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## FOLLOW The Crowd

Do you remember the advice of Mr. Pickwick when asked what to do in a time of great excitement? In such case do as the mob does. But, said Mr. Snodgrass, what if there are two mobs? Shout with the largest. Volumes could not have said more. If you gentle or ferocious reader, want to buy

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## STATE NEWS.

—Salisbury Herald: A man from Davie county was in town yesterday who had sunk so low in the scale of moral intelligence as to boast of having received a gallon of liquor for his vote for the Republican county officers in Davie county. He could not be convinced that he was doing a wrong act. O tempora, O mores!

—Goldsboro Herald: We learn that the Board of canvassers of LaGrange county threw out LaGrange township vote which elected the entire Democratic ticket, but the county officers refused to accept the offices and have rendered their resignations. They notified the Populists and Republicans to prepare to give bond.

—Cor. Norfolk Landmark: Forty-five persons were poisoned by ice-cream at Wake Forest College. The cream was served at a golden wedding there. Among the sick were five members of the faculty. Miss Simmons a daughter of the late Professor William G. Simmons, and Miss Dunn are not expected to live; the others are out of danger. There were ptomaines in the cream.

—Greenville, (S. C.) News: "Reports reach here from Hendersonville of the birth of the most remarkable infant ever heard of. It was born the early part of the week and its father is 70 and its mother 69 years old. The parents are prominent people, of high standing, and the ages are well authenticated. The reports tell of no similar case, and the local traditions of this section halt at the age of 55 for maternity.

—Lexington Dispatch: Bob Elder, aged 18 years, accidentally shot and killed his brother, Charlie, aged 17 years, near Trading Ford, Rowan county Saturday afternoon. Bob was handling a pistol with one cartridge in it, and in laying it down on a bureau in the room the cartridge struck against something, exploding, and sending the ball in Charlie's forehead, who was standing near. The brother is almost crazed with grief.

—Greensboro Patriot: George Arkell, a prominent citizen of Wheeling W. Va., was convicted of larceny in the Columbus county court last week. A year ago he found a pocket book belonging to J. B. Harrison, treasurer of Columbus county, on a Coast Line train, and declined to give it up without receiving a reward of \$200, which the loser considered excessive. Arkell defied prosecution and was astounded at the verdict of the jury. When he found the penitentiary staring him in the face he gave up the money found in the book—about \$140. The affair will cost him at least \$500.

—Specimen Cases.  
S. H. Clifford, New Castle, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.  
Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Specker, Catawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by B. W. Hargrave.

Go to Young's for shoes.

## THE DEAD PUGLIST

The Victim of a Sparring Match Buried.

MANY PRIZE FIGHTERS WERE THERE

Lanky Bob Fitzsimmons Was a Full-Bearer at the Funeral of the Man He Killed. He Has Retained Counsel to Defend Himself.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., November 19.—The funeral of "Com" Rioridan, who died Saturday morning after having been knocked out by Bob Fitzsimmons on Friday night at the Grand opera house in this city, was held yesterday at the undertaking rooms of James Mullin and Son. It was attended by Fitzsimmons' variety company and a large number of sporting men. The services were conducted by Rev. A. S. Durston, secretary of the local Y. M. C. A. The pall-bearers were Fitzsimmons, Joe Dunfee, Frank Sullivan, Dick Whittle and Ed Grier, manager of Fitzsimmons' company. At the conclusion of the services the body was taken to the vault at Oakwood.

Lawyer Emanuel Friend, of Friend and House of New York, arrived in town yesterday morning. He is Fitzsimmons' counsel and will look after his interests in the case. He left for Boston with the Fitzsimmons company at 10:30 o'clock. He will return for the inquest which will be held Thursday afternoon. Friend told a reporter that in his opinion it would take expert testimony to get at the exact cause of Rioridan's death. He expected Fitzsimmons, he said, to be indicted, tried and cleared.

## JACK THE STRANGLER.

A Man Under Arrest Who May Be That Horrible Person.

DENVER, Col., November 19.—At 11 o'clock last night the denizens of "Strangers' Row" were startled by screams from 1130 Twentieth street. The special police guarding that district rushed into the house and found Marie Andrews struggling with an Italian. He had his hand closed tightly about her throat and fought savagely. In his possession the police found a dirk and a dagger. He was hurried off to the county jail, where no one is allowed to see him. Chief Armstrong, of the police department, stated that the prisoner is not the man who committed the three previous murders in this district. There is considerable excitement over the arrest. The prisoner is booked as "H. Mueller." He can speak English at least, only makes signs in response to questions.

