

A GHOUL SPOTTED.

Plot Discovered to Steal the Body of Ex-President Benjamin Harrison.

Indianapolis, Dec. 29.—Interest in the reported conspiracy to steal the body of ex-president Harrison on the night following its interment in Crown Hill cemetery has been heightened by investigations of the local detective force and participation in the plot has been traced to one of the men who composed the Cantrell gang of grave robbers, who is now under indictment on the strength of Cantrell's confession.

Evidence of the conspiracy has been discovered in the fact that Cantrell's wagon was at the entrance to Crown Hill on the night in question, and that two men actually entered the cemetery and were seen in close proximity to the grave of Mr. Harrison. They found that the grave was being watched and fled from the cemetery without being recognized. The man in charge of the wagon is known and it is believed that the identity of his confederates will be discovered. No arrests have yet been made and the police refuse to say whether Cantrell was concerned in the plot.—Indianapolis, dispatch.

Keeping Their Ears to the Ground.

All factions of Republicans in the south are keeping their ears to the ground for the rumbling sound. Lily whites and black and tans are alike scared to death since President Roosevelt turned his back square on Mr. Hahn, most zealous in the cause of black and tan. In the district of North Carolina, N. C., district. The lily whites in Alabama, who were recently given a rude shock by the displacement of internal Revenue Collector Bingham, don't know quite yet what interpretation to put upon such action. The opposition to Senator Pritchard in Tarheeldom is equally at sea about what the future may have in store for them. The Georgia Republicans are about the only ones in the entire south, where tranquility prevails, but the Georgia Republicans, few as they may be, are not much visited by political tempests.

For the federal office-holding contingent the last year and a half has been filled with turbulence, and the end of it does not promise to be in sight, certainly not till after the delegates to the next Republican national convention have been chosen.—Washington Post.

Mountainous North Carolina.

A new and interesting topographic map, known as the Nantahala sheet, recently issued by the United States Geological Survey, is one of a part of the rugged western section of North Carolina, showing portion of the country drained by the Little Tennessee and Nantahala rivers. The region is sparsely settled, being little more than a mountainous wilderness with a few scattered highland villages. On the sheet appear the peaks or balds of the Nantahala Mountains, Tusquitee, Valley River, and Cheoah ridges. The elevations of these mountains and their extent and grades are admirably shown by a system of contours or lines passing through points of equal elevation at intervals of 100 feet, by which means also even the small ravines are clearly brought out. All the drainage features of the region and all the roads and trails, together with boundaries and settlements, are indicated. The map is obtainable at the nominal government rate.

UNION PACIFIC STRIKE.

Unless Ended, the Trouble May Extend to Southern Pacific.

The settlement of the Union Pacific strike now seems more probable than at any stage since negotiations were opened between President Hunt and President McNeil of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders. Leaders of the strike are on their way to New York to meet the heads of their respective organizations and the men who control the affairs of the railroad. This meeting has been called by President E. H. Harriman of the Southern Pacific, as a result of his conference with President Burt, and it is looked for a solution of the problem.

Strikers say the loaning of engines to the Union Pacific by the Southern Pacific placed the situation in such a manner as to force a settlement or precipitate a general strike on the Southern Pacific, and this Mr. Harriman, it is said, is determined to avoid.

The strikers demand reinstatement of all district and local lodge officers, posting of new shop rules, increase of 10 per cent, in wages, no piece work, recognition of International Association of Machinists and discharge of non-union men. The number of men out is 1,8000 or more.—Omaha dispatch.

Where Pain Most Hurts.

Which part of the human body is the most sensitive to pain?

A sharp definition must be drawn between irritation and pain.

Only a frequent cause of it. Thus a crumb lodged in the larynx near the local cords produces violent irritation and prolonged coughing which often results in actual pain. So, too, a fly or speck of dust in the eye sets up violent irritation and inflammation. Followed by acute pain. Of the surface of the body, the finger tips and the end of the tongue are most sensitive. For instance, a burn on the finger is much more painful than one on the back would be, while one on the tongue would be more painful still.

Deep wounds are not painful, as a rule, save as regards the surface injury. Of pains not caused by external injuries, neuralgia of the fifth nerve, the one which supplies the skin to the head and face is the most intense. It has frequently driven people mad for the time being, and sufferers have been known to cut and even burn the flesh in desperate attempts to relieve it. The rupture of the branches of the dental nerve in tooth drawing also causes agony so intense that it has been stated that no human being could endure it for more than two seconds at a time.—Ex.

Laugh.

Have you dyspepsia? Laugh on getting up.

