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## Perished in the Flames!

Terrible Results of Fire in a Sisters of Charity School.

It Was Not the London and River Platte Bank That Failed.

Hungarian Students Create Serious Trouble in Buda-Pesth.

The Remains of Kossuth's Wife and Daughter Exhumed—Incipient Outbreak in Valparaiso Suppressed.

### To Rest in Hungary.

GENOA, March 23.—The bodies of Kossuth's wife and daughter were exhumed today. The bodies will be taken to Hungary.

### Twenty-five Victims.

LONDON, March 23.—The official report on the dynamite explosion at Santander gives the number of killed as 18 and the injured as 7, of whom 3 of the latter may die.

### A Blunder.

LONDON, March 23.—The dispatch sent out yesterday announcing the failure of the London and River Platte Bank was erroneous. It was the English Bank on the River Platte that failed, and not the London and River Platte, which is one of the soundest of English banking institutions.

### Beg Snow Storm in Germany.

BERLIN, March 23.—Several parts of Germany have been visited by violent snow storms, which have seriously interfered with travel. Many railroads are blocked in snow, and in some places trains are blocked in drifts, from which it has not yet been possible to release them. The highways in many parts of the country are impassable, being piled with drifts to a height of five feet. In Silesia snow is reported to have fallen constantly for 60 hours.

### At Last.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 23.—The Minister of the Interior has issued an order that foreign Jews having in their possession proper passports must not be interfered with by the police or other authorities. This order is the result of the numerous complaints that they had been expelled or ill-treated while visiting Russia. The Government has several times before been asked to issue such an order, but hitherto has refused.

### Six Women Burned to Death.

PARIS, March 23.—A building occupied by Sisters of Charity as a school for young women at Laon, in the Department of Aisne, was burned to the ground last night. Besides the sisters there were a number of pupils in the building and all were asleep. Those on the lower floors were awakened by the flames and narrowly escaped with their lives. The young women who occupied the upper floors were unable to reach the stairway, and many of them were seriously injured by jumping out of the windows. The charred bodies of six young women who slept on the top floor were found in the ruins. Many of those who escaped were severely burned.

### Incipient Outbreak in Chili Quelled.

LONDON, March 23.—Advices from Chili say that at Valparaiso on March 15 fifty men with cries of "Viva Balmaceda; Viva la dictadura!" made a rush at the entrance to the barracks, firing their revolvers. Six of the attacking party gained entrance. Two of these attacked the officer on duty, Silva, who was stabbed in six places, but he killed one of his assailants with a blow on the head with his revolver. Another group attempted to cut the telephone wires, but they were shot dead one after another by Capt. Quiroga. A third group penetrated into the guard room, where two of them were shot. Major Castillon, at the head of picket soldiers, attacked the remainder, who fled. Six persons were killed and 200 arrests have since been made of persons in sympathy with the dictators.

### Excitement in Buda-Pesth.

BUDA-PESTH, March 23.—The excitement over last night's riots has not yet subsided. The students, who were the principals in the disturbance, declare that any attempt to open the public places of amusement during the period of mourning for Kossuth prior to the funeral will be even more summarily dealt with than was the disregard of popular sentiment on the part of several managers last night. The members of the police force as well as the majority of the officers are in sympathy with the students and will in all probability make only nominal resistance to their efforts to forcibly close the theaters in their attempt to give performances. About twenty persons were injured in last night's riots, but none of them were seriously hurt. The mobs were more destructive to-day than yesterday. They looted many shops and smashed windows and gutted ornaments in many of the principal streets. It is reported that the students thought of attacking even the royal castle.

### This Evening Mourning Flags are Flying from all the State Buildings.

Kossuth's body will arrive here on March 29 and will lie in state in the entrance hall of the National Museum until April 4, when the funeral will take place.

### The Patient Old Man.

LONDON, March 24.—Mr. Gladstone attended divine worship at Brighton yesterday and remained throughout a service of three hours' duration.

### NOT OVER YET.

The Brazilian Rebels Still Powerful—Insulting Portuguese and Englishmen.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 24.—A spirit of intense hatred is directed against the Portuguese. They are insulted on the streets and threatened with violence. Some even assert that all Englishmen and Portuguese will be driven out of the country. The clique which is fomenting this trouble has great influence with President Peixoto and may cause mischief. One of the clique has already advanced the proposition to shoot all political prisoners. There are now about 4,000 confined in the jails and forts in and around Rio. It is reported that the insurgent army

now numbers 20,000 men, who are well equipped. The possession of the ports of Desterro and Parangua is an important advantage to the insurgents. Mello's friends have subscribed plenty of money to carry on the war. The only thing now lacking is energetic direction. Reports have been received that the States of Minas, Geraes, Bahia, Pernambuco and Las Paulo are greatly disaffected and are liable at any moment to revolt. Three-fourths of the inhabitants of Rio sympathize with the revolution. It cannot truthfully be said that the war is over.

## CONCISE CULLINGS.

Cigarmakers in Key West, Florida, are on strike again and rioting.

Gov. McKinley, of Ohio, is prostrated by a severe attack of bilious fever.

Stories of British intrigue in favor of the deposed queen are reported from Honolulu.

