

AWFUL HOUR OF AGONY.

THE SHOCKING ELECTROCUTION OF A MURDERER.

The Dynamo at Auburn (N. Y.) Prison Failed to Work—The Condemned Removed From the Chair, and for a Second Time Exposed to the Current.

The execution in Auburn (N. Y.) Penitentiary, of William G. Taylor, the colored man who murdered a fellow convict in the prison there, was a horrible affair. The first contact did not cause death, and the breaking of the machinery delayed a second contact for over an hour.

The victim of the horrible tragedy was a muscular fellow, nearly six feet tall, and of powerful frame. He had no fear of death, and without a word walked to the chair and placed himself in the seat of the electric chair.

When the current was applied Taylor's massive frame seemed to shoot backward and upward with great force. As if by magic the straps cracked, and with a minute, and while the priests were praying, the current was turned on. According to Electrician Davis 1820 volts went through the body, but it was only for a second.

Simultaneously with the turning of the lever the chair of death was wrecked, and the power of the dynamo gave out, and the death current had not finished its work. A groan of agony came from the lips of the murderer, his legs stretched out in front, the chair fell forward, and the man would have fallen on his face if two stalwart keepers had not grabbed the chair and held it up.

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Not a spectator moved, but blanched faces indicated that the horror of the situation was felt by all. The silence was broken by the sobbing of the murderer, Electrician Davis tried his lever again. There was no response. Taylor was breathing stertorously, and none would have been surprised to hear him give up the ghost.

While the doctors were watching the man's vital signs, the electrician Davis was arranging to finish the work. The burned armature precluded the possibility of using the prison dynamo. Outside aid was necessary. Quick word was sent to the Auburn Electric Light station, that assistance was needed.

Then the current of 1820 volts, which regularly passes through the city incandescent circuit, was sent through the lamp form by the turning of the lever, and the death was accomplished. The second contact was of a minute's duration, and when the current was shut off there was no sign of life. The usual tests were applied, and he was pronounced dead. Over an hour had been spent in the killing.

MINERS FLYING EAST.

Starving Men Take Possession of a Train.

Boone, Iowa, had a visit from 150 Colorado miners on their way east. They captured the Chicago & Northwestern fast freight at Council Bluffs and took possession.

EATING UP FORESTS.

Timber Worms Destroy the Trees in Two Townships.

LATER NEWS.

The date of the first race for the America's Cup, off New York Harbor, was fixed for October 5th.

Presidents of the savings banks of New York and Brooklyn decided to recommend the adoption of a regulation requiring a thirty-day notice on all withdrawals of deposits over \$300 and of sixty days on larger amounts.

Forest fires carried destruction through the cranberry bogs and farms below Egg Harbor City, N. J. It was reported that the villages of Washington and Martha's Furnace had been totally destroyed.

ROBERT WHEELER has been arrested at Mexico, Mo., charged with killing his infant daughter. At the preliminary trial Mrs. Wheeler testified that her husband choked and smothered the child when it cried because the noise displeased him.

A. J. LE PEASE, Treasurer of Furnish County, Neb., has been arrested and charged with embezzling \$10,000 of the county funds.

The towns of Medford, Fifeild and Prence Junction, in Wisconsin, are reported to have been wiped out by forest fires. Their joint population is 3500.

The President has issued a proclamation including Portugal within the benefits of the International Copyright act.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has appointed James T. Kilbreth, of New York, Collector of Customs at that port, and Walter H. Dunn, of Cooperstown, N. Y., Appraiser of Merchandise at the same port.

The German Federal Council resolved to increase the customs duties on Russian products imported into Germany fifty per cent.

FIFTY deaths from cholera have occurred in the province of Alessandria, Italy.

A GREAT strike of coal miners was begun in England.

On the eve of the blockade of Bangkok the Siamese Government despatched a representative to the commander of the French squadron, and it was believed that he was the bearer of fresh proposals for a settlement of the difficulty between the two countries.

All the special correspondents of London dailies agreed that the outlook was more promising. Paris correspondents predicted a speedy settlement of the dispute.

Ex territory abandoned thirty years ago as practically worthless, near Toledo, Ohio, oil has been struck in immense quantities.

