

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Wednesday, January 9.

The iron works of Potts Brothers' Iron company, at Pottstown, Pa., was damaged to the extent of \$18,000 by fire.

Samuel Slater, watchman at the Glen Lyon Dye works, at Providence, R. I. was shot and killed by burglars, who escaped.

Two-year-old Lloyd Buckingham fell into a boiler of scalding water at his home in Philadelphia and received injuries that will cause his death.

James Cullen stabbed his wife and stepson to death at Charles City, Minn., and then attempted to kill himself, but changed his mind and started for a doctor. He was arrested.

Thursday, January 10.

The statue to Pope Leo XIII, 20 feet high, was unveiled in the Church of St. John Lateran at Rome.

In an explosion of dynamite at a railroad camp near Roanoke, Va., one man was killed and three others mortally wounded.

James W. Chew, clerk of the United States district and circuit courts at Baltimore, Md., died of Bright's disease, aged 74 years.

President Roosevelt has accepted an invitation to attend the unveiling of the monument to General Henry W. Lawton at Indianapolis, Ind., on Memorial Day.

Friday, January 11.

Mrs. Mary Gillett and Peter Rizzo, aged 4 years, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a boarding house at Dubois, Pa.

Sir Thomas Lipton has offered a cup for a yacht race in Hampton Roads during the Jamestown (Va.) Fair, to take place in September.

John S. Harris, formerly a bank cashier at Columbia, Mo., recently found short in his accounts, committed suicide by shooting himself.

S. M. McCormick, city clerk and a leading member of the Clinton county bar, dropped dead from heart disease in the bath room at his home in Lock Haven, Pa.

Saturday, January 12.

The house of representatives passed 628 private pension bills in one hour and 35 minutes.

Residents of Carlisle, Pa., will protest to congress against the proposed abolition of the school for Indians.

Suffering from Bright's disease, George Henderson, 73 years old, committed suicide in Philadelphia by shooting himself.

Two girls were burned to death and four others seriously burned by the explosion of a gasoline tank in a factory at Little Valley, near Buffalo, N. Y.

The Pennsylvania railroad will display a section of the tunnel under the North river from Jersey City to New York at the Jamestown (Va.) Exposition.

Monday, January 14.

Milton Bunnell was murdered at Raleigh, N. C., and his body thrown on the railroad tracks and badly mangled.

John D. Rockefeller is said to have promised \$2,000,000 to endow a university at Louisville if friends will raise an equal amount.

John Dailey and Michael Seamon, miners employed at the colliery of C. Pardee Brothers & Co., at Milnesville, Pa., were killed by a fall of coal.

Thirty cases of ore valued at \$7,000,000 from Goldfield, Nev., have passed through Sacramento, Cal., on their way to Vallejo Junction for reduction.

Tuesday, January 15.

B. Frank Lehman, while out of work and despondent, committed suicide at Lancaster, Pa., by drinking poison.

Henry Squires, aged 82 years, at one time America's leading tenor, died of a paralytic stroke at Burlington, Ia.

Meyer Rubin, his wife Rosa and their son and daughter were asphyxiated by gas in their home in Brooklyn, N. Y.

In a collision of trolley cars at Allentown, Pa., George Peters, a motor-man, had a leg so badly crushed it had to be amputated.

Four trainmen were seriously injured and a number of passengers shaken up in a collision on the Atlantic Coast Line railway at Bensch, N. C.

Hawaiian Volcano Active.

Honolulu, Jan. 15.—From the eruption of Maunaloa volcano lava is flowing down the western side at the rate of seven miles an hour in three streams. On stream has crossed the government road and reached the sea 30 miles from its source. Some slight damage has been done to grazing lands, but neither life nor property has been endangered. The eruption has attracted many sightseers.

Well-Known Midget Killed By Gas.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 14.—Richard Donan, a midget well known in theatrical circles, was asphyxiated by illuminating gas here. He was found sitting in a chair beside a heater from which the gas escaped. Donan was 42 years old and a trifle over three feet tall. He was one of the original Lilliputians and had traveled all over the world.

Matador Fatally Gored In Bull Fight.

Mexico City, Jan. 14.—Antonio Montez, one of the foremost matadors of Spain, was fatally gored by a bull in a fight. Montez was about to place the sword, when the bull caught him. The doctors in attendance say that he cannot survive.

