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VERSELAER, INDIANA.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Mrs. Alice Petit, wife of Dr. Petit, living one mile from Greenville, Mo., was burned to death. Starting a fire in the cook stove, she poured oil on the fuel. The blaze ignited her clothing. She died in a short time.

G. Percival Stewart of New York, president of the American Investors' Company, surrendered to the Syracuse authorities under four indictments found against him by the grand jury charging him with grand larceny. He was admitted to \$2,000 bail.

James Nunley of Coal Bluff, Ind., returned from the Soldiers' Home at Lafayette a few weeks ago. He began drinking, and at night set fire to the house and then cut his throat and died. He attempted suicide once before after a quarrel with his wife.

After doing business since 1892 the Paducah Building and Trust Company of Paducah, Ky., has assigned to R. G. Caldwell. The liabilities are \$200,000 and assets the same, largely in property. Extra court decisions and heavy demands for withdrawals by stockholders are given as the cause of the failure.

Sadie B. Matthewson, 26 years old, was murdered by Samuel Rowens, 57 years old, at Foster, R. I. Both were drunk. Rowens knocked her down with an ax, stabbed her twice, and then, pouring kerosene oil over her, set her on fire while she was still breathing. Her body was burned to a crisp.

In a dingy, stuffy room in St. Louis Officer Hanrahan found in a dirty trunk and a valise over \$15,000 in Government bonds, gold and bills. The police think this fortune is the property of Mrs. Walberger Wackerle, an aged German woman, who is now a patient at the city insane asylum.

Fully 95 per cent of the zinc mines in the Missouri-Kansas district have been closed down, in accordance with the request of the Zinc Miners' Association, and it is thought that the remaining plants will be idle in a few days. The smelters are now paying the association schedule to get ore. It is generally believed that the mines will be in full operation again in a few weeks, and the fight between the smelting trust and the ore producers will be settled.

Mrs. Margaret Woegler of Chicago died from burns. At 2 o'clock in the morning her husband was awakened, hearing her screaming with pain. He ran to her room and found her lying on the floor with her dress on fire. He extinguished the flames, but his wife was burned so badly that she died within a few hours. It is supposed that Mrs. Woegler dropped a lighted match in her clothing while lighting the gas. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

A man was found dead in a movers' camp west of Brazil, Ind. Sheriff Klingler and Coroner Mershon went to the camp and took charge of the body. A man named Johnson and several women who were with him said the man died of heart disease. They gave his name as James Ayers and said his home was in Lexington, Ky. Only 5 cents was found on his person. Later it was learned that the man had been seen with a large roll of money a short time before his death. The travelers were arrested.

The standing of the clubs in the National League race is as follows:

W. L.	W. L.
Brooklyn 45	16 Cincinnati 29
Boston 38	21 New York 30
Philadelphia 36	22 Pittsburg 26
Chicago 36	24 Louisville 21
Baltimore 33	25 Washington 18
St. Louis 35	27 Cleveland 10

Following is the standing of the clubs in the Western League:

W. L.	W. L.
Minneapolis 32	23 St. Paul 27
Indianapolis 30	24 Milwaukee 27
Detroit 29	26 Kansas City 23
Columbus 29	27 Buffalo 23

NEWS NUGGETS.

Arthur Tennyson, youngest brother of Alfred Tennyson, is dead.

The wages of all employees of the Ohio River Railroad have been increased 10 per cent.

Armed Chinese peasants have been destroying the German railroad from Kinkow to Kiano.

Capt. Coghlan, U. S. N., lectured before the Winfield, Kan., Chautauqua on "The Battle of Manila."

The peace congress at The Hague has decided that the Russian disarmament proposals are unacceptable.

A liberal ministry has been formed in Chile, in succession to the conservative cabinet which resigned June 2.

Rev. Dr. N. E. Wood, formerly of Chicago, has been chosen president of New-ton, Mass., Theological Institute.

William Goebel was nominated for Governor on the twenty-sixth ballot by the Kentucky Democratic convention at Louisville.

