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MORE BANK FAILURES.

Two Minneapolis Institutions Close Their Doors.

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Three Industrial Establishments in Chicago Also Forced to the Wall Through | bill. the Collapse of the National Bank of Illinois-An Italian Banker's Victims.

St. PAUL, Dec. 23 .- State Bank Examiner Kenyon yesterday took possession of the Bank of Minnesota, and as a result of the closing of this bank the Union Stock Yards bank also closed. The Bank of Minnesota's capital is \$2,000,000, and it was considered one of the strongest banks in the west. This bank, in common with all the other banks in the city, had a share of the deposit of state money, and at the time of the last statement had about \$70,-000 or \$80,000 of state money on deposit. It was also the depository for the county, and until recently was the main bank through which the city business was transacted. William Dawson, Sr., was president and William Dawson, Jr., was eashier. The Dawsons ranked high among financiers. Among the heavy depositors was Noman Kittson, whose every dollar was in the bank. The Union Stock Yards bank, which closed its doors simultaneously with the Bank of Minnesota, was owned by the latter, and its president was William Dawson. The bank is perfectly solvent, and there is absolutely no danger to any of its depositors.

Judge Otis, of the Ramsey county district court, has appointed Frank Seymour, cashier of the Merchants' National bank, and an attorney not yet decided on to be receivers of the Bank of Minnesota. The state bank examiner, after making an examination of affairs, says he does not consider the failure a bad one, but expects that the bank will resume business before long. The officers of the bank say that they had been hoping to carry the institution through the hard pressure of the winter, but had found it too great a task, and had concluded to call in the state examiner and have him take charge. Their action may have been influenced by the clearing house, which sent word for them "clear" yesterday, for the bank closed soon after receiving the notice.

The Bank of Minnesota was the oldest in the city and one of the best known throughout the northwest. It had many correspondents, among them being the National Bank of Illinois, but it was stated today that the failure of the big Chicago bank had nothing to do with the closing of this concern. The small bank at the stock yards that closed as a result of the other failure was a branch of the Bank of Minnesota, but no other local banks are at all affected by the failure.

More Failures in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- The failures of Angus & Gindele, general contractors; the American Brewing, Malting and Elevator company, the George A. Weisse Malting and Elevator company and George A. Weisse individually, all of these being due to the collapse of the National Bank of Illinois, and small runs on three banks were the echoes yesterday of the bank failures of Monday. Runs were made on the Garden City Banking and Trust company, the Hibernian Savings bank and the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, and none of the runs was of much importance. Before the close of banking hours the excitement had completely died out.

Chicago's Bank Failures.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.-The suspension of the National Bank of Illinois has resulted in the failure of E. S. Dreyer & Co., one of the oldest establishments in the city and also of the banking firm of Wasmansdorff & Heinemann. The suspension is also announced of Frederick Wiersema, who owns the Roseland bank at Roseland. The latter bank will resume in a few days Comptroller Eckels has appointed Bank Examiner McKean temporary receiver of the National Bank of Illinois. The general sentiment is that depositors will not suffer.

An Italian Banker's Victims.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 .- The police were called upon last night to restrain a crowd of Italians assembled in front of Guiseppe Barilani's bank, which closed its doors yesterday. They Italians did not know until they returned from work last night that the savings which they had intrusted to Barilani were lost. Barilani was last seen on Monday. His wife says she does not know where he has gone. Many of the Italians were with difficulty restrained from wreaking their vengeance on the windows of the bank. Some of them wept.

Whole Family Perish in a Fire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 .- The explosion of a plano lamp on the second floor of the four story residence at 514 East Fifty eight street resulted in the loss of five lives last night. The dead are: Aaron Goldsmith, 45 years old: Chlotilde Goldsmith, his wife, aged 33; Bertha Goldsmith, aged 10 years: Harry Goldsmith, aged 8 years; Frank Goldsmith, aged 6 years. The only other person in the house at the time of the fire was Mary Rosel, aged 20, a servant, who saved her life by jumping out of the window.

