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Charged with Train Wrecking
ALLENTOWN, Pa., Feb. 18.—Phillip Reilly and Daniel Wark, arrested at Catawauqua and committed to the Allentown jail on a charge of stealing coal, and on suspicion, it is reported, of having thrown a Lehigh valley passenger train from the track near Fullerton, by placing a rail in front of it. The prompt work of the engineer saved the train from being derailed and many passengers from being killed or injured. The only damage by obstruction was the derailing and disabling of the engine. The wreck caused a coal train to stop in front of the residence of the accused, and it is charged that it once filled their cellar with coal from one of the cars.

The Conversation of the Prisoner Encourages the Suspicion That He Has Accomplices—The Crime Committed in New Hampshire and the Body Found in Maine.
ROCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 17.—Thousands of people have visited the locality where the dismembered body of Hiram A. Sawtelle was unearthed. There were no startling developments, but many minor matters have been brought to light strengthening the chain of evidence against the murdered man's brother Isaac. The body was fully identified. The wife of the missing man positively identified the socks on the feet of the corpse as those worn by her husband. The theory that the murder was committed in New Hampshire is supported by the statement made by John Willey, a logging team driver, who says that he passed a carriage supposed to contain Hiram and Isaac in the pine woods between here and East Rochester and a few minutes afterward heard two shots in succession. A number of other people say that they heard the firing. At the trial of this case a very important point to be determined will be the exact locality in which the murder was committed. In the state of New Hampshire the murderer, if convicted, is not punishable by death. In New Hampshire, the murderer, if convicted, must hang. This murder was committed in the neighborhood of the boundary line between two states. The bodies of the victim and the blood stained ax were found in Maine.

Report of the Parnell Commission.
LONDON, Feb. 14.—The report of the Parnell commission presented to parliament finds that the respondent members of the house of commons were not members of a conspiracy to establish the absolute independence of Ireland, but that some of them, together with Michael Davitt, joined the Land League with the intention of accomplishing by its means the independence of Ireland as a separate nation. The commission entirely acquits Mr. Parnell and the other accused members of insincerity in their denunciation of the Phoenix park murders and finds that the famo letter published in The Times, upon which the charge was chiefly based against Mr. Parnell, was a forgery. The respondents, the report continues, did not directly incite crime. The mass of evidence proved that the League in America since 1885, had been directed by the Clan-na-Gael and been actively engaged in promoting the use of dynamite for the destruction of life and property in England. It is not proved, however, that Mr. Parnell knew the position of the Clan-na-Gael.

Mr. Edmunds introduced in the senate a bill providing for a public school system in Utah. The senate voted to pass the bill. Mr. Blair proceeded with his speech on the educational bill.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The senate passed resolutions congratulating Brazil and requesting the president to invite the king of the Sandwich Islands to send delegates to the Panama congress.
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—After routine business the senate passed the bill providing temporary government for the territory of Oklahoma and incorporating No Man's Land within the new territory. In executive session the senate passed the Russian and British extradition treaties.
The house proceeded with the debate on the rules, after passing the senate resolution concerning the House rules committee.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The prolonged debate on the new code of rules in the house ended by their adoption by a strict party vote 181 to 145. The senate passed the following bills, among others: Providing for an assistant secretary of war, with a salary of \$4,500; to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases from one state to another; current resolution to invite international arbitration as to differences between nations.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The house passed the bill to carry to the supreme court the question of the right of the speaker to count as present members who are present and do not vote. Mr. Candler, from the world's fair committee, reported the following resolution: Resolved, That Thursday and Friday, Feb. 20 and 21, after the approval of the journal, be set aside for general debates on bills 5,983 and 5,984. Mr. Fry, from the select committee on the Pacific railroads, reported back adversely the two Pacific railroad funding bills referred to it, and in lieu of them reported an original bill on the subject. Mr. Blair addressed the senate for three hours in continuation of his speech on the educational bill.

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Quay's Friends Not Dazed
PITTSBURGH, Feb. 17.—The American club, Pittsburgh's big political club, has another Quay anti-Quay fight on the lists. Some of the members of the committee of arrangements for the fourth annual banquet, to be held April 27, invited Mr. John Dazell to act as toastmaster on that occasion. On account of this action there promises to be trouble of the most serious nature. The friends of Senator Quay say Mr. Dazell shall not preside at any banquet where they have anything to say in the matter. They also claim that the members of the committee, who are a minority, invited Mr. Dazell without authority. They will get another speaker.

