

TORN TO PIECES.

Terrible Affair in a Travelling Circus—Three Men Devoured Alive by Lions.

The usually quiet little village of Middletown, Missouri, was lately thrown into a painful fever of excitement by an awful catastrophe which occurred to the band lately attached to James Robinson & Co.'s circus and animal show, and led by Prof. M. C. Sexton.

Upon starting out from Cincinnati for the season, the management determined to produce something novel in the way of a band chariot, and conceived the idea of mounting the band upon the colossal den of performing Nubian lions, and which would form one of the principal and most imposing features of the show.

Although repeatedly warned by Professor Sexton that he deemed the cage insecure and dangerous in the extreme, the managers still persisted in compelling the band to ride upon it. On the fatal morning of the 13th, the band took their places and the procession commenced to move amid the shouts of the multitude of rustics who had assembled to witness the grand pageant, and hear the enrapturing strains of music.

As the driver endeavored to make a turn in the streets the leaders became entangled and threw the entire team into confusion, and he lost control of them, and becoming frightened they broke into a violent race.

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SAD DROWNING CASUALTY.—Last night Albert R. Baker, residing at No. 1021 Water street; William C. De Ammond, residing at No. 942 S. Twenty-first street; Maggie Cade, residing at No. 1010 Broad street; and another young lady, named Sallie Breen, went on a boating excursion as far as the Falls of Schuylkill. Returning about 11 o'clock, they, when but a short distance out, struck a rock, and stove a hole in the bottom of the boat. De Ammond went to the bow to fix the leak, when he lost his balance and pitched overboard, his feet catching in the rope. Baker and the girls were seated in the stern of the boat, when, of a sudden, it capsized and they were precipitated into the river. Both of the young men being excellent swimmers, kept perfectly collected, and succeeded in partially quieting their companions. Baker seized Maggie by the waist and Sallie by the dress, and thus they floated to the vicinity of the Falls bridge. De Ammond meantime endeavoring to break loose from the rope, and calling on them to keep up courage. Suddenly they disappeared, and the boat swinging round under one of the piers, De Ammond was enabled to extricate himself, but at too late a moment. The Harbor Police have been grappling for the bodies, but thus far have been unsuccessful, but their boat-hooks and irons in their futile attempts.

SALE OF FURNITURE.—On Monday next M. Thomas & Sons will sell at their auction rooms, Nos. 139 and 141 South Fourth street, an extensive assortment of first-class furniture, manufactured by A. Barber. The assortment comprises walnut parlor sets covered with plush and other fine materials, library bookcases, very handsome, and well to call and examine for themselves. There will undoubtedly be many opportunities for great bargains.

MORE MILITARY VISITORS.—Four companies of Cadets from the Pennsylvania Military Academy at Chester, Delaware county, Pa., passed through our city at noon to-day, on their way to Florence Heights, where they intended spending the day. They are under the command of Colonel Eaton and number 80. Whilst in front of the State House, they went through the movements of the manual of arms and exhibited great proficiency.

1100.—Francis Logue was yesterday arrested at Broad street, where he was found with a large bag containing \$100 from his uncle, James Greenhaugh, No. 4065 Sillier street, Frankford, while paying him a visit. Logue is charged with having a hearing before Alderman Kerr to-day.

HORSE THIEF.—George Meyers yesterday sold a horse to a man named Tomlinson, Vine street, above Twelfth. Subsequently another party claimed the horse, proved property, and hands were led to the arrest of George, and Alderman Massey held him to answer for the theft of the quadruped.

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.—John R. Hunter was arrested at Seventh and St. Mary streets last night on the charge of having stolen two silver watches, a child's wrapper, and a gum blanket, which articles were found on him. Alderman Kerr held him to answer.

FELL DEAD.—Bridget McCaffery, a servant girl, residing in Sixth street, above Catharine, fell dead this morning, just as she was entering the house of a neighbor. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause.

MUSIC.—An organ-grinder, named Vescor Lane, was arrested at Sixth and Market streets yesterday for annoying the neighborhood with his tunes. Alderman Quirk fined him.

A WIFE.—A male child two years old was found in the yard of the Foster home, Twenty-fourth and Poplar streets, this A. M.

