COLORADO JAILERS PLUCKY

WOULD-BE LYNCHERS FOILED

Mob Attempts to Take Out Farmer's Murderer, But is Repulsed by Jail-Keepers After a Determined Assault on the Building—The Farmer the Victim of a Tramp's Brutality—Slayer Believed to be Insane.

Las Animas, Col., Dec. 26.—After several hours of diligent effort at storming the county jail a mob which gathered after dark to avenge the death of Henry Lavenmeyer, a farmer, who was murdered in a most brutal way by a tramp, dispersed and it is thought that no further attempts will be made to-night to carry out the plan of vengeance. The mob worked its way into the jail as far as the steel doors by breaking down wooden doors, but were met with a stern refusal by the jail keepers to turn over the prisoner, and finally gave up. When apprehended the murderer gave his name as Lawrence Leberg, and many believe him to be insane.

Las Animas, Col., Dec. 26.—A mob is now at work battering down the walls of the jail here for the purpose of lynching Lawrence Leberg, a tramp, who yesterday murdered Henry Lavenmeyer, a farmer, near here.

Alighting from a Sante Fe freight train yesterday afternoon at Robinson station, Leberg crossed the river and begged a meal from a farmer named Purvis. Leberg also demanded lodging ,but was refused because of his abusive language. Later Leberg set fire to a hay stack belonging to Henry Lavenmeyer, probably thinking it was the property of Purvis. The fire attracted Lavenmeyer, who took Leberg into custody, allowing him to ride behind him on his horse. When Lavenmeyer dismounted to open a gate, Leberg struck him heavily on the head with a hammer, which he found tied to Lavenmeyer's saddle. Leberg then cut Lavenmeyer's throat. The burning hay stack attracted neighbors, who found the mutilated body. Leberg was caught riding Lavenmeyer's horse. He boasted of his crime, saying that he had drunk the blood of his victim. Leberg was brought here and placed in jail. At noon to-day Sheriff Brown started for Pueblo with his prisoner, but was met by several hundred persons who protested against Leberg's removal and he was again placed in jail. To-night a mob set about the work of vengeance. Soon after dark several hundred men and boys appeared at the jail, but were refused admittance. Almost immediately they began the attack on the jail.

SNOW STORM IN ENGLAND.

The Heaviest Fall the United Kingdom Has Experienced in Years—Gale Off the Coast Does Damage to Shipping.

London, Dec. 26.—Christmas of 1906 will be memorable for the heaviest snow storm the United Kingdom has experienced in many years. In the northern counties of England and in Scotland the snow was accompanied by great gales. There was an average fall of from 4 to 6 inches which under heavy gales drifted badly and worked serious hindrance to locomotion of all kinds and inconvenience to holiday makers. It snowed again to-night, but not so hard, excepting in the Liverpool district, where a fierce blizzard is raging, and the indications are that the severe weather will continue.

There were many small wrecks along the coasts, but no serious loss of life is reported. The crews of nearly all the wrecked vessels were rescued by lifeboats. Almost all the shipwrecked men had terrible experiences and were completely exhausted before being brought to land. The steamer Hazeldene struck a rock and sank off Cloughey. Lifeboat men succeeded in rescuing the crew after an exciting experience. Another lifeboat made a similar rescue of the crew of the schooner Ringleader, wrecked off Dungenes.

The minor inconveniences of the day include the abandoning of hundreds of boxing day football and golf matches.

BANQUET AT SALISBURY.

Former Master Mechanic Murriam, of Spencer, Guest of Honor at Feast Given by Former Subordinates.

Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Dec. 26.—Hotel Jackson was the banquet hall last night in which former Master Mechanic W. H. Murriam, of Spencer, was the guest of honor. The affair was limited to Mr. Murriam's former subordinates and Editor Jno. M. Julian, who served as toastmaster. Mr. W. F. Jackson, the host, made new fame for his house by spreading one of the finest dinners ever served in Salisbury. As will be recalled Mr. Murriam goes soon to Knoxville, where he succeeds W. H. Hudson as superintendent of motive power for the Southern on that division. He is as fine as the Southern has ever placed here and all Salisbury and Spencer regret his going away.

Mr. J. C. Fireman, The New York Herald artist, spent a few hours here last night, and went out on a late train. Mr. Fireman stands at the top of his profession and though the highest class artist is so much like folks, and withal such a delightful fellow that Salisbury was carried away with him. While in the Elks hall, he gave some exhibitions of his skill that were marvelous, and there was seen every reason for the fine stand that he has taken with the metropolitan papers. Mr. Fireman went to The Herald a self-made man.