THE MARKETS.

Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.

BEANS AND PEAS.	
Beans—Marrow, 1892, choice	\$2 52 @ \$2 55
Medium, 1892, choice	2 00
Peas, 1892, choice	1 25 @ 1 35
Red kidney, 1892, choice	2 80 @ 2 95
White kidney, 1892, choice	1 90 @ 2 00
Lima, Cal., 1/2 bush	1 95 @ 2 00
Green peas, 1892, 1/2 bush	1 65 @ 1 70
BUTTER.	
Creamery—St. & Penn, extra	20 1/2
St. & Penn., first	19 1/2
Western, first	19 1/2
Western, second	18 1/2
Western, third	16 1/2 @ 17
STATE DAIRY—HALF TUBS AND PAIS.	
Half tubs and pais, first	19 1/2 @ 20
Half tubs and pais, second	17 1/2 @ 18
Half tubs, extra	17 1/2 @ 19
Welsh tubs, first	18 1/2 @ 19
Welsh tubs, second	17 1/2 @ 18
Western—Im. creamery, first	17 1/2 @ 18
W. Im. creamery, second	16 1/2 @ 17
W. Im. creamery, third	15 1/2 @ 16 1/2
Western, fresh first	16 1/2 @ 16 1/2
W. Factory, second	15 @ 16 1/2
W. Factory and dairy, third	15 @ 15 1/2
CHEESE.	
State Factory—Full cream, white, fancy	8 1/2 @ 8 1/2
Full cream, colored, fancy	8 @ 8 1/2
Full cream, good to prime	7 1/2 @ 8
Part skims, choice	5 @ 5 1/2
Part skims, good to prime	4 @ 4 1/2
Part skims, common	1 @ 1 1/2
Full skims	— @ 2 1/2
EGGS.	
State and Penn.—Fresh	16 @ 17
Western—Fresh, fancy	14 1/2 @ 15
Duck eggs	— @ —
FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.	
Apples—King, 1/2 bush	— @ 1 00
Common green, 1/2 crate	60 @ 75
Pears, Ga., 1/2 crate	60 @ 75
Grapes, Del., 5 bush	25 @ 40
Cherries, fancy, black, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Raspberries, red, 1/2 pint	4 @ 7
Gooseberries, 1/2 quart	— @ 10
Huckleberries, Jersey, 1/2 qt.	60 @ 60
Watermelons, 1/2 100	8 00 @ 10 00
Muskmelons, 1/2 bush	1 00 @ 1 00
Peaches, Md., 1/2 crate	75 @ 1 00
HOPS.	
State—1892, choice	— @ 22
1892, prime	— @ 21
1892, common to good	18 @ 20 1/2
Old odds	5 @ 9
LIVE POULTRY.	
Fowls—Jersey State, Penn.	14 @ 14 1/2
Western, 1/2 bush	13 1/2 @ 14 1/2
N. C. Bore, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Western, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Roosters, old, 1/2 bush	8 @ 8 1/2
Turkeys, 1/2 bush	10 @ 11
Ducks—N. J., N. Y., Penn., 1/2 pair	60 @ 85
Western, 1/2 pair	55 @ 75
Geese, Western, 1/2 pair	1 25 @ 1 50
Pigeons, 1/2 pair	30 @ 40
DRESSED POULTRY—FRESH KILLED.	
Turkeys, 1/2 bush	8 @ 13
Chickens, Phila., 1/2 bush	20 @ 23
Western, 1/2 bush	16 @ 19
Fowls—St. and West, 1/2 bush	13 1/2 @ 14
Strips—Fair to fancy, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Eastern, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Spring, L. I., 1/2 bush	13 @ 14
Geese—Western, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Squabs—Dark 1/2 doz.	1 25 @ 1 50
White, 1/2 doz.	2 25 @ 2 50
VEGETABLES.	
Potatoes—State, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Virginia, Rose, 1/2 bush	2 50 @ 3 00
N. C. Rose, 1/2 bush	— @ —
L. I. in bulk, 1/2 bush	2 50 @ 3 00
Cabbage, L. I., 1/2 bush	3 50 @ 4 00
Onions—Eastern, yellow, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Maryland, 1/2 bush	2 75 @ 3 00
Strips—Fair to fancy, 1/2 bush	— @ —
Peas, L. I., 1/2 bush	1 12 @ 1 50
Cucumbers, Norfolk, 1/2 bush	50 @ 1 00
String beans, L. I., 1/2 bag	75 @ 1 00
Asparagus, doz. bunches	— @ 1 50
Tomatoes, near by, 1/2 crate	1 00 @ 1 50
GRAIN, ETC.	
Flour—City Mill Extra	3 70 @ 3 85
Patent, Rose, 1/2 bush	4 00 @ 4 25
Wheat, No. 2 Red	— @ 75 1/2
Rye—State	57 1/2 @ 58
Barley—Two-rowed State	— @ —
Corn—Ungraded White	— @ —
Oats—No. 2 White	37 1/2 @ 38
Mixed Western	37 @ 38
Hay—Good to Choice	75 @ 85
Straw—Long Rye	60 @ 80
Lard—City Steam	65 00 @ —
LIVE STOCK.	
Beaves, City dressed	6 1/2 @ 8
Milch Cows, com. to good	30 00 @ 45 00
Calves, City dressed	— @ —
Mixed Western	3 00 @ 4 50
Lamb, 1/2 bush	4 @ 6
Hogs—Live, 1/2 100 lbs.	6 50 @ 6 85
Dressed	9 @ 10

