

NEWS OF A WEEK
TOLD IN BRIEF

MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS GATHERED FROM ALL POINTS OF THE GLOBE.

GIVEN IN ITEMIZED FORM

Notable Happenings Prepared for the Perusal of the Busy Man—Summary of the Latest Home and Foreign Notes.

THE THAW TRIAL.

Justice Dowling decided to limit each side in the Thaw trial to three expert witnesses and two of the defense's trio were heard as to the facts of the mental and physical examinations they made of Harry Thaw in the Tombs prison.

In the Thaw trial Anthony Comstock told of letters he received from Thaw concerning Stanford White's apartments, and the defendant's mother testified as to insanity in the Thaw family.

District Attorney Jerome's long and severe cross-examination of Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw at the trial of her husband came to an end and the attorneys for the defense placed in evidence a letter written by the defendant in the fall of 1903 which completely corroborated the claim that the girl who was to become his wife did tell him the story of her relations with Stanford White much as she has related it upon the stand at this and the former trial.

Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw told her story for the second time. The repetition lacked the vitality of the first recital, but the great crowd in the courtroom, which Justice Dowling had refused to exclude, listened intently. District Attorney Jerome then subjected the witness to a pitiless cross-examination.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Several hundred men were clubbed by the Chicago police and a number were more or less seriously hurt in the loop district when 200 uniformed patrolmen and detectives charged an "army of the unemployed" in efforts to disperse them. The "army" was marching toward the city hall to demand work. It was finally disrupted.

Frank J. Constantine, who killed Mrs. Louise Gentry in Chicago and who attempted suicide in the Joliet penitentiary by throwing himself from a gallery, died.

Several severe earthquake shocks terrified the inhabitants of towns in Calabria, Italy, and did great damage to buildings.

An attempt to overthrow the monarchy and proclaim Portugal a republic was nipped in the bud by the prompt action of the government. The plot was organized by a small group of advanced republicans, the leaders of whom were arrested. The plan was to assassinate Premier Franco and then depend for success upon street risings, supported by secret, republican and labor organizations, armed with bombs and revolvers.

Believing that his illness would result finally, John Fetter, aged 73 years, of South Bethlehem, Pa., confessed that he murdered his daughter, Ella Fetter, aged 39 years, in November, 1894.

Edward Alexander Macdowell, who has been recognized as America's foremost composer, died at the Westminster hospital, New York city. He was 46 years old. Death was due to a nervous affection.

Fire at Deer River, Minn., destroyed a block and a half of the business portion of the town, causing loss estimated at \$100,000.

Mrs. Henry A. Alexander, daughter of the late Gen. Joseph T. Torrence of Chicago, eloped from Hyeres, France, with William Graham Blakesley, an Englishman.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad cut all salaries of officers and employees receiving \$150 a month and over.

Three men were killed and 15 injured in the worst fire Baltimore had had since the big conflagration of 1904. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Charles Mitchell, aged 70 years, a retired wholesale dealer, died at St. Joseph, Mo. He was wounded on the Merrimac in its first day's fight with the Monitor during the civil war.

Rev. J. W. O'Bryant, who has been pastor of the Hyde Park Methodist church of St. Joseph, Mo., has resigned to become a street car conductor on a suburban line.

King Alfonso of Spain while hunting had a narrow escape from being killed by a wild boar.

A negro who was hanged by a mob at Dothan, Ala., was cut down by the sheriff while yet alive and may recover.

The headless and nude body of a woman was found floating in the lake at Chicago. It is believed she was murdered.

Ten persons were killed and many injured in a collision between an express train from Rome and a train coming from Bergamo near Milan, Italy.

Reese Thomas of Cambria, Minn., was burned to death while starting a fire with kerosene.

Rufus Draper, one of the long-time residents of Minneapolis, died in that city.

W. L. Mackenzie King reported to the Canadian parliament that the great influx of Japanese laborers was due to the desire for them expressed by certain Canadian corporations.

