

HOW FLOUR WAS SOLD

A Slick Confidence Operator Unfolds a Tale to the Court. NARROW ESCAPE AT A HOTEL FIRE. A Bursting Boiler Kills and Injures Several Persons.

ALL THE NEWS FROM NEAR-BY TOWNS

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) UNIONTOWNS, March 13.—A sensational tale was told here during the trial to-day of John R. Thomas, who was convicted of false pretense in collecting money at Con-

FIRE IN A HOTEL.

WHEELING, March 13.—This evening about 8 o'clock the Granite Hotel at Wheeling was entirely destroyed by fire. When the alarm was sounded there was a panic among the guests and there were many narrow escapes.

ARRESTED IN TIME.

The Man Pelled at Rochester is a Well-Known Criminal. ROCHESTER, March 13.—Detective Luzzardi received a telegram this morning to hold Bailey, the man arrested on Monday afternoon as a suspicious character, on whose person was found a key that unlocked a Brighton shoe store.

ONE ARREST MADE

On Suspicion of Being Implicated in McClellandtown Robberies. UNIONTOWNS, March 13.—John S. Wetner, of this place, was arrested to-day as an accomplice in the robbery and outrage at McClellandtown on Monday night, and will be given a hearing to-morrow.

Three Cars Jump the Track.

ROCHESTER, Pa., March 13.—White freight train No. 8, on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad, was passing here, about noon to-day, at the rate of 15 miles an hour, the box car of the front truck of a car, causing the wheels to fly off, throwing three cars from the track.

Result of the Reading Failure.

READING, March 13.—The last of the pipe mills of the Reading Iron Works closed down this afternoon, and now all the vast establishments of the firm are out of operation, except the two blast furnaces, which have about a week's stock of coal on hand.

Evidently Not a Happy Family.

LEMA, March 13.—Mrs. Mary Ransbottom caused the arrest of her stepson, Alonzo, aged 14, charged with assault. She claims her husband held her while the boy beat her in a brutal manner, causing serious illness of herself. Her husband, she also claims, robbed her of \$2,000.

Attempted Suicide by Shooting.

MCKESPORT, March 13.—William Foster shot himself through the head with a revolver to-night. He is still living, but will likely die. The cause is not known.

NOT FEIGNING NOW.

A Murderer Who Shammed Insanity Becomes a Maniac in Reality. POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 13.—Peter Baranski, the murderer of Agnes Cates and her lover, who showed so many evidences of insanity during his trial, but who was generally believed at the time to be dissembling, is undoubtedly now insane, no matter what his condition may have been at the time of the murder or subsequent trial.

THREE BOILERS BURNED

And a Number of Persons are Killed and Injured. READING, March 13.—A burst of three boilers at the St. Nicholas colliery, near Mahanoy City, exploded at 11 o'clock this morning with terrific effect, wrecking the blacksmith shop and the boiler house. Mrs. Louisa Hoffman, with her child in her arms, was passing at the time.

Burned in Her Bed.

ALTOONA, Pa., March 13.—Three young men, returning from a party, this morning saw flames shooting out of a house on Union avenue. They broke in the front door, and found Mrs. Sadie Malstrom, colored, in bed and enveloped in fire. Her husband, who was roasted and will die. John H. Williams, who escaped from the back door, saw the men entered, had been arrested on the charge of setting the bed on fire. He is a white man. Williams' hands were burned.

Blown Out of Existence.

LEMA, March 13.—There was an explosion of a pipe at the Standard Refinery at 3 o'clock this afternoon, causing a great deal of damage. The pipe ran under the carpenter shop, where several men were working. John Tusing, a young man 23 years of age, is missing, and no trace of him can be found. It is feared he was blown out of existence.

A Youthful Murderer Sentenced.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, March 13.—Joseph Dillon, who was convicted here of manslaughter for killing his 3-year-old playmate, Eddie Chapman, by hitting him on the head with a cobblestone during a fight in Altoona last July, was to-day sentenced to full imprisonment in the H. J. Ruffalo Reformatory for a term of 18 months to that institution from Blair county.

Pipes Burst in a Glass Works.

TEFFIN, O., March 13.—The cold air blast pipes were smashed at the Beatty Glass Works this afternoon, and this evening, while first tested, they burst, doing over \$1,000 worth of damage. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

Tri-State Brevities.

WILLIAM BARNON has saved the city of Lima for \$7,000 damages. He fell off the sidewalk into the creek and broke his right thigh.

The Puddlers and helpers at the Center Iron Works are fighting a hard fight.

The puddlers and helpers at the Center Iron Works are fighting a hard fight. They are about 10 per cent on a reduction of about 10 per cent in their wages. It throws 50 men out of employment.

Mrs. HENRY S. BURKETT, of Martinsburg

led herself yesterday morning with a pistol. She had been an invalid for many years, and her recovery was too great to be longer borne.

W. N. HARPER, of the Beaver U. P. Co.

has been arrested on a charge of robbing a fish milk to their customers on Sunday. The dealers and their friends are leaving the church.

Tife Allen county jury awarded Miss Minnie Hess \$2,500 damages in her suit against the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad Company.

EX-COUNTY COMMISSIONER FRANK McMASTER

was given a verdict of \$1,000 damages for libel against J. A. Caldwell, formerly proprietor of the Youngstown Vindicator. The Vindicator charged McMaster with stealing funds from the county while in office.

CHIEF OF POLICE PHILIP PAUL, of Renovo,

was murdered while conveying a drunken man to the borough jail. He was shot in the back of the head and died within two hours. No arrests have yet been made, but the officers have hopes of capturing the guilty person.

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A Man Supposed to be Dead for 21 Years Turns Up Alive and Rich. (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) WATERBURY, CONN., March 13.—News has just been received from a man formerly of this city, and who, for 21 years, had been reported to be dead, but who is now a wealthy resident of Victoria, Australia. In April, 1862, Fred E. Woolworth, of Waterbury, aged 23, disappeared. Nothing was heard of him, and it was supposed he had committed suicide or had been foiledly dealt with, and a large sum of money was expended in trying to find his body. All efforts proving fruitless, the search was abandoned and the Woolworth family mourned for the missing one as the victim of a mysterious tragedy.

A few days ago Woolworth's friends received a letter postmarked Australia, and, on opening it, discovered that it was from Fred. He said that since leaving Waterbury he had led a somewhat adventurous life. Immediately after his disappearance he went on a whaling voyage, and for three years encountered all the perils incident to life on a whaling vessel. At the end of that time he went to Australia, where he was engaged for \$25 a gold mine, supposed to be worthless, and a day or two later discovered gold sufficient to make him rich.

New Chartered Companies.

At Harrisburg yesterday the following Pittsburgh companies were chartered. German Workingman's Publishing Company, capital \$75,000; the Burns Copper Welding Company, capital \$1,000; the Beaded Coal and Coke Company, capital, \$16,000.

The Usual Dividend.

The Philadelphia Company met yesterday and declared a 1 per cent dividend for February. It was said the month had been the most prosperous since the pipes were laid, and the troubles with the line had been fewer than ever before.

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