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SANTA CLAUS ROBBED.
Train Robbers Run Off with Many Christmas Gifts.

TRAIN CREW TAKEN BY SURPRISE.

At the Scene of Jess James' Exploits a Band of Masked Men Stop the Train and Speed Away with the Express Car and Locomotive.
 KANSAS CITY, Dec. 24.—Blue Cut, made historic through the operations of the James and Younger bands when they were pioneers in the train robbing industry, was the scene last night of its fourth holdup by road agents. At 9:30 o'clock the St. Louis and Chicago express was flagged at Blue Cut and came to a standstill. Masked men immediately covered the engineer and fireman and compelled them to get down from their cabs.
 At the same time another member of the bandit gang uncoupled the express car from the rest of the train. The robbers climbed aboard the locomotive and the express car, and before the surprised trainmen had time to collect their wits the bandits were speeding down the steep grade beyond Blue Cut with the engine and the express coach, and Express Messenger A. H. Fryer, of St. Louis, a prisoner in the car.
 Kansas City officials of the United States Express company state that the train carried very little cash, but the car was filled with an enormous amount of miscellaneous express of great value. Christmas boxes made up a considerable amount of the treasure. As to Express Messenger Fryer, all the officials will say is that he is heavily armed, and is "dead game," but they admit that the chances are against him.
 When the robbery became known at Independence a posse of county officials set out for the scene of the holdup, and at midnight County Marshal Keshioner was arranging to send out a force of officers from Kansas City.
 At 1 o'clock this morning a telephone message was received from Glendale stating that Engineer E. D. Meade and his fireman had arrived there. Immediately after the robbery they set out towards Glendale in search of their locomotive. They found their engine "dead" in a cut a mile east of Glendale, with the express car, but the report says nothing about the fate of the express messenger. Engineer Meade is reported to have said that there were three robbers, and that he identified them as three of the men who held up the train two months ago.
 It was at Blue Cut in 1881 that the James gang held up a Chicago and Alton express train and made one of the biggest hauls in the history of train robbery. A few years later another big train robbery was committed at the same place, and two months ago, on Oct. 33, the third hold-up of the Blue Cut occurred. The men who planned the robbery in October were local novices, and got nothing. Two members of the gang have since been arrested, and are in jail. Their accomplices are known and are fugitives.
 Though Blue Cut is less than fifteen miles distant from Kansas City, it is a wild and unsettled section and an ideal spot for such outlawry. It is a deep cut through solid rock, and except in broad daylight is almost as dark as a tunnel. For a long time it was patrolled day and night, but a few years ago, after the bandit gangs about there were supposed to have effectually broken up, the guards were withdrawn.

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WHOLESALE MURDER IN MINNESOTA.
MANKATO, Dec. 24.—A wholesale murder was committed at Mankato, a small town twenty miles west of here, late Monday night. John Mottle shot and killed Dennis J. Joblinski, the latter's son, aged 19, and a daughter, aged 15. A fourth person was badly wounded. The slayer then put a bullet through his own head. Mottle was infatuated with Joblinski's daughter, and the father objected. The murderer was 35 years old.
Venerable Elopers Wedded.
CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—James Canovan, 55 years old, and Mrs. Ann Murphy, 53 years old, eloped from the homes of their children and were married by a priest without the sanction or presence of their numerous relatives. The marriage had been vigorously opposed by their children, and the aged pair left their homes by stealth, and with closed carriage and other traditional elopement accompaniments, decided to have the ceremony performed.

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CHICAGO BANK FAILURE
Alleged Shady Practices in the Bank's Management.

HEAVY LOANS ON CALUMET STOCK.

A Friend of W. A. Hammond, the Second Vice President of the Institution, Defends Him from the Charge of Deceiving the Directors.
 CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—W. A. Hammond, second vice president of the National Bank of Illinois, who has been charged with pulling the wool over the eyes of the directors of the defunct bank, would not talk when seen in his palatial home at Evanston. Through an intimate friend, however, he made a statement which is calculated to implicate several of the directors as well as two or three men who are not connected with the bank.
 "W. A. Hammond is to be made the scapegoat of the failure of the National Bank of Illinois," said the friend. "Hammond is not any more to blame for the amount of money loaned on Calumet securities than are the members of the finance committee of the bank and its directors. It was necessary to the purposes of a man connected with the South Chicago city railway and an officer of one of the best known banks of this city to depreciate the Calumet electric road's stock, and to this end these two men brought about the wrecking of the National Bank of Illinois."
 "Of the bank's funds \$2,475,000 had been loaned on the Calumet securities. The plan for wrecking was brilliant—cause an investigation, depreciate Calumet stock and buy it; then combine this valuable property of sixty-three miles of new track, equipment and franchise with the South Chicago railway, eventually combining with the Chicago City railway, and make a fortune of millions within five or ten years."
 "The truth of the matter is members of the finance committee and certain directors of the National bank of Illinois have known the amount of the Calumet loan and had hoped to make individual fortunes on the success of the venture. Four years ago W. V. Jacobs, who started the Calumet road, borrowed \$15,000 and paid it up in full. After that the road passed into other hands and a loan was made on the securities with the full knowledge of the finance committee of the bank and by President Schneider himself.
 "It was the idea of a man connected with the South Chicago City railway to wreck the Calumet through the bank. It has succeeded and the probabilities are that the Calumet Electric will be sold to the South Chicago City railway and his friend the banker, who lent his name to this scheme to make a fortune out of the transaction himself.
 "The officers of the bank finding that the bank examiner was aware of the situation began to hasten the transactions they had conceived for the sale of the securities, and thus the clearing house became alarmed. Could the matter have been delayed thirty or sixty days the Calumet Electric securities would not have been found among the bank assets. The sale would have been effected possibly at a loss to the bank, but without disturbance to the public or heavy loss to the stockholders of the bank. But this course was not agreeable to the purpose of persons desiring to control the Calumet Electric road.
 Three years ago E. S. Dreyer allowed the bank \$1,000,000, and for three years Mr. Hammond has been trying to reduce that sum. It was loaned one half when the doors of the bank closed and it was due to Vice President Hammond that this was accomplished. If the securities for the loans to Dreyer and Weiss had disappeared, they disappeared Saturday. That may develop later. One director took \$12,000 out of the bank Saturday afternoon. There was no excuse for falsification of accounts, for the directors know the amount of the Calumet loan."
 After reading the above statement Director Page said: "Never did I see on the book kept for the purpose of informing the directors of the bank as to who were applicants for loans the name of the Calumet Electric railway."
 Captain Schneider, president of the National Bank of Illinois, lives in a rather showy brick residence at No. 2000 Michigan avenue. He is 73 years old, and in rather feeble health. When called upon by a representative of the Associated Press he said he should have no statement whatever to make, and he seemed quite broken by the calamity which has befallen him. There is no prospect of the bank's resuming, and it is by no means certain that it will pay its depositors in full, as at first promised.
 E. S. Dreyer and his partner, Robert Berger, of the banking firm of E. S. Dreyer & Co., which collapsed Monday as a result of the closing of the National Bank of Illinois and for whose arrest warrants were issued, gave themselves up yesterday. Arrangements had already been made for bondsmen, and the two bankers were promptly released. They are charged with receiving a deposit on Saturday last, knowing their bank was insolvent.

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