WILL FOR \$1,000,000 A FORGERY

Court So Declares In Rejecting Schooley's Testament.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 14.—George B. Schooley's attempt to capture the Crawford estate of over \$1,000,000 received a hard setback Judge Sando, in the orphans' court, handed down an opinion in which he makes it clear that he believes the will presented by Schooley is a forgery.

Schooley resides in Philadelphia and was a cousin of the late James L. Crawford, president of the People's Coal company, of this city, who died in Florida on January 19, 1905, leaving an estate worth nearly \$2,000,000. Soon after his death Mrs. Crawford had his will probated. It left practically all of the estate to her.

Sixteen months later Schooley produced a will, which he alleged was made at a later date than the one probated by Mrs. Crawford. This gave Schooley the major portion of the Crawford estate. Then he began his fight to have this will recognized. He is now under indictment in this county on a charge of forging the signature of Mr. Crawford to the will.

In the opinion Judge Sando declares that the evidence furnished to prove the will ungenine is so overwhelming that the court has no other course than to refuse to consider the document, although two witnesses have sworn that they witnessed Crawford sign the will in favor of Schooley. Attorney S. B. Price, counsel for Mr. Schooley, says that an appeal to the supreme court will be taken.

ALLEE DEFEATED FOR SENATOR

Henry Richardson Caucus Nominee of Delaware Republicans.

Dover, Del., Jan. 15.—Henry Richardson, of this county, was declared the Republican nominee for the United States senate on the ninth ballot in the caucus of the 36 assemblymen of the lower branch of the Delaware legislature. The ballot resulted: Richardson, 20; Allee, 10; Burton, 1; Marshall, 1; Addicks, 1; Layton, 2; Pennewill, 1. J. Frank Allee's supporters stood by him to the last, but the gradual defection of the Addicks men to Richardson made the present senator's selection by the caucus practically impossible. This action by the Republican assemblymen virtually assures Mr. Richardson's nomination as United States senator, as it had been agreed by the members previous to the caucus that they would support in joint caucus whoever received 19 votes in the meeting.

COAL OPERATOR ROBBED OF \$2000

Thief Deceived Two Employes and Left No Trace Behind.

Altoona, Pa., Jan. 12.—George Scott, of Philadelphia, a well known coal operator, was robbed of \$2000 at Portage. Scott drove from Phillipsburg to his Colonial mine, carrying the money with him in a buggy. When he reached the mine he left the money locked in a tool chest under care of the mine engineer and fireman, and went to the shaft to make an inspection. While he was gone a man dressed like a miner told the engineer and fireman that Scott wanted them. They went into the mine, found that Scott did not want them, and hurried back to the tool house, where they found the box had been broken open and the money stolen. No trace of the thief can be found. It is supposed that the highwayman, learning that Scott was coming with the money, intended to waylay him, but missed him and followed him to the mine.

HIS BODY FOUND IN RIVER

Mysterious Disappearance of Philadelphia Clubman Solved.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.—The body of Francis X. De Lone, the young clubman of this city, whose riderless horse was found in Fairmount Park on Wednesday, was recovered in the Schuylkill river. The body was found near a bridge which spans the river, and on which the young clubman was last seen riding his horse. It is believed that his mount became unmanageable, and that De Lone was thrown over the guard rail into the water. This theory is held by the police and De Lone's friends and relatives, and is borne out by the statement of a man who says he saw the young man trying to control his horse on the bridge a short time before the animal was found wandering in the park. When the police examined De Lone's body his jewelry and money were found intact.

TWO LITTLE ONES SUFFOCATED

4-Year-Old Boy and 2-Year-Old Sister Met Death Playing With Matches.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 15.—James Pakac, aged 4 years, and his sister, Julia, aged 2, were suffocated at their home in a fire which they are supposed to have started while playing with matches. The children were left alone for a short time, and when the mother returned she found the house on fire. The children were nowhere to be seen. Firemen found them dead in a room in the upper part of the house. Their faces were scorched by the fire.

Naval Storekeepers Arrested.

New York, Jan. 15.—George W. Lederle and John West, employes in the general storekeeper's department at the Brooklyn navy yard, were arrested by a United States marshal on a charge of receiving bribes in their official capacity as inspectors of materials furnished under contract to the United States government. They were arraigned and held in \$2500 bail each for examination Wednesday. It is alleged that three-quarters of the supplies of the entire navy have passed through that department in which the men held important positions.

