

FEAR SAN JOSE SCALE.

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TAKEN BY FRANCE.

Importation of American Trees and Shrubs to be Prohibited—Inspection of Fresh and Dried Fruit to be Required—Soldier Convicted of Murder.

Ban on American Nursery Stock.

Mr. Thibault, charge d'affaires of France, called at the State Department at Washington to advise Secretary Hay that the French Government was about to adopt precautionary measures against the introduction from this country of the San Jose scale and that decrees will be issued prohibiting the importation of trees, shrubs and plants from the United States and requiring an inspection of all fruit, fresh and dried, at the point of landing in France.

PRIVATE SENTENCED TO DIE.

Lindsay P. Holt at Huntsville, Ala., is Convicted of Murder. Private Lindsay P. Holt, Troop F, Tenth United States Cavalry, now encamped at Huntsville, Ala., is resting under a death sentence, the result of a recent court martial at which he was proved that he was guilty of murder. Holt's best friend was his victim and the convicted man's remorse is intense.

"Turquoise King" Shot.

A. J. Demmes, known as the "Turquoise King of the Arizona," was killed at his turquoise mine, forty miles north of El Paso, Texas, in New Mexico, by a Mexican employe. While the "turquoise king" was seated at the breakfast table the Mexican employe approached and fired a six-shot with the mine-owner's back as a target. Demmes was instantly killed, one bullet passing through his neck and the other lodging in his back. The assassin was captured.

No Strike is in Prospect.

The fact that Vice-President Mitchell and T. W. Davis of the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America should have been in conference with M. D. Hatchford in Massachusetts, at the time when the report that another national strike of miners was shortly to be ordered, seemed significant. But all three deny that anything of the sort is contemplated.

Resignation of the Cabinet of Cuba.

The Cuban cabinet formally resigned to Gen. Jimenez Castellan, the new governor and captain general of Cuba, their respective portfolios. Gen. Jimenez, however, officially reappointed them and requested that they remain in office until the Spanish flag had been lowered in Cuba.

Honor for Ontario Premier.

A. S. Hardy, premier of Ontario, is to be knighted by the Queen for his faithful services to Canada and Great Britain. He is strongly in favor of closer relations with Great Britain and author of the legislation which Michigan lumbermen.

Fire at Kansas City.

Fire broke out in the Robert Keith furniture and carpet establishment at Kansas City. The fire was gotten under control by 7 o'clock, with an estimated loss of \$210,000 on stock and \$400,000 on the building; total insurance, \$185,000.

Earthquake in Greece.

At Patras, Greece, a severe earthquake shock occurred, causing the inhabitants to become panic-stricken. A second shock was experienced. No fatalities have been reported.

Beat His Child to Death.

At Jackson, Tenn., Jack Neal, a negro, was committed to jail on the charge of whipping his 7-year-old son to death. He beat the boy with a permian sprout.

Battiship Wisconsin Floats.

The United States battleship Wisconsin was successfully launched at San Francisco. The boat was christened by Miss Elizabeth Stephenson.

Drowned in the Volga.

A ferryboat full of workmen has been capsized while crossing the Volga at Kinnosau, Russia, drowning twenty-nine of the passengers.

Dr. Lyman Abbott Resigns.

The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott has resigned the pastorate of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, which he has filled for twenty years.

Blanco Sails for Spain.

Gen. Blanco and his aids, Gen. Solano and the staff generals have left Havana for Spain on the transport Villaverde.

Terms of Peace Accepted by Spain.

The Spanish members of the peace commission have accepted the terms of peace proposed by the United States.

Explosion in Havana.

A box of dynamite exploded near the Reina Victoria at Havana, killing or injuring forty persons.

Takes the Chusan Islands.

A dispatch to a London news agency from the Chinese fleet at Tsingtau, says that the Chinese squadron has hoisted the British flag over Tsin-Hai and several other islands of the Chusan archipelago, and that ships are cruising near the Chusan islands.

Sheep Suffer in Oregon.

Thousands of sheep are imprisoned in the mountains near Pendleton, Ore. Three feet of snow has fallen in the foothills there and the sheep cannot get through it to the valleys below.

Girl Burned to Death.

Hattie Neche, 2 years old, was burned to death at her parents' home in Chicago. She and her 4-year-old brother Willie had been left in the house alone for a few minutes while their mother went on an errand. A lamp was burning in the room where the children were, and the little girl began playing with it, upsetting it, and her clothing caught fire.

Jury Failed to Agree.

A jury in the United States District Court at Kansas City, which has been trying V. Y. Ringler, ex-president, and Robert D. Corning, ex-president, of the failed Missouri National Bank, on indictments charging embezzlement and misappropriation of that institution's funds, disagreed and was discharged.

