

A TORTURE HOUSE.

FIERCE TREATMENT OF PATIENTS.

Horrible Revelations About the Chicago Insane Asylum.

The most horrible revelation yet made in Judge Prendergast's investigation of the management of Chicago Public Insane Asylum was that reached in the testimony of George Hill, a locomotive engineer, now running an engine for the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway Company.

He was partially insane when he went to the asylum, and on his arrival was asked by an attendant named Lott if he was insane. He said he was not.

Then he knocked me down and kicked me in the body and mouth and kicked my teeth out. I tried to cover my face by getting my head beneath a bench. My arm was over it and through a space in the back of the bench.

Further evidence was taken to the effect that the attendants were brutal in their treatment of patients. One inmate was cruelly beaten for going to bed with his socks on, and it was a common thing for the attendants to come into the wards with clubs and drive the patients to bed, using their sticks with freedom.

DETECTIVES IN AMBUSH.

They are Attacked by a Desperate Gang in West Virginia.

For some time detectives have been working clues in the Jacob Morgan case, of Tyler county, Morgan's murder, which was reported at the time, was cold blooded and premeditated.

Detectives Burnett and Gale and Constable Ounemetter recently obtained more evidence, and last Friday went into the Morgan neighborhood to make arrests. On Saturday night, while stopping at the residence of Mrs. Wyke they were notified they would be attacked before morning.

In the morning the officers found blood marks in the woods, showing that several had been hurt and carried off, but did not succeed in capturing any of the gang. They then set out for reinforcements and returned to the scene of the fight, and are hourly expecting another attack.

The latest reports from the flooded districts in Austria, show that the loss of life is much greater than was supposed. The rivers are still greatly swollen. In many places the bursting of dykes has flooded the surrounding territory and utterly destroyed the crops.

Earthquake in California.

Telegraphic reports from what is termed Middle California report an earthquake about 3:15 Sunday morning. At some points especially in the San Joaquin Valley, shocks were quite severe, and in a few cases the tops of chimneys were thrown down.

A CIRCUS SMASHED.

Wild Beasts Liberated in the Streets at Chicago.

Two gray wolves, a mountain lion and a panther had a brief spell of liberty, and for half an hour explored the streets of Chicago at their will. The passenger train on the Chicago and Evansville railroad had dashed past the intersection of Division and Halstead streets just as the wagons belonging to a circus were crossing.

A long search finally revealed them crouching on top of a lumber pile where their capture was no easy matter. At last, however, they succumbed to the influence of the whips and were carried back by the circus men and submitted to imprisonment in an undamaged cage.

CLEANED OUT THE RANCH.

Horrible Crimes of a Drunken Man—Two Killed.

Robert Day, 27 years old, son of a wealthy farmer living two miles from Loveland, O., reached home about midnight from a circus, intoxicated. The family was awaiting him. Drawing two revolvers he declared his intention of "cleaning out the ranch."

THE NATIONAL FINANCES.

Estimate of Expenditures and Revenues for 1889-90.

Statement showing the results of the acts of the second session of the Fifteenth Congress upon the finances of the Government have been prepared. They showed that the total amount appropriated by Congress was \$2,646,469, while the permanent specific and inflexible appropriations were estimated by the Secretary of the Treasury at \$1,084,615, making the total estimated expenditures of the Government for 1889-90, \$3,731,084.

RAILROAD BRIDGE ACCIDENT.

Seventeen Men Fall Fifty Feet—Three Killed and Eight Injured.

The railroad bridge across Stone river, near Nashville, Tennessee, caught fire Saturday from a passing train. Seventeen men, two white and fifteen negroes, who were working on the road near by, went to the bridge and took an engine on it with the intention of extinguishing the fire with the water from the tender.

UTAH GOLD FIELDS.

Camps Being Rapidly Established and Good Finds Being Made.

New gold fields have been located near Dandy Crossing, Utah, and close to the Arizona line, the fields yielding from two bits to \$5 per yard, and the gold is easily separated. Three camps have been established there, 50 men and two women are on the ground, and a town site called Hite City, after Colonel Hite, of Kansas City, has been located.

Good Crops in the Northwest.

Favorable crop reports continue to arrive from present indications a good yield is assured. Every portion of the Northwest has been visited within the past week or ten days by heavy rains, and the long drought has been effectually broken. The weather has been much cooler since, which is very favorable for growing crops. Altogether the outlook is most encouraging.

AN AERIAL RAILWAY.

A NEW SCHEME OF TRANSPORTATION.

Passengers to be Whisked Through the Air.

A new scheme of transportation is to be introduced between New York and Boston whereby, it is said, large packages of mail, and even cars containing passengers, can be whisked from one place to another, a distance of 250 miles, in less than an hour.