George Elliot's Savonarola.

Savonarola is one of the most striking characters in George Elliot's great historical novel "Romola," the scene of which is in Florence and the period that of Savonarola's career. The idea of writing the book occurred to the novelist while on a visit to Florence, and on a second visit to the city, in 1861, she began to carry out her project. The subject and design were foreign to the author's genius, but she spared no pains in making a thorough study of the locality, the people and the literature of the Italian renaissance for the purposes of her story. In her own words, the work "plowed into her" more than any of her books. She began it, she says, as a young woman and finished it as an old woman. Her picture of Florence and Savonarola is undeniably impressive, and some critics declare "Romola" to be George Elliot's greatest novel and the character of Savonarola one of the finest delineations.—Pearson's.

Size of Heads.

The average adult head has a circumference of fully twenty-two inches. The average adult hat is fully six and three-quarters size. The sizes of men's hats are six and three-fourths and six and seven-eighths generally. "Sevens" hats are common in Aberdeen, and the professors of our colleges generally wear seven and one-eighth to eight sizes. Heads wearing hats of the sizes six and three-eighths and smaller or being less than twenty-one inches in circumference can never be powerful. Between nineteen and twenty inches in circumference heads are invariably very weak and, according to this authority, "no lady should think of marrying a man with a head less than twenty inches in circumference." People with heads under nineteen inches are mentally deficient and with heads under eighteen inches invariably idiotic.—London Young Woman.

Safest Place in Trains.

"I have one rule for my family when they travel," said the conductor of the suburban train, "and that is for them never to ride in the rear coach or the first one and, preferably, not in the coach next to the last or first. The reason for it is so obvious that I should think the foremost and last cars of a train would have scant patronage from anybody who reads of railroad accidents. If there is a smashup, those are the coaches that suffer. It seems strange that some kind of a buffer is not put behind the locomotive tender and at the rear of the train. How many lives would be saved by a device of the kind one has only to study the statistics of railroad accidents to figure out for himself."—New York Press.

A Lemon Instead.

"Do you know," a pretty bride of three months said to a friend the other day, "I think all these jokes about young wives having so much trouble with butchers and grocers and being cheated and all that is just too foolish."

"Then I presume you are getting on all right with yours, dear?" her friend inquired.

"Why, of course I am! Anybody would if they would just deal at a reliable place," the young wife declared. "Now, there is my grocer," she continued, "he is just as obliging and thoughtful as can be. The other day I ordered a dozen oranges, and when they came I found there were but eleven in the bag, so when I went to the store again I told him so."

"Why, yes, ma'am," he said, "I know there were. I had put in a dozen, but I noticed that one of them was spoiled, and of course I wouldn't send you any but the best goods, so I took it out."

"Now, don't you think that was nice in him to be so thoughtful and honest?" she concluded.—Harper's Weekly.

Gruesome Relic of Tragedy Found.

New York, Jan. 14.—The gruesome relic of a tragedy was found in a scow in the East river in the form of the headless and armless body of a man. The dismembered body had been brought up by a dredge and carried out to set in the mud scow, where it was discovered and brought back. It was taken to the morgue, and the coroner is investigating the murder theory. It was impossible to tell whether the man had been drowned or murdered and thrown into the river.

A Kiss That Brought Death.

Courtship in Spain is regulated by the strictest etiquette. As is well known, a young man is never left alone with his fiancée. Near Malaga a beautiful young girl of twenty committed suicide by drinking a cup of coffee in which phosphorus had been dissolved. It appears that the girl had been driven to the deed by the adverse comments of neighbors who became aware that she had given her sweetheart a kiss.—London Mail.

The Family Game.

Mother (coming into the children's room)—Rosie, what are you making such a terrible noise over? Look at Hugo. See how quiet he sits there. Rosie—Yes, it's easy for him to sit quiet in the game we are playing. He is papa, who has come home late, and I am—you.—Wiener Salonwitzblatt.

Explicit.

The Kedah postoffice authorities have a somewhat blunt way of putting things. Copies of a Penang paper posted to a subscriber were the other day returned marked, "Addressee hanged for murder."—Bangkok Times.

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