Are you unfortunate? Laugh before dinner.

Are you poor? Laugh before supper.

Are you hurried? Laugh when in bed.

It only takes half a minute. It costs nothing. Laugh.

I ask you to laugh, but I am not jesting—I mean it. The man who wins laughs, but why? Because he laughed before. Never live through an entire day without laughing at least once. No minister or medicine will help like that. Both body and mind will show the good effect within a month. Try it.—Philadelphia North American.

DYNAMITE IN COAL.

Workmen Prevented Destruction of Electric-Light Plant.

Six sticks of dynamite were discovered in a carload of bituminous coal at the plant of the East Aurora Electric Light Company yesterday afternoon. There was enough of the explosive to have blown the electric light plant to atoms.

The coal arrived a few days ago from an Alleghany river mine. It is said the coal was originally intended for New York shipment. The dynamite is believed to have been put in the coal while the cars were in the Pennsylvania mining district.

A workman shoveling coal from a car into the coal bins in the engine room of the plant discovered the first stick of dynamite. He ran to the engine room and told the fireman to stop feeding coal to the fire beneath the boilers. Just as he did so the fireman found another stick of the explosive. He was about to throw it into the fire when the warning was given.—Buffalo, N. Y., dispatch.

Emigration Commenced.

The emigration movement from this section has set in and there promises to be "something doing" along this line within the next few months.

Indications are that the emigration movement from Western North Carolina this year will be the heaviest in years. A large number of residents from this immediate section, it is understood, will seek homes this spring in the West. From this section, go to Oklahoma and Indian Territory. Large numbers go from here to the west every fall but as a rule they return disappointed and declaring that "there is no place like Western North Carolina."—Asheville Citizen.

Robbed, Murdered and Burned.

At a late hour Christmas evening an unknown man called at the home of Mr. Ed Gay, six miles from here, and asked him to change a bill.

Mr. Gay, not having the change, walked with the man to his store not far distant, where they entered, and it is supposed the stranger then drew a revolver on Mr. Gay and forced him to open his safe, which contained \$1200. He then probably murdered Mr. Gay and set fire to the store to hide his crime.

The store was completely gutted and the safe was found in the ruins.

The whole community is in a high pitch of excitement. So far there is no clue to the perpetrator of the crime.—Matthews, Ga., dispatch.

The Czar and Spiritualism.

A curious story regarding the Czar, who it is well known has of late years taken interest in spiritualism, comes from St. Petersburg through private sources, says the Tribune's London correspondent. This story is to the effect that the Hague conference was the direct result of a spiritualistic seance, at which, having received a call, Emperor Nicholas was told that it was his duty to bring about peace in the world.—New York dispatch.

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OFFICER SHOT CRAPS.

Lieutenant Brown Dismissed From Army for Unbecoming Conduct.

Shooting craps was the cause of the dismissal from the army of Lieutenant Louis E. Brown, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, who has filed suit in the Court of Claims for mileage and salary from the time of his discharge.

Lieut. Brown was caught shooting craps with enlisted men of the command while at Santiago, and was court-martialed on a charge of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. He was acquitted, and the papers were sent to Washington, and were returned to Cuba with the recommendation that the charge be further investigated. The second court-martial found the officer guilty and recommended his dismissal.—Washington dispatch.

Probably Murdered.

It is believed that John Wax, who worked during the coal strike making some enemies, and who was found dead on the Lehigh railroad yesterday, may have been murdered. The authorities are now investigating. His head had been cut from his body and lay in the middle of the track, the body being at the side of the track near by. The out was so clean that railroaders expressed doubt that it had been done by an engine. His body was uninjured, no cuts or bruises being found. Wax testified recently before the strike commission that his house had been dynamited.—Wilkes-Barre, Pa., dispatch.

An anti-profanity league has been formed at the little town of Bertha, Neb. The constitution provides that the membership shall be limited to young women, and that the chief object of the league shall be to stop swearing among the young men. The members of the order are to discourage attentions from any young men who indulge in swearing. Twenty-six young women have signed the membership roll thus far. One enthusiastic member proposed that the members be prohibited from speaking to young men who swear, but this radical idea was not adopted.—Sioux City, Ia., Dispatch.

Thinks the President Did Right.

Baron D'Estournelles de Constant, the French deputy who was one of the delegates of France to the international peace conference and who is a member of The Hague arbitration tribunal, has written a strong congratulatory letter to President Roosevelt on the submission of the Venezuela arbitration to The Hague Court. The letter expresses the view widely prevailing in official and diplomatic circles here that the American course not only adjusts the immediate issue, but also saves The Hague tribunal from practical extinction.—Paris, dispatch.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Mass., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by all druggists. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

ON AN ELEPHANT.