Train Robbers Get Little Booty.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22 - The Southern Pacific westbound passenger train was held up by masked men about 200 miles west of here at 10 o'clock Sunday night. When within about a half mile of Comstock station three men ordered the engineer to stop, and while one stood guard at the engine, the two others went through the express car and secured shout \$70. The through safe was not opened. The sheriff of Valverde county, with a large posse, started in pursuit of

Forty Fell with a Bridge,

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 23 .- At Littleton, after revival services in the Methodist church, the worshippers started across the wire suspension bridge over Fish creek, on their way to the main part of the town. The bridge gave way, precipitating about forty persons to the bed of the creek about forty feet below. Wilbur Hammond was killed, and Miss Arlie Brown and Harry Anderson were severely injured and may die. Several others received minor

Mrs. Harrison's Stolen Watch Returned, INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23 .- Several weeks ago General Harrison's house was robbed of a gold watch belonging to his wife. He offered a reward for its recovery, and yescept to admit the receipt of the watch.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Thursday, Dec. 17. Mrs. Caroline Perry died at her home in Lebanon, Conn., yesterday, aged nearly 104 years.

William K. Olcott succeeds the late Colonel Fellows as district attorney of New York.

During an exciting debate in the national senate yesterday it was formally announced by Republican leaders that no attempt will be made to pass the Dingley

The financial loss caused by the storm of Tuesday night and Wednesday in and about New York city is estimated at \$2,437,000. There were three deaths due to the storm.

Friday, Dec. 18.

The national senate yesterday passed the Lodge immigration bill, providing an educational qualification for immigrants. United States Consul Bergholtz, at Erzeroum, reports that there are 50,000 orphans as the result of the Turkish atroc-

The McKinley inauguration committee has already begun to receive applications from civil and military organizations in different parts of the country for places in the great parade.

It is officially announced that there have been 1,511 cases of bubonic plague in Bombay and 1,094 deaths from that disease up to date. It is stated that 200,000 persons have fled from the city.

Saturday, Dec. 19.

The wheat yield for New South Wales is 7,435,000 bushels, which is 1,250,000 bushels below the local wants.

Ex-Congressman Roswell G. Horr, who represented a Michigan district for three terms, died at Plainfield, N. J., last night,

Archbishop Martinelli, the papal delegate, will make his first extended trip through any portion of this country immediately after Christmas. The Mayor of Annapolis has designated Miss Georgia Porter, a granddaughter of the late Admiral Porter, to christen the

gunboat Annapolis at her launch next Samuel Gompers and all other officers of the American Federation of Labor, excepting Secretary McCraith, were reelected at Cincinnati yesterday. Frank

B. Morrison, of Chicago, is the new secre-

An explosion in a mine at Resicza, Hungary, resulted in the death of forty miners. Owing to the bad loans, it is probable that the National bank of Illinois will be forced to suspend. Depositors will not

G. A. Tawney, a Princeton graduate, has been appointed to the chair of mental and moral philosophy in Beloit (Ills.) col-

Murderer James Brogan, who stabbed Thomas McDonnell to death in a box car last year, has become insane in the Northumberland county (Pa.) jail.

Three armed bandits broke into the house of Thomas Felton, near Poughkeepsie, N. Y., overpowered the family and stole several hundred dollars' worthof jewelry and money.

Tuesday, Dec. 22.

President-elect McKinley left Chicago today for his home in Canton, where he will spend Christmas with his mother.

The house refused to pass the senate immigration bill, and the measure now goes to a conference committee of both houses. Hiram Abbe, 80 years old, is under arrest in Thompsonville, Conn., charged with being the author of many incendiary

In anticipation of severe fighting there, two German men-of-war, the Arcona and the Irene, have been ordered from Hong

Robert S. Henry, 8 years old, recently discharged as cured from the Pasteur institute in New York, died from hydrophophobia in Baltimore last night.

David M. Hildreth, proprietor of the West End hotel and cottages at Long Branch, died suddenly yesterday at his residence in New York of heart failure, aged 75.