Isaac's Associates in Crime
Many important discoveries were made which tend to show that there were others in the plot, and the police believe that they were some of Isaac's old state prison associates, and that the murder was a deliberately planned affair. They are confident that if Hiram's disappearance had not made such a sensation the deaths of other members of the family would have followed.
In an interview, before the arrival of the murderer, Isaac Sawtelle said that if anything had happened to Hiram he was not responsible for it; that Dr. Charles Blood and Ed Russell, ex-convicts, were the men who had been instrumental in sending for Hiram. Isaac would not admit that a murder had been committed, but his allusions to other persons in connection with the case seem to be significant.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Gen. Russell A. Alger, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was present last night at the annual encampment of the department of the Potomac Grand Army posts, and made a speech. A reception was tendered him at the conclusion of the exercises, and afterwards he attended a banquet given in his honor by the local posts at Willard's hotel. Gen. Louis Raum presided, and speeches were made by Gen. Alger and others.

Buck Ewing Rolling in Wealth
CINCINNATI, Feb. 18.—President Day and Director Gordon, of the New York League club, were with Buck Ewing all day yesterday. Ewing denies that he has signed a League contract, but displayed nearly \$1,000 in large bills. Day would not talk one way or the other. It is intimated that Buck will join the League if Richardson, Conner and Crane can be won back.
Alabama Iron for Pittsburg
SHELBYVILLE, Ala., Feb. 18.—The first shipment of iron from Alabama for Pittsburg was sent from here. It consists of 5,000 tons and goes on nine barges via the Tennessee and Ohio rivers in tow of the steamer Percy Kelsey. The freight charge is \$2.50 per ton—much lower than the rail rate. A contract for another shipment of 12,000 tons has been made. A banquet was held last night at which prominent business men of this and other southern cities celebrated the event.

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Scraping of Coal Cars
CRENSHAW, Pa., Feb. 18.—The numerous sidings of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company at this point are crowded with cars. Very few of the mines in the Schuylkill coal region are worked more than two or three days every week at present on account of the scarcity of cars. Thomaston colliery is idle on that account, and Glendower, Taylorville, Richardson and Otto have not resumed. Phoenix Park colliery started up. Coal consigned to Port Richmond lays three or four days at points between the collieries and the weigh scales before it can be moved.

The Body Found
EAST ROCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 15.—The body of Hiram Sawtelle was found at 1:15 p. m. yesterday in the woods near Lebanon, Me. It had been despoiled and the head had not yet been discovered. When found the body was projecting from a poorly made grave and had a bullet in the heart. It was not three yards from where Officer Shields found the paper that was wrapped around the ax. The body was entirely naked with the exception of the feet, which was had on a pair of socks. Beside it was a lot of clotted blood where the arms and head had been cut off. Officer Shields now has in his possession the empty shell from which the bullet came that killed Hiram Sawtelle. The bullet itself was also found and a gold collar button, bent and twisted.
The conductor of the noon train says that last Monday Isaac Sawtelle left his train at East Rochester and went down the track toward East Lebanon. An old farmer living a mile from the station near a vacant house on the way to East Lebanon depot, says a man tallying with the description of Isaac walked by his house at 3 p. m. Monday toward the depot.
It has also been learned that a number of people saw Sawtelle walking toward the East Lebanon depot on Monday.
Isaac B. Sawtelle, suspected of fratricide, passed a restless night in his cell. In an interview he asserted that his brother would be found all right. "He will return," said he, "when the proper time arrives and then I will make an explanation." The question was asked "Do you authorize the statement that he will return and that your prediction is based upon knowledge in your possession?" To this after a moment's hesitation he replied in the affirmative.
Sawtelle was arraigned yesterday afternoon charged with the murder of his brother Hiram. His counsel waived the reading of the complaint and pleaded not guilty and the case was continued to March 12. Sawtelle was taken to Dover jail, where he will be confined until that date.

Contested Election Cases
WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The house elections committee rushed three contested cases through at railroad speed. The latest one, that of Throat against Clark, in the First Alabama, was decided against the Democratic contestant. The two cases disposed of in favor of the Republican contestants were those of Featherstone against Cope, First Arkansas district, and Mudd against Compton, in the Fifth Maryland district.
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Powderly to Leave Scranton
SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 17.—T. V. Powderly has advertised his property here for sale. It consists of three lots and a large three story frame house. Powderly is in Philadelphia, but Mrs. Powderly said that she would sell only on condition that they could get what an inventory would show their property worth. "The reason," she said, "is that we are anxious to move to Philadelphia and thus be nearer Mr. Powderly's interests. His work in the labor organization has recently increased to such an extent that he cannot spare the time occupied in traveling."
Her Hair Caught in the Shaft
LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 18.—Kate Daegler, daughter of Andrew Daegler, of Manheim, met with a terrible accident in Louterbach & Co.'s stocking factory, at Manheim, where she is employed. As she was adjusting a belt at her work bench her long hair was caught in another belt and wound around the shafting. The scalp was almost entirely torn off and one ear nearly severed. The machinery was stopped the girl's body was wound around the shaft. She is 16 years old. It is believed she will die.

