

LOCOMOTIVE EXPLODES.

Singular Accident on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern.

ENGINEER AND FIREMAN KILLED.

The Engine Literally Blown to Atoms. Though the Passengers in the Cars Remained Did Not Hear the Report of the Explosion.

Chicago, March 22.—The boiler of the locomotive which was hauling the Chicago and Boston special on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad blew up yesterday, instantly killing the engineer and fireman and completely demolishing the engine. The dead are: Alexander Franks, engineer, of Chicago; Edward B. Smith, fireman, of Chicago. The engine was hurried 260 feet into the air through a network of telegraph wires that were stretched along the tracks and had his right leg torn off. The fireman was thrown against a cattle car and nearly every bone in his body broken.

None of the remainder of the train crew nor any of the passengers were injured. The train to which the engine was attached is one of the fastest on the Lake Shore road. The accident occurred from the Englewood depot, and was running at the rate of 29 miles an hour.

A peculiar feature of the explosion was the fact that, although the report was so loud it was heard by residents a half mile away, and the force so great that the engine was literally blown to atoms, none of the passengers in the rear part of the train heard the report, and were not aware that anything unusual had happened until they looked out after the train had come to a sudden stop. The train dashed along about 150 feet after the explosion took place, and although the stop was quite sudden none of the passengers were thrown from their seats, and not one of the coaches was damaged by either the explosion or the sudden stop.

Parts of the engine were thrown into the air a hundred feet, and huge pieces of the boiler weighing several tons were tossed over the telegraph wires into a swamp, a distance of 250 feet, while the baggage car, directly behind the engine, was not damaged in any way.

It is not known just what caused the explosion, and the officials of the road say that it will not be determined until what remains of the engine is taken apart and examined. It was thought at first that there was too water in the boiler, but this theory was abandoned, as it was an outgoing train and the engine had just been taken from the roundhouse a short time before the explosion. It was rumored that the boiler of the engine was defective in some respects, but this was denied by the officials of the road.

Fatal Wreck on the B. and O.

Cumberland, Md., March 22.—An east-bound passenger train on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, known as No. 2 limited, met with an accident two miles west of Oakland, in which one passenger, General J. S. Fullerton, a St. Louis capitalist, was killed and several others more or less badly injured. Four cars rolled down an embankment into the Younghogheny river, and General Fullerton was carried down in the wreck, and his body floated away with the tide.

THE BLOCKADE OF CRETE.

Insurgents May Prevent the Greek Troops from Leaving the Island.

Canea, March 22.—The situation in Crete may be described as one of expectancy. Yesterday morning the fact that the blockade had formally begun was generally communicated from Canea to all points in the island in the telegraphic circuit. Filling still continues. Three Turkish soldiers who, were caught in the act of pillaging Saturday night at Halepa fired on the gendarmes, who returned the fire, killing one of them.

A strong gale is blowing across the Aegean sea, which will make the blockading exceedingly difficult. It is reported that the admirals purposely refrained from interfering with vessels which recently landed provisions in Crete, one having discharged its cargo at Akrotiri almost under the eyes of the admirals.

The necessity of removing the Turkish troops from the island becomes more and more imperative. Nothing else will convince the Cretans of Europe's sincerity. It may be regarded as certain that they will even prevent the departure of the Greek army by force until the Turks have gone. There is no time to be lost. It is impossible that Greece and Turkey could long support the armies they have mobilized. Either may prefer provoking a struggle to seeing its troops starve. The sultan should be induced to make a voluntary recall of his troops. Greece might then be willing to recall Colonel Vassos.

Pingree Will Retain the Governorship.

Detroit, March 22.—Governor Pingree will not resign the governorship, and will not be a candidate for mayor of Detroit at the special election April 5. The governor wanted to vindicate himself as against the supreme court decision in ousting him by permitting the Republicans to nominate him for mayor, believing he would be triumphantly re-elected. Most of his advisers, however, insisted that it was his first duty to remain governor.

CASTORIA.

The famous... is on every wrapper.

BRADLEY'S FIRMNESS.

Why Kentucky's Governor Refused to Save Murderers.

