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TRAGIC SUICIDE OF A CASHIER.

He Sends His Son Out of the Room and Then Kills Himself.

Springfield, Ill., March 5.—Another scene in the drama of the closing of the State Bank of Elkhart was enacted this afternoon, when Frank W Cottle, cashier, whose alleged shortage of $32,000 caused the closing of the bank, blew out his brains at his residence.

Mr. Cottle, who had been suffering with an attack of pleurisy since last Saturday, was lying in his bed room when he complained of a burning in the stomach and asked his son Jordan B. Cottle, to go and get him a pitcher of water. Jordan did so and while he was out of the room he heard the report of a revolver. Instantly surmising his father had shot himself, he quickly returned, closely followed by the family. They found Mr. Cottle lying in bed with a gaping wound, from a revolver, in his left temple. He had died instantly.

Mr. Cottle was 56 years old and leaves a wife and five sons, all residing in Elkhart. He had been cashier of the bank for a number of years. His father was a wealthy Louisiana sugar planter.

Greensboro Companies Refuse to Raise Rates.

The managers of the Greensboro fire insurance companies have issued a circular to all their agents in which it is stated that: "They are enjoined to maintain with the utmost care the full tariff rates as they stood before the 25 per cent. advance was ordered." It is stated that the advance in rates, caused by the Southeastern Tariff Association, is unwarranted, unwise and unnecessary," and all agents are authorized to disregard the 25 per cent. advance made by the Tariff Association.—Charlotte Observer.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

A 10-Year-Old Girl Weds a Man of 45

Perhaps the youngest bride in the country is at Centreville, Bleckman county, to-night being Mrs. James Irwin aged 10 years. She married yesterday. Her husband is between 45 and 50 years old.

A romance is connected with the marriage. J P Cook was engaged to the girl and went to Centerville to procure a license, but when he returned to take the little one unto himself, she had married another, Jim Irwin, who has been married before. Cook had left his first wife and was divorced. Having lost the girl he went back to his divorced wife, made up and proposed marriage, which was agreed to.—Nashville Tenn., Dispatch.

Rev. Mr. Hiller to Preach Annual Sermon.

The Lutheran Visitor, of the 6th says, Rev. W H Hiller, pastor of St. James Lutheran church, Concord, N. C, has accepted the invitation to preach the annual sermon before the Womnn's Missionary Society of Mont Amoens Seminary, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. at the commencement in June next.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

Both Shots Plough Through His Arm

Mr. Walter Ewart, near Eastfield, suffered a terrible accident Saturday evening. He let his double barreled shot gun drop and both barrels were discharged, the loads passing through his arm at two places. It is hoped that his arm may be saved but the wound is terribly severe.

Warrup—Several persons of character and good reputation in each state (one in this county) required to represent and advertise old established worthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary $18.00 weekly with expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday direct from head office. Horse and carriage furnished, when necessary. References. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manager 316 Caxton Building Chicago.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. It prevents formation of gas on the stomach, relieves all distress after eating. Dieting unnecessary. Pleasant to take.

It can't help but do you good

Prepared only by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. The $1. bottle contains 2½ times the 50c. size.

Gibson's Drug Store.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

ANOTHER GREAT SNOW.

As Much as 24 Inches Fell in 24 Hours. New York, Pennsylvania, West Va., Tennessee and North Carolina.

Another snow storm raged on Wednesday in New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Tennessee reaching into Asheville, N. C.

Twenty out of thirty wires were lost to the Western Union between New York and Philadelphia.

A Philadelphia dispatch reports 22 to 24 inches of snow at various places. At Huntington, West Virginia, 18 inches of snow fell in 24 hours.

Terrible Cost of Boer War.

Seldom has a nation miscalculated worse than has Great Britain in estimating the Boer war. When the British government undertook to conquer the Boers its expectation was that less than $50,000 men and less than $50,000,000 would be sufficient to end the struggle in less than six months. The war has been going on about three years and has cost more than $800,000,000.

The British force in South Africa at the last account was 287,000 men and the British loss by death and permanent disabilities has mounted above 25,000. The total number of casualties including the wounded who have recovered, at the last report, was 100,701 men and 5,240 officers.