The inventor, John G. Williams, is a resident of New York. His machine consists of a magnetic car, hanging from a single rail, where it follows a streak of electricity. With one-horse power it is said that one ton can be thus transported a distance of 1,440 miles a day at a cost of 50 cents.

A HORRIBLE TRAGEDY.

A Saloonkeeper Beholds His Wife and Then Kills Himself.

John Schroeder, a German saloonkeeper, 37 years old, horrified the city of Indianapolis by the murder of his wife under peculiarly atrocious circumstances. Mrs. Schroeder, carrying a nine-months old babe, early this morning went into the bar room where her husband was opening for the day.

OCEAN RECORD BROKEN.

Voyage from Hamburg to New York in Eight Days and One Hour.

The twin screw steamer of the Hamburg Packet Line, the Augusta Victoria, has just completed the most remarkable, because the fastest, trip ever made across the Atlantic by any steamer.

TURN BARN-BURNERS.

White Caps Make Good Their Threats—Cut a Horse's Throat.

The "White Caps" in the vicinity of Mt. Pleasant, Pa., brought their threats into execution, and S. L. Coffman, a citizen of that place, was the victim. Recently Mr. Coffman was warned to leave the neighborhood or punishment of a severe nature would be meted out.

A Turf Surprise.

The Brooklyn handicap has been run and won and Exile is the victor. Fifteen thousand people saw him win.

The time was within one-half second of the best on record for the distance, which was made by Dry Monopole in the Brooklyn handicap of 1887.

More Appointments.

The President has made the following appointments: John Jarrett, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Consul to Birmingham.

Resignation of Judge Jenks.

The President has accepted the resignation of Judge George A. Jenks, as Solicitor-General of the Department of Justice, to take effect at once. Mr. Jenks resigned upon the change of Administration, but was requested to remain in office until the close of the existing term of the Supreme Court.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Last fall Miss S. E. Taylor, of Niles, Ohio, was injured by being crushed by the crowd, that surged through the U. Ion depot at Pittsburgh. She now has brought suit for \$10,000 against the Pennsylvania Railroad in the courts of Trumbull county, O.

The Illinois Supreme Court refused the application of the Imprisoned Anarchists to have the record in their case amended. Cedar Rapids, Ia., reports a severe hail storm Thursday, some of the hail being as large as hens' eggs, which did a great deal of damage.

A director of the B. & O. asserts that the dividends declared by that corporation from 1887 to 1888 were paid out of the net profits of the concern, the dividends amounting to \$6,209,350, while the earnings were \$7,250,731.

The wife and daughter of Vice President Morton, Robert, John W., Horatio, Mrs. F. Harrison and Miss M. E. Garrett were among those who sailed for Europe from New York Saturday.

A cyclone swept across Northern Texas Friday afternoon. A schoolhouse at Forestburg, Montague county, was blown down and two children killed. Many others were seriously hurt and three are still missing.

R. H. Jacobs, aged 65, shot and killed John Hughes at Greenville, S. C., in 1887, during a quarrel and was sentenced to the penitentiary for five years. Saturday Jacobs was pardoned by Governor Richardson on the ground that if he remained in prison much longer he would become a lunatic.

At Joliet, Ill., Saturday, Barney Koehler while drunk fired his revolver in the street, shattering the arm of Miss Della Hart. Officer Bibb gave chase, fired excitedly and killed William Hanson. Both Koehler and Bibb are now behind bars.

The schooner Merrick has been reported sunk in deep water in Lake Huron. 10 miles east of Pelee Isle. Five lives lost Martin Johnston, of Detroit; Mrs. Cole, Cleveland; John Charlevoix, Detroit; Wm. Ours, Ashabula, Ohio, and Patrick Kunnally, Clayton, N. Y.

The anti-prohibitionists of the Southside, Pittsburgh, have been doing effective work since they organized. During the past six weeks or two months more than 4,000 aliens have been naturalized in this county, all of whom will vote against the amendment.

Secretary Windom has directed Captain Healy, commanding the revenue steamer Bear, at San Francisco, to purchase the necessary lumber, provisions and fuel for the construction and fitting out of a refuge station at Point Barrow, in Behring's straits. The money available for the establishment of the Treasury Department as sufficient only for the erection of a small house with supplies for one year's maintenance of 100 men.

The Democrats have carried Montana at the election for delegates to the constitutional convention, which is preliminary to Statehood. This indicates that the new State will be Democratic.

On the Fitchburg Railroad, near Shelburne Falls, Mass., Wednesday night, a track walker found a pile of ties and sleepers piled on the track at a sharp curve. He attempted to remove the obstructions and was vigorously rebuffed by some unknown persons. He ran to Shelburne Falls and secured help and cleared the track in time. Officers are in pursuit of the wreckers.