Newport, Ky., March 20.—Sheriff Plummer, with one deputy and the four guards of Jackson and Walling, left Alexandria yesterday a short time before noon to make the journey to the Newport jail, where the men were hanged today. Jackson and Walling were each handcuffed to a guard. Shortly before reaching the road leading to Fort Thomas Jackson pointed to that road, saying: "There is where we turned off." As they passed the Locke farm they saw Farmer Locke and some members of his family standing at the spot where Pearl Bryan's body was found. Sheriff Plummer asked Jackson if he recognized the place. Jackson looked around coolly and answered: "I do not recognize the spot."

The text of Governor Bradley's final refusal to interfere in the case was given out last night. The friends of Dr. Wagner, who is now confined in a lunatic asylum, were among those who asked for a respite, in order to give them an opportunity to prove that the doctor had no knowledge of the crime. Governor Bradley's statement is in substance as follows:

"The common law concerning the crime admitted in the confessions to have been committed is in force in this state. The confessions show that Pearl Bryan was killed by drugs administered to her to perform an abortion. If this be true the child was killed also.

"The confessions, however, are inconsistent and contradictory, utterly at war with every statement that each of them made on the witness stand. It is urged that this should be overlooked because they were then swearing for their lives. If they are excusable for swearing falsely then how much more are they excusable and how much more likely is it that they would speak falsely now.

"These men have not only trifled with human life, but have trifled with the courts, trifled with the execution, and set at defiance the laws of God and man. If it be established that one criminal, after such conduct as this, can by a mere pretended confession obtain a respite, then every other is entitled to like treatment, and this would result in frustrating justice and bringing the execution of the laws into contempt. The wounded hand of Pearl Bryan solemnly and surely points to the fact that she was not dead when beheaded. That would could have been inflicted only when, during the terrible agony of her decapitation, she gasped it in order to ward off the cruel knife.

"Dr. Wagner is in the asylum, and is the man of all others, by reason of his condition, at whose door the defendants would most naturally lay this terrible crime. To grant a respite in order that the defendants might be used as witnesses to procure his conviction would result in a delay of at least a year. In view of the various conflicts in defendants' statements no jury would or could believe any statement that either of them might make, and consequently Wagner would not be convicted. Such delay could result in no good and would only add fuel to the flames and furnish a further incentive to mob violence in this state.

"The claim that Walling was under the influence of Jackson, and therefore should have clemency, cannot be considered. He showed himself the willing and ready assistant. Each of them have exhibited a reckless disregard for human life. Their confessions, taken in connection with the facts and circumstances proven in the case, show that they committed an atrocious crime. Life is precious to them, but no more so than it was to their victim. Their poor mothers are entitled to sympathy, but no more than the mother of Pearl Bryan.

"The law has been set at defiance and the fair name of Kentucky stained with another bloody murder. Twelve men have passed upon the guilt of each. The circuit judge and appellate judges have affirmed their actions. My oath is that 'I will see that the laws are faithfully executed.' The jury fixed the penalty. I have a plain duty to perform. It is not my province to make laws, but to enforce them; neither is it my province to fix the death penalty, nor is it proper that I should intervene to prevent its infliction when the law and the evidence authorize it."

Fitzsimmons Defeats Corbett.

Carson, Nev., March 18.—Under a clear sky and in a valley 5,000 feet above the sea, circled by snow tipped mountains, James J. Corbett went down to defeat yesterday before Robert Fitzsimmons, who thus became the champion heavyweight pugilist of the world. The victory was not gained without a struggle. In fact, victory did not seem possible for Fitzsimmons until the last moment of the battle. He was giving every indication of slowly going to pieces when he delivered a blow in a vital part, and followed it with two others which sent the Californian to the floor with the agony of pain and despair imprinted on his face, and he was unable to rise within the limit which would save him.

Confirmed by the Senate.

