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The President's Condition.

The condition of the President through the past week has been such as to inspire more hope of his recovery though the foundation for such hope has been slight and a bulletin showing another relapse would not have taken people by surprise. It is acknowledged by his physicians that his symptoms are not satisfactory, though they do not yet give him up.

An attempt will be made in a day or two to remove him to Long Branch.—The latest dispatch was on Sunday evening which said the condition of the President shows no material change.

WHEN the tobacco tax was reduced a year ago from twenty-four to sixteen cents a pound, the measure was believed to be a suicidal one, and that it would require heavy taxing of other products to compensate for the loss. Owing, however, to the larger consumption of the article, the revenue from this source the past year has been much larger than with the higher tax.

THE FEELINGS of the citizens of Bradford on Monday night would be difficult to comprehend by those who have never been placed in similar circumstances. During the whole night a river of oil from an overflowing tank ran through the heart of the city, liable to be set on fire at any moment by careless or designing persons. Aside from the danger to property, the lives of the citizens were in constant peril, and at this distance it appears that there must have been gross carelessness on the part of some one to allow such a state of things to have existed even for a short time.

Mrs. Garfield's Faith.

On Friday a week the surgeons gave up all hope of saving the President's life, but Mrs. Garfield still had faith. It appears that the surgeons, after the alarming symptoms of the morning, decided that it was useless longer to continue the struggle, and two of them were selected to wait upon Mrs. Garfield and to inform her that medical science could do no more and that she must prepare for the worst. The interview which occurred between these surgeons and Mrs. Garfield will, if reports are true, be regarded as one of the most dramatic incidents in this extraordinary case. Capt. Henry, Marshal of this District, a friend of the President and his family, says that Mrs. Garfield heard the news with great composure, and that, smothering her emotion, she arose and said: "Gentlemen, you shall not give him up. He is not going to die. He is going to live. I feel, I know it. Go back to your post, every one of you, and leave it not until every remedy is exhausted, until death itself has set its seal upon him, for I will not believe that he is dying. Go back and do what you can. You cannot do more, but don't give up. I am his wife, and say that we will not give up until the end itself is upon us." Mrs. Garfield has never surrendered more than a moment or two at a time to her grief, and then she has retired to her room, and after a brief absence has returned to her post of duty at the President's bedside.

Clouds of Ants.

WINNEPEG, August 24.—The people of Emerson were recently startled by an unusual phenomenon in the shape of clouds of ants flying in the air from west to east and extending for miles around. They were apparently ordinary black ants provided with wings. During the night myriads of these insects came to the earth, and the streets and sidewalks were literally black with them.—The Red river was also covered with a coating of the ants an inch thick. It is supposed that heavy storms had driven them this way. The atmosphere was exceedingly sultry and the light was considerably impaired, so heavy were the clouds during the time in which the ants were passing over the town.

Precocious Youngsters.

JERSEY CITY, August 31.—Joseph Campbell and Joseph Nevill, two boys aged ten and eleven years were this morning arraigned in the First district police court, charged with grand larceny, having entered a house in Warren street from the rear and stolen a gold watch and chain valued at ninety dollars and a locket and chain valued at seventy dollars. They then went to

the drug store of W. White and robbed the drawer of some money and soda water tickets. They were committed to await the action of the grand jury.

Struggle with Burglars.

At an early hour Tuesday morning the residences of H. A. Griswold and E. C. Hopson, in Whitehall, were entered by burglars, who obtained about \$3,000 worth of booty, including two gold watches belonging to Dr. E. B. Daly of New York, a relative of Mr. Hopson. After the discovery of the burglary inquiries were made in the village of two suspicious-looking men who had been seen lurking around for two or three days. Mr. Griswold learned that two men answering their description had purchased tickets at Comstock's Landing, the first station on the Delaware and Hudson Railroad south of Whitehall. It was first intended to telegraph here, and have the men intercepted at this station, but the morning train having passed here a despatch was sent to Deputy Sheriff Post at Mechanicsville, who, accompanied by United District Attorney John C. Green, Ticket Agent George H. Marvin, and J. K. Farnam entered the train on its arrival at Mechanicsville, and in the smoking car found two men fully answering the description, and the tickets exhibited by them showed that they had been purchased at Comstock's Landing. Post locked the rear door of the car, and, stepping up to one of the men, said: "Here they are. Now we have them." He attempted to seize one of the men, but the moment Post laid his hands on him the other pulled out a revolver and opened fire. One shot struck Post on the left side of the neck, passing clear through, and another slightly wounded him on the breast. Farnam who went to Post's assistance, received a slight wound near the mouth and another near the shoulder blade. Post, after being wounded, struck the man he had seized, and in doing so broke two fingers. The burglars then attempted an exit by the rear door of the car, but they found it locked. They then ran out through the front door, and with drawn revolvers drove the passengers ahead of them. They ran down the track, followed by an excited crowd. The larger of the two criminals, who gave the name of Murray, was the first caught, and the crowd handled him in a savage manner. When he was carried back to Mechanicsville Station he was covered with blood, and one of his eyes bore the appearance of having been kicked half out of his head. The other burglar, who gave the name of Procter, continued his flight for about half a mile. While he was holding his pursuers at bay by flourishing a revolver, Mr. Samuel Porter of Mechanicsville, who had gone home and got his shot-gun appeared and lodged a charge of buckshot in the burglar's back, compelling him to surrender. The property they stole in Whitehall was all recovered. The plunder stolen from the Whitehall residences was found in the car where the men were seated.—*Troy Exchange.*

Shot by a Burglar.