## WITH A LONG DIRK.

A Newspaper Man Charged With Stabbing.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., November 19.—George T. Frye, Jr., a young journalist, is charged with stabbing his wife's uncle, Colonel J. M. Lanier, in his own place of business. Eye witnesses say Frye was under the influence of liquor and applied the point of a long dirk to the neck of the old man. Then with a curse he made two sweeps of the blade and the wounded man fell with wounds in his back and temple. Frye surrendered to a policeman. The charge is said to be the culmination of serious family differences. Frye was admitted to bond last night, but he claims Lanier struck him first, and he then stabbed him with a pocket knife.

## THE DOCTOR HAS NERVE.

A Man That is Willing to Risk His Life for Science.

NEW YORK, November 19.—Dr. Gibbons, of Syracuse, who claims to have discovered a method by which persons who have been killed by electricity can be resuscitated, has offered to allow the experiment to be tried on himself. He is now in the city making an effort to secure permission from Governor Flower to test his discovery on the next person condemned to die in the state.

## A SILVER CONFERENCE.

The American Bimetallite League to Discuss the Situation.

WASHINGTON, November 19.—The executive committee of the American Bimetallite league have called a silver conference to be held at St. Louis, November 27, at which the present situation will be fully discussed and the policy hereafter to be pursued by the members of free coinage of silver will be decided upon.

## KILLED IN A RAIL CAR.

Obstructions Placed on a Track Did Serious Damage.

CROWLEY, La., November 19.—A successful attempt at train-wrecking was perpetrated last night on the branch road four miles south of Eunice. The obstruction caused the engine, baggage car and passenger coach to turn over. Fireman H. Geiger was killed and Joseph Mandin seriously injured.

## MINERS SUFFOCATED.

A Lighted Candle in a Powder Keg Kills Four Men.

BLACKHAWK, Colo., November 19.—A workman dropped a lighted candle in a keg of powder at the Perigo mine tunnel, yesterday morning. The powder did not explode, but a fire started, the smoke and flames from which suffocated to death four workmen in the tunnel.

A Woman Burned to Death.  
NEW ORLEANS, November 19.—By the burning of Mrs. Gray's residence on Louisiana avenue, Maggie Kirsland, a seamstress, lost her life. Her charred remains were found in the ruins yesterday.

A Paris Editor Dead.  
PARIS, November 19.—Francis Magnard, editor of the Figaro, died at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

## A SILVER SYNDICATE.

Men With Millions Will Attempt to Buy the World's Output.

DENVER, November 19.—The Rocky Mountain News yesterday says that a syndicate is scheming to obtain control of the silver market and dictate the price of the metal to all silver-using countries. A conference was held in this city last week, at which were present Daniel Guggenheim, of New York; Messrs. Barton and Nash, of Omaha; Mr. Hanauer, of Salt Lake, and Mr. Allen, of the Philadelphia Smelting and Refining company, at Pueblo, and representatives of the smelters and the leading silver-producing mines.

Two reports are current as to the details of the proposed plan. One is that a syndicate backed by John D. Rockefeller and the Rothschilds will gain control of all the smelters in the United States and Mexico, and arbitrarily fix the price of silver regardless of the supply and demand. The proposition was made as it is stated, that the smelters should be taken at an appraised valuation equivalent to cost. This was to be paid in cash. Then each was to have a proportionate block of stock in the new deal.

The Grant people as it is stated, wanted their plant paid for at its real value, not its cost. This hitch has still to be adjusted. According to the other report the proposition is to have the silver all the smelters handled through one man or agency. At present the Guggenheims have a certain share, the Grant people another, and so on. There would be a saving to the smelters of possibly a quarter of a cent an ounce, having in hand by one man instead of half a dozen or so, but the main object would be to prevent sudden slumps in the price of silver.

## TRAVELED FAR TO MARRY.

An Alabama Woman Went to the Wrong Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, O., November 19.—Some days ago Mrs. Alva Rencour, of Alabama, came to this city to wed a miner. She stated to the police that she had a letter from her intended and had received money from him to come on the train. The man did not meet her, and the police searched for him, but in vain. The woman was sent to the Home of the Friendless and her child to the Children's Home. Colonel Deitchman, the postmaster, stated that the woman in Alabama where the woman claimed to have received the letter from this city. Yesterday a letter was received from the postmaster stating that some days ago a Mrs. Rencour had received a postal order from Cincinnati, Ia. This explains the trouble. The lady was told about Iowa and she said she thought it was Iowa, which she never speaks English and was misled. She happens to have some money left and can continue her journey and be married in a few days. Meanwhile her anxious intended is watching the trains in Cincinnati, Ia. The marriage was to have taken place last week.