Falls in a Vat of Vitriol.

Joseph Schroppler, while being chased by a workman at a factory at Trenton, N. J., tumbled into a vat of vitriol. Not realizing his danger, after being helped out, he started for home, but on the way the acid began eating into his flesh. Both legs must be amputated.

Serious Rioting in Seoul.

There has been rioting at Seoul, Corea, between the two independence clubs and the opposition. Several Coreans were killed and many wounded. The foreigners were not attacked.

REMEMBERS LONG-LOST NAME.

Meeting with a Friend Recalls to Gustav Zending His Past Life.

A man who had lost all memory of affairs preceding his sickness was recalled to the St. Louis city hospital several months ago. He thought at the time his name might be Foster or Roberts, but always concluded it was not. With the aid of the United Hebrew Charities the man went West to seek work. Out in Kansas he was greeted by the name of Gustav Zending. Memory returned to him in a degree. He remembered he had been married and after a few months he wedded life he left his wife. Of events since, up to the time of his illness, he has not yet remembered clearly. He was married to Rosa Ritter, 17 years old, in New York City, July 9, 1881.

WIFE AND MONEY ARE MISSING.

St. Louis Real Estate Dealer Fears the Woman is Deceased.

William F. H. Schroeder, a wealthy retired real estate dealer of St. Louis, aged 69 years, reported to the police that he had married eighteen months ago, had left home and taken with him money and valuable papers, mostly notes, valued at \$27,000. Mr. Schroeder said that he had a check for \$1,500 was in cash, \$8,000 in negotiable notes and the remainder could not be negotiated. I had notes for \$18,000 held in trust for various persons for whom I acted as trustee. All these are gone. I am confident my wife has not eloped with a man. I think her mind is temporarily unbalanced because of sickness.

BOLD ROBBERY IN DAYLIGHT.

Eleven Hundred Dollars Disappears from the Cash Postoffice.

One of the boldest robberies committed in Cleveland in years was perpetrated the other day when the postoffice was robbed of eleven packages containing \$1,100 each, or \$11,000 in all. The money was in a safe in a room at a stamp window presided over by Miss Mary Berry. She left the window for a few seconds and during that time the robbers entered. Four women were seen acting in a suspicious manner in the corridor of the postoffice just before the robbery and the police believe one of them to be the thief.

Rebellion Against Federal Republic.

Late advice from Salvador, via Nicaragua, indicate that the revolt is more serious than at first thought. A general uprising. According to advice the real object of the movement is the overthrow of the Federal republic, which was organized Nov. 1 at Anapalca by the accomplished revolutionaries called in the aid of Guatemala and Costa Rica, who always viewed the union of Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras as a constant menace to their sovereignty. The rebellion was organized in the departments, with the exception of La Union and San Miguel, the latter a stronghold of Horacio Villavicencio, who is a Federal Government is hurriedly mobilizing its forces to march against Regalado. Honduras sends 4,000, Nicaragua 400 and the Federal district 2,000. The movement is backed by capitalists who are well-known military men.

Swindler Fined and Imprisoned.

William Shaw, charged with coin sweating, was convicted by the United States District Court at St. Louis, Mo. He was heavily fined and received a sentence of 180 days imprisonment. Shaw was one of the most famous ever tried in the United States Court in the city and attracted attention in Government circles throughout the entire country on account of his swindling and racketeering. Shaw worked by the operation of the scheme worked by Shaw involved. James Wilcox, an accomplice, who said he came from the same neighborhood as Shaw, testified, and it was on his testimony that Shaw was convicted.

Big Victory for Rogues.

The so-called anti-trust scalpers' law has been declared unconstitutional by the New York Court of Appeals, and is therefore inoperative. This law, which was passed by the legislature in 1904, in spite of bitter opposition, declared it a criminal act for any one to sell railroad tickets in that State except the authorized agents of the railroad companies.

Fatal Accident in Iowa.

A three-coach and baggage passenger train on the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern road, near Burlington, Iowa. One of the cars, containing thirty passengers, rolled down an embankment, turning three times in 150 feet. Two persons were killed and several seriously and seventeen slightly injured.

Rio Grande Engine Blows Up.

The crown sheet of the boiler of a locomotive on a west-bound freight train on the Denver and Rio Grande Railway blew out at Swallows, Colo. J. E. Perkey, fireman, and Eugene Pennington, engineer, and Guy Livingston, brakeman, were seriously injured. Eighteen loaded freight cars were burned.

Leaves Cash for Colleges.