THE LABOR WORLD.

BOSTON has 1000 female printers. CARPENTERS have unions in 726 towns. LOWELL (Mass.) spinners will establish a library.

ALBANY's Mayor vetoed the nine hour ordinance. UNION carpenters' wages reach \$5,500,000. 000 a year. BOXY carpenters work eight hours after November 1.

BUTTE CITY (Montana) carpenters get \$4.50 a day. MELBOURNE, Australia, has Chinese furniture workers.

A THIRD of the mechanics in Detroit, Mich., are idle. A NASHVILLE (Tenn.) boarding house is for union men only.

CLEVELAND (Ohio) steel workers have been cut twenty per cent. AMERICAN delegates will attend the Labor Congress at Zurich.

LABOR DAY in Pennsylvania is the first Saturday in September.

The living skeletons in the dime museums are ready to organizing.

The silver panic has caused much distress among the laboring classes in Kansas.

The English miners refused to either accept a reduction or submit to arbitration. LOWELL (Mass.) spinners are paid lower wages than prevail in any other New England town.

A FAIR estimate shows that 4,000,000 people live from wages paid out by railroad companies. CEMENT laborers of a New York union who worked on the picnic day have been fined day's pay.

PUBLIC improvements are proposed at Denver, Col., to supply work for the hordes of unemployed.

TRAMP miners from Colorado state that the suffering there is terrible and that authorities are suppressing the facts.

The New Zealand Labor Bureau furnishes railroad passes and restaurant coupons good for lodging to the unemployed.

The agricultural distress in England consequent on the failure of the crops is felt by nearly twenty thousand laborers.

WHEN a railroad employe is examined he must distinguish between a dozen different colors as a test for color-blindness.

The San Francisco Anti-Dive League has refused to aid in securing work for the 1500 girls thrown out of employment by their crusade.

WAGES in all occupations have been cut at Denver, Colo., without any trouble. Now business men demand that rents shall be reduced.

The American Railway Union, powerful though recently organized, has issued a circular declaring, among other things, that it will seek redress for existing evils through political means.

The American Line of steamships has adopted the policy of employing Japanese servants almost entirely. They are said to be a hardy class, far superior to the average servant.

LAST summer plenty of fruit pickers were to be had in New Jersey for \$1.25 a day. This year every available man has been engaged at \$1.50 a day, and in some instances at higher rates.

STATISTICS show that the iron miners employed in the State of Michigan—by no means one of the largest producers of that metal—are just about as numerous as the silver miners of Colorado, and that the value of what they produce in a year is exactly the same.

TO COVER CRIME.

A Father Suspected of Murdering His Wife and Two Little Girls.