DROWNED.—William Barr, aged ten years, was drowned in the canal at Manayunk this morning.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

Patent Cases. United States Circuit Court—Judges Strong and McKean.

In the case of Fenner vs. Burton, which was a demurrer to plaintiff's bill for an injunction to restrain defendant from infringing a patent bearing, before reported, the Court to-day gave judgment overruling the demurrer.

Eben D. Jordan vs. John Dobson et al. This is a bill in equity for an injunction to restrain defendants from infringing upon plaintiff's patent rights to a new carding machine, invented by John Golding and assigned by him to plaintiff. On the part of plaintiff it is set forth that Golding obtained a fourteen years' patent for the machine in 1826, and subsequently by act of Congress, in 1862, took out an extended patent, which was assigned to plaintiff, who surrendered it and had it reissued with new specifications. It is alleged that defendants have for a course of years been manufacturing the article, without license from the plaintiff and much to his injury, wherefore he prays an injunction to restrain from the infringement, and also a decree for damages for the injury already sustained. The defendants plead that by the expiration of the patent in 1840, and the failure of the inventor's part to have it reissued until 1862, the invention became a matter of common right, and every citizen was entitled to make, use, and sell it.

The case is now being argued by Furman Shepard and H. T. Penton, Esqrs., for plaintiff, and Richard White and Nathan Sharpless, Esqrs., for defendants.

—Mr. Horace Fairbanks, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has nearly completed a library building, at a cost of \$50,000, and ordered \$3000 worth of valuable books, intending to present the whole to the town for public use.

FINE STATIONERY. ARMS, MONOGRAMS, ILLUMINATING, ETC. DREKA, 103 CHESTNUT STREET. Card Engraver and Stationer.

CROQUET. REDUCTION IN PRICES. A full set, 8 balls and 8 mallets, \$3.50. SIXTEEN different kinds, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

Third Congressional District.

12th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th Wards.

A GRAND SERENADE

Will be given by the MANUFACTURERS AND WORKINGMEN OF THE THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT to the

HON. LEONARD MYERS,

At his residence, No. 502 North SIXTH Street,

This (Wednesday) Evening,

June 15, at 9 1/2 o'clock, in honor of his renomination to Congress.

The different Ward Associations are invited to participate. The 19th Ward Republican Association will fall in line from Headquarters, Frankford road and York street, at 8 1/2 sharp; 15th ward from Headquarters, Marlborough and Richmond streets; 17th ward from Headquarters, Front and Master streets; 16th ward from Headquarters, Beach and Laurel streets; 13th ward, from Fifth and Green streets, and 12th ward, Franklin and Buttonwood streets.

By order of Committee of Arrangements on behalf of Manufacturers.

JOHN DORNAN, EDW. H. FITLER, HAMILTON DIBSTON, HENRY HOLMES.

On behalf of Workingmen.

BENJ. MCCORMACK, C. HESLEY, JAMES BOYD, VALENTINE EARLY, ARTHUR MCMASTERS.

City Guard Head and Independence Drain Corps take notice.

SECOND EDITION

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

Violent Earthquakes in Japan

Towns and Villages Destroyed.

Monument to Oneida Victims.

First Day of the Ascot Races

The National Union League.

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The National Union League.

Despatch to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The National Executive Committee of the Union League of America will meet at the St. Nicholas Hotel, New York, Chester, Delaware county, Pa., passed through our city at noon to-day, on their way to Florence Heights, where they intended spending the day. They are under the command of Colonel Eaton and number 80. Whilst in front of the State House, they went through the movements of the manual of arms and exhibited great proficiency.

A Congressional delegation left this morning to attend the annual commencement exercises of the Lincoln University at Oxford, Pa. Among the party are Representatives Townsend, Covode, Gilliland, Taylor, Mercer, Arnell, Prosser, Julian, and Whitmore; General O. O. Howard, Commissioner Eaton, of the Educational Bureau; Professor J. M. Langston, and ex-Speaker Grow.

FROM THE PACIFIC.

Violent Earthquake in Japan—Volcanoes in the Pacific.

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McFarland in Chicago. CHICAGO, June 14.—Daniel McFarland, who is now at Madison, Wisconsin, protested to-day to a friend that he was not and never had been insane.

