

Thousands Perish By Turkish Sword

Men, Women and Children Massacred—Those Fleeing to Escape Slowly Die From Starvation—The Conditions Appalling

Bulgarians. It is believed that Hilli Pasha's communication was intended as a hint to the newspaper correspondents. A telegram from Constantinople that the porte has issued an unconditional order that all European correspondents must leave Macedonia because they are circulating false news and that the foreign ambassadors have been notified.

It is understood that Russia and Austria have submitted a proposal to the powers that Bulgaria be urged to sever her connection with the Macedonian revolutionary committee and warned that in the event of war between her and Turkey she need expect any help from the powers. It is believed that Germany, Italy, and Great Britain are willing to join in this proposition but the attitude of France is doubtful.

American Printer Killed

Havana, Sept. 8.—James Quinn, an American printer, who was employed as a compositor on a newspaper here, died today from the effects of eight stab wounds, which he received in a brawl at midnight Sunday week in a low part of town. Quinn was too intoxicated to give any clear account of the affair. There is considerable feeling among the Americans over the matter, as it is claimed that because of the neighborhood where the trouble occurred several people must have seen it and yet no arrests have been made. The secret police claim to be on the track of the man who did the stabbing.

DUEL IN CUBA

Colonel in Cuban Army Gets the Worst of It

Havana, Sept. 8.—A duel was fought today between an employee of the supreme court and an colonel in the Cuban army. The latter applied for a position in the audience and his communication was referred to the supreme court employee for a report on his character. The report was not very favorable to the colonel and he wrote an insulting letter to its author. A challenge for a duel immediately followed and the men met today and fought with rapier. The colonel was very badly wounded.

CHARGE OF ROBBERY

The Son of a Former Banker in the Toils

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 8.—Carey Snyder, son of Robert M. Snyder, a former banker of Kansas City, is under arrest in a western city, which city the local police refuse to divulge. He will be returned to this city at once and tried on the charge of holding up and robbing O. H. Stevens, a pawnbroker, and his wife of jewelry valued at \$5,000 in front of their residence on the night of May 1, 1902.

Two men, both masked, were the robbers, and Snyder and W. T. Grimes. Snyder was held for some weeks and arraigned. He was later released on representations made by friends of R. M. Snyder that his son would appear for trial when wanted. Snyder left the city and the police have been looking for him ever since. The jewels were recovered. E. M. Snyder, the father, was convicted in St. Louis of buying the entire house of delegates in a street railway deal. He appealed to the supreme court on the ground that the statute of limitations applied to the charges of which he was convicted.

Permission to Examine Books of the Universal

The Case of Certain Stockholders Asking Receivership for the Universal Tobacco Company. An Order Issued

New York, Sept. 8.—The hearing of the case of Edw. A. McAlpin and other stockholders of the Universal Tobacco Company was continued in chancery chambers, Jersey City, today before Chancellor Pitney, with the result that Chancellor Pitney issued an order directing that E. A. McAlpin and the other petitioners have permission to examine the books and papers of the company and appointed Frank C. McDermott to make the examination with authority to employ expert accountants.

The Universal Tobacco Company was represented by R. H. McCarter of New Jersey, Wheeler H. Peckham, Eourian Cochran and Edwin A. Lewis, Julian T. David and Gilbert Collins appeared for the complainants. The petition presented by Mr. Davies set forth that the officers of the company had repeatedly refused the complainants' application for permission to examine the books. The petitioner named in the paper was William C. Juddins, who alleged that William H. Butler, president of the company, and his brother George P. Butler had collected several thousand dollars from the assets and receipts of the company.

Robert McCarter, in his argument opposing the application, said that the request to have access to the books was against the rules of law. He explained further there were belief that the petitioners were in alliance with the tobacco trust and that they desired to see the books so that they could obtain information of value to the trust. Mr. Davies protested against this insinuation. "My judicial ears were closed to the remark," said the chancellor. No proof has been shown that the petitioners are in alliance with the trust or that they had any inclination to sell out to the company. Chancellor Pitney fixed three weeks

from next Monday for examination of the books, when, he said, he might be able to render a speedy decision in the case.

Couldn't Have Been Booker

London, Sept. 8.—A colored man, speaking in a cultured manner, appeared in a police court here today and asked the magistrate what remedy he had against a publican for refusing to supply him with refreshments. The refusal being based solely on his color. The magistrate explained that the law did not compel a publican to serve anyone and quoted the case of Viscountess Harberton, to whom refreshments were refused because she wore knickerbockers.