Lord Curzon of Kedleston was elected a representative peer of Ireland.

Greer college and the high school at Honesdale, Pa., were closed because of an epidemic of diphtheria.

The building of the Colonial club in Buffalo, N. Y., was partly burned and one fireman lost his life.

At Dowagiac, Mich., an audience of about 150, mostly women and children, was thrown into a panic by a fire in a moving picture theater. No one was seriously injured.

The supreme court of the United States denied the petition for an appeal in the Chicago Street Railroad reorganization case.

In order to prevent the spread of scarlet fever, the board of education of Minneapolis decided to burn a large number of text books.

Three men were arrested in Messina, Sicily, charged with complicity in the murder of a paymaster at Portage, Pa., several years ago.

W. E. Carter, a veterinary surgeon of Meadville, Mo., was tortured by whitecaps.

Fire destroyed a baggage car containing all the baggage of a party of 100 Shriners from St. Louis, Chicago and Kansas City, returning from the City of Mexico, where they had been to institute a new organization.

Bennie A. Walker of Canton, O., is thought to be lost in the mountains near Los Angeles, Cal. He has been missing since January 15.

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Gov. Patterson of Tennessee commuted the death sentence of Lee Holder, aged 19, to life imprisonment. Holder, about a year ago, murdered his father.

President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers declined to accept a personal gift of \$2,700 tendered him by the miners of Montana and Wyoming and it was given to Mrs. Mitchell for the education of her children.

With a total vote of 4,235, about half the voting strength of the town, Sioux City, Ia., defeated the commission plan of municipal government by a majority of 329.

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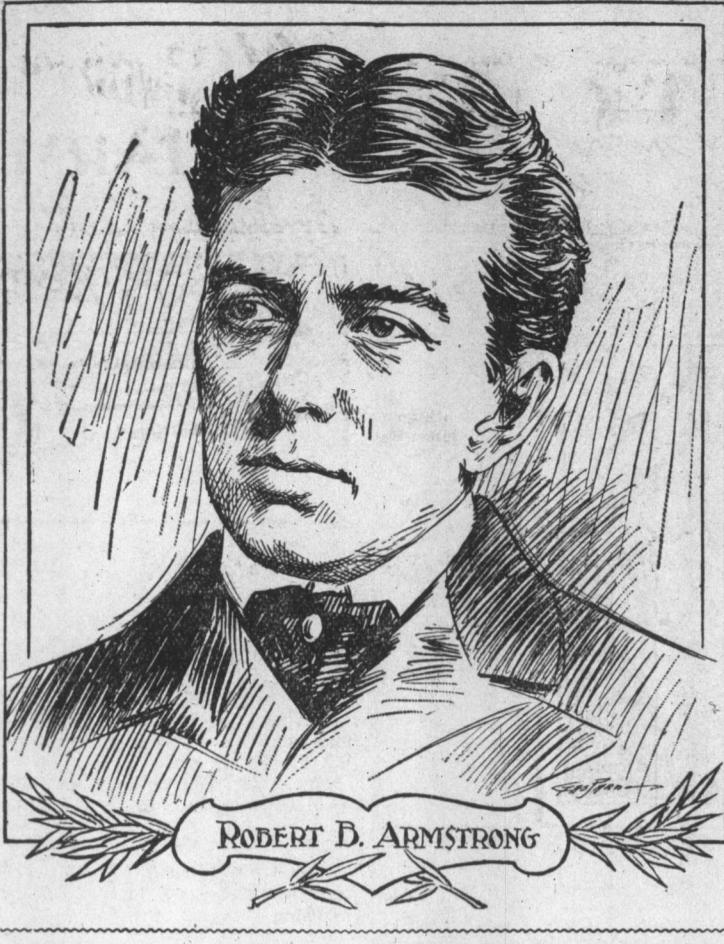
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