The volunteer firemen yesterday received a check of $25 from the city as a Christmas present. They have a high reputation, and it has been almost sustained in all of their rewardless work of love.

ATTACK COURT'S JURISDICTION.

Standard Octopus, of New Jersey, and 60-Odd Smaller Octopuses File Motion in United States Circuit Court at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 26.—The Standard Oil Company, of New Jersey, and 60-odd other corporations and individuals allied with it as defendants in the government's suit to upset the alleged oil monopoly, filed a motion in the United States Circuit Court, attacking the jurisdiction of that court to bring in non-resident defendants by process and petitioning the court to vacate the order of service issued by Judge Sanborn on November 15.

All of the defendants in the suit join in the motion except the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, which is a resident of the eastern division of the eastern judicial district of Missouri. Henry S. Priest filed the motion as counsel for all the parties. Accompanying it was the affidavit of Charles E. White, assistant secretary of the Standard Oil Company, who certifies that all the petitioners are non-residents of this district.

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TRACK NOT CLEAR.

Another Day or Two of Work Necessary to Put Track at Davidson in Normal Shape—Negro Girl Burned to Death.

Special to The Observer.

Davidson, Dec. 26.—This Christmas week, by universal consent, seems to be the quietest known here for a long while. Young people's parties are conspicuous by their absence, and even the town officials have had practically nothing to do in the way of keeping the disorderly in bounds.

The many railroad accidents reported in the papers are a constant topic of conversation, and this one of Monday that happened near Davidson still attracts a good many visitors to the place where the workmen are clearing away the wreckage. The railroad fare is only 5 cents and those who can not get a free ride are more than willing to pay the nickel for transportation to the spot. Rumor still speaks of the possibility that a hobo or two is under the debris and that they will be discovered before everything is cleared away, but there is no evidence that any one was killed, though it is reported that several tramps were seen on this train that night, and one man was helping with the car of horses, but it is thought that he disappeared at an earlier hour in the night and escaped any hurt. The track will be in a normal condition after one or two more days of hard work.

A little negro girl, left in charge of the house by her mother, Mag Cornelius, was burned so badly Monday evening that she died the next day, after suffering fearful agony. The child undertook to dress a chicken for her mother, and in some way her clothing caught fire. Before she could be rescued by people rushing in as they heard her screams, her body was fatally burned. The family lived in one of the tenement houses in the rear of Mrs. Thompson's lot, near the depot.

Miss Gladys Summers, who is teaching in Chattanooga, Tenn., is at home for the holidays. She was one of the passengers who got some of the rude shaking up that was experienced by those aboard the train that was run into at Greenville, S. C., the other night.—Other Christmas visitors are Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Wharey, from Salisbury; Miss Lavette Dupuy, Messrs. Edward Currie and Warren Sumners, the latter now attending the A. & M.—Miss Julia Potts, of the State Institution for the Deaf and Blind, at Morganton, returns home to-night.—Mrs. T. L. Thompson and children, of Wake Forest, have been visiting her father, Mr. Armour, this week, returning home yesterday.—Prof. Arbuckle, of the chair of biology in Agnes Scott, Decatur, Ga., is on the Hill, the guest of Dr. Smith.

SANTA CLAUS DELAYED.

Freight Trains Which Never Came Hurt Troutman People's Christmas—A Call for the Woodburners.

Special to The Observer.

Troutman, Dec. 26.—Christmas at Troutman has been a Christmas devoid of oranges and fireworks. There follows in its wake a big crop of bald-headed merchants, who have clawed out their hair because they could not supply their customers with Christmas needfuls which had been bought in due time. Never before since Sherman marched down to the sea has there been a time when one could not get a package of freight through from Charlotte or Salisbury in two weeks. The old citizens long for a return of the old woodburners, with veteran Groobe at the throttle. In that time the trains were slow but sure.

There were a number of Christmas dinners and family reunions yesterday. The village was full to overflowing with visitors and every family had a share. People are becoming educated to the fact that one of the nicest places in the world to spend a pleasant Christmas is in the quiet little village where everybody speaks to everybody and where every home is overflowing with hospitality to the stranger within the gates.

Mr. Robert Richie, who left this country 18 years ago, is here for the first time since leaving and is visiting among his many friends. He now lives in Arkansas and has prospered.

RAILROADS MULCT UNCLE SAM.

