of the corporation were sacrificed that some of them might grasp large winnings in the stock market, and some even charge that certain directors played fast and loose with the company's affairs. Some of the stockholders intimate that President Greenhut, of the whisky trust, is responsible for the tricks played with the property and is the greatest gainer thereby.

**HOLD UP TWO TRAINS.**

Amateur Bandits Play a Desperate Game in the Depot at Erie, Pa.

At Erie, Pa., a band of five men made a most desperate attempt late Monday night to hold up two Lake Shore passenger trains in the Union Depot. Each one of the band picked out his car, and all began their work at the same moment. They flourished revolvers at the doors, cried out "Hands up!" in the most approved border tone, and then having attracted attention to themselves and awed and intimidated the nervous persons among the travelers, began collecting money and jewelry. Their success as contribution-lifters was phenomenal, and they laid the odds against them. Some of the passengers seemed glad to surrender everything in their possession in order to be rid of the supposed bandits. The gang was afterward captured by the police.

**TOUCHED LOW-WATER MARK.**

Upper Mississippi Steamboats Have Been Forced to Stop for the Season.

The Mississippi has reached the low-water mark of 1864. Old river men say that the mark has never before been reached since the Government established it. The water in the Upper Mississippi is now so low that the Diamond Jo line of steamers has been compelled to stop business for the season. The river is full of sandbars. Never before has the water fallen so rapidly or the channel changed so often or so treacherously, and several drownings are due to this fact. At Burlington the Mississippi is a mere thread, no wider than the charnel proper.

**Smothered to Death.**

A terrific gas explosion occurred in breast 62 on sixth level of the Franklin Mine, at Franklin, near Seattle, Wash., Friday afternoon. Sixty-two miners were imprisoned and thirty-seven were killed. The fire was soon extinguished and the work of taking out the bodies began. All were recovered. It is evident that all the men had time to come out for those at work in the farther breast reached the shaft in safety, while those who were nearest the shaft and consequently more removed from danger asphyxiated. They evidently believed they were in perfect safety at the time, but they were not. The smoke issued from some outside place south of breast 62, within a space of 500 feet. Several men were badly bruised and one colored man was taken out with a broken neck, their wounds indicating they had thrown themselves against posts and timbers of the gangway in a wild and desperate endeavor to escape, but a majority of the bodies bear no marks at all, not even a scratch, and their features were in quiet repose, indicating that their death had been a speedy and painless one.

**The National Game.**

The clubs of the National and Western Leagues stand as follows in the champion ship race:

**NATIONAL LEAGUE.**

Per W. L. Corp. Per W. L. Corp.

Boston... 18 35 60 Pittsburgh... 11 51 50

Baltimore... 36 64 Chicago... 47 46 51

New York... 44 50 St. Louis... 49 42 52

Cleveland... 54 46 540 Washington... 69 39 50

Brooklyn... 53 48 529 Louisville... 32 71 31

**WESTERN LEAGUE.**

Per W. L. Corp. Per W. L. Corp.

Sixty City... 42 58 Ind'n'p'l... 49 45 48

Chicago... 49 43 578 Ind'l... 47 46 48

Alb'm'p'l... 48 47 500 St. Louis... 45 44 47

Toledo... 42 44 442 Milwaukee... 31 64 40

**Bought by the Illinois Central.**

The Illinois Central Railroad, after Sept. 1, will operate and own the Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwestern system. The Illinois Central will use that portion of the road from Fulton, Ky., to Memphis, Tenn., as main line along with the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley, over which the fast freight and through passenger trains will pass from New Orleans to Chicago instead of through Jackson, Miss., and Jackson, Tenn. The entire line was purchased for \$5,000,000. It was valued at \$15,000,000.

**Busted by a Murderer.**

Sheriff Harrison Beecher, of Sullivan County, New York, during the incarceration of Lizzie Halliday, the triple murderer, is suffering severe pain from a swollen hand, the result of a bite from her.

**Nebraska Republicans.**

The Nebraska Republican Convention, held at Omaha, Wednesday, nominated the following ticket: For Governor, Thomas J. Major; Lieutenant Governor, R. E. Moore; Secretary of State, N. J. Piper; Auditor, Eugene Moore; State Treasurer, Joseph S. Bartley; Superintendent of Public Instruction, H. B. Corbett; Attorney General, A. S. Churchill; Commissioner of Lands and Buildings, H. C. Russell.

**Plot to Kill Hippolyte.**

News has been received from what has hitherto proved a reliable source that an attempt was made a few days ago to assassinate President Hippolyte of Hayti.