Washington, March 23.—The senate has confirmed the following nominations: Charles U. Gordon, to be postmaster at Chicago; Samuel E. Kercheval, marshal for the district of Indiana; Albert W. Wishard, of Indiana, attorney for the district of Indiana; Perry S. Heath, of Indiana, first assistant postmaster general; John Hay, of the District of Columbia, to be ambassador to Great Britain; Horace Porter, to be ambassador to France; Henry White, to be secretary of the embassy of the United States to Great Britain.

Classic Lore.

Miss Vassar—How large do you suppose the ancient horn of plenty was? Colonel Bluegrass—Not less than five fingers.—New York Sunday Journal.

WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Tuesday, March 16.

Two cases of the black plague are reported in Bombay.

Mgr. Merry del Valo, the papal delegate to Canada, has started from Rome for the Dominion.

The cold weather of the past few days has been very disastrous to live stock in the northwest.

John A. Wiedersheim, of Philadelphia, is said to have strong backing for the patent commissionership.

Mr. J. Roosevelt, first secretary of the United States embassy at London, tendered his resignation yesterday on the ground of ill health.

Chairman Dingley, of the house ways and means committee, declares the new tariff bill will increase the revenues \$12,000,000 annually.

Wednesday, March 17.

Justice George C. Bennett, of the New York state supreme court, is critically ill in the metropolis.

A negro who eloped with a white girl from Pickens county, Ala., was pursued by a mob and killed.

The United States Rubber company has determined to reduce its price on rubber boots and shoes for the coming year.

The explosion of a Russian warship off Suda bay killed 15 men, including two officers. Thirteen were so badly injured that five have died.

James M. Warner, a prominent paper manufacturer of Albany, died suddenly while witnessing a theatrical performance in New York last night.

Thursday, March 18.

Postmaster Hesing, of Chicago, has tendered his resignation to President McKinley.

Ex-President Harrison visited President McKinley at the White House yesterday.

General Wade Hampton, commissioner of railroads, is seriously ill at Washington.

Mrs. Kate Day, an active W. C. T. U. worker, was found murdered in her apartments in New York.

Three mill strikers at Paterson, N. J., were convicted of disorderly conduct for annoying workers. Fourteen others are on trial.

Dr. E. Williams, a professional dove, was shot into Lake Worth at Palm Beach, Fla., last night, struck the bottom and broke his neck.

Friday, March 19.

A ship of Crete will be offered to the United States by the government.

Two new gunboats, Wheeling and Memphis, were successfully launched yesterday at San Francisco.

It is reported that two bands of Thessalians numbering over a thousand men have entered Macedonia from the Volo and Larissa districts of Thessaly.

A Greek vessel loaded with munitions of war for the Greek forces in Crete was fired upon and sunk by an Austrian warship.

In Philadelphia Montraville H. Smith pleaded guilty to embezzling \$7,000 from the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance company, and was sentenced to one year and six months in the county prison.

Saturday, March 20.

It is reported that a union between the Transvaal and the Orange Free State has been decided upon.

The Tahiti natives are carrying on a stubborn guerrilla war against the French in Karatea and Tahao.

Milk Inspector Byrnes, at Philadelphia, estimates that 57,000 quarts of water are sold annually as milk in that city.

Jackson and Walling, the youthful murderers of Pearl Bryan, who decapitated their victim, were hanged today at Newport, Ky.

Reports from the west and south, where floods have caused many thousands of dollars damage, indicate that the waters are now subsiding.

Monday, March 22.

The Marquis of Salisbury, Great Britain's premier, is still confined to his bed with influenza, but is much better.

Yale university's faculty sent a protest to congress against the proposal to tax books imported by educational institutions.

A cable dispatch from Montevideo, Uruguay, states that the insurgents were defeated by the federal forces under General Villar.

An X-ray experiment led to the removal of a fish bone from one of the nerves near the heart of Mrs. George Fountain, of Eastport, Me.

The proposed yachting tour of E. C. Benedict and ex-President Cleveland to Cuba has been postponed, and the trip will be made in a new yacht, which Mr. Cleveland may purchase.

O'Flaherty Held Up.



Mrs. O'Flaherty—That's all right, Tomny. You hold him up while I go and fetch a policeman.—Pick Me Up.

"There were a great many deeply lamented deaths last year." "Yes, and then, again, lots of people who ought to have died didn't."—Chicago Record.