The Sixth Side Fire Department, Pittsburgh, Penn., was called out at 2 o'clock a. m. to extinguish a slight fire in the house of John Smaus, who lived on Oak alley on the side of the hill. The men had no difficulty in extinguishing it. Some of the members of the department, in looking about the house, found three dead bodies. They were those of Smaus's wife and his two children, Mary, aged four, and Maggie, aged two. There were three deep dents in the woman's head.

Smaus was at once surrounded by the firemen, and the police were sent for. He told a story to the effect that he had been sleeping on the floor down stairs, but was awakened by smoke and ran up stairs to extinguish the flames. It was then, he said, that he first discovered the dead bodies of his wife and two children. The police, however, have a different idea of the crime, and at once placed the Smaus family under arrest. A consultant triple murder had been committed, and said that the murderer set fire to the house to conceal the crime. Smaus is a laborer, thirty-five years of age, and apparently very ignorant.

The family consisted of four children and the parents. A boy, eight years old, and a thirteen-weeks-old infant were uninjured, but were left in the building after it had been set on fire. The family has occupied the miserable quarters about three years. Quarrels have been so frequent that the neighbors gave them little attention. On the floor were two hammers covered with blood, a broken lamp, and blood on nearly every piece of furniture and every foot of the floor. The room was in general a shambles, showing that a desperate battle took place between the murderer and Mrs. Smaus.

It is reported that the boy told the police that his father killed his mother. "He hit her on the head three times with the hatchet," declared the little fellow. Neighbors think jealousy was the cause of the deed.

A MOTHER'S DOUBLE CRIME.

Cut Her Baby's Throat With a Razor and Then Cut Her Own.

In Clarence Centre, N. Y., Mrs. Henry Maybach, twenty-seven years of age, cut her throat with her husband's razor and cut the throat of her seven-months-old girl baby. Maybach is a harness maker, and is a thrifty, sober man with a good business and considerable property. His wife was a handsome woman, accomplished, and a general favorite in the village. They had two children, a girl of three years old and the baby. For several days the baby had been feeding and very fretful and in poor health, and the mother had been greatly concerned for it.

At about 3 o'clock, a. m., while a heavy thunder storm was in progress, Mrs. Maybach awakened her husband to assist her with the baby. It was only restless, and few minutes afterward Maybach fell asleep again, supposing his wife was sleeping also. About an hour later he was awakened by groans, and sprang out of bed just in time to see his wife running out of the door into the street with blood pushing from a great gash in her throat. Looking for the baby he found it in the baby carriage with its throat cut from ear to ear. He followed his wife into the street, where he found her with the razor held in her hand, but she was so weak from the loss of blood that she was beyond recovery. She died an hour later. The baby was also dead. The woman left a note saying that she feared that her baby was going to die, and that she could not bear to live without it, and asking that all of her property be given to her little three-year-old daughter.

It is reported that the great American lunch basket has come near knocking the bottom out of the restaurant concessionaries at the World's Fair, and they threaten that unless the directors remit the twenty-five per cent. they are compelled to pay over to the management for their privileges, they will be compelled to close up altogether.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

PHILADELPHIA is baseball crazy. CHICAGO has tried eleven pitchers this season.

POUNCE the ball frequently will weary the best pitcher. DUFFY, of Boston, leads the League in number of base hits.

DOYLE, of New York, is one of the best utility men in the League. THE Baltimore won ten of their twelve games with the Brooklyn.

SINCE Glasscock joined the Pittsburghs they have been winning steadily. THE Brooklyn are worse off for pitchers than any of the League clubs.

THE major League raid on the Southern League is a wide-spread one. ST. LOUIS has occupied every place in the League order this year excepting only the last.

THREE triple plays have been made in the League this year by Pittsburgh, Brooklyn and Baltimore.

With the double season this year the Philadelphia would have won the first championship.

THE Boston-New York series is ended and the New Yorks have won only four of the twelve games.

In Rusie, Baldwin and Gorman the New Yorks have three as good pitchers as the League boasts.

DEAF-MUTE HOY, of Washington, has learned to say "you're rotten" with explosive force to umpires.

WHENEVER a player makes a home run on the Chicago grounds he is presented with a box of chewing gum.

GASTIGHT, of Boston, holds the record of pitching out two clubs on two successive days without a hit or a run.