Seldom in modern times has such a bloody war been waged anywhere and the proportionate loss of officers has been the greatest in all history. Unquestionably a great part of the loss of both men and money has been due to inefficiency. But nothing seems to shake the confidence of the great majority of the British people in the government. Their enthusiasm for the war is quite as great as it was at the start. It is true that the opponents of the war policy are more aggressive and more bitter than ever, but there is no evidence that they are growing in numbers. British pro-Boer orators have frequently been mobbed in England and several of them have barely escaped with their lives.

There is but one possible end of the struggle. It is the complete annihilation of the Boer republics and the enforcement of such terms as the British govement may choose to dictate.—Atlanta Journal.

Five Men Drowned.

Sacramento, Cal., March 5.—Five men were drowned in the Sacramento river on Sunday. The party, consisting of Dr. J. H. Morton, George Nunes, Clarence Gasterson, Elmer Ivery and Knight Lullington, left Cortland down the river, in a small boat, early Sunday morning. Their boat was found in Tuliess, four miles below Cortland. Near the boat the bodies of the three first named were found. A searching party is dragging for the other bodies.

Salisbury to Have Free Mail Delivery.

Free mail delivery for Salisbury this year is a certainty Postmaster Ramsay was asked last night if he felt sure that the receipts at the Salisbury office for the fiscal year ending March 1st would exceed the required $10,000 to insure free delivery and he stated that they would. As soon as the year expires the necessary steps will be taken to secure the free delivery.—Salisbury Sun.

Mr. Stroud Dies Suddenly at Spencer

Mr. J J Stroud, of Chapel Hill an employe of the Southern, died very suddenly of heart disease at his boarding house at Spencer on Tuesday evening. He was heard to make a peculiar noise and when the room was entered he was found gasping his last.

Returned to the Fold.

Rev. Dr. Joel Swartz, the poe preacher who left the Lutheran Church about ten years ago and joined the Congregationalists, has returned to the Lutheran fold and now serves a delightful people at Devon, a suburb of Philadelphia.

Has Never Written or Mailed a Letter

A man from the country applied at the postoffice Monday, asking the cost of mailing a letter. A little questioning drew forth the facts that he was 31 years of age, was married and had a family and that this was the first letter he had ever written. He knew nothing about how to mail his letter or what it cost to send it.—Davidson Dispatch.

DR. J. C. CHALMERS DEAD.

In His 41st Year—Wife and Six Children Survive Him.

Rev. John T Chalmers, D. D., pastor of the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church of Charlotte, died Thursday afternoon. He had been in declining health two years and the end was clearly indicated.

Dr. Chalmers was comparatively young, being in his 41st year. A wife and six children survive him.

He was buried today (Friday) at 4 o'clock from the First A. R. P. church.

Dr. Chalmers was held in high esteem in Charlotte and made a brilliant record from his college days up.

Heavy Snow Drift.

A Morgantou special of the 5th to the Charlotte Observer accounts for this breeze that seems to be coming from the open back door:

"There was a heavy fall of snow in the mountains north and south of Morganton last night and today the winds from the snow fields are bitterly cold. Letters from Mitchell county just in say that in some of the mountain roads there are still deep snow drifts which have remained since the heavy snowfall on Febrnary 15, and that in many places travel is impossible by reason of the destruction of the roads by the recent floods. The county commissioners of Burke have just returned from the Linville valley, where they went to inspect a long section of the Yellow Mountain road, which was completely obliterated during the floods of last week."

The President Will not Interfere.

Messrs. Wolmarans and Wessels, the Boer representatives, were received as private citizens by President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay on the 5th. They then plead that our government should not allow the English to procure horses and other supplies from the United States. They were shown, however, that our government is neutral and that our farmers cannot be hindered from selling their products. President Roosevelt gave them the decisive answer that he would not interfere. He expressed a desire, however, to render any service he can for the amelioration of the conditions in South Africa.

New Rice Preparation.