## A BOLD GANG OF OUTLAWS.

Officers Defied by Men That Seem to Have No Fear.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., November 19.—The audacity of the Great gang grows with the hours. The outlaws are now hovering on the outskirts of Muskogee, and at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon "Bill" and eighteen followers were within sight of town at an abandoned Indian reservation. The outlaws were told about Iowa and she said she thought it was Iowa, which she never speaks English and was misled. She happens to have some money left and can continue her journey and be married in a few days. Meanwhile her anxious intended is watching the trains in Cincinnati, Ia. The marriage was to have taken place last week.

## FITZSIMMONS WILL FIGHT.

The Killing of Rioridan Will Not Effect the Corbett Match.

NEW ORLEANS, La., November 19.—Local sporting people do not believe that the killing of Rioridan will have any effect on the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight which they generally believe will be fought here. The state legislature does not meet for nearly two years and there is no strong public opinion in favor of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. The fact is the death of Rioridan, while regretted among Fitzsimmons' friends and the public generally, will have no effect on the local clubs, the efforts of which since yesterday that their fight would take place as announced and that they could probably pull off the big contest. In some quarters the opinion is expressed that the fatal result of the exhibition will result in a suspension of Fitzsimmons' confidence in himself.

## EIGHT MEN WERE KILLED.

Tons of Rock Fall on Sleeping Men in Jacksonville, Fla.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., November 19.—A special to the Times-Union from Punta Gorda, Fla., says: An accident occurred in Charlotte Harbor which killed eight men last night. The phosphate employees were asleep on a barge loaded with phosphates when it suddenly capsized, burying the men under tons of rock. Two of them managed to escape, but eight were lost.

## A River of Flour.

GREENVILLE, Miss., November 19.—A barge loaded with 6,500 barrels of flour, all consigned by Schaff Bernheimer & Co., of St. Louis, and towed by the steamer Polar Wave, sank about forty miles above Greenville yesterday, and it is likely that the cargo is entirely ruined.

## More Post Offices for the South.

WASHINGTON, November 19.—Post-offices have been established at Hancock, Butler county, Ky.; Garwood, Occochee county, Ga.; King, Covington county, Ala.

## Stay at Home Democrats.

Mention was made of the amount of "scratching" in this city. It is claimed that 20 per cent. of the Raleigh Democrats failed to vote!

Johnston's Chill and Fever Tonic a guaranteed cure. For sale by B. W. Hargrave.

## CONGRESS TO MEET

The Clans Will Gather Early Next Month.

MAY BE A CLASH ON THE TARIFF.

Tariff Bills Now on the Senate's Agenda May Not be Taken From It—Senator Harris Expected to Push Supplemental Tariff Bills.

WASHINGTON, November 19.—When the senate reconvenes on the first Monday in next month, unless the programme mapped out by certain senators should be rearranged, there will probably be a clash on the tariff question. Senator Harris, it is said, states that he intends to pass the supplemental tariff bills for action as soon as possible after congress convenes, which probably means after the holiday recess. This is in accord with the statements he made on the floor of the senate at the time these so-called "populist" tariff bills were referred to the finance committee. The bills relating to free iron ore, and barbed wire, came back from the finance committee practically as they went there, but the bill relating to the tariff on iron ore was pimentoed and a substitute was reported, placing a uniform duty of forty per cent on all sugars, thereby doing away with the differential one-eighth duty that operates to the advantage of the refiner and the discriminating tenth that operates against the German exporter.

Democratic senators, not among those classed as "conservatives," express their opposition to the attempt to pass any of the tariff bills now on the senate calendar at the next session.

## THE ENGINEER WAS SHARP.

Train Robbers Tried to Stop a Train That Failed.

VICKSBURG, Miss., November 19.—As the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley express train was leaving Pantherburn station sixty miles north of this city, at 11 o'clock last night, a white man signalled the train to stop, using the switch light for the purpose. Engineer Heiner, suspecting something wrong, kept on at about fifteen miles an hour. The robbers seeing that he was not stopping pulled a volley of pistol shots into the cab and train as they passed near them. Fireman George Cole received a flesh wound in the left arm, and another shot grazed his temple. The train was almost stopped by the shooting and soon left the robbers behind, proceeding here without further trouble. Governor Jackson, of Iowa and party, who had been hunting in the Delta were on the train.

## HOUSTON HAS A FIRE.

The Electric Wires Cause the Texas City a Heavy Loss.