While riding along the public road in Elliott County, twenty miles south of Georgetown, Ky., Lee Sparks was fatally shot from ambush. No clew to the murderer.

Three strikers were killed during the rioting at the Boehm coal mines, Germany. The number of men wounded is not known, as many of them were spirited away to private houses. Thirty-six arrests were made.

Commissioner General Powderly of the immigration bureau has mailed to San Francisco warrants for the arrest and deportation of six Japanese recently released from custody by the Federal Court on a writ of habeas corpus.

At Vintondale, Pa., the large sawmill of the Vinton Lumber Company was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$60,000, with no insurance.

The American Glucose Sugar Refining Company, recently organized under the laws of New Jersey, has filed papers changing its corporate name to the Federal Contract Company.

It is announced that Russia has placed an order for \$20,000,000 of American ordnance. L. L. Driggs of the Driggs Gun and Ammunition Company, New York, is the authority for this statement.

EASTERN.

According to a Washington dispatch the President has decided to enlist 12,000 volunteers for service in the Philippines.

A receiver has been appointed for the Prang-Taber Art Company of Springfield, Mass. Liabilities \$176,000, assets \$450,000.

It is announced that the Keystone Watch Case Company and the Riverside Watch Case Company of Philadelphia have consolidated.

A. L. Dewar of Chicago has purchased a seat on the New York Stock Exchange for \$40,000. This is the third seat that has been sold for that sum.

Henry Bradley Plant, owner of the Plant railway system, a line of steamships and much real estate in the State of Florida, died at New York.

The jury in the case of Mrs. Clementine M. Rockford, on trial at Towson, Md., for the murder of her husband, returned a verdict of manslaughter.

Boston, Benjamin Lang, 48 years of age, killed his wife, Clara E. Lang, with an ax. It is thought that he committed the deed while in a fit of mental aberration.

Fire damaged the More-Phillips Chemical works at Camden, N. J., to the extent of \$100,000. Three large buildings used in the manufacture of phosphates were destroyed.

For the second time within six weeks, distinct earthquake shocks were felt in towns along the Connecticut river from a point a short distance east of Hartford as far as Saybrook.

The eight-oared shell race for the inter-collegiate championship of America, at Poughkeepsie, on the Hudson, was won by Pennsylvania in 20:04. Wisconsin came in second in 20:05½.

The terra cotta works of William Gallo, Philadelphia, were entirely destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. The fire is supposed to have originated in one of the kilns.

A partial examination of the books of ex-Tax Collector George L. Griswold, who was arrested at Norwich, Conn., the other day, a self-confessed embezzler, shows a shortage of about \$25,000.

J. W. Smith was at work on the Cincinnati Saengerfest building when some timbers being hoisted about seventy-five feet above him fell. A heavy joist struck him squarely, knocking him down and fracturing his skull.

More than 2,400 members of the East Side Trousers Makers' Union went on a strike in New York. Incidentally above 5,000 women and children will be thrown out of employment. The men had been working sixteen hours a day for \$6 a week.

Mrs. George B. Barrow, when arraigned before Justice Werner in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court at New York, pleaded guilty to the charge of kidnaping Baby Marion Clarke. She was sentenced to twelve years and ten months in prison.

Edward F. Powell, who inherited \$250,000 on reaching his majority a year ago, tried to amuse his young lady friends at Norristown, Pa., by showing them how fast he could run backward. He stumbled and fell, breaking his neck, and died immediately.

William Ballard, a colored hostler, was arrested in New York, accused of the murder of his employer, Clayton Young, a horse owner, in St. Louis, on Aug. 22, 1890. Ballard said he killed Young because the latter had frequently beaten and abused him.

The steamer Nellie Torrent, bound down from Lake Superior with a cargo of lumber, burned to the water's edge abreast of Point au Frame, St. Mary's river. The vessel was beached and scuttled on Lime Island. The cargo of lumber is a total loss.

