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When it comes to safety in traveling possibly the modern steamship gives the greatest possible assurance. In evidence of this fact, it is of record that not a single man of that 250,000 sent by England to South Africa, has been killed or injured while on ship-board.

Another official report has reached Washington concerning the alarming mortality among the natives of Alaska and the Aleutian Islands. The diseases which have afflicted them are principally those imported along with the advent of civilized man, proving again that contact with civilization is dangerous to the savage.

The average annual income of professional criminals is estimated at about \$1160. This means that the community pays them a yearly salary of \$400,000,000. After this is spent for their maintenance we pay annually \$200,000,000 for their detection, conviction and support under national, state, county and city auspices.

There was a time when the efforts of people to escape compulsory vaccination would have been less unreasonable than they are now. When physicians used humanized lymph (from the arms of children who may have been the victims of constitutional diseases) there was supposed to be danger of developing incidental disorders. As a matter of fact, however, most of the charges of the transmission of disease through vaccination were groundless. In this day the virus is prepared with the utmost care, and is fully protected from all possibility of germ infection. Only the bovine virus is used, and the animals from which it is obtained are always in perfect health. No one need fear anything worse than the effects of the harmless virus, observes the Philadelphia Record.

Political and social conditions will remain, for many years, important

## DOUBLE MURDER BY REJECTED SUITOR

### Man Kills Husband of His Former Sweetheart and Attacks Woman.

### SHOT HIMSELF THROUGH THE HEART

#### Frederick Bankert Had Served Time in Prison for Former Attempt on Woman's Life—Mrs. Green Was Shot in the Left Shoulder and the Top of Her Head Was Cut Open with a Hatchet—Plans Well Carried Out.

Amsterdam, N. Y. (Special).—Frederick Bankert, who six months ago was released from Dannemora prison, where he served five years for attempting to kill his sweetheart, Cora Harrison, by shooting her, killed William Green, who, while Bankert was in prison, married Miss Harrison, and also shot himself. He also shot Mrs. Green, and she will die. The murder took place at the home of the Greens.

The Greens lived on the second floor of a dwelling, the first floor of which is occupied by James Whitney and his family.

At 1.30 o'clock a. m. Whitney was awakened by noises in the Green apartments, but they ceased almost immediately and he paid no more attention to the matter at the time. About 2.15 o'clock Whitney's daughter returned home from a social party in company with Philip Cady. Whitney was still awake and he decided to go upstairs and investigate. So, in company with Philip Cady, he went to the Greens' rooms.

Being unable to arouse anyone they went to the bedroom occupied by the Greens. There they saw a sight that staggered them. Lying on the outer edge of the bed, with his body partly on the floor, was Green. His head had been crushed in with a hatchet in the hands of Bankert, who was lying on the other side of the bed, next to the wall, fully clad with the exception of his shoes. He was dead, with a bullet wound through the heart.

Lying between the two men was Mrs. Green, who was still alive, but unconscious.

Cady hastened to police headquarters and informed the officers of what had happened. When the police arrived at the house Mrs. Green was still breathing. She had been shot in the left shoulder and the top of her head was cut open with a hatchet. Efforts were made by physicians to resuscitate her, but in vain. Green had been shot in the neck and his head was cut open in several places with the hatchet. From the position in which he was found it could be seen that he had struggled hard for life.

Bankert had taken his own life by shooting himself in the heart. He had no doubt been considering the matter for some time, for his plans were well carried out.

### PAN-AMERICAN LIGHTS OUT.

#### The Impressive Closing Scene at Midnight as "Taps" Sounded.

Buffalo, N. Y. (Special).—The Pan-American Exposition ended at 12 o'clock Saturday night. At midnight President John G. Milburn pressed an electric button and the lights in the famous electric tower grew dim for the last time. Slowly, one by one, the lights on post and pinnacle and tower faded away. A corps of buglers standing in the tower sounded "taps," and one of the greatest glories of the Exposition—the electrical illumination—

## SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

### Domestic.

Nicaragua has given notice of the termination of the Treaty of 1867, granting the United States authority to build a canal across that country; also, the Treaty of 1870.

Lieut. William C. Harlee, U. S. M. C., was severely reprimanded for thrashing a Filipino boy who did not want to carry his gripsack.

Philippine Commissioner Luke E. Wright was appointed vice governor of the Philippines, to act in the absence of Governor Taft.

District Attorney Holmes, of Barnstable county, Massachusetts, who ordered the arrest of Miss Jane Tappan on the charge of poisoning, says there have been 11 suspicious cases of death in houses at which Miss Tappan was employed as a nurse.

Edward S. Stokes, who, on January 6, 1872, shot and killed Jim Fisk in the Grand Central Hotel, New York, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. McNutt, in that city.