Fire in Wisconsin. A fire at Platteville, Wisconsin, on Sunday, destroyed the Gates House, the bank building of Isaac Hodges, and McArthur's store and residence. Loss, \$15,000.

The Missouri Pacific Railroad. ST. LOUIS, June 14.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Missouri Pacific Railroad to-day the leases between that company and the St. Louis, Lawrence, and Denver road, and a branch to Lexington, Missouri, were unanimously ratified. The former road is cut off between Pleasant Hill and Lawrence, Kansas, which will shorten the distance about twenty miles, and give St. Louis a shorter route to Southern Kansas than she now has.

The Cincinnati Singsong. A large number of the German singing clubs of this city left this evening to attend the Singsong at Cincinnati.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE. Violent Squall—Schooners Capsized. FORTRESS MONROE, June 15.—A violent squall struck some vessels at anchor in Great Water, about thirty miles up the bay, on Saturday evening last, and capsized three schooners, one being the Viola, of Crisfield. No lives were lost. On reaching the land the storm uprooted trees, blew out windows and doors, and did much damage to the crops. Its track was about a mile in width.

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The Ascot Races.

LONDON, June 15.—Yesterday was the first day of the Ascot races. The first race was for a gold vase given by her Majesty, and was won by Siderling. The second race was for the Prince of Wales stakes, fifty sovereigns, was won by King of Scots. The third race, for the Ascot stakes of twenty-five sovereigns, was won by Musket. The fourth race, for the trial stakes of five sovereigns, was won by Green Riband, and the last race, for the thirteenth Ascot biennial stakes of ten sovereigns, was won by Perth.

The Assassins of Count Darenberg. ST. PETERSBURG, June 15.—The sentence of the assassins of Count Darenberg, of the Austrian Legation, has been modified. They will not be imprisoned here for a term of years, as was at first contemplated. They will be exiled to Siberia at once.

The City of Ragusa. LONDON, June 15.—The miniature steamer City of Ragusa, it seems, ran ashore on the coast of Ireland, and was damaged. She put into Queenstown for repairs, and will soon sail again for New York.

Obituary. Rev. Thomas Luby, mathematician, of Trinity College, Dublin, died, in that city last evening.

London, June 14.—5 P. M.—Consols closed at 92 1/2 for money, and 92 1/2 for account. American securities firmer and higher. United States five-twenties of 1867, 91; of 1869, 91; of 1871, 91; ten-forties, 87 1/2. Stocks closed steady; Erie Railroad, 13 1/2; Illinois Central buoyant at 11 1/2; Great Western, 28; Liverpool, 10 1/2; Cotton flat and irregular. Middleling options, 10 1/2; middling Orleans, 10 1/2; middling upland, 10 1/2. Spirits, 10 1/2.

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AFFAIRS AT THE CAPITAL.

The President's Cuban Message.

The Excitement Increasing.

Denial of the Cushing Story.

Persecution of Japanese Christians.

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WASHINGTON, June 15.—It has been reliably ascertained that so far from General Cushing having anything to do with the President's Cuban message, as intimated in the House yesterday, he was much surprised on hearing the document had been communicated to Congress. No one on the outside of the executive department had anything whatever to do with its preparation, or knew of its existence before it was submitted to the members of the Cabinet, two of them, Boutwell and Belknap, being absent from Washington. Those who were present agreed that the condition of affairs in the island of Cuba did not justify a declaration of belligerent rights, and it is known the position of the President is, that while all peoples struggling for their liberty have his sympathies, and while he would be glad to see all who live on this continent in possession of a republican government, his chief object of requisition is to see that the Constitution and the laws are executed without regard to his mere individual desires or sympathy.

Visitors at the White House. Forty-seven members of the Home Circle of the Brotherhood of the Union, male and female, of the cities of Washington and Baltimore, visited the Executive Mansion this morning to pay their respects to the President. He received them in the East Room. It was explained to him that the organization was for benevolent as well as patriotic purposes. The President expressed his thanks for their calling, and the company were severally presented to him and shook hands.

The Porter Assailant Case. The Judiciary Committee heard several witnesses in the case of Porter vs. Woods. Porter testified—Woods met him on the street in Richmond while Porter was on the way to his house to proceed thence to Washington; Woods