HOUSTON, Tex., November 19.—Fire broke out yesterday evening in the third story of the Scribner building on Preston, near Main street, and it is supposed to have been caused by electric wires. The building is badly wrecked. Loss \$30,000, insurance \$5,000. A. J. Schoenmaker, dry goods and notions, loss on stock \$25,000, insurance \$21,000; C. W. Alworth, hardware, loss \$20,000, insurance \$20,000; L. Seebinger, jeweler, loss \$2,000 by removal and water. Jewelry covered by insurance. The upper stories were occupied by law offices and dentists whose losses on papers and furniture will aggregate \$15,000 more.

## WILL SELL THE ROAD.

The Georgia Southern and Florida on the Market.

MACON, Ga., November 19.—The Georgia Southern and Florida railroad will be sold at receivers sale on the first Tuesday in March under a decree from the superior court. The upset price fixed is \$4,500,000; but if this amount is not bid, the road is to be sold for one-third of the bid. The road is now owned by the Georgia Southern and Florida railroad company, and if not sold then in April at \$3,000,000, and if still not sold then in the third Tuesday in April at the highest bidder, terms to be \$250,000 cash, balance in thirty days, sixty days and ninety days, to be paid in bonds or certified checks.

## A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN.

A Prominent Citizen of Nashville Tired of Life Suicide.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., November 19.—Charles Robertson, a military man of considerable prominence, and formerly captain of the Washington artillery, of this place committed suicide at an early hour yesterday morning by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. He was about thirty-five years of age; and it is said he had been drinking heavily for several weeks.

## PHOSPHATE WORKS BURNED.

A Big Fire in Macon Early Sunday Morning Did Much Damage.

MACON, Ga., November 19.—The Southern Phosphate works, one of the largest plants in the south, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The property burned was valued from \$25,000 to \$30,000. The works were insured for \$90,000. The company will begin the work of rebuilding at once.

## MEYERS NOT SENTENCED.

A Desperate Effort Will be Made to Save the Boy's Neck.

ATLANTA, Ga., November 19.—Will Meyers, who was convicted Saturday of murdering Forrest Crowley, has not been sentenced, and may not be for a month. His attorneys will move for a new trial and Judge Clark will be in no hurry about passing sentence.

## The Queen Is Lame.

LONDON, November 19.—Observers of the arrival at Windsor of Queen Victoria noticed that Her Majesty's general weakness and lameness had visibly increased. She is reported to be unable to pass up the slightly inclined gangway from the train to the landau which was in waiting.

## A BRUTAL NEGRO.

A Kansas Mob May Hang a Drunken Firebrand.

ATCHISON, Kas., November 19.—Considerable suppressed excitement, which may end in a lynching, has been caused here by the brutal acts of a negro between 4:30 and 6:30 o'clock yesterday an unknown negro entered the homes of four highly respectable white ladies living within four blocks of each other and criminally assaulted them. The fiend was evidently acquainted with the habits of the male folks, as at each place they were absent at the time. The victims are Mrs. Michael Cain, Miss Rosa Cain, Mrs. Grossman and Mrs. Benjamin Poston. It was finally learned that the fiend was Tom Collins, a negro hostler from Fort Leavenworth, who had been in Atchison the past three days on a spree. He was traced to Leavenworth, arrested and brought back here. He was secretly taken to the county jail, where today he is under a heavy guard. Mrs. Cain is in a precarious condition and may succumb to her injuries.

## HIS POOR OLD MOTHER.

A Man Robbed His Mother Who Promptly Forgave Him.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., November 19.—A decided sensation was created in police circles last night when Mrs. W. P. Cahill, one of the wealthiest property owners in Chattanooga, charged her son James L. Cahill, with robbing her of about \$2,000 in money and bank certificates of deposit. The son, who is thirty-two years old, was arrested, and confessed that he had the property, but claimed that the papers had been found and given to him by his uncle, a feeble old man. The certificates, together with deeds to several pieces of valuable property, owned by his mother, were discovered in his trunk and at her request the charges were withdrawn. The Cahill family are the founders and main stockholders in the Cahill iron company.

## MURDERED A WOMAN.

A Desperate Man Killed His Landlady and Then Suicided.

CHICAGO, November 19.—J. I. Higgins, an electrician, shot and killed Mrs. Kate McLaughlin, his landlady, and afterwards shot himself through the head, dying almost instantly. Higgins had roomed at Mrs. McLaughlin's house for some time and, falling behind in his rent, had been threatened with ejection. Last night he called the woman into a bedroom and after a hard struggle, threw her to the floor and fired several shots into her body. After killing the woman Higgins fled the house, but returned and was standing on the sidewalk in front of the police when he heard the patrol wagon coming, and rather than be arrested, he sent a bullet through his head.