The Carolina Rice Mills, of Goldsboro, which recently bought the big rice mill plant on Chestnut street, this city, for $15,000 is establishing an unique plant for the manufacture of flaked rice at Goldsboro. The new product will be manufactured under a secret process claimed to be entirely novel and different from any now in use for similar purposes.

The process is to produce a thoroughly cooked flake ready for the table in a most palatable and easily digested form. The new process is a gem and will give additional new value to rice.—Wilmington Dispatch.

Compox.

Cowpox has appeared among the mileses. We hear of several cases, and it is presumed that the cows were inoculated by smallpox pilouns. We are told that the disease is not unusual among milkers in times of small pox epidemics.—Rockhill Herald.

"The average girl has her wedding all planned long before she has the first proposal."

The Compensation.

The lawyers who survive say:
We'll scratch 'em on the fee,
When next we need a College song,
We'll send a pugilist.
—Washington Star.

"It's a good rule that works your way all the time."

"It does also to propose for a girl, but it takes four to marry her."

Do Not Be Afraid

to look the facts squarely in the face. That cough, cold or persistent cough accompanied by tightness in the chest and spitting of sticky mucus, is a sign of consumption. Common sense declares the use of Allen's Lung Balsam, an honest remedy, for it contains no opium; an expectorant only, gives it heals the diseased, inflamed parts and lungs, and as pray acts to decrease scarlet from running into incurable forms of consumption.

STATISTICS OF IGNORANCE.

What the World's Savants Know About Mysteries on Which Science Throws No Light.

To a foreign statistician the world is indebted for some very interesting data in regard to the most approved methods of courtship in civilized countries. These data were compiled from declarations of love and the statistician obtained the following figures: Eighty-one of the 100 men vowed that they could not live any longer without the adored ones; seventy-two held the ladies' hands in a tight grip; sixty kissed them on the lips, ten on the right hand, one on the tip of the nose, and one on the shoulder; eighteen were so excited that they could hardly speak; twenty six lost their eloquence through certain qualms of conscience; twelve said in deep gutturtones, "I love God," and eight frankly admitted that they were "inexpressibly happy."

By studying the conduct of 100 men whose suits were rejected the statistician obtained the following equally interesting figures: Forty of them rushed in a frenzy out of the room; twenty one said that life henceforth had no value in their eyes and that they would commit suicide; fourteen became suddenly tongue-tied and irrational; six calmly resigned themselves to the inevitable, five avowed their intention of immediately emigrating to America; three tore out some of their hair; two bit their lips till the blood came; one stuck his hands into his trouser pockets and whistled a popular melody and another looked upward heaven and began to say the Lord's prayer.

Of the ladies 97 per cent became embarrassed, but the 3 per cent of the loved ones, and only four fell gently down on a chair or sofa.

Fourteen covered their blushing faces with their hands; eight threw their arms passionately around the neck of the man they loved; eighteen spoke to mamma; and one fainted.

One lady, who was forty years old protested vigorously against giving or receiving a kiss; another, who was of about the same age, said, "Yes, you may kiss me, but you must do it in a gentlemanly manner."

Such, then, are some of the ways in which proposals are made and received. The study is an interesting one in several ways, and should prove especially instructive to members of the fair sex.—London Express.

The Star of Journalistic Empire Westward.

Westward the star of journalism takes its way. The years ago Massachusetts claimed the highest general intelligence of all the States because within its border were the greatest number of newspapers in proportion to the population. Now comes the United States census and shows a quite remarkable change in the last decade. The centre of intelligence—on the newspaper basis—has moved beyond the Mississippi River.

Iowa now holds the place that Massachusetts held ten years ago, and leads the States with the largest number of newspapers in proportion to its inhabitants. The census gives 2,231 as the present number of printing establishments in the county, a gain of 7,010 since 1900.—Our Church Paper.

Miss Roosevelt to Visit Cuba.

Miss Alice Roosevelt, whose experiments in society and travel are already beyond Greenbacker expectations, is one of the President of the United States, has received an invitation to visit for several weeks the governor general of Cuba and Mrs. Leonard Wood at the governor's palace in Havana.