GENERAL SOUTHERN NEWS

Utica, Miss., March 20.—A cyclone swept down on Utica yesterday morning and several cabins were demolished and fences and trees blown down. J. O. Hill, a farmer, was killed and his wife injured. At Braddock, Miss., many houses were unroofed and timber felled.

Nashville, March 17.—The jail at Dover, Stewart county, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Four prisoners, one white man and three negroes, were the only occupants of the building at the time. The white man escaped, but the three negroes were so badly burned that there was no trace of their bodies.

Frankfort, Ky., March 18.—Governor W. O. Bradley has entered the fight for the United States senatorship. His lieutenants are actively at work, and it is asserted with confidence that the free silver Democrats will combine with the eight or ten Bradley Republicans and defeat the regular Republican nominee, ex-Congressman W. G. Hunter.

Lynchburg, Va., March 17.—John W. Rosser and R. W. Tweedy, white, and a negro named Terrell, who were charged by William Clement as being among the mob which attempted to lynch him on Monday, were arrested yesterday. They were taken to Rustburg, the county seat, where the white men were admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,000 each and the colored man in \$500. Commonwealth Attorney Murrell will direct the investigation, and says he will prosecute the offenders to the full extent of the law.

Lynchburg, Va., March 18.—About 2 o'clock in the morning William Clement, a negro who was arrested Sunday at Rustburg, Campbell county, and jailed on the charge of assaulting Mr. George Rosser, a prominent citizen of the county, was taken from his cell by a mob and almost shot to death. Despite his wounds Clement broke from his captors, and, scaling an eight-foot fence, made his escape. The mob then dispersed. Clement was found by the sheriff in a house near by and again lodged in jail. His wounds are serious. In his fight for liberty Clement tore the masks from the faces of several of the mob, and warrants have been sworn out for their arrest.

To Arrest Fatal Prize Fight Spectators.

Philadelphia, March 22.—Director Riter has issued the following order to Superintendent of Police Linden: "In the matter of the boxing contest held on Thursday last at the blacksmith shop of Patrick Murphy, on Germantown avenue, above Oxford street, between Frank Connelly and Christopher Kellecker, in which Kellecker was killed, and in the matter of the boxing contest held Friday night at 1422 Vine street, between John Perry and Edward Gibbons, in which Gibbons was killed, you are hereby instructed to arrest all the persons present at each of these contests, and they are to be held as accessories, if the magistrate will so hold them."

The Tariff Debate in Congress.

Washington, March 22.—The program of the tariff debate, which opened in the house today, is simple, but arduous. They will sit from 10 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night, with a recess from 5 until 8 each day for dinner. The general debate will close Thursday night. Beginning Friday the bill will be read for amendment under the five minute rule until 3 o'clock on the following Wednesday, March 24, when the bill and pending amendments will be voted upon.

Washington, March 22.—Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin, for valuable political services rendered as an original McKinley man, was given his choice of several good foreign missions, including Austria, Russia, Belgium and Japan. After two days' reflection he has notified the president that he wants no place. Mr. Payne expects to be elected to succeed Senator Mitchell two years hence.



The Evil Eye. Superstition that an evil eye may be cast upon a person to bring all sorts of trouble and misfortune. That seems like a pretty foolish notion; but it isn't much worse than some of the notions which civilized people indulge in. One worn out superstition is the belief that if a man inherits weak lungs from his parents he is pretty sure to die of consumption. The actual fact is that if such a man will only take proper care of himself he will really be safer from consumption than a careless person who has no inherited weakness. Carelessness is the real evil eye. Carelessness will develop a tendency to consumption in any body.

The lungs are composed of very delicate, sensitive tissue, even in the healthiest person; that is why they yield so quickly to the attack of tainted blood. If the blood is allowed to get impure and impoverished, and bile-poisoned, the seeds of consumption will spring up in the best kind of a constitution. The real consumption-taint is in the blood. Hundreds of cases of so-called "hereditary" consumption have been completely and permanently rooted out of the system by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, simply because it gives the blood-making glands power to pour a fresh abundant supply of rich, red, healthy, blood into the circulation. This drives out all poisonous and unhealthy germs. It stops the waste of tissue and the formation of morbid deposits; builds up fresh, normal, healthy lung tissue and solid, muscular strength. In all the weakened debilitated conditions which are the forerunners of consumption, Dr. Pierce's Discovery is the most perfect nutritive and strength-builder. It is assimilated by the weakest stomachs.

