

THE KEYSTONE STATE.

Latest News Happenings Gleaned From Various Parts.

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT SCRANTON.

Played Ghost Hit with an Ax—A Woman Had Her Skull Fractured by a Man With Whom She Had a Dispute—Little Girl Struck by a Trolley Car—Henry Heisey Plunged Thirdly Feet Into a Well and Was Badly Mangled.

Mrs. Mary Rose was murdered in a cold-blooded manner by Mrs. Joseph Bevelock, in the house of Frank Moreoso, at Scranton. The cause of the shooting seems to be involved in somewhat of a mystery. A quarrel over chickens and money, with an added dash of jealousy, seems to be at the bottom of the difficulty. Mrs. Rose charged Mrs. Bevelock with having refused to pay her for certain work she did for her. Angry words followed, and Mrs. Bevelock drew a 38-caliber revolver from her dress pocket and fired five shots, killing Mrs. Rose almost instantly. Annie Moreoso was the only eyewitness to this shooting. Following the shooting, Mrs. Bevelock went to her own apartments and afterward to the house of a neighbor, where she was arrested. No sign of remorse was exhibited by Mrs. Bevelock. "She made trouble for me," she said, "and I killed her. I am glad."

Killed With an Ax.—A blow from an ax received by Mrs. John Noone, of North Scranton, will render her insane for the remainder of her life, physicians say. The ax was wielded by Stephen Doyle, one of her neighbors. They had a dispute over the ownership of some property and Mrs. Noone thought to scare Doyle away from the place by assuming the role of a ghost. Covered by a sheet, she made a visit to Doyle's place and pretended to be a visitor from across the river. Doyle saw the pretence and pulled the sheet from the woman's face, and released her hold as the motorman caught hold of the boy. The body of the little girl was horribly mangled.

Sentenced Ten Years After Crime.—Convicted of the crime of stealing a horse from Dr. D. H. Shenk, of Litch, ten years ago, James Warden Moore was sentenced to an imprisonment of ten months in the county jail. The reason for the delay was Moore's incarceration for the past ten years in the Eastern Penitentiary for a similar crime committed in Northampton county. When released from the institution two months ago he was re-arrested at the gate after making a dash for liberty.

Express Train Kills Former Soldier.—Thomas A. Boyle, an Englishman, aged 36, was struck by the Philadelphia express while walking on the Reading tracks at the curve near Bingen, and was instantly killed. On the dead man's body were found papers denoting that Boyle had enlisted in the United States Army in 1898 for a term of three years, before the expiration of which he was honorably discharged. His home is unknown.

"Dodger" Thrown Jailed.—John K. Duffey, of Philadelphia, was the first victim of the "odorous" ordinance in Northtown. He came to town and was caught distributing medical almanacs. He was arrested and given thirty-six hours in jail. His employer came to town to pay the fine of \$10 and costs, but as the defendant had only twelve hours to serve, it was decided to let the more voracious form of punishment, take its course.

Lost Both Legs and Died.—George W. Taylor, of Norristown, Md., was run over by the shifting engine and a draft of cars on the Frederick division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, east of York, and had both legs terribly mangled. He was immediately removed to the hospital, where both legs were amputated above the knees. Taylor died soon after the operation.

Plunged Into a Well.—Henry Heisey, a prominent farmer of Elizabethton, Penn township, died at his home from injuries received by plunging thirty feet down a well at his home. Heisey had been engaged in digging a well and when lowering himself into it the rope broke and he plunged backward. He was frightfully mangled, one foot hanging only by shreds of skin.

State News in Brief.—Two lives were crushed out in the Pine Brook mine of the Scranton Coal Company. Joe Markotzky, laborer, were the victims. Several hundred tons of rock fell, and it was five hours before the men were dug out.

An unarmed posse rounded up in the woods near Arlsonia a gang of tramps who had held up and robbed an Italian workman. The tramps refused to surrender and several of them, drawing revolvers, compelled the posse to retreat.

Mrs. James Hamilton, of Lebanon, may lose her left hand as the result of an explosion caused by her picking up a cartridge with a hatpin. The hand was badly mangled.

An operation for appendicitis performed on Mrs. Frank A. Garrison, of Williamsport, revealed the presence in the appendix of a pin an inch long and badly corroded. The pin is thought to have been swallowed by Mrs. Garrison about a year ago. It had entered at the opening of the appendix and had started to work its way out at the other end, the point having passed through.