NEGRO CHURCH FIGHT

One Killed, Another Wounded, After Labor Day Parade

New Orleans, La., Sept. 8.—A fight which started at St. Luke's negro church last night as a result of the Labor Day parade, resulted in the killing of Edward Bean and the fatal wounding of Bert Miner, both colored. The murder was committed by Eddie Cooley, a negro longshoreman. A reception was given to the negro labor unionists in the church. Cooley who was slightly intoxicated, on being refused liquor drew a knife and commenced slashing right and left, several negroes were cut, one killed and the other fatally wounded. There were threats of lynching by the infuriated negroes, but Cooley was rescued by the police and taken to jail.

RUST AND SHEDDING

Complaints General Throughout Cotton Belt

Washington, Sept. 8.—The weather bureau's weekly summary of crop conditions is as follows: Complaints of rust and shedding are general throughout the cotton belt and as a result the condition of cotton has deteriorated during the past week. The staple is opening rapidly in some sections prematurely and picking is becoming general in all districts. Favorable reports are received from North Carolina, Oklahoma and portions of South Carolina and Mississippi, prospects being good for a top crop in the first named state. In Texas, while the boll worms have mostly disappeared, the boll weevil continues destructive and are puncturing nearly all new forms in the southwestern, central and eastern sections and the crop is also suffering from drought in the northern and western portions of the state which retards fruiting and causes much shedding. Tobacco is suffering from drought in Kentucky, needs rain in Tennessee and was damaged some by hail in New York, and New England; elsewhere the crop is satisfactory. Cutting is in progress in all districts and picking is nearing completion in the southern section.

WOULD CAUSE UPROAR

Social Democrat Would Refuse Customary Cheers

Berlin, Sept. 8.—The eagerly expected article by Herr Babel, the social democrat, on the question whether the social democrats should seek the election of a member of that party as vice president of the Reichstag was published today. Herr Babel vetoes the proposition on the ground that if a social democrat were elected to the office he might be acting as presiding officer at the close of the session, when it is customary for the presiding officer to call for cheers for the emperor. The social democrats would refuse to give these cheers and this would cause an uproar. Herr Babel does not believe that the office would add to the power or influence of the party.

PROHIBITION CARRIES

Elizabeth City Goes Dry by 170 Majority

Elizabeth City, N. C., Sept. 8.—Special.—This city voted for prohibition today and carried the election by 170 majority. Everything passed off quietly. Women prayed in the churches while the men worked at the polls.

Promotions and Appointments

Washington, Sept. 8.—The president has made the following promotions and appointments in the diplomatic service: John W. Riddle of Minnesota, now first secretary of the embassy at St. Petersburg, to be consul general and diplomatic agent at Calro, in place of John G. Long, deceased. Spencer E. Eddy of Illinois, now secretary of legation at Constantinople, to be first secretary of embassy at St. Petersburg. Peter A. Jay of Rhode Island, now secretary of legation at Constantinople, to be first secretary. Elysses Grant Smith of Pennsylvania, to be second secretary of legation at Constantinople.

NOT A TRACE OF MISSING STEAMER

Believed the George W. Kelly Went Down in Hurricane

New Orleans, La., Sept. 8.—The relief expedition set out to search for the missing steamer, George W. Kelly, has cabled from Bluefields that not a trace could be found of the missing vessel and no news had been heard of her. The belief is now general that she went down in the big gulf hurricane of last month. Not a splinter has been found of the lost vessel. It is also announced that the quaint city of San Miguel on Cozumel Island, off the Mexican coast, has been completely destroyed by the hurricane. San Miguel was the point of landing for Cortez in Mexico and a town of some size grew up there.

Although deserted by its inhabitants it was frequently visited by the Mexicans as the first point where Christianity was planted on the continent of America. The hurricane completely destroyed the houses which had remained for nearly four centuries in a good state of preservation.

HORRIBLE CASE OF INFANTICIDE

Baby Left Alive in the Woods Where It Died

Wilmington, N. C., Sept. 8.—Special. Stark naked, one of its ears eaten off and one side of its face badly disfigured, presumably by wild animals, the body of a new-born white infant, male was found yesterday afternoon in the woods about two miles from the city. The discovery was made by two colored women who were out gathering wood.

The horrified women immediately notified the authorities, who are now investigating one of the most horrible cases of infanticide that ever occurred in this country. The autopsy performed at the police station last night disclosed that the child was perfectly natural and had been left alive Sunday night to die in the lonely spot where it was discovered. The infant was not over two days old.