Rev. Jeremiah Crowley, who was excommunicated and expelled from the Catholic Church, sued Ref. F. J. Barry, chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago, for \$50,000.

The International Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association re-elected Mrs. William S. Stewart, of Philadelphia, president.

The experts who examined Czolgosz during his life submitted a report declaring that he was a product of anarchy, but sane and responsible.

Ed Simpson and Francis Wiles, who blew up a place near Roanoke, Va., died from the injuries they sustained.

Gus and John Hall, brothers, were seriously injured in a football game at Rock Island, Ill.

Samuel Oliver was arrested in Newport News, Va., on the charge of smuggling tobacco.

Mme. Nordica, the singer, arrived on the St. Louis, at New York.

The Methodist Bishops, in session at Cincinnati, decided to hold the next semi-annual conference at Chattanooga, at which closer relations and the final union of the Churches North and South will be considered.

The West Virginia State Miners' Convention, at Huntington, adjourned after issuing a call for a meeting Nov. 27, to which the operators of Virginia and West Virginia will be invited.

Henry Wiseman, who was pardoned for the balance of the term he was serving for theft in Jackson, Mich., was released, and then rearrested on the charge of murdering Mrs. Ellen Huss.

Patrick S. Murphy was arrested in Torrington, Conn., on the charge of having attempted to wreck a passenger train on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

At Beechgrove, Ky., Marshal Hardin, 18 years old, kicked the crutch from Everett Bohannon, a school teacher, who was whipping him, and fatally stabbed the teacher.

A writ of mandamus has been served on Warden Haddock, of the West Virginia penitentiary, to require him to execute George Carter, a convicted murderer.

Thomas Gibbons, of Bangor, Me., Fred A. Hold and Mrs. Gero were arrested for the murder of the woman's husband, Thomas Gero, at Chesuncook, Maine.

Mrs. John Chartrand is under arrest for shooting and killing her husband at the skating rink in Hoboken, N. J. She says the shooting was accidental.

A heavy coil of telegraph wire was removed from the Northern Central track near York, where it had probably been placed to wreck a train.

## THE BOER LOSS WAS VERY HEAVY

### Casualties in Recent Engagement Were Over 300.

### ATTACK MADE DURING HEAVY MIST.

#### A Terrific Engagement Near Bethel in Which Col. Benson, Commanding the British Force, Is Mortally Wounded—Other Prominent Officers Among Those Who Fell—Boers Reported to Have Been a Thousand Strong.

Pretoria, Nov. 3.—Further details have been received regarding the attack by the Boers under Commandant General Louis Botha last week upon Colonel Benson's column, near Brakenlaagte, Eastern Transvaal.

It appears that General Botha, who had been joined by another big commando aggregating a thousand men, attacked Colonel Benson's rear guard October 30 on the march, and captured two guns, but was unable to retain them.

Colonel Benson fell mortally wounded early in the fight.

Major Wools-Sampson took command, collected the convoy and took up a position for defense about 500 yards from the entrenchments prepared by the Boers. The captured guns were so situated that neither side could touch them.

The Boers made desperate efforts to overwhelm the whole British force, charging repeatedly right up to the British lines and being driven back each time with heavy loss. The defense was stubbornly and successfully maintained through the whole of the following day and the succeeding night, until Colonel Barter, who had marched all night from Bushman's Kop, brought relief in the morning of November 1.

The Boers then retired. Their losses are estimated at between 300 and 400.

Colonel Benson did not long survive. Not only did General Botha direct the attack, as already cabled, but he personally shared in the fighting.

### CROPS AND THE WEATHER.

#### The Month of October Was Mild and Drier Than Usual.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The Weather Bureau just issued a bulletin showing the weather conditions for the past month throughout the country. That part of the bulletin relating particularly to crops follows:

"The month has been very mild, and for the most part drier than usual, the weather conditions being generally favorable for farming operations. Rain is very generally needed, however, over the Middle and South Atlantic and Gulf Coast Districts and also in the central valleys and middle Rocky Mountain region, drought being very severe in western Texas and in the upper Ohio Valley. Very little damage by frost has occurred. On the Pacific Coast the month has been favorable except in California, where rains caused some damage.

"The conditions have been very favorable for gathering corn and husking has made favorable progress.

"In Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa Fall grain has made vigorous growth, but needs rain over limited areas in the two last-named States. In Missouri, Illinois, Ohio and Kentucky germination of sown grain has been retarded by the condition of the soil during the month. In Indiana the condition of the soil during the whole month has been unfavorable for planting."