The Sioux Indians are arranging to sell seven townships of their reservation north of Yankton Agency. The tract embraces some of the finest land in South Dakota and a rush of settlers is expected to follow its opening to home steers, which will probably be within 30 days. These lands will furnish homes for 1,000 families, allowing each 100 acres.

A peculiar horse disease, resembling malarial fever, prevails at Indianapolis and puzzles the veterinarians. Fifty-six animals have died within a week.

John Elliott, of Ironsides, O., went to sleep on a railroad track early Monday morning. He leaves a wife and one child.

A rattlesnake 4 feet 3 1/2 inches long and 8 1/2 inches in circumference, was killed by Charles Oates, of Morefield, W. Va.

Frank Snyder, Charles Thomas and Cora Snyder ate canned blackberries at Waverly. Physicians were busy trying to save them at last accounts.

Officers of the law prevented a lynching boat Moorehead. A mob was in pursuit of Anthony Taylor, a colored man, who had assaulted a child.

TWO BOYS SHOT DOWN.

Murderous Work of a Young Chicagoan Who Has a Wild West Outfit.

Frank Jasinski, aged 16, stepped out in front of his father's saloon in Chicago, with a rifle in his grasp. Glancing down the street he saw Frank Kiowski, a lad of his own age, standing in front of his home. Jasinski raised the rifle, took deliberate aim, and fired. Kiowski fell, the ball having passed through his body two inches above his heart.

Kiowski's wound is fatal, but Meka's injury is not considered serious. Jasinski belongs to the same 'gang' as young Kuberski, who, without provocation, shot a lad named Trimer last Sunday night. Jasinski had gathered in his room a 'Wild West' outfit, including knives and revolvers, as well as a lot of flash literature.

A TOWN IN RUINS.

A CONFLAGRATION NEAR QUEBEC.

Two Soldiers Killed by a Premature Explosion.

A disastrous fire broke out in St. Sauveur, in the house of Mrs. McCann, on Valier street, Quebec.

The flames spread with great rapidity through the wooden district which surrounded the place where the fire originated. The people were dismayed at the rapidity with which the flames jumped from one wooden building to another.

St. Sauveur has but a poor fire department and it could make no headway against the flames. Help was asked from Quebec, and engines were quickly sent, but, owing to a lack of water, their efforts were crippled. Battle y B was finally called out and rendered valuable assistance in fighting the flames.

While the military were preparing to blow up some houses to check the spread of the flames, a premature explosion took place in one of the houses, killing Major Short and Sergeant Wallack, of Battery B. Both were buried in the ruins and their bodies have not been recovered.

The districts north and west of Massue and St. Amroise streets were swept clear, with the exception of a portion of Valiers street. Seven hundred houses were burned, and, as a large number were tenements, occupied by more than one family, the number of families rendered homeless will reach 1,200, comprising about 6,000 souls. Prominent business men are interesting themselves in behalf of the destitute. Application has been made for the use of the Government buildings to shelter the people. Fuel is being distributed liberally by the clergy.

A majority of the homeless belong to the working class and, as insurance rates were almost prohibitive, very few have anything to fall back on. The total loss will be \$600,000, insurance \$130,000.

PERISHED IN THE DEEP.

An Oregon Steamer Wrecked—Five Sailors Drowned and Many Missing.

The steamship Columbia, from San Francisco, brings the captain, mate and 11 of the crew of the Oregon Navigation Company's large side-wheel iron steamer Alaskan, which left Portland, Oregon, May 11 for San Francisco, and was wrecked in a gale May 13. Five of the crew are reported to have been drowned. Two boats containing members of the crew have not been heard from. The Alaskan had no passengers aboard. She was to have been docked at San Francisco for repairs.

The latest reliable news concerning the loss of the steamer Alaskan off Cape Blanco is that as soon as she began to founder the officers and men took the boats. Captain Howe, Captain Wood and 11 of the crew in one boat and the remainder of the crew in others. The boats drifted towards the land, and Captain Howe and his party were picked up by the tug Vigilante and taken to Astoria. The fate of the others is not yet known, but it is hoped that they drifted landward and were saved. The Alaskan was elegantly fitted up and cost \$350,000. She was insured for \$200,000.

SHOT HIS NEIGHBOR.

Farmer in Greene County Sudd only Becomes Insane.

Mrs. Wm. Cotterel, who resides near Clarksville, Greene Co., Pa., noticed last Sunday that her husband acted strangely, and spoke to him about seeing for a doctor, but when she mentioned it he grew angry and said he would shoot the first doctor that came there.