EQUINUNK, Pa., Aug. 29.—Lafayette Lord was awakened by an explosion about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. He dressed himself and went out of doors. Seeing a light in the only store in the place, that of Henry Farley, he suspected that something was wrong, and, hurrying to the residence of Mr. Farley, he awakened him. The two hastened to the store.

The front door was locked. Mr. Farley cautiously opened it and entered, Mr. Lord following. Mr. Farley had hardly got inside before three shots were fired in rapid succession, and Mr. Farley was heard to fall. There followed a tramping of feet, and three men were seen by Mr. Lord to jump out from a back window. When Mr. Lord stooped over the wounded man he found blood oozing from a bullet hole in his left breast. Soon a dozen or more persons had collected, having heard the report of the pistol. Mr. Farley was carried home. A doctor pronounced the wound probably fatal.

It was found that the safe in the store had been penetrated by blowing open the door, fragments of which were scattered all around on the floor. A pile of goods done up in a bundle lay on one of the counters, and some of the papers from the safe lay scattered around. It is probable that nothing was taken in the hurry of the burglars to escape. A wagon was heard rattling away in the direction of Hawley.

The Ohio River Drying Up.

CINCINNATI, August 28.—Navigation is virtually closed on the Ohio River. None but Little Cumberland and Kentucky River boats are running, and but few of them. At Pittsburg the stage is seven inches below zero, at Louisville, thirty inches; in the canal at Evansville, twenty-four inches, and at the mouth of the Ohio at Cairo, six feet nine inches. The river business is suspended the entire length of the river.

Dangerous Fluid.

Yesterday a barrel containing gasoline exploded in the cellar of the beer saloon and dwelling of Roman Miller, at the southwest corner of Bucknell and Brown streets, doing considerable damage to the property, besides seriously injuring both Mr. Miller and his wife. The former went into the cellar for the purpose of placing a keg of beer on tap, carrying a lighted candle, when an explosion occurred, throwing him some distance and setting fire to the flooring. The clothing of his wife, who was in the kitchen, became ignited by the flames. Mr. Miller was badly burned about the head, arms and breast, and was removed to the German Hospital in an unconscious condition. His injuries were pronounced a dangerous character. The barrel of gasoline had been purchased about a week ago, and was used in lamps throughout the house.—*Philadelphia North American of the 31st ult.*

Extraordinary Affliction.

A special to the Times from Dubuque, Iowa, August 30, says: "A family has become insane in this county through grief and death. Mary McMahon, the daughter of a farmer, entered a convent two weeks ago and became insane. She was sent to the asylum at Independence for treatment. Her mother visited her, and also became insane. The daughter died last Monday, which so afflicted the mother that she died to-day. The remains of both mother and daughter were sent home for burial. Arriving at Farley, near which place the McMahons live, a son and daughter at home became insane at the sight of their mother and sister coming home dead, and the father is now stricken with grief, bordering upon insanity."

A Dastardly Act.

Whilst D. D. Morrell was engaged in threshing on his extensive farms at Henrietta a few days ago with a steamer and separator, there was a sudden stop and considerable burst up, the spikes in the concave and the concave itself flying in all directions, the men skedaddling in hot haste from the barn. After the flying missiles had subsided and order restored he looked round for the cause and found that horse shoes had been secreted by dastardly villains in the sheaves of wheat. A reward of fifty dollars is offered by D. D. Morrell for any information that will lead to the conviction of the party or parties who perpetrated the act.

Child Burned.

On Friday afternoon last, Minnie, a little daughter of Henry Leister, of this place, met with a serious accident.—She with some other children were playing with lighted candles in the cellar of the Leister House, when her clothing took fire. She ran out to the front of the house, screaming, when a number of bystanders ran to her assistance, and succeeded in extinguishing the flames, but not before her arms and legs were badly burned. A physician was immediately summoned by telephone, who promptly came to her relief. She is doing well.—*Huntingdon News.*

LANCASTER, Pa., August 31.—The unprecedented drouth in this county has resulted in the failure of two-thirds of the tobacco crop, entailing a loss in the county of over a million dollars. In neighboring counties, where the same atmospheric conditions existed, the loss will be as much more. Some of the early planted tobacco escaped the dry spell and matured well, but this has already been purchased by New York buyers, most of it while still growing in the fields. Larger prices have ruled this year than have ever before been paid. It is believed that the remainder of the crop will only be available for fillers.