The Lord and The Lady Curzon Are Received With Great Honors.

Lord Curzon, viceroy to India, accompanied by Lady Curzon Vicerine, formerly Miss Mary Leiter, of Chicago, who arrived at Delhi today, to take part in the Durbar, were accorded royal honors. They marched in a procession through the town to the viceroy's encampment, several miles beyond the Delhi wall.

Curzon was greeted at the station by all the Indian princes, who assembled with a large escort of cavalry, infantry and the white royal elephants. The animals of India were extended in a row outside the station yard. The viceroy was escorted by the princes from the station to the yard, where he and Lady Curzon mounted an elephant.

The procession then started. After arriving at the viceregal tent the princes took leave of Curzon and the latter retired, with several of his staff and Lord Kitchener.

For the next two days he will receive visits from the princes. There will practically be no official entertainment other than this until the Durbar is over.—Delhi, India, dispatch.

He Drank and Forgot his Wedding.

Because he had reached an inexpressible state of inebriety, Michael Maher forgot to attend his own wedding. Now Miss Kate Roy, the bride that was to be, is sobbing to break her heart, and Maher, sobered somewhat, is regretting his condition and action.

The wedding was celebrated at St. Vincent de Paul's, one of the largest Catholic churches in the city. The bride belongs to an old family, and Maher's family is equally as prominent. As a result, the church was packed, but when the hour for the ceremony arrived, no groom appeared, and the bride began to be nervous. After waiting half an hour, the priest who was to have married the couple, announced that there would be no wedding.

Maher confessed tonight that he had gone to get a pair of gloves and had met a friend, who induced him to take a drink. They took a few more and then he forgot what happened. When he came to himself he was in his sister's home. On account of the prominence of the parties, and the unusual character of the incident, the affair is the talk of the city.—New Orleans dispatch.

"Scab" Means Best Element.

Following President Mitchell's article on the coal strike, in the December McClure's, comes Ray Stannard Baker's, "The Right to Work," in the January number. This is a presentation of the non-striking miner's side of the case. It is not an argument, however. Mr. Baker simply went to the coal regions to investigate and study the lot of the "Scab" during the strike. The result is an amazing series of stories gathered at first hand, which the author wisely leaves to speak for themselves. But in collecting them, Mr. Baker has done a great service.

A Costly Mistake.

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THIS GOVERNMENT

Awaiting Venezuela's Reply to Note Containing Terms of Arbitration.

No credence is given at the State Department to the report of the British marines landing at La Guayra, notwithstanding the alleged protest of the commander of the United States gunboat Mariett, which is now at that port. The officials of both departments deny that any such information has been received.

At the State Department it is stated that Mr. Bowen has not been heard from since the dispatch sent him Saturday containing the terms under which the powers had consented to refer the dispute to the Hague for arbitration.

These terms are understood to include an apology from Castro for the arrest of German and British citizens, and the attacks on the legations, as pre-payment of a portion of the claims as evidence of good faith. The cash amount demanded by Great Britain is forty thousand dollars, and Germany three hundred thousand.

The developments about Venezuela have convinced many members of Congress, who hitherto opposed an extensive naval programme on the part of the United States, that such a plan should have their cordial support and already there is talk of appropriating a much larger sum than the one embodied in the recommendations of Secretary of the Navy Moody, which contemplate the construction of two battle-ships and some smaller craft, among them two training ships.—Washington dispatch.

Bluger Hermann, commissioner of the general land office since 1897, has resigned and will be succeeded by William Richards, now the assistant commissioner of the general land office. The change will take effect probably January 15.

Mr. Hermann's resignation was requested about two weeks ago by the secretary of the interior and was immediately presented. Charges have been preferred against two of the subordinate officials of the land office, involving irregularities, and they have been given a specific time in which to make answer.—Washington dispatch.

Drilling in the Caribbean.

The ships of the three American squadrons in the Caribbean which were distributed at the various ports in the West Indies last week for the purpose of giving the men shore leave during Christmas holidays, have now begun to reassemble at Culebra for the final maneuvers. These will begin January 2, and will consist of tactical evolutions, squadron and fleet drill, etc. During these evolutions, the three squadrons were combined under the direct command of Admiral Dewey. At their conclusion in about two weeks, the squadrons will separate and return to the respective stations. Rear Admiral Coghlan, with a division of the North Atlantic squadron will remain in West Indian waters.—Washington dispatch.

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