Thomas Fehr, of Walnutport, was struck by a Lehigh Valley passenger train at a New England and Poughkeepsie Bridge, near Slatington, and instantly killed. Fehr was walking on the railroad and failed to hear the engineer's warning whistle.

Ell Bolinger, a signal man, was struck by a train on the Pennsylvania Railroad, near Greensburg, and instantly killed.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Commissioner of the Interior for Porto Rico reports that the chief level of the island is good roads.

TORNADO KILLS MANY.

Severe Storm Sweeps Parts of Tennessee and Mississippi. DOZEN TOWNS PARTLY DEVASTATED. Big Blow Was Also Felt to Other Sections of the Country. But the Worst Damage was Done in Tennessee and Mississippi, Where in Some Instances Entire Families Were Wiped Out of Existence.

Nashville, Tenn. (Special).—The latest reports received from the sections of Central and Western Tennessee and Northern Mississippi, which were swept by a tornado show that at least 55 persons were killed and over 76 injured.

Telegraphic communication with the region visited by the storm is interrupted, and it is feared that when full details are known the list of the dead will be lengthened.

The storm entered the State from Northern Mississippi and swept across in a northwesterly direction. Great damage is reported from the counties bordering on Mississippi and farther on Columbia, on Maury county, is the heaviest sufferer. Lavergne, Nolensville and other places also suffered, for the storm found them losing its force against the Cumberland mountain range.

Columbia's casualties number 25 dead and 50 injured. The path of the storm was about 60 yards wide and was through the northern suburbs of the town. In its path everything is wrecked. Not even the iron and stone fence of the arsenal grounds is standing. The houses of Captain Aydelott, the Farrels and other large residences were demolished.

With the exception of these four houses the storm's path was through a section of the town populated chiefly by negroes and the poorer classes, and the houses were mere hovels. It is estimated that 150 of them were destroyed and a large number damaged. The suffering of the people made homeless and bereft of all their goods is pitiable.

Sixteen houses were destroyed, J. B. Hampton had \$400 in money, which was blown away and only a part recovered.

At Lavergne, 16 miles south of this city on the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis road, the velocity of the wind was marvelous and from heat reports lasted only about 20 seconds. In this short time about 35 dwellings were reduced to kindling wood. The loss of life is small compared with the miraculous escapes made. The wind made a swath about 200 yards wide through the middle of the town. The Lavergne High School and the depot, and two large buildings, were laid flat on the ground. The loss of these two buildings is estimated at \$700. The railroad lost four section houses also, each valued at \$900.

Mr. Robertson's house, which was a very strong log structure, was in the middle of the path of the storm and was laid flat on the ground. He and his child had retired and Mrs. Robertson was sitting near the bed sewing. Her husband and her child, however, were not so much because of the price demanded, \$19.50, but because of its being fixed by the pool at that rate. Foundry pig is, however, active and tending higher. What the market for cruder forms lacks in the way of activity, however, is made up for by the immense demand for finished products which is reported in excess of all records for this period.

Wheat, including four shipments for the week aggregate 3,827,296 bushels against 4,062,020 last week; 3,688,677 in the corresponding week of 1899; 5,824,766 in 1898; 5,465,153 in 1897, and 3,763,696 in 1896. From July 1 to date the wheat exports were 92,880,561 bushels against 92,170,489 last season and 60,822,762 in 1898-99.

Corn exports for the week aggregate 5,235,568 against 3,976,914 last week, 4,149,523 in this week a year ago; 3,993,846 in 1898; 2,869,705 in 1897, and 2,920,802 in 1896. From July 1 to date the corn exports were 85,468,542 last season and 89,124,083 in 1898-99.

Great suffering is being experienced by those deprived of homes at Lavergne and Nolensville.

Columbia, Tenn. (Special).—The loss of life in the vicinity of Columbia was 25. Most of these were negroes, about 12 victims being white. The storm did not strike the town of Columbia proper, but swept over the district to the northwest of the place.

The cyclone lasted for about five minutes and its path extended about 1000 feet wide, which is clearly marked by the devastation wrought. Immense damage was done to farms and hundreds of head of livestock were killed.

Considerable damage resulted at Martin's Mill and at Indian Creek. Twenty houses at Doss, Ala., near Hueteville, were demolished, but no lives were lost.

Near Franklin, Tenn., the residence of Abel Little was destroyed. Mr. Little and Mrs. M. Hughes were badly hurt.