The police are working on a clue given by the finding of a woman's shirt waist hanging in a tree near the place where the little body was found. Every phase of the crime is revolving.

FORMER OFFICIAL SURRENDERS HIMSELF

Bench Warrant Out for Beavers and He Marched In

New York, Sept. 8.—Geo. W. Beavers, the former head of salaries and allowance division of the postoffice department at Washington, surrendered himself in the office of United States Commissioner Hitchcock today and gave \$5,000 bail for his appearance before Commissioner Hitchcock on September 15.

The former postal official came to the office of United States Marshall Henkel, accompanied by his attorney and the latter announced that Beavers' wished to surrender himself to the authorities. Mr. Beavers was then formally arraigned before Commissioner Hitchcock and the amount of bail agreed upon by counsel and the date for the preliminary examination set. The bondsman, J. R. Brown, of this city qualified in the sum of \$10,000, double the amount of the bond and Mr. Beavers and his counsel left the building. United States District Attorney Burnett last week notified Beavers' counsel that a bench warrant had been issued for the arrest of Mr. Beavers that he would be taken into custody forthwith if he did not immediately surrender himself.

The defendant's lawyers then verbally informed the federal authorities that they would produce their client Tuesday. The indictment against the former head of the salaries and allowance division was returned two months ago in Brooklyn and charges him with having received a check for \$510 from the Brandt-Dent Manufacturing Company of Middletown, Wis., which it is alleged, was paid to him by the firm as a part commission of automatic cashiers furnished the postal department by that firm.

TOMB OF ABRAHAM

Chicago University Explorers Hope to Find It

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 8.—President Harper has secured the consent of the sultan of Turkey to an exploration of the country in the vicinity of ancient Babylon, according to advices just received at the University of Chicago. This marks the successful issue of an attempt begun in July, 1900, when application was first made for university exploring parties to enter the district. It is understood that a party has been

formed and that it will leave the university this fall. The place where the exploring party will have special provisions is Tel Ibrahim, long regarded as a part of Babylon. In the vicinity are supposed to be the ruins of the temple in which Nebuchadnezzar offered sacrifices, and the explorers hope to find the tomb of Abraham. President Harper met with the opposition of the German government, which was trying to secure excavation privileges in the same place.

YOUNG MURDERER CONFESSED CRIME

States His Reward Was a Piece of Peanut Taffy

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 8.—Charlie Jones, a twelve year old colored boy, today confessed to the murder of Miss Carolina Link. Not only has the most youthful murderer ever known in the annals of Baltimore confessed his crime to the police, but he also made a statement admitting that he murdered Miss Link and that the only reward he gained was a small piece of peanut taffy.

Jones was kept in the "sweet box" after his arrest today. For several hours he protested his innocence. At last when James Thomas and Harry Young were brought into his presence and both boys testified that Jones had committed the murder and had boasted of it to them the young murderer's nerve gave away, and with a cry of "I done it; I done it; I didn't mean to tell no lie." He unbound himself to his inquisitors. "I saw two push carts standing in Diamond street the Thursday before this happened. I unscrewed the prop from one of the carts, took it home and hid it in the cellar all night. I had done been in the store where the old woman stayed and thought I could get something out of the money drawer. Early that morning I climbed over the back fence and got in the door of the back room. It was opened. I crept into the dining room and hid under a table. "Somebody came down stairs and got out. I waited. Then the old woman she come to the back of the store. I crept around the door, and when I raised up she was close to me. I up with the push cart prop and hit her. She didn't fall, but grabbed at me. Then I hit her again and she fell down. I was scared and didn't open the money drawer. I jes' grabbed a bit of taffy from a pan and ran out of the back door. "Dat nite I done tell Jimmy Thomas and Harry Young what I done. Young and Thomas have nothing to do with it."

Mystery apparently impenetrable, so far as the local detectives were concerned, surrounded the murder of Miss Link almost from the hour the fatal blows were struck until today. With two deep cuts on the back of her head and skull fractured she was found unconscious on the floor in the sitting room of the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hoffman, on the morning of August 28. Miss Link was a domestic in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman, who keep a candy store. She had been accustomed to rise early and prepare breakfast for Mr. Hoffman, who goes to market.