The will of the late Edward Austin of Boston bequeaths \$1,100,000 to public uses. Harvard College will receive \$500,000, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology \$400,000, Radcliffe College \$300,000, Roanoke College \$300,000 and the Tufts, Ala., Normal and Industrial School \$300,000.

Prairie Fire Checked.

The massive prairie fire that has ravaged the Indiana Territory has been brought to an abrupt stop by heavy rains. The fire started in Chickasaw and Choctaw nations, and is estimated that property valued at \$250,000 has been destroyed. An area of seventy-five miles square was burned over.

Suicide Causes an Accident.

A stranger, bent on suicide, threw himself in front of a train going at full speed at Brightwood, Va., in addition to colliding with his own life, nearly causing a serious disaster. The sudden checking of speed threw brakeman Frank W. Fortney of Baltimore, from the train, seriously injuring him.

Stock Killed in Texas.

Reports from the cattle and sheep raising districts of northwestern Texas, Oklahoma and the Indian Territory show heavy losses because of the blizzard in those sections. Thousands of head of sheep, half-grown calves and cows have perished.

Ashes Are Taken to Spain.

The remains of Christopher Columbus have been transferred from the Havana cathedral, where they had rested since they were brought from San Domingo in the last century, to the Spanish steamer San Augustin, which sailed for Barcelona.

Five Bullets in His Head.

C. W. C. Dreher, a Brooklyn real estate man, wrote to his wife from Philadelphia, Pa., that he had been shot and killed by five bullets in his head, but is still alive.

To Buy a Sword for Hobson.

The Alabama House of Representatives has ratified a joint resolution appropriating \$500 to buy a sword for Lieut. Hobson of Merriam fame.

Fatal Quarrel Over Fence Posts.

In Day County, Oklahoma, R. M. Murchison, aged 70, shot and killed R. H. Low, aged 20. They quarreled over some fence posts.

Allen B. Wristley's Loss.

The soap and perfume factory of Allen B. Wristley, in Chicago, was burned, entailing a loss of \$105,000.

Play Ends in a Tragedy.

One day a group; the next day a corpse. Such was the fate of Elmer Munsell. The tragedy took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oden in Dry Grove township, Ill. Elmer Munsell, who was married to their daughter Myrtle the other day, was shot dead by a brother of the bride the next day. The newly married couple had repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where in the evening a number of young people gathered to congratulate them. The bride and groom were seated at an old-fashioned charivari by boys, and the young men were invited inside. Young Oden, brother of the bride, on reaching the room where his new brother-in-law was, playfully ran to him and pointed a revolver at him. The bullet exploded and Munsell fell with the bullet in his brain. He lived about an hour. Oden is aged 18. The victim of his folly was 20.

TREASURY BOXES ARE LOOTED.

Governor Leedy of Kansas and Others the Victims of Robbery.

Private deposit boxes in the State treasury at Topeka, Kan., have been looted. The discovery was first made by Gov. Leedy. The Governor went to his box to get some money before the money was returned to the receiptable empty. It had contained \$165. Mrs. J. M. Herrington, widow of the State House guide, who died the other evening, went to the treasury to get the money for her husband's box. The box was found to be empty, too. Herrington told Assistant Treasurer Williams that he had \$500 in the box. W. H. Barber, Herrington's stepson, lost \$89 from his box. An investigation showed that the locks of many of the boxes are alike and one key will open several of them.

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WIFE WROTE TO SEIZE FUNDS.

Missouri Bride Disappears with \$27,000 on Advice of a Lawyer.

W. L. F. Schroeder, of St. Louis, was married recently. A few days afterward his wife and \$27,000 disappeared. Jefferson D. Storis, St. Louis lawyer, says that she left on his advice, and that her suitcase and the money was also by his advice. In fact, he says he told her to "take everything she could lay hands on." Mr. Schroeder, according to his wife, thought she was going to give her money to buy necessities. When he offered her 10 cents, and told her it was all she would get for a long time, she called on Mr. Storis. Mrs. Schroeder is at Washington, Mo.

PORT ARTHUR COMPANY WINS.

Texas Supreme Court Decides It Can Build Its Canal.

The Supreme Court of Texas has handed down a decision in favor of the Port Arthur, Channel and Dock Company in the case brought by the property holders near Port Arthur. The decision disposes of all questions in connection with the completion of the canal, which is in course of construction. Port Arthur is situated on the Gulf of Mexico, and the canal will connect the Gulf of Mexico with deep water, a distance of six and one-half miles.

Forty Girls Hurt in Panic.