## DAY OF THANKSGIVING.

### President Theodore Roosevelt Fixes Thursday, November 28.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—President Roosevelt Saturday issued his proclamation fixing Thursday, November 28, as a day of national thanksgiving. It follows:

### "A PROCLAMATION.

"The season is nigh when, according to the time-hallowed custom of our people, the President appoints a day as the especial occasion for praise and thanksgiving to God.

"This Thanksgiving finds the people still bowed with sorrow for the death of a great and good President. We mourn President McKinley because we so loved and honored him, and the manner of his death should awaken in the breasts of our people a keen anxiety for the country and at the same time a resolute purpose not to be driven by any calamity from the path of strong, orderly, popular liberty, which, as a nation, we have thus far safely trod.

"Yet, in spite of this great disaster, it is nevertheless true that no people on earth have such abundant cause for thanksgiving as we have. The past year in particular has been one of peace and plenty. We have prospered in things material and have been able to work for our own uplifting in things intellectual and spiritual. Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds. We can best prove our thankfulness to the Almighty by the way in which on this earth and at this time each of us does his duty to his fellow-men.

"Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, do hereby designate as a day of general thanksgiving Thursday, the 28th of this present November, and do recommend that throughout the land the people cease from their wonted occupations and at their several homes and places of worship reverently thank the Giver of all good for the countless blessings of our national life.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the City of Washington this second day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-sixth.

### "THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

"By the President,  
"JOHN HAY, Secretary of State."

### KILLED BY INFECTED SERUM.

#### Eleven Children Dead After Using Diphtheria Antitoxin.

St. Louis (Special).—The list of deaths attributed to lockjaw as a result of the administration of diphtheria antitoxin manufactured by the city chemist now numbers 11, two more deaths having been reported.

Eleven other children are reported to the Health Department as suffering with lockjaw, with slight chances for recovery. The cause of lockjaw in each case is said to be poisoning from the city's diphtheria antitoxin.

The Health Department has now begun the free distribution of tetanus antitoxin for injection into the blood of diphtheria patients who have been inoculated with the injected serum and thus exposed to lockjaw.

The Health Department has announced that no more diphtheria antitoxin will be manufactured by the city of St. Louis.

The investigation ordered by the city coroner to determine positively the cause of the deaths of the children who are alleged to have followed the administration of the antitoxin is still in progress.

## CZOLGOSZ SANE BEYOND A DOUBT

### Mental Specialists, After Thorough Examination, Forever Settle Question.

### WAS GRADUALLY DEGENERATED.

#### Physicians Give a History of His Case, Declaring as a Result of Their Investigation That the President's Assassin Was a Product of Anarchy, But Sane and Responsible—He Had No Delusions.

Buffalo, N. Y. (Special).—Drs. Fowler, Crego and Putnam, the specialists who were requested by District Attorney Penney to examine into the mental condition of Leon Czolgosz, the assassin of President McKinley, have made public their report, in which they state as the result of frequent examinations of Czolgosz, of the reports of his watchers and of his behavior in court, that they have "concluded that he was sane at the time he planned the murder, when he shot the President and when he was on trial."

His first examination was only a few hours after the commission of the crime and while he was still uninformed of the fate of the victim. During the first three examinations Czolgosz answered questions unhesitatingly. After that, however, he became less communicative. He had a common-school education, the report says, and read and wrote well. During the first day's examination he said he planned the killing of the President three or four days after he (Czolgosz) came to Buffalo.

The sanity of Czolgosz was held, the report says, "from the history of his life as it came from him. He had been sober, industrious and law-abiding; till he was 21 years of age he was, as others of his class, a believer in the government of his country and of the religion of his father. After he cast his first vote he made the acquaintance of anarchistic leaders, who invited him to their meetings. He was a good listener, and in a short time he adopted their theories. He was consistent in his adherence to anarchism. He did not believe in government, therefore he refused to vote. He did not believe in marriage because he did not believe in law. He killed the President because he was a ruler, and Czolgosz believed, as he was taught, that all rulers were tyrants. He refused to have a lawyer because he did not believe in law.

"We come to the conclusion," the report goes on, "that in the holding of these views Czolgosz was sane, because these opinions were formed gradually under the influence of anarchistic leaders and propagandists. In Czolgosz they found a willing and intelligent tool. The most careful questioning failed to discover any hallucination of sight or hearing. He had received no special command; he did not believe he had been especially chosen to do the deed. He always spoke of his motives for the crime as duty; he always referred to the anarchist's belief that the killing of rulers was a duty. He never claimed the idea of killing the President was original with him, but the method of accomplishing his purpose was his, and that he did it alone.

"These facts all tend to prove that the man had an unimpaired mind. He had false beliefs, the result of false teaching, but not the result of disease. Psychically he had not a history of perversion of tastes and was the product of anarchy, but not responsible."

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