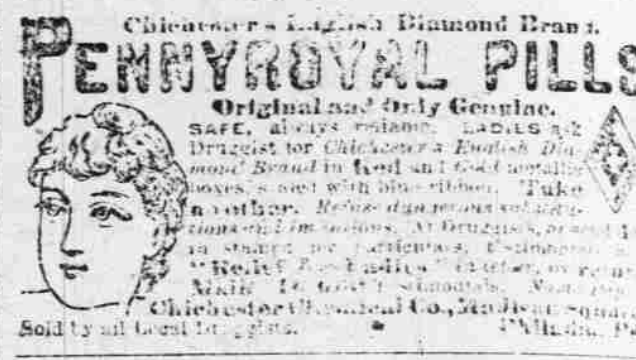
"Blight"

costs cotton planters more than five million dollars annually. This is an enormous waste, and can be prevented. Practical experiments at Alabama Experiment Station show conclusively that the use of

"Kainit"

will prevent that dreaded plant disease.

All about Potash—the results of its use by actual experiment on the best farms in the United States—told in a little book which we publish and will gladly mail free to any farmer in America who will write for it. GERMAN KALI WORKS, 93 Nassau St., New York.



THE COOPER MARBLE WORKS, 111, 113 and 115 Bank St., NORFOLK, VA. Large stock of finished monuments, Gravestones, & Ready for shipment. Designs free.

Children are a source of comfort. They are a source of care, also. If you care for your child's health, send for illustrated book on the disorders to which children are subject, and which Frey's Vermifuge has cured for 50 years. One bottle by mail for 25 cents. E. & S. FREY, Baltimore, Md.

Stop Them! The Man or Woman who has bought

FURNITURE FROM Wooten & Stevens, Will tell you, that is the place to get the Best Goods for the least money.

Lumber Wanted Cut Accurately and Rapidly on the FARQUHAR Variable Friction Feed Saw Mill with Quick Reeling Head Blocks Capacity 5,000 to 30,000 feet, with Engines and Boilers from 12 to 40 Horse Power. For full descriptive catalogue address, A. B. FARQUHAR CO., Ltd., YORK, PA.

Do You Like to Read Good Novels? Enough For all the Winter Evenings ALMOST FREE. TOWN TOPICS, will send, on receipt of this adv. and FIFTEEN cents in stamps, any one of the following prize novels (TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX pages, regular price FIFTY CENTS); for FIFTY cents any FOUR; for ONE DOLLAR any TEN; for ONE DOLLAR AND A HALF the whole library of SIXTEEN volumes. 6—THE SALE OF A SOUL. By C. M. S. McClure. 7—THE COUSIN OF THE KING. By A. S. Weyman. 8—SIX MONTHS IN HADES. By Clive L. Cheever. 9—THE SCRIBTS OF CHANCE. By Captain Alfred Thompson. 10—ANTHONY KENT. By Charles Stokes Warren. 11—AN ECLIPSE OF VIRTUE. By Champlin Bissell. 12—AN UNSPEAKABLE SIBEN. By John Galt. 13—THAT DREADFUL WOMAN. By Harold H. Vane. 14—A DEAL IN DENVER. By Gilmer McRae. 15—WHY? SAYS GLADYS. By David Christie Murray. 16—A VERY REMARKABLE GIRL. By L. E. Bickel. 17—A MARRIAGE FOR HATE. By Harold H. Vane. 18—OF THE SUPPER. By T. C. De Leon. 19—THE WRONG MAN. By Champlin Bissell. 20—THE HUNT FOR HAPPINESS. By Anita French. 21—A STRANGE EXPERIMENT. By Harold H. Vane. Indicate by the numbers the novels you want.