Mrs. Grace Ramsey cut the throat of her husband, Harvey J. Ramsey, assistant treasurer of Madison Square Garden, while he slept in their apartments at the Garden Hotel, New York. Ramsey died in Bellevue hospital a few hours later. It is believed Mrs. Ramsey is insane.

Private Wesley Kirby of Company H, Twenty-fourth infantry, was shot through the leg by Private Frank Wigfall of the same company at the headquarters at the Presidio, San Francisco. The wound is serious, and no cause is assigned for the attempt to commit murder.

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WESTERN.

Judge William H. Clark, aged 39, is dead at Los Angeles, Cal.

Colorado is to be represented at the Paris exposition by a gold statue of a girl to cost \$1,000,000.

Jesse Spalding of Chicago has been elected president of the Chicago Union Traction Company.

A Mecca lubricating oil well worth \$100 a day was struck on Richard King's farm, near Warren, Ohio.

An agreement has been reached by Cleveland street car men and the company by which the strike is called off.

A strike of 3,000 men in the large packing houses at the Chicago stock yards caused the suspension of hog killing operations, but little canning is being done.

At Hartville, Mo., a desperate attempt was made to break jail by the MacComb train robbers, but it was frustrated by the guards. All the prisoners were then handcuffed.

James F. Walton of the Walton Architectural Company, Cincinnati, has filed petition in voluntary bankruptcy in the United States Court. Liabilities \$46,489, assets none.

Frank Neal, the St. Louis boxer, known as "Dutch" Neal, who succumbed during a bout with Harry Peppers of San Francisco at the Adelphi Theater in Chicago, is dead of blood clot.

Miss Cora Rosebrook, aged 38 years, died in St. Luke's hospital in St. Paul from injuries received in the tornado at New Richmond, Wis., making a total of 114 known dead so far.

A passenger train on the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern road was wrecked on a ten-foot embankment two miles beyond the city limits of Muscatine, Iowa, by a broken engine truck, the engine rolling down the bank and both

coaches leaving the rails. Three persons were injured.

The Music Teachers' National Association convention at Cincinnati adjourned after electing A. J. Gantvoort of that city president. Next year's meeting will be held at Des Moines, Iowa.

At Lima, Ohio, two men called at the city transfer barns and wanted Frank Harris, night manager, to give them money for beer. When he refused they shot him in the groin, making a fatal wound.

Miss Lena Falk of Chicago was drowned at Put-in-Bay while rowing with a male companion. The sea was rough and the boat capsized, drowning the woman before help could arrive. The man was rescued after some difficulty.

Gov. Stephens of Missouri announces that he will call a special election in the Eighth congressional district of Missouri about the first of September to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Richard P. Bland.

At Leavenworth, Kan., twenty-two suits, the aggregate amount being \$212,000, were filed in the District Court against the Leavenworth and Home Riverside coal companies, to compel payment of royalties.

A heavy storm swept over Pine Bluff, Ark., and did great damage to telephone and telegraph wires. Lightning struck in several places, doing great damage. On the James Trulock place William Patterson and Jim Jackson were killed.

Frederick Schatz of Graytown, Ohio, who died at the home of his wife, was not killed, but died of heart disease. Wm. H. Schatz stated that the dispatches sent out to the effect that his father was murdered by his wife are absolutely false.

Bartley, Neb., and adjacent territory was visited by a destructive hail and rain storm. For miles to the northeast a stalk of corn or spear of wheat was left standing. Little hail insurance is carried by the farmers, and the loss will be heavy.

O. H. Hillis, clerk of the United States Circuit Court at Omaha, is dead. He had been in apparently perfect health and entered the bath room, and, not reappearing, an investigation was made. He was found dead in the bath tub, heart failure being the cause.

Jennings, one of the train robbers at Hartville, Mo., on trial for complicity in the MacComb hold-up in January last, for which robbery "Jack" Kennedy was given seventeen years in the penitentiary, was found guilty and sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary.

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