Fell Down the Shaft
SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 18.—Curtis Wells, the head man at the Clifford shaft, Forest City, met a fearful death in falling down the shaft, a distance of 300 feet. The man had got on the car to shift a load of rock, and while doing so the engineer suddenly started up without warning. The movement tossed Wells to one side, and before he could recover he was dashed into the shaft. His body when picked up was crushed into a shapeless mass.
Fined for Fighting Sunday
LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 17.—H. C. Demuth, one of the state fish commissioners, secured a fine and costs on John Snavely and Henry Strickler, against whom were preferred charges of fishing on Sunday and with a season in a trout stream near Litzig. Commissioner Demuth is determined to break up these violations of the act approved by Governor Beaver last May.

Head Still Missing
DOVER, N. H., Feb. 18.—The search for the missing head of Hiram Sawtelle's body is still in progress. The coroner's jury met at Blaisdell's Corners to pass upon the identity of the body and the manner of death. It is now known that the man who was brought here from Rochester on the day of the murder was "Dr." Blood. He left here on the 10:30 a. m. train for Portland.
A Mysterious Case
A mysterious case has been puzzling the Boston police which seems likely to rival the Cronin case of Chicago in cold blooded details. The missing man was not so prominent as was Dr. Cronin, but the story of his disappearance is none the less interesting. His name is Hiram F. Sawtelle, son of the late eccentric character, familiarly known as "Yankee Doodle." Since the death of his father two years ago, Hiram, his wife and their children, a boy and a girl, have lived with his mother at the latter's home in Roxbury.
A brother, Isaac B. Sawtelle, was in December last, pardoned by Governor Ames after serving twelve years in state prison for felonious assault. Soon after his release he, too, went to live with his mother and his brother's family. The family estate is variously estimated at from \$20,000 to \$50,000, and it is the property that is supposed to be at the bottom of the mystery. A jealousy arose between the two brothers.
On Feb. 1 Isaac started for New Hampshire, taking a little niece, Marion, with him. On Feb. 4 Hiram received a telegram from his brother requesting him to come to Rochester, N. H., at once. Hiram was sick, Hiram started from Boston on Feb. 5, on that day Isaac had an early breakfast and left the house at 7:30 o'clock. He did not return until 1:15 at night. What he did during that day is the present subject of investigation by the police. On Feb. 6 Isaac and Marion returned to Boston and said he had not seen his brother. On Feb. 9 Isaac was sick in Rochester, where he made a great show of looking for his brother, and then departed for Portland, Me., where he was captured yesterday.
The Boston police who are at work on the case are of the opinion that Hiram Sawtelle was met at the station by either his brother or a stranger, and decoyed to some unfrequented spot and murdered.

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Gas and Water at Fitzwaterstown
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17.—After nearly one year of tedious work, running counter to public opinion and costly experiments, the efforts of the Rosenz Oil and Natural Gas company to discover gas or oil at Fitzwaterstown, Montgomery county, have been crowned with success and the inhabitants of the little hamlet are overwhelmed with excitement.
Horribly Mangled on the Track
MT. CARMEL, Pa., Feb. 17.—A well dressed man about 30 years old, quarreled with the conductor of the late Lehigh Valley train and was put off the train at Lancaster switch, near here. An hour later his horribly mangled body was picked up a short distance from the station. It now lies at an undertaker's establishment where it still awaits identification.

Boat Races at Port Tampa
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 18.—Ten Eyck won the first boat race at Port Tampa in 18 minutes and 7 seconds; Homer second in 18:35. In the second race Gaudaur defeated Hamm in 19:01. The distance was three miles.
An Exiled Montana Democrat
NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Hon. C. W. Hoffmann, one of the eight fugitive Democratic senators of Montana, arrived in this city and is stopping at the Fifth Avenue hotel.
McKinley Confined to His Bed
WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Representative McKinley has been confined to his bed since Wednesday by an attack of the grip. His condition, however, is not considered dangerous.

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