Miss Roosevelt will leave for Cuba next Sunday, accompanied by a maid and accompanied by Miss Harriet Hastie Lewis, who is also to be a guest of Gen. and Mrs. Wood.

As to the case of her proposed trip to Japan, the Cuban visit is of an unofficial character, but will necessarily add to what entertaining to those of the daughter of the President.—Washington Special to Baltimore Sun.

Rev. J. A. Bivins to Assume.

Rev. J. A. Bivins of Concord is here in the interest of Gold Leaf Institute, and will preach next Sunday at the Haywood street Methodist church. There were several conversions at Monday's meeting and the house was well filled. The services begin each night at 8 o'clock.—Asheville Gazette.

The New England boy stuck on writing's composition as dictated by the teacher: "It was cold for" said the teacher "I spell it," said the urchin "I can't write through my nose."

CLUNG TO HIS DEATH.

A Fireman on the Seaboard Air Line Cut to Pieces at Rockingham.

Rockingham, March 6.—This afternoon about 5 o'clock a flagman on a through freight from Raleigh was killed near the depot at this place and his body was mangled about 300 yards and badly mangled. His head was entirely corupe, leaving nothing but a little of his face showing his nose and mouth. He was a well dressed trainman, weighing about 150 pounds, and apparently was 30 years old. On his person was found a watch, knife and a purse containing about $2.00 and a card stating there one was insured by the Standard Insurance Company, H B Thomas, Atlanta, Ga. He worked from Raleigh and ran to Monroe. No one here knows the dead man and the Seaboard Air line agent at this place, Mr. R. F. Brasr, has turned the body over to Mr. H. C. Watson, undertaker, to be cared for, and as soon as he can find out where his home is he will ship the body to his people. It is thought he was walking the running cars and fell between them.

Dr. Johnson's Improvements.

Dr. D D Johnson's front, when the painting is completed, will be light, airy and bright almost to make one forget to have his prescription filled. Those plate glass are among our prettiest in town. They are four feet two inches by seven feet ten inches. The cost is about $45 each. The doctor is to be congratulated on an enlarged and beautified business stand.

Mine Explosion Kills Five Men.

A mine explosion near Monongahela, Pa., occurred on the 6th by which five men were killed and several very seriously wounded.

Corpse Entitled to Baggage.

The Birmingham, N. Y., Dispatch says it has been decided by a reading of General Traffic Manager that a corpse for which a full fare is charged is entitled to the same amount of baggage that a living person paying fare is entitled. The conclusion was arrived at without a lawsuit threatened.

A Bad Railroad Situation.

A prominent official of the Southern Railroad Company spent a day here this week and of course about the first thing we said to him was concerning the crowded condition of things here and along the line from Charlotte to Danville.

It was made plain to him that our factories often suffered inconvenience and loss on account of not being able to get cars and then getting them moved afterwards. He said that everything was crowded where there was any business at all. The Southern has an order now for 150 engines but cannot get any definite promise as to when they will be ready. The car service is also short. It was learned, however, that other roads were in just as bad condition. In some places on the Chesapeake & Ohio in factory and mines the railways have not been reached at all in over a week and on the busy portion of the Southern the train masters got only about six hours sleep in six days.

This is a bad state of affairs and works hardship on the business men. If the business has outgrown the railroad facilities the railroads should and every energy to increase they facilities and do it in a hurry.—High Point Enterprise.

"No matter how rich a man may be, he always prefers sending his acquaintances with a card to paying them a visit in person."

"Today" said the doting father, "are you better." "Yes, papa," said Tommy, "what's your only child." "It's quite on me to be good for a whole lot of brothers and sisters I haven't got."—Called.

A Poor Billionaire.

Lately starved a London because he could not digest his food. Early use of Dr. King's New Life Pills would have saved him. They strengthen the stomach, aid digestion, promote assimilation, stimulate appetite. Price 25c. Money back if not satisfied. Sold at Fetzer's Drug Store.

CANNON & FETZER COMPANY.

Fine Ginghams,
Fine Madras,
Fine Silk Ginghams,
Fine Sheer Lawns,

Anything else. A. F. C., don't you know 10c.

Toil du Nord.