Government Pays Them Three Times as Much as is Paid by the Express Companies—Government Needs a Traffic Manager.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Statistics compiled by the representatives of the United Typothetae of America and the American Weekly Publishers' Association, which organizations are vigorously fighting the movement to increase the rates charged for second-class mail matter, show that the government is paying the railways three times as much on the average for the transportation of mail matter as the express companies pay the roads for like services. On the basis of the Postmaster General's estimates the publishers assert that the government during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1907, will pay the roads almost $32,000,000 more than the express companies would pay them for hauling an equal tonnage.

The printers' and publishers' organizations compiled the statistics to show that the government, for the purpose of reducing the annual postoffice deficit, rather should reduce its outlay for the transportation of mails than increase the rate for second-class mail matter.

"One of the chief needs of the government is an expert traffic manager," said W. D. Boyce, a Chicago publisher, to-day. "It then would get as good rates as the express companies."

Fashionable Grooms Fight Pitchfork Duel.

New York, Dec. 26.—A duel with pitchforks between two grooms employed in a fashionable riding academy in East 58th street, to-day, resulted in probably fatal injuries to Thomas Connolly, whose eye and brain were penetrated by the prong of the fork wielded by James Cassidy. The two quarreled over the possession of a pitchfork. Each armed with a pitchfork, and fought for several minutes, while the other employes were afraid to interfere until Connolly was stabbed in the eye. Cassidy was arrested.

Four Wounded in Pistol Battle.

Williamson, W. Va., Dec. 26.—Four men were wounded, two critically, in a pistol battle here last night. Leander G. Ikerson and John Browning while drinking attempted to take charge of a local store and Deputy Sheriff James McConbs and Policeman James Starr were called to arrest them. Shots were exchanged, the deputy sheriff was shot and is in a critical condition, two bullets penetrating his body. Gilkerson was probably also mortally wounded. Starr and Browning also were wounded but will recover.

WHEN TO GO HOME.

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun, go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the wholehousehold." To which we would add, when you have a bad cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by R. H. Jordan & Co.

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FIRE DESTROYS CHURCH.

Building of Methodists at Stokesburg Burned by Flames Monday Night—Gilt Brannon in Precarious Condition.

Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Dec. 26.—The edifice of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Stokesburg, near Walnut Cove, was destroyed by fire Monday evening. The building was a frame structure and cost $1,000 or more. It appears that the interior of the house of worship had been attractively decorated by the Sunday school for the annual Christmas entertainment, to have been given that night. Fire was left in the stove and the church doors locked. Then the committee left for their respective homes for supper. A defective flue was responsible for the destruction of the building. The fire started in the roof and spread rapidly.

Winston-Salem's cash contribution to the Oxford Orphanage as a Christmas present amounted to $368.50. The money was raised by a committee from the Winston Masonic lodge. This order never fails to remember the orphans at Christmas.

Gilt Brannon, a white man about 24 years old, who was shot in the left side, near Belo's pond, Monday night, is at the hospital in a precarious condition. Pneumonia has developed and little hope for his recovery is entertained. An operation was performed upon the wounded man an hour or two after the shooting, but the physicians failed to locate the ball. It perforated the intestines in one or two places.

John Gordon, a married man, who is charged with shooting Brannon, is in jail. He alleges that he was under the impression that his pistol was loaded with blank cartridges. Gordon also claims that the trouble between him and Brannon was caused by Brannon's trying to take his (Gordon's) wife away from him. Capt. J. M. Robinson, the coroner, visited Brannon before the operation was performed and, being told by the physician that it might prove fatal, Capt. Robinson took down the statement made by Brannon under oath, regarding his trouble with Gordon. Gordon was shot in the left arm. The ball entering near the elbow and came out near the wrist. Gordon's wife has made two or three conflicting statements to the officers. Yesterday she said that she and her husband had not been living together for some time. This morning she denied saying this, claiming that they had never separated.

Pranks of Davidson Girls.

Special to The Observer.

Davidson, Dec. 26.—One of the amusing incidents of the holiday season was a prank played by some of the young ladies of the village on several homes, where their intimacy justified the joke. These young folks dressed themselves in beggars' robes and otherwise disguised themselves to look as much as possible like those to whom fortune had denied any full share of the necessaries of life, whether these be meat for the body or garments to keep off the winter's chill. Thus apparelled these presented themselves at the front door of more than one charitable person. Their appeals for help, supported by a poverty-stricken look, a pitiful tone of voice, and a harrowing story of distress, touched the hearts of the good Samaritans and the beggars went away richer than their dreams could have imagined possible.

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