## FOR REVENUE GAUGERS.

President Cleveland is Expected to Make a Decided Change.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 19.—It is stated that President Cleveland will promulgate this week a most important extension of the civil service rules. He intends to place gaugers in the internal revenue service, which is a radical innovation. Up to the present time the internal revenue service is the only branch of the treasury department that is entirely exempt from any of the rules of the civil service commission. Every internal revenue collector has at his disposal a large number of appointments many of them quite lucrative.

## DARING ROBBERS.

Outlaws Fired a Man's Bars and Then Robbed His Home.

PETERSBURG, Ind., November 19.—One of the most daring robberies ever occurring in Pike county took place last night. Charles M. Holton, a well-known farmer, living about six miles from here, came to town yesterday and drew about \$1,100 from the bank. Last night Holton and his family were awakened by the cry of fire. Some one had set fire to the stable which stood about three hundred yards from the house. While gone from the house thieves entered and secured \$1,000.

## COAL MINERS ON A STRIKE.

Nearly 3,000 Men Go Out at Reynoldsville and Dubois Pa.

BUFFALO, N. Y., November 19.—The miners employed at the Bell, Lewis & Yates coal mining company at Reynoldsville and Dubois Pa., have struck because of the reduction of the price of mining from 40 to 35 cents a ton, to meet the prices paid by the Pennsylvania and West Virginia companies. In all about 2,800 men have quit work. The men at Pennsylvania and Helvetia are still working.

## Purifying Buffalo.

REBUFFALO, N. Y., November 19.—A movement which promises to develop into a full-fledged Parkhurst crusade was inaugurated here last night by the pastoring every disorderly house in the city. About three hundred prisoners are locked up in the police court.

## To Race at Birmingham.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., November 19.—Birmingham's racing association was organized Saturday with some of the best citizens of the city in the directory. Tonight the officers will be selected. The racing season will be formally opened December 1.

## An Aged Preacher Hangs Himself.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., November 19.—Rev. Richard Carroll, a Baptist preacher, hanged himself near Maynorchville. He was eighty-nine years old, and had been preaching sixty-five years.

## Siam's King in Better Health.

BANGKOK, Siam, November 19.—The King of Siam Saturday evening received in state the new United States minister, Mr. John Barry. The King's health continues to improve.

## A Physician Instantly Killed.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., November 19.—Dr. A. B. Auliz, ex-member of the West Virginia legislature, fell from a C. & O. railroad bridge near here last night and was instantly killed.

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## THE WATER BOILED

Three Water Spouts Startle the Citizens of Jacksonville.

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE WATCH THEM.

Nature Plays a Frank on the Old St. Johns River and Throws the Water High Up Into the Air Making the Stream Tremble.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., November 19.—Hundreds of people were attracted to the river front yesterday morning about 11:45 o'clock by the appearance of a water spout. The column of water entered the river from Metcalf's creek and made across the river at the rate of about twenty-five miles an hour. It was followed by another at a distance of about a quarter of a mile. Both were very large and they started from the surface of the river in a round coil and gradually decreased up to the centre of the spout, when it again began to widen until it reached the clouds above and gained the same size as its base. Both of the spouts plunged through the river and made the water fairly boil. The two larger ones were followed by a small one and all took a straight course across the river towards Villa Alexandria, when they seemed to turn and make straight up the river. The water seethed, boiled and foamed, and spray was thrown high in the air.

## DEATH IN A CHURCH.

Frightened People Fled to a House of Worship Only to Die.

ROME, November 19.—The earthquake in Sicily and southern Italy caused considerable damage to the telegraph lines and details of the phenomena are coming to hand slowly. It is known, however, that the province of Reggio di Calabria suffered the severest damage by the seismic disturbances. Little damage was done in Reggio, the capital of the province, but there was great loss of life and property elsewhere. The villages of San Procopio, near Palmi, were almost entirely destroyed. Here sixty persons were killed. Forty seven of these met their death in a church to which they had fled for refuge. Their bodies are still in the ruins. Large electric lights have been erected to illuminate the channel until the lighthouse, destroyed by the earthquake shall be rebuilt. Renewed shocks were felt yesterday at a town eighteen miles west of Messina. So severe were the movements of the earth that the walls of many houses, the inhabitants are still badly frightened and remain camped in open spaces, fearing to return to their homes. No further shocks have been reported from other places.

## AN ARMED