One lot of Percal that is worth 10 for 7½c.

Evening shades in Albatross for 25c.

Best Ribbed Hose

for boys or girls for 10c—U C M

Cannon & Fetzer Co.

Trains Running Through Again.

A Washington dispatch of the 7th says: the Southern has repairs about complete and that all the schedules have been resumed. Even the Western road trains are running through.

A Good Cough Medicine for Children.

"I have no hesitancy in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says F. P. Moran, a well known and popular baker, of Petersburg, Va. "We have given it to our children when troubled with bad coughs, also whooping cough, and it has always given perfect satisfaction. It was recommended to me by a druggist as the best cough medicine for children as it contained no opium or other harmful drug." Sold by M L Marsh, druggist.

"People who are always behind time should be fed on tomato ketchup."

Surgeon's Knife Not Needed.

Surgery is no longer necessary to cure piles. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures such cases at once, removing the necessity for dangerous, painful and expensive operations. For scalds, cuts, burns, wounds, bruises, sores and skin diseases it is unequalled. Beware of counterfeits.—Gibson Drug Store.

Winston-Salem Day Changed.

Winston-Salem Day at the Charleston Exposition has been changed from Tuesday, April 8th, to Friday, the 11th.

Remarkable Cures of Rheumatism.

From the Vindicator, Rutherfordton, N. C.

The editor of the Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realising instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in thigh joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by M. L Marsh, druggist.

"Nothing is better than a good woman and nothing is worse than a bad one."

FOR OVER SIXTY YEARS Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslows Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

ARE YOU WISE A great many people suffer through ignorance. They don't know that for all inflammation there is no remedy to equal Mexican Mustang Liniment.

an easy way

and a sure way to treat a case of Sore Throat in order to kill disease germs and insure healthy throat action is to take half a glassfull of water put into it a teaspoonful of

Mexican Mustang Liniment

and with this gargle the throat at frequent intervals. Then bathe the outside of the throat thoroughly with the liniment and after doing this wrap some on a soft cloth and wrap around the neck. It is a POSITIVE CURE.

25c., 50c. and $1.00 a bottle.

IT MAY BE YOU have long been troubled with a running sore or ulcer. Treat it at once with Mexican Mustang Liniment and you can depend upon a speedy cure.

Railway Holds Mr. Lee Responsible.

From the Durham Herald we see that Mr. Lee, the ticket agent, who was sandbagged and the keys taken from him, by which the antiquated safe was robbed of $149.08, is held responsible by the railroad company. It seems that agent Dusenbery had ordered Mr. Lee to place all moneys with the cashier to be locked in the large combination safe except as much as $20 in change. This is the railroad's hold on him while Mr. Lee claims he did all he could to hold on to and defend the key, but that his responsibility ceased when he was knocked senseless and that he will not pay the loss. The railroad company will probably sue the surety company that gave bond.

This Climate is Good

enough for anybody with weak lungs. The patient need not travel. He can get well here with the help of Allen's Lung Balsam, taken frequently when coughing and shortness of breath after exercise serve notice upon him that serious pulmonary trouble is not far away. Allen's Lung Balsam is free from any form of opium.

Inoculation to Destroy Rats.

Lisbon has been suffering from a pest of rats, for which the general antidote of cats, traps and poison proved abortive. As a last resource bacilli were employed, and the municipal doctors who commissioned to inoculate some rats with an infectious disease. A suitable virus harmless to man, was found, a few rats captured and inoculated, and then released. The experiment proved a great success, for the bacillus rapidly spread and the rats died with wonderful rapidity, so that in a very short time the city was freed from the rodents. It is now proposed to clear vessels from rats in the same way.—Scientific American.

Stopped the Dog Catcher.

"I had a dog that I valued very highly," said my friend Smith, "and when the dog catcher came around I was afraid he would get him. So I got a collar with a big brass plate on it and had the dog's name engraved on it, and when the dog catcher came around I showed him the collar and told him the dog belonged to the mayor. He left the dog alone after that."

Kodol For Horses, Cattle, Sores, Bruises and Piles. Sold by Fetzer's Drug Store etc.