SHORTSTOP McGRAW, of the Baltimore, is the youngest player in the National League. He is just twenty-three years old.

BASEBALL is in such high favor at Wellington, Kan., that the Mayor of the town makes an address at the beginning of the games.

THE young players who are being engaged for the League are promising youngsters and are likely to give good accounts of themselves.

An ordinary two-base hit must be made by Milligan, of New York, every time he goes to bat in order to make certain of a clear title to first base.

BOSTON leads in runs, with Philadelphia second and New York third. Philadelphia has the most hits, with New York a very close second.

ANNOY is not popular with Chicago spectators, and he is often jeered and laughed at for some of the plays he makes, in which he is not as fast as many younger men.

The Louisville Club has accepted the services of Third Baseman Denney, of Augusta, Ga.; Pitcher Cross and Outfielder McCarthy, of Charleston, S. C., and Shortstop Miller, of Nashville, Tenn.

NEW YORK's new man, Stafford, is one of the best all-around players in the profession. He can play any position, including pitcher and catcher, but his best place is the outfield.

He is very fast on his feet and can do 100 yards as fast as any one in the profession.

McCarthy, the clever right fielder of the Boston Club, has a duty to perform with the team outside of batting and fielding. He has the position of "sizin detective." From the start of the game McCarthy begins to study the opposing batteries to ferret out their strategy.

He is exceedingly clever in detecting battery signals, and if the pitcher and catcher of an opposing team are not "under cover" with their signs McCarthy will soon figure them out. His little system has helped Boston post the wire first on many occasions.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

HARRIET BECHER STOWE's twin daughters are maiden ladies nearly forty-three years old.

GEO. VAN DERBILT is going to have a \$25,000 tennis court at his North-Carolina residence.

JUSTICE FIELD is the only Supreme Court Justice remaining who sat in the famous electoral commission.

THE Pope's physician says that the pontiff will live beyond the age of ninety. He is in fine health for a man of his age.

FAYET MAX, the twenty-three-year-old son of Prince Max, has entered a monastery.

MISS EMILY LOUISE GERRY, of New Haven, Conn., who has been elected regent of the Society of the Daughters of the Revolution, is the last living child of a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

THE Rev. Ralph Swinburn, of Charleston, W. Va., is the oldest railroad man in this country. He was born near Newcastle on Tyne, England, August 4, 1805, and began to work on railroads in the year 1818.

THE Duke of Veragua in reply to a question whether he would accept a fund subscribed in America to tide him over his financial difficulties, said that he would accept it as an honor the sympathy of the American people.

Now that the Sioux chief Young-Man-Afrad-of-His-Horses is dead, it is time that the real name of this famous Indian should be known. The proper English translation of his dog name is Young-Man-of-Whose-Horses-They-Are-Afraid.

PRESIDENT CARNOT, of the French Republic, who was unable to entertain much the past winter on account of ill health, has decided to devote the sum of \$10,000, representing in part the sum he would otherwise have spent on entertainments, to gifts for charitable institutions and the poor.

REV. JOEL SWANTA, D. D., pastor of St. James's Lutheran Church, Gettysburg, Penn., who has 700 widely scattered members in his congregation, thinks nothing of doing his ten miles on a bicycle in prosecuting his pastoral duties, though he is seventy years old.

THE Maharajah of Kapurthala, whose wealth is as extensive as his name, is astonishing the people of New York, where he has stopped on his way to the World's Fair, by appearing in public wearing bracelets of pearls as large as pigeon's eggs and heavy chains of diamonds and emeralds. Otherwise he is a sensible young man.

THE Rev. Thomas Mesley, who died a few days ago, was the oldest and best leader writer in the world. For many years he wrote the leading editorials of the London Times, and while this was known to only a select circle, the result was that he became one of the foremost men in England. Yet, during his long life he never signed his name to an article.

GENERAL DOMINGO VARQUEZ, who is now the most prominent figure in Central America, owing to his position as commander-in-chief of the Government forces in Honduras, is a lawyer by profession and knew nothing of the trade of war until called to the front by the revolutionary uprising. His iron rule of the country has shown that he possesses genuine military genius.