At Boxley's, Tenn., a storehouse was destroyed and three negroes were killed.

SENT TO CAPTURE AGUINALDO.—Mixed Expedition of Filipinos and Americans to Northern Luzon.

Manila (By cable).—Gen. Macabulos, the former Filipino chief, is prepared to start in pursuit of Aguinaldo with one hundred picked natives, supported by American troops. Other ex-rebel Filipinos will be used in campaigning against the chief, but they have not been formally made yet, but they are ready if the authorities will accept their services.

Aguinaldo, it is supposed, is in northern Luzon, according to statements made by ex-rebel leaders now in Manila, confirmed from other sources.

At Manila, a renegade native priest, long an insurgent leader in northern Luzon, has written to friends in Manila, asking for election news, and requesting to be informed whether a decision has been reached concerning the relations between church and state and the disposition of church properties. The replies sent him contain the information that church and state will be separated, and that entire religious freedom will be allowed.

Thunder Storm in Chicago.—Chicago (Special).—Gleaming flashes of lightning and loud peals of thunder, sights and sounds general peculiar to midsummer in Chicago, accompanied the storm that burst upon the city shortly before midnight. Rain fell in deluging quantities and the elements displayed all the characteristics of a summer thunderstorm. Telegraph wires, the telephone wires were affected by the electricity in the atmosphere. The streets in some sections of the city ran like rivers. There was enough wind on the lake to endanger the safety of light craft.

Money Package Vanishes.—Sioux City, Iowa (Special).—A \$5000 package shipped by the Bank of Sheldonsville, Iowa, to the Security National Bank of Sioux City, disappeared from the safe of the American Express Company in the branch office of the company at the Northwestern Depot.

The package was shipped at 5 o'clock in the evening, and arrived in Sioux City at 7 o'clock. The night agent at the depot office of the company checked in the package and locked it in the safe. He left the room for some purpose, and upon his return the money was gone.

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Washington (Special).—Orders of a significant character in connection with the fruitless attempts of the United States to secure payment of the \$50,000 demanded of Turkey for the destruction of the American battleship in the Armenian troubles were issued by the Navy Department. A telegram was sent to Naples, to be delivered to Capt. C. M. Chester of the battleship Kentucky on his arrival there, directing that the Kentucky touch at Smyrna, Turkey. Beyond this fact no information concerning Capt. Chester's instructions is obtainable. Smyrna was not on the original itinerary of the Kentucky. Since the controversy with the Turkish Government over the Armenian claim became acute, American warships, proceeding to and from the Philippines, have by specific directions carefully avoided Turkish ports. The instructions on the Kentucky raise the question of the orders to the most powerful vessel of the American Navy to stop at Smyrna at this time cannot therefore be overlooked.

Freight Trains Wrecked and Burned.—Savannah, Ga. (Special).—Two freight trains on the Plant System collided thirteen miles out of this city and William Smith, colored, of Savannah, was killed. Engineers Dell and Broome and their colored firemen jumped and were severely injured. The wreck took fire and was burned. The trains were laden with cotton, turpentine and rosin.

Five Washed Overboard and Lost.—Detroit (Special).—A special from Newberry, Mich., says: Word has been received here by D. N. McLeod, lumberman, that one of his crews, used in transporting freight from Sault Ste. Marie to Deer Park, where there is a number of lumber camps, was caught in a storm on Lake Superior, off Deer Park, and five of the six men on board were washed overboard and drowned.

Student Falls 110 Feet.—Princeton, N. J. (Special).—While attempting to climb an iron ladder running up the side of the high tower on Mercer Heights, just outside of Princeton, Leonard M. Nash, of Bradford, Pa., a student here, lost his hold and fell about 110 feet. He was instantly killed.

Captain McCall on Trial.—Manila (By cable).—Capt. Bowman H. McCall, of the United States cruiser Newark, is undergoing trial by court-martial convened by Admiral Remy.

Killed His Wife and Himself.—New York (Special).—William Lemburg, 73 years old, shot and killed his wife, Kate, 53 years old, at their home in Brooklyn. From evidences shown by a rope hanging in a cupboard in the room in which the murder was committed, it was finally turned the revolver upon himself. Both were wounded in the head. The bodies of the couple were discovered by their daughter, who was returning to lunch from a nearby department store. Recently Lemburg had been an inmate of one of the city hospitals. No cause is assigned for the deed.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Reviews by Dun & Co. and Bradstreet's Show Marked Steadiness in the List of Quotations.