While a religious ceremony was in progress in the vestry room of the Church of the Good Shepherd, at Parkville, where many girls from the schools were in attendance, the cinematograph lamps were suddenly extinguished and a fearful panic ensued, everybody instantly recalling the charity school fire. The priest finally succeeded in allaying the panic, but not before forty girls were injured by trampling, many being seriously hurt.

Girls Held for Burglaries.

Ethel Bodish, aged 14 years, and Blanche Howard, 8 years old, were arrested at Little Rock, Ark., charged with robbing a goods store. A considerable quantity of goods taken from the store was found in their possession. The girls also robbed the Prorident Relief Association house the same night, securing a quantity of clothing donated to the poor of the city.

Thieves Get Away with \$13,200.

At Utica, Ohio, the Wilson Bank was robbed while the officials were absent for a period of fifteen minutes at the dinner hour. Two thousand dollars in registered bonds and \$5,000 in coupon bonds and \$5,800 in gold and currency were taken.

Powder Blows Six to Atoms.

The powder mill at Lamotte, Mo., blew up, blowing six men to atoms and wounding several others. The explosion took place in the packing house, and was of such force as to be heard and felt for a distance of twenty-five miles.

Bold Robbery in a Missouri Town.

An attempt to rob the Lincoln County Bank at Liberty, Mo., was frustrated by a town watchman who led to a tree by four robbers, who broke into the bank and attempted to enter the safe. It is not known that they got anything.

Sentenced to Hang at Milan, Mo.

At Milan, Mo., the jury in the trial of W. E. Ferguson for the murder of S. G. White, a railroad engineer, returned a verdict of murder in the first degree. Judge Stephens at once sentenced him to hang Friday, Dec. 30.

Gold-Hunters' Fate.

A party of fifteen gold seekers, including W. M. Dwyer, a Moravian, were killed by a powder explosion in the vicinity of the schooner Jessie at the mouth of the Kuskowin river in Alaska.

San Francisco Hotel Burns.

The Baldwin Hotel and theater in San Francisco was destroyed by fire. There were many persons in the building, but no one is supposed to have perished. The loss is about \$2,000,000.

Racine Iron Works Burned.

The plant of the Racine, Wis., malleable and wrought iron works was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$100,000; insurance, \$40,000.

Earthquake in the South.

Many points in southern and southwest Virginia and North Carolina report having experienced an earthquake shock.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, red, 66c to 67c; No. 2, white, 68c to 69c; No. 2, mixed, 27c to 28c; No. 2, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c; butter, choice creamery, 21c to 22c; eggs, fresh, 21c to 22c; potatoes, choice, 30c to 40c per bushel.

St. Louis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hog, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, red, 66c to 68c; No. 2, white, 68c to 69c; oats, No. 2 white, 28c to 29c; No. 2, mixed, 27c to 28c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hog, \$3.50 to \$4.75; sheep, \$3.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 71c to 72c; corn, No. 2, 28c to 29c; No. 2, mixed, 27c to 28c; No. 2, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hog, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 69c to 71c; corn, No. 2, 28c to 29c; No. 2, mixed, 27c to 28c; No. 2, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.50; hog, \$3.25 to \$3.75; sheep and lambs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2, 28c to 29c; No. 2, mixed, 27c to 28c; No. 2, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 71c to 72c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 27c to 28c; No. 2, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2, spring, 67c to 68c; corn, No. 3, 33c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 28c to 30c; No. 1, 52c to 54c; barley, No. 2, 43c to 50c; pork, mess, \$7.75 to \$8.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, common to choice, \$3.50 to \$4.75; sheep, lamb, common to extra, \$3.00 to \$5.50.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hog, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, red, 75c to 80c; corn, No. 2, 40c to 41c; oats, No. 2, 30c to 32c; butter, creamery, 10c to 25c; eggs, Western, 23c to 24c.

CHINESE JUSTICE.

Punishment in Sometimes Meted Out.

One night our party halted at a place called Hungay, in the Yunnan province of China; population about 5,000; products, fleas and other small deer, says a writer in Travel, in giving a description of Chinese justice. We were making a hurried escape from the wretched place when Love suddenly missed his camera. Five minutes before starting camera. He was strapped to the machine, but now it was gone. A swift run was made to the inn. Had the landlord seen it? No, he had not, and besides he did not want to be disturbed, for he was eating rice. Had anybody seen the camera? Not a soul. There was nothing for it but a visit to the man-bait at the yamen. He was a kindly fellow fellow of about our own age. He listened quietly while the loss was explained, and when he understood there had been thieving he turned the color of paper with rage. A troop of soldiers was dispatched to the inn with orders to arrest everybody.

TURNCOAT REPUBLICANS.

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