Wednesday, Dec. 23. Fire last night destroyed two buildings

at the Elmira (N. Y.) state reformatory. Loss. \$100,000. A race war is imminent at Mayfield, Ky.,

where the negro rapist, Jim Stone, was lynched on Monday The remains of Miss Kate Field arrived

at San Francisco yesterday from Honolulu on the steamer Belgic.

An explosion in the gas works of Elyria, O., injured five persons, Ralph Barnes fa-The city will be in darkness over Oarsman Jake Gaudaur says that he

will row either Harding or Berry of England for the world's championship and \$2,500 to \$5,000 a side

STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS. Closing Quotations of the New York and

Philadelphia Exchanges. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-The early stock spec lation was dull and was practically without feature, aside from a slight sagging tendency on realizing and a change of front to the selling side on the part of London. The market soon developed a firmer tone under the influence of advances in the high priced stocks. Closing bids:

Baltimore & Ohio. 14)4 Lehigh Valley . Chesa. & Ohio. . . . 15 New Jersey Cer ... 15 New Jersey Cen... 1171/2 New York Cen... Del. & Hudson. D., L. & W. Pennsylvania 141/2 Reading *All ass'ts paid.

General Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—Flour weak; win-ter superfine, \$2.87%, 15; do. superfine, \$3.35% straight, \$4.50.04.65; western winter, elen-44.25@4.50. Wheat firm: December, 2014@6.340. Corn quiet: December, 27@27.5c. Oats dull: December, 2314@24c. Hay steady: choice timothy, \$14@14.50 for large bales. Beef quiet: beef hams, \$18:618.50. Pork dull. Lard quiet; beef hams, \$18:618.50. Pork dull. Lard quiet; western steam \$4.12\forall Butter steady; creamery, 13:822c.; factory, 7:612c.; Elgins, 22c.; imitation creamery, 11:616.c.; New York dairy, 11:618c.; do. creamery, 14:221c.; extra state prints, whole sale, 24c.; prints jobbing at 25:223c. Cheese onlet; large, 74:4104.6.; execut. quiet; large, 7½ &10½c.; small, 7½&10½c.; part skims, 3½ &7; full skims, 2½ &3c. Eggs steady; New York and Pennsylvania 21@25c.; western

Live Stock Markets.

New York, Dec. 22.—Cables quote American steers at 1014@12c., dressed weight; sheep at 9@10c., dressed weight; refrigerator beef at westerns weak; veals, \$4:07.50; grassers, \$2.50.8 3; very common western calves, \$2.75. Sheep and lambs steady; sheep, \$2.50.86.75; lambs,

\$4.75:05.75. Hogs stendy at \$3.50:94. EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Dec. 22.—Cattle active. prime, \$4.50:34.70; feeders, \$3.60:33.90; bulis stags and cows, \$2:83.40. Hogs dull and lower offered a reward for its recovery and yesterday he received a package from Chicago containing the watch. The local police had nothing to do with the recovery, and General Harrison would say nothing, ex-

ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 23.—Thomas Bird and Charles Turner, colored, who are wanted at Hagerstown, Md., for a murderous assault on Harry McCoy, were captured in Columbia Sunday evening. They were locked up to await action of Maryland authorities.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 22.-An Italian whose name is unknown murdered William Britton, at Big Mine, Jefferson county. The men were in a crowd, and something that was said angered the Italian, who drew a stiletto and thrust the blade into Britton's heart. The Italian made his escape.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Dec. 29. - Vincenzo Friezo, aged 20 years, was fatally shot yesterday by Benedetto Saffiero, by the accidental discharge of a gun. The men were hunting when Saffiero fell and his weapon was discharged, the contents lodging in the body of Friezo, who was walking ahead. He died at St. Luke's hospital shortly afterward. The coroner's jury exonerated Saffiero from blame

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 21.-Isaac E. Hershey, a storekeeper at Buyerstown, in Salisbury township, discovered robbers attempting to blow open his safe during the night, and opened fire upon them. The men returned the fire and then fled. From there they went to Gap, where they blew open the safe of Daniel Dorsheimer, and secured a sum of money, a lot of notes and some valuable business papers.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22 .- The vote by the railroad miners in this district as to whether or not they would accept the operators' proposition on the wage scale was completed yesterday. The result shows an overwhelming acceptance on the part of the men, and their officials have declared sixty cents as the district rate after Dec. 31. This action by the miners averts a strike by over 6,000 men.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 21.—Rev. William Mc-Crea, a well known minister of the Presbyterian church, and formerly a member of the Kansas Presbytery, under arrest here charged with attempting to pass a forged note for \$300 on the Lincoln National bank. Mr. McCrea came here from Kansas six months ago, and since that time has acted as supply minister in the Presbyterian pulpits of the city.