**Great Railroad Man Gone.**

John Newell, of Chicago, president and general manager of the Lake Shore

### USES A PULLMAN PASS.

Labor Commissioner Wright, the Sixty-first Investigator, carries an "annual" pass. Did Labor Commissioner Carroll D. Wright go out to Chicago on a Pullman pass to investigate the Pullman strike? Commissioner Wright, according to his own statement, carries a pass and uses it when he pleases, but he says he didn't use it in going to Chicago. Yes. United States Labor Commissioner Carroll D. Wright, the Chairman of the special labor commission appointed by President Cleveland to investigate the recent strike at Pullman, and to inquire into the treatment of Pullman's unfortunate starving employees, has a Pullman sleeping car in his pocket. He can feel it press against his broad bosom whenever he leans forward to question witnesses as to the condition of affairs in the "model town." His feelings can only be surmised when the evidence is damaging to Pullman, his friend and patron, whom he is under obligations for many a ride in the palatial sleeping-cars. Commissioner Wright's pass is an "annual." It entitles him to ride free in any Pullman car at any time in any part of the United States. He is not required to put up \$2 for a night's rest in a Pullman bunk, as less favored individuals without a "pull" must do.

### SAVED BY A BRAVE BRAKEMAN.

Passengers on a Mountain Train Have a Narrow Escape.

Passenger train No. 7, on the Stony Creek and Tucki Mountain Railroad, on a narrow track between Hunter and a steep grade, while going up the mountain, met a slow train running down. The engineer of No. 7 reversed his engine and all the crew jumped. Several passengers did likewise and escaped injury. Next came the crash, and they followed one of the wildest rides passengers ever experienced, and they were saved from a fall down the mountain side by the bravery of one man. When the crash occurred the engine of train No. 7 was badly broken, and, being reversed under full head of steam, started backward down the mountain without driver or fireman. Brakeman Arland B. Porter was on the rear car, and when the wild run commenced tried vainly to stop the train with his hands. Then he heard the puffing of the engine and realized that something must be wrong there. Running through the cars he climbed into the cab and pushed the throttle and the steam was cut off. The train soon stopped.

### HOWARD SKIPS TO CANADA.

Exciting Chase and Capture of Two Murderers and Robbers.

Two coolly desperate train robbers, Henry E. Gorion, alias Griswold, and William Lake, both of Chicago, shot and instantly killed Special Officer Patrick H. Owens, of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Friday night as he was going to the assistance of Freight Conductor N. A. Sergeant, who was being held up and robbed in the caboose by the desperadoes. Early Saturday morning, while fleeing from the scene of their first murder, the robbers shot and probably mortally wounded Officer Patrick McGrath of the Northwestern, who was about to attempt their arrest. The scene of the robbery and the first shooting was near the little station of Deerefield, on the St. Paul Railroad, about a half mile west of Highland Park. The shooting of McGrath was at Maywood, on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad. After the second shooting the murderers fled west, and their pursuit and running gun fight with the police, their final capture after both were wounded, were in keeping with the desperate methods that the robbers employed at the outset. For cool atrocity in both robbery and murder and for desperate determination to escape, cost what it might, either to themselves or their pursuers, the crime and the criminals are alike remarkable.

### ROJO UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

President Peixoto Assuming Dictatorial Powers.

Ro. Janiro is under military patrol. Peixoto's secret police are everywhere. The Brazilian warships Constantine has been ordered back to Uruguay, and the harbors patrolled by warship launches. The city has the appearance of a military camp. The Minister of War was hurriedly summoned. A number of prisoners have been released on Peixoto's order. A strict censor has been established over the press and Peixoto refuses to grant interviews saying that he has his own organs in the United States and in Europe.

### CHINESE LOAN FAILS.

A telegram from Shanghai says that the attempt of the Chinese Government to float a loan of 1,000,000 taels, to be guaranteed by Chinese merchants, has proved a failure. The Japanese Government has declared rice to be not included among articles contraband of war. The American consul at Shanghai has ordered the Japanese in that city to discard the Chinese costumes and advises a majority of them to return to their native country. Mr. O'or, the Japanese minister at Seoul, is reported to have been killed.

### TO PAY THE MILLION.

Governor Matthews of Indiana, has agreed to pay \$40,000 to raise money to pay the State troops for services during the strike riots at Hammond and in the mining region. He expects to be reimbursed when the legislature meets.

### FOUR HUNDRED GO OUT.

Four hundred weavers in the mills at Suncook, N. H. did not go to work Thursday. The mills were closed for a day to repair damage done, but it is almost certain that at least 1,000 persons have perished, some by drowning, others by being crushed under falling houses and trees. The excitement is great among the American colony in St. Petersburg, for it is feared that at least two parties of American tourists were on the sea of Azov at the time the wind did its deadly work.

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