THE people of Berlin do not mean to allow people to suffer for lack of due preparation to meet disease in the coming summer. They are spending no less than \$1,144,750 for the maintenance of hospitals and for public hygiene in the coming year—and the city has phenomenally clean streets.

CASUALTIES ON THE RAIL.

A CHAIN OF FATAL AND DESTRUCTIVE ACCIDENTS.

A Mail Train Derailed and Two Postal Clerks Killed—A World's Fair Excursion Wrecked and Thirty Passengers Injured—Freightmen Killed—Other Accidents.

A chain of railway casualties occurring on the same day in different parts of the country were characterized by the number of passengers injured and the vast amount of property destroyed rather than by the number of killed.

At 1.01 o'clock in the morning the first section of the mail train from Boston to New York on the Old Colony system of the N. Y., N. H. & H. was wrecked opposite Dodgeville Station, a suburb of Attleboro, R. I. The train consisted of Old Colony Engine No. 147, two United States mail cars, a baggage and several passenger coaches. A freight train from Boston had passed through Attleboro at midnight and switched off some of the cars at Dodgeville, and one of them was left on the main track in the way of the mail train.

The train approached the obstacle at the rate of thirty miles an hour and crashed into it before the engineer could reduce the speed of his train. The engine was completely demolished. A mail clerk, C. J. Miller, of Walton Falls, N. Y., was instantly killed, and another mail clerk, E. S. Murphy, was seriously injured. Several of the passengers were also injured. The mixed train was in charge of Conductor Charles Keene and Engineer C. A. Bowen.

The second section of the Baltimore and Ohio express, west-bound with World's Fair excursionists, was wrecked one mile east of Munroe Falls, Ohio. Spreading of rails caused the wreck at a point where there is a sharp curve in the track. Five of the coaches, loaded with passengers, most of whom were on their way to Chicago, were thrown down a ten-foot embankment. Nobody was killed outright, but thirty were injured, five of them, it was thought, seriously. All of the injured were taken to Akron by special train and sent to the city hospital. About a dozen freight trains were derailed on the St. Louis, Chicago & St. Paul Railroad, consisting of eighteen local freight cars, crashed through a trestle near Reilly's Station, Mo., piling the entire train in a heap. Conductor W. S. Burrell, of Springfield, Ill., was instantly killed. Brakeman Charles Johnson and W. A. Clements, of Alton, and Walter Manning, of Springfield, were probably fatally injured.

A terrible wreck occurred on the Southern Pacific seven miles east of Houston, Texas. An engine escaped from the yards without engineer or fireman and went dashing eastward. It crashed into the rear end of a freight train going in the same direction, smashing up thirty cars. Conductor Harrison and Brakeman Watson were killed.

PUEBLO SUBMERGED.

A Cloudburst on Pike's Peak Deceitful Life and Property.

Pueblo, Col., has been overtaken by the greatest disaster in the history of the city, resulting in the loss of at least seven lives and the total destruction of an immense amount of property. The aggregate loss is not far from \$250,000.

A cloud burst on the south side of Pike's Peak at 1 o'clock in the morning, sending a flood down numerous creeks and causing the Arkansas River to damage the country through which it flows. The levees broke in three places and the flood poured into Pueblo.

Over a hundred families were driven from their homes by the waters. A large brick building collapsed. The damage to buildings and stocks of goods amounts to \$250,000.

A trestle on the Union Pacific Railroad a mile from the city was weakened by water, and a freight train plunged to the bottom of the canon. Engineer Henderson lies dead under the engine and Fireman Nye was fatally injured.

TRIPLE TRAGEDY.

A Fight at a Tennessee Picnic Costs Three Lives.

Information has been received of a tragedy at Bon Aqua, Tenn., that caused the death of three.

There was a picnic at Bon Aqua, given by the young people of Warner, and during the picnic a fight occurred in which the three men were badly cut. One of these died almost instantly. His name was Yates. Another whose name was unknown was fatally injured.

A third person in the fight and the one who cut the two named above was William Bedding, a young man of the highest standing, and after the fight Bedding disappeared. It was thought to have gone to Nashville.

It was received that the body of Bedding had been found in the woods near the place where the cutting was done, he having died