Norristown, Pa., Dec. 21.—Application was made to court here on Saturday to discharge Henry J. Smith, of Lansdale, the missing and alleged defaulting guardian of Harold Sloan. For a year he has failed to supply any funds toward the maintenance of his ward, and is short \$3,334 in his accounts. The petition for his discharge will be argued on Jan. 4. Dr. John N. Jacobs is his surety.

HAZLETON, Pa., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Richard. Leahy, who disappeared from her home in this city two weeks ago, is still missing, and is believed to have perished in the mountains. She had been suffering from headache, and this is supposed to have affected her brain. About a week ago she was traced to Delano, but since then no trace of her has been found. She is 40 years of age, and is well connected.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 21.-Mrs. Charles Payne, aged 63 years, and her husband, who is ten years older, were assisted Saturday by the charities department. The couple are victims of th "blind pools" in which thousands were swindled. They had purchased a little home and saved \$1,200, when Payne was injured and had to quit work. His \$1,200 proved sufficient, but he was led into putting it into a pool, losing the entire sum.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 23.-Mrs. Charles Drumbosky, of this place, is lying at the point of death as the result of a brutal attack made on her by her husband Monday night. It seems that the woman did not prepare supper to suit her husband. whereupon he struck her with a coffee pot, fracturing her skull. He followed this up by kicking her until she was nearly unconscious. He is now in jail awaiting the result of her injuries.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 21.-Mrs. Annie K. Bergstresser has brought suit for \$25,-000 damages against the Pennsylvania Telephone company for the loss of her husband, who was killed by a dynamite explosion at New Holland, on August last. Bergstresser was the driver of the company's wagon, on which some dynamite had been stored, and which was exploded through the carelessness, it is alleged, of some of the company's employes.

SOMERSET, Pa., Dec. 21.-James and John Roddy, brothers, aged 32 and 28 years respectively, are on trial here before Judge Longenecker and a jury to answer the charge of committing one of the most atrocious murders ever known in the state. On the night of June 2 last two masked men entered the house of David Berkey, a venerable Dunkard farmer, and failing to secure money they burned and beat Berkey so brutally that death resulted. Berkey's daughter also died from injuries received by a fall while attempting to

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.-C. Elmer Over, who has a wife and five children, is lying in a critical condition as the result of a mysterious shooting affair which occurred on Saturday night. He was fired at while riding in a buggy with a companion. Three shot lodged in his neck and fifteen went though his clothes. Whitecaps have threatened to visit punishment upon Over, and it is believed that the affair was their work. Over declares that he knows his assailant, but will give no names. His companion drove him to a physician, but will say nothing of the occurrence.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.-Clinton G. Hancock, general passenger agent of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company, died at his home in this city last night. Mr. Hancock was born fifty-one years ago, in Philadelphia, of which his father, Samuel P. Hancock, was at one time controller. Young Clinton was educated in the public schools, and when 19 years of age entered the employ of the railroad company. For the succeeding thirty-two years he has continued his association with it in various capacities, becoming general ticket agent in 1869 and general passenger agent ten years later.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 21 .- The law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine in Pennsylvania has been vigorously enforced and the sale of imitation butter greatly reduced, says Major Levi Wells, state dairy and food commissioner in his annual report to Governor Hastings. In the eastern end of the state, owever, many of the dealers, who formerly did business openly, have set up establishments across the line in New Jersey, and clandestinely shipped goods to private families, cheap restaurants and oarding house keepers in Penn ylvania. As private parties buying for their own use are not amenable to the law when they go outside the state to purchase the commissioner has not action against the

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