When the Rock Island train arrived at Rock Island, the other day, a fine looking woman, apparently about 40 years of age, stepped from one of the coaches, wearing a heavy leather belt, in which securely hung a huge revolver. Why the lady carried this instrument of death so conspicuously displayed was not learned, but, as she paraded the platform at the depot, she was the central figure of interest.

Miscellaneous News Items.

Several cows have died at Indianapolis from eating the straw which covered the floor at the recent whale exhibition.—The straw had become saturated with some arsenical preparation.

Mr. Jones, of Douglas township, Clay county Iowa, died two days before the late storm. The Reporter says the funeral was taking place when the storm burst, and the coffin was blown from the altar table in the church.

The Rev. Father Grogan attempted to drive a Land League out of his parish schoolhouse, in Chicago, where they were holding a meeting, and characterized them

as "scoundrels and vagabonds." They retorted that he was drunk, and threw him into the street.

A pretty woman was dangerously ill at Rising Sun, Ind., and the physician promised to cure her if she would desert her husband and elope with him. The bargain has been carried out on both sides.

At the elections in Kentucky recently, Mrs. Minerva Brashears was chosen Clerk of Letcher Co., and Mrs. Emma Smith, Clerk of Laurel Co. They were the widows of Clerks who had died in office.

SCRANTON, Aug. 31.—S. G. Collins, supposed to be a salesman from Wickersham & Co., of Race street, Philadelphia, committed suicide at an early hour yesterday morning by throwing himself in front of a freight train at a point one mile west of Bloomsburg, on the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg railroad. His body was found at Espy this morning.

Daniel Jones, an aged bank President at Watertown, Wis., and Charles Wood, an equally aged manufacturer, have both been regarded in their community as pattern men. Nevertheless, they had a desperate fight over the discounting of a note, and Mr. Jones was so badly whipped that it was doubtful for a time whether he would recover.

A farmer at Dayton, Wis., discovered and attacked seven wolves while out looking up a flock of sheep the other day. After a desperate fight, in which all his clothing was torn off, his hands and legs were badly bitten and the lower half of one ear was snapped off, he killed them. He received \$77 in bounties from the State and sold the skins for a fair price.

A brave deed was recently accomplished by a lady residing near the Baptist church in Bureau, Henry county, Ill. Discovering her child in the well, she descended by means of a clothes-line to a distance of sixty feet, incrating her hands so terribly that the bones were exposed, rescued the child from sixteen feet of water, and slowly and painfully made her ascent with the precious burden, which in her bruised condition required half an hour.

A Bridgeport, Conn., paper says: A curious specimen of fish was captured by Captain J. W. Lewis recently, while dredging for oysters, which may be seen swimming around in a glass jar in Ed. Smith's window on Wall Street. It has been named "sea horse," from the fact that the head resembles that of a horse. It is about four inches in length, flat and of a dark color. It is quite a curiosity, and has been viewed by scores of people to-day.

MONTREAL, Aug. 29.—Early this morning the guardian of the draw bridge over the Lacine Canal at Saint Henri was led by hearing groans to discover a German immigrant standing up to his chin in water near the immigrant sheds, and suffering from a severe stab wound near the heart. He was delirious. He could only speak German. He said his name was Otto Wick, and that he came from Pfoffendorf, Germany. He talked excitedly of his wife and children. In his pockets were \$8 and the following: "Castle Garden, 129, Troy N. Y."

Recently two bald eagles engaged in combat in mid-air, just above the heads of some young men who were camping out in Bayhundred, Talbot county, Md. The birds fought fiercely aloft for several minutes, the feathers flying and drops of blood pattering down upon the leaves. When at last both combatants fell to the ground Augustus Krauser and Mr. Molyneux tried to capture them. The eagles turned upon the men and in the struggle Mr. Molyneux's coat was torn by the claws of the birds. One was captured and the other escaped.

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—The steamboat State of New York, plying between Hartford and New York, left Hartford at four o'clock on Sunday afternoon, struck on a rock near Goodspeed's Landing, half way between Saybrook Point and Hartford, about 6 o'clock last night. She was immediately run ashore and lies there with her stern under water. No panic ensued and no lives were lost. Her passenger list could not be ascertained. The vice president of the Hartford line telegraphed this morning to this city for pumps and divers to be sent immediately to Goodspeed's Landing to raise the steamboat.

I have a little girl, said Mr. Henry Dole, of this city, in a conversation, who was troubled with a severe lameness in her legs, pronounced by some Erysipelas, by others Rheumatism. I had tried several remedies without effect, when I was induced to apply St. Jacobs Oil and I am happy to say that the use of but one bottle cured her, and she is now able to go to school again.—*Detroit Post and Tribune.*

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A CARD.

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