Nothing more was said about it, but on Wednesday morning about daylight Mrs. Cotterel, becoming alarmed, as her husband had been up nearly all night, going in and out of the house, slipped out of bed and ran to her nearest neighbor, Mont Greenlee, and asked him to go over and see what was the matter.

Mr. Greenlee went over and, just as he got to the fence, he saw some one stooping behind the well. He spoke and Cotterel raised up and shot Greenlee through the left arm and side. The arm was completely torn to pieces and also the shoulder and side. It is thought he cannot recover. Cotterel was on the best of terms with Greenlee, and nothing strange was ever noticed before in his manner. He is still at home refusing to say anything.

Oklahoma To-Day.

Three weeks ago Oklahoma, which has sprung into national fame, was barren of settlers. To-day there is scarcely a quarter section in all its 2,800 miles that has not been located or filed on, and its population is estimated at 20,000. A ride through Oklahoma since its opening has enabled the New York Times' correspondent to observe for himself the actual condition of affairs. All quarter sections that are desirable are either actually occupied by settlers, who, in many cases, were seen already plowing, or have some sort of claim mark upon them, indicating they have been taken up. Many people were noticed leaving the country who had been unable to secure a piece of land sufficiently valuable to be worth utilizing the homestead right for. One man was seen who had been "left" in the rush and who intended to wait for the rest of the country to be opened before he would use his "right." He had served four years and three months in the army during the war and considered his "right" too valuable to be wasted on an indifferent piece of land. The land in valleys of all the stream has been taken up, except the school sections the only vacant quarter sections were found along the tops of the divides between the main water-courses. This land is high, away from water, and has a very thin soil.

Randall Improving Rapidly.

Hon. S. J. Randall, who has been confined to the house for several weeks, is convalescing rapidly and expects to be out shortly. His appetite is good, and a gentleman who saw him says he looks as well as at any time during the last session of Congress. Mr. Randall will probably spend the summer at the seashore.

ALLEN THORNDIKE RICE.

Sudden Death of the Newly Appointed Minister to Russia.

Taken Sick in New York as Was About to Sail for Europe.



Hon. Allen Thorndike Rice, newly appointed United States Minister to Russia, died at 4 o'clock the other morning at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, of apoplexy. The disease is a peculiar one, and a grave form of quincy.

Sketch of His Life.

Allen Thorndike Rice was best known to the editor and proprietor of the North American Review. He was born in Boston in 1824, of wealthy parents, and at eighteen years of age went to England and entered King's University, where he took his degree in law. Returning to the United States he attended the Columbia College Law School, but did not practise law. He purchased the North American Review in 1870, and has since become one of the best known of American periodicals.

The Barley Crop.

The following appears in the Free Press: The area sown to barley in the United States remains about the same year to year. In Dakota, quite an acreage was seeded in 1888, which was mostly by reductions in other crops, but this year reports of the correspondents show a falling off in this respect. This may be due to the fact that chinch-bugs damaged the crops to an extent last season. It is quite probable the entire acreage of the present season is not much, if any, excess that of 1888. It was estimated by the department at 2,652,957 acres. The reports of correspondents show that only a very small amount has been sown in Michigan and Indiana, practically none in Indiana, Massachusetts and Kansas.

Illbit Beer.

At Burlington, Iowa, a large sewer was made under the Prohibitionists that State. The Sheriff, armed with search warrant, took four cars loaded with beer, and removed the latter to the county. The larger portion of the seized had been consigned to Bertoff & Moen. The balance belonged to the Heuser-Busch Brewing Association of J. Temp. of St. Louis. The total value of the beer with vessels is estimated at \$100,000. It is said the St. Louis parties will sue for damages at once, claiming seizure was a violation of the right of State commerce.

Wabash Forfeiture Sale.

The lines of the Wabash Railway of the Mississippi were sold before Judge Ham and Jackson at Chicago. Messrs. Ashley and Joy, selling 90 per cent. of the stock, and acting in the interests of the Western Purchasing Committee, bid \$50,000. The Wabash lines were divided into four sections and then sold as follows: The lines east of the river will be sold, be consolidated with the lines of the river, with headquarters at St. Messrs. Popper, Johnson, Parly and represented the minority bondholders.

In Favor of the Amendment.

Hon. S. M. Miller received the following telegram from Governor Beaver of Ohio to an inquiry: "I have never had any question of personal duty in regard to the amendment and will vote for it, of course, as the ways intended to do. The only question in my mind has been one of duty as a representative of the party, without personal bias, to take ground publicly in favor of the amendment in due time." JAMES A. ...

The Prussian army has lost a soldier by small-pox in thirteen days.