

A Steady Movement Towards Better Times—Labor Notes.

George Lawson, of Springfield, Ill., shot his wife and himself, as the result of a spree.

A Philadelphia Councilman Fatally Shot At a Flag Raising.

Gov. Brown's Respite Brings Death to Sallie Dean's Heartless Murderer.

Rain and Cyclones Cause Damage in the West and Northwest.

A fire broke out in a butter factory near Madison, Wis. After all the water on hand was used 2300 gallons of milk were used in its stead and the fire was put out.

Dr. Harvard, of the United States Army, has recently prepared a full account of the food plants of the North American Indians.

Vegetarianism finds more and more adherents in Germany, and in the leading cities the number of vegetarian restaurants and lunch-rooms is growing.

Yawns are subject to copyright in England. A lecturer on natural history took a photograph of a tiger yawning and copyrighted it.

Some fortifications are going up at Bluefields, on the Mosquito coast, and Krupp guns are being mounted there.

Guerrita, the Spanish bull fighter, established a record for a day's work recently. He began at 7 o'clock at San Fernando, near Cadix, killing three bulls and putting the banderillas in the other three.

The author of the Queensberry Rules for the practice of pugilism has found his skill of advantage in a fight with his own eldest son, Lord Alfred Douglas, on the crowded Piccadilly in London.

It may be a matter of astonishment to many people to know that more than one-half of the salmon pack of the United States and nearly half of the world's supply of canned salmon now comes from Alaska.

The records of the United States steamboat inspection service, which during the last 19 years has been under the direction of General Dumont, as Inspector General, show that during the last fiscal year the number of lives lost on steam vessels was approximately 358.

Again the largely increased number of wage advances has been the feature most prominent in the week's history of matters industrial. It is conservatively estimated, based upon what figures and facts are obtainable that not less than 67,000 working people in the United States are to-day receiving greater compensation.

The recent settlement of the Amalgamated wage scale at Youngstown on a \$4 a ton basis for puddling, was accomplished with less trouble than had been anticipated.

The settlement holds good in all the mills now under the jurisdiction of the Amalgamated Association, and the scale as signed will be in effect in all of them.

No radical changes have been made, and the scale is now arranged for the coming year, and will go into effect August 1, at which time the present agreement expires.

The new semi-monthly "Labor Bulletin," which, by virtue of an act of the last Congress, was to have been issued last Monday, was postponed to the 15th of the month.

Wages of the employees of the Eberhardt Manufacturing Company, Cleveland, O., have advanced monthly nearly 12 per cent.

The conference committee of the Amalgamated association, and the Pittsburg iron manufacturers agreed upon the scale adopted in the last week, to govern in this district for the year beginning August 1.

The employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad Wheeling plant, several hundred in number, at Altoona, Pa., have received an increase of twelve per cent.

The Kelly Nail and Iron Company, Ironton, O., have added ten per cent to the wages of the men employed at the Sarah Furnace.

The 500 employees of R. D. Wood & Co., iron manufacturers at Florence, N. J., went to work last Monday at an advance of 10 per cent.

The Ironville Steel and Iron Company, Middletown, Ind., has made a voluntary ten per cent. wage increase.

The Pullman Palace Car company, at Pullman, Ill., has advanced the wages of its employees 10 per cent.

The Populists will in the next few days issue a call for a convention in Chicago or St. Louis early in August.

The Supreme court of Kansas, has ousted Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease as a member of the State Board of Charities.

The Continental steamboat company's safe at Providence, R. I., was blown open Thursday night and \$2,000 in cash taken.

About 100 persons were injured, four seriously, if not fatally, by an explosion of fireworks, in a crowd at La Salle, Ill., Thursday night.

The boiler of the electric works at Carthage, Columbia, exploded destroying three houses, killing 10 persons and wounding 18 others.

John Cunningham, an aeronaut, was killed at Winigan, Mo., by his parachute failing to open when he leaped from the balloon, 1,200 feet above the earth.

James M. Ryan, 25 years old, a blacksmith at Terre Haute, Ind., shot and killed his wife and then killed himself.

Near Adams pumping station, Butler county, on the Swartz farm, the boiler on No. 4 drilling well blew up instantly killing Geo. McBride.

A farm house near McGinnett, Crawford county, was partially wrecked Thursday night by an explosion of dynamite which had been placed on the premises.

Sagertown celebrated the Fourth of July and her birth anniversary of settlement of the town on Sunday, July 3.

A regular cyclone passed over a narrow section of country one mile south of Waynesburg on Sunday evening.

The lynchers completed their arrangements about 11 o'clock, and in a body advanced upon the jail and surrounded it.

Frederick Hellman, a well-to-do mason contractor of Chicago murdered his wife and four children Thursday night and then killed himself.

It was at first supposed that Hellman and his children met death by accident, but it developed at the coroner's inquest that the whole murder was calmly planned.

Suspicion was first aroused next morning by the fact that the house in which the Holman family lived was tightly closed long after the usual hour for the family to be astir.

The house was so full of gas that the two boys were nearly overcome, and it was only after it had been opened that it was found possible to turn off the gas which was streaming from an open jet.

The relatives and all the neighbors at once concluded that the deaths had been the result of an accident, and the police, when they came, adhered to the same opinion.

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Charlotte Furnace to Start. The Charlotte furnace, at Scottdale, will be in operation within the next ten days.

Clash With France. Brazilian Troops Meet Frenchmen in Disputed Territory.

The strained relations between France and Brazil over the French Guiana boundary, appear to become more complicated daily.

The subject is analogous to the British Venezuelan trouble in which the United States has taken a hand, and in the opinion of officials here the present conflict with Brazil is rapidly assuming an aggravated aspect.

An armed conflict has occurred in the disputed territory, between French and Brazilian soldiers. The French Government has demanded redress, and the Brazilian Congress has passed a resolution.

A cable report from Brazil states that the Government regards the subject as so menacing that a strict censorship has been established on all information regarding it.

S. K. Davis, of West Newton, was attacked by four men on Sunday night, who stabbed him so severely that he may die.

The Dunbar Furnace company are making preparations to put in 100 Semet-Solway coke ovens in their plant at Dunbar for the utilization of the by-product, which consists mainly of ammonia gas.

Candy Brothers, of Hoover Falls, were awarded the contract for covering the water works at Monaca. The contract price is \$21,700.

The boiler at Frank Loucky's saw mill, on Laurel run, five miles from Dunbar, exploded and several workmen were seriously but not fatally hurt.

Thomas Sheer, Burgess of Bellwood, made an assignment to W. A. Ambrose. The liabilities are estimated at \$35,000, and the assets at \$30,000.

Charles Stovel was attacked by tramps at Derry. A knife was driven into his back and broken off.

Last week the entire Eastern watershed of the Rocky Mountains, from the Nebraska and Iowa lines to Texas was swept by a storm.

At Haxter Springs, in southwestern Kansas, five were killed and 11 seriously injured by a cyclone that accompanied the storm.

One person was drowned at Columbus and two at Ottawa, Kas. At Van Buren, Ark., a woman and her child were drowned.

At Quincy, Ill., Henry Dooms tried to entice Mary Smith, aged 16, to the barn for the purpose of assaulting her.

The tragedy took place in a little brick cottage at the corner of Cornelia and Wood streets. The motive for the crime may never be known.

The mother and married sister of Hellman, who lived next door, attempted to break into the house, but were unable to do so.

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Comparatively Few Accidents to Steam Vessels.

Kentucky Outlaws Get the Worst of an Encounter.

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