IMMIGRANTS WARNED

Against Going to the Isthmus Until Work Is Resumed

Paris, Sept. 8.—The home office has sent a circular to all the prefects containing a description by the French vice consul at Colonia, Colombia, of the condition of immigrants from Europe, Martinique, and Guadalupe who have been attracted to the isthmus by reports that work on the Panama canal would shortly be resumed owing to the action of the United States in purchasing the rights of the company. The circular urges the prefects to warn all French immigrants against going to this very unhealthy country which is still suffering from complete misery. No means of subsistence can be procured until work on the canal is resumed and the date of this is very uncertain.

Suicided Far From Home

Portland, Ore., Sept. 8.—Special.—M. S. McGee, whose home was at Bloomer, N. C., and whose mother still lives there, committed suicide near Seattle, Washington, by drowning. McGee's body was found by an Indian off Point Williams. The body had been in the water for some weeks as evidenced by its decomposed state. McGee was identified wholly through a letter found on him addressed to his mother, Mrs. E. L. McGee, Bloomer, N. C. Another letter from a local business house dated August 4, shows that deceased must have suicided since that day. The body had been seen by various parties for several days but could not be secured until yesterday. It will be buried in Seattle cemetery.

American Priest Promoted

Havana, Sept. 8.—Today on the Cuban national religious festival of the Virgin of Charity, Archbishop Capelle announced the appointment of Sigr. Bonaventura Broderick, an American priest, of Hartford, Conn., as auxiliary bishop of Havana.

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Evidence of Hostile Feeling London, Sept. 8.—Official and diplomatic circles here regard the conflict between Mussulmans and Christians at Beirut as evidence of the development of hostile feelings throughout Turkey as a result of the Macedonian revolt. This is borne out by the threatened uprising in Smyrna. The Turkish embassy today received a dispatch from Constantinople in relation to the Beirut riot as follows: "Some of the Orthodox inhabitants of Beirut attacked four Mussulmans who were passing through the Mezraa quarter fired upon them and fighting ensued. The imperial authorities immediately sent troops to the scene of the disturbance which put an end to the strife. One soldier was killed and three were wounded. Order and tranquillity are perfectly maintained in all parts of the Vilayet."

A high Turkish official pointed out that the Christians were the aggressors but he said, it would not have been even surprising had the Mussulmans precipitated the row. "For throughout Turkey indignation is felt at the conduct of the revolutionists in Macedonia." The official added "The Christians at Beirut have been greatly encouraged by the appearance of the American squadron, the presence of which could not be regarded sympathetically by the Mohammedan population."

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Two Houses Pillaged Washington, Sept. 8.—The state department received today from Minister Leshman at Constantinople, under today's date, the following cablegram: "Riot occurred at Beirut yesterday. Seven Christians killed and several wounded. Two houses of Christians pillaged by the soldiers. Panic general. An officer and a signal man from the admiral's (Cotton's) ship are now in the consulate. An investigation of the conditions in Beirut is being conducted by the flag lieutenant and their officials. The sultan porte claims that Beirut is now quiet and that the government force there is sufficient to insure order."

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Dastardly Attempt to Wreck Passenger Train

Old Iron, Rocks and Cross Ties on the Track—Corporation Commission in Charlotte Looking Into Freight Rate Matters

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 8.—Special.—A dastardly attempt to wreck the southbound Washington and Southwestern Vestibled Limited on the Southern was made last night. As the train neared a point about forty miles from Alexandria, the engineer discovered an obstruction ahead and brought the train to a stand still. The train crew found carefully placed on the track a collection of old iron, rocks and cross ties. The train was running on an up grade otherwise the engineer would not have been able to stop his engine in time to prevent a wreck. This is the second attempt within a few

months to wreck trains on the Washington division and the officials make no secret of the fact that they are both puzzled and worried. The county board of health this afternoon ordered a compulsory vaccination campaign. Owing to the hold that smallpox is naturally feared when cold weather again sets in and hence these precautionary measures. The penalty for resisting the vaccinating surgeons is severe.

Hon. Franklin McNeill, chairman of the Corporation Commission, S. L. Rogers and H. C. Brown, clerk of the body met the merchants and shippers of Charlotte today at the Manufacturers' Club. The main point in the diavers' Club. The freight rates between Charlotte and Wilmington, the merchants claiming that compared with those to Norfolk they are excessive. The commission took the matter under advisement. From here the commission goes to inspect the Asheville and Spartanburg, particularly the grade at Melrose between Tryon and Saluda. They will also go over the South Carolina and Georgia between Marion and Blacksburg.