Sir Canlife Owen died of heart disease on Friday at his residence, No. 13 Kirkley Cliff, Lowestoft.

Robert Baker, a sheep herder, was found frozen to death on the plain five miles from Laramie, Wyo., Thursday night.

It is reported that a discrepancy of a million and a half has been discovered in the books of the New York State controller.

President Cleveland will veto the Bland Seigniorage Bill. This positive statement is made by a high official of the Treasury Department.

The London Daily News says Dr. Nettleton, the oculist, believes an operation will fully restore Mr. Gladstone's normal powers of vision.

The American pension outfit for the next fiscal year is \$14,000,000 less than for the current year. From this time the decrease will continue steadily.

At Arad, Ind., the Ohio window glass factory started work Friday. A young woman lighted the fires amid booming of cannon and a big ox was roasted in honor of the event.

A Chicago dispatch says the transcontinental passenger situation is now more demoralized than it has ever been and is getting worse. Rates will not be restored on April 1.

Three deaths from diphtheria have occurred in a Bay City, Mich., family who took milk from a farmer in whose home the disease raged. The deadly germs had been carried to the milkroom.

The skeleton of a woman with some of the flesh still adhering was discovered on the roof of a house on Mackay street, Montreal. The skull was missing. It is supposed some student placed the body there.

Senor Fernandez Leale, Minister of Public Works in the Mexican Cabinet, has been stricken blind. Expert oculists agree that it is the result of overwork, and that if relief is not obtained in a few days he will be blind for life.

### HIGH HANDED.

A Citizen's Mail Matter Seized Without Explanation.

TORONTO, March 24.—The postoffice authorities have seized a number of copies of the Congressional Record containing a speech of the Hon. Tom L. Johnson on the Wilson tariff bill, and Henry George's "Protection and Free Trade," which were addressed to O. M. Hudson, of the Canadian Rubber Company, and a prominent single taxer in this city.

"I went to the postoffice," said Mr. Hudson to the News, "to find out why the matter had not been delivered. Postmaster Atkinson did not give me much satisfaction, merely stating that he was acting under instructions from headquarters and that the United States Congress frank was not recognized in Canada."

"Some of the officials told me that my mail had been seized as seditious matter. I cannot understand the reason for this action on the part of the authorities, as several thousands have been sent to individuals in this country."

"My idea is that if the frank is not good I should have the option of paying the postage."

Mr. Hudson has made a formal demand for his mail on the Postmaster-General and intends to find out the whys and wherefores of the seizure.

### PICKING UP.

Uncle Sam's Industries—No Apparent Fright of Tariff Reform.

MEXICO, Ind., March 24.—Hoover & Co.'s new glass factory, which closed down a few weeks ago, resumed operations yesterday. The Mexico Iron and Steel Company will start its new plant on Monday, and then all of Muncie's industries will be busy. The Whittely reaper works will put on more men next week.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 24.—The Empire Woolen Company, of Clayville, started on full time yesterday after a shut down of several months.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., March 24.—The coke ovens at Black Lick and Cokesburg, employing 350 men, resumed operations yesterday after an idleness of eight months. The Indiana glass works will resume Monday. The Bolivar wire works and the Lockport quarries, which had been idle all winter, resumed work yesterday with 200 men.

LOANING, Md., March 24.—A joint meeting of the miners and employers of the Maryland, New Centre and American Coal Companies and the George Creek Coal and Iron Company decided to accept the proposed reduction of 20 per cent. for mining, with proportionate reductions on all other labor connected with the mine.

PATTON, Pa., March 24.—All mines at this place will resume Monday after a shut down of over eight weeks, the miners having agreed to semi-monthly payments and a reduction of 5 cents a ton.

### Cyclone in New Jersey.

BRIDGEPORT, N. J., March 23.—This town was visited by a cyclone this morning, and considerable damage resulted. A large brick shop which had just been finished for the South Jersey Traction Company was completely wrecked. All of the company's cars were in the building and were demolished. Other property throughout the town was badly damaged. The loss will run into thousands.

Deadly Duel Between Boys.

RIO GRANDE, Tex., March 23.—Last evening at 8 o'clock a cyclone blew here on the Rio Grande River, a duel was fought by two youths of 15. One of the combatants—Terio Saens—was stabbed seven times in the left side and neck, and lies at the point of death. His antagonist—Emilio Garcia—was slightly cut on the wrist. The cause was a Mexican senorita.

## WONDERFUL INFANTILE INSTINCT.



MEREDITH—Why, the che-ild actually knows me.

## Late Canadian News.

Death of Mrs. (Rev.) D. J. Macdonnell.

Port Arthur harbor is still icebound.

Halifax, N. S., and St. John, N. B., report heavy snow and good sleighing.

The appointment of Mr. D. McGibbon, of Milton, as county judge of Peel, will be gazetted this week.

The Grosbe Point light ship has been placed in position and the buoy has been placed in Detroit River.

The deposits in the postoffice savings banks during February amounted to \$541,236 and the withdrawals to \$568,266.

The Government has advised that ratifications have been exchanged between Great Britain and the Argentine Republic of an extradition treaty.

At Woodstock on Thursday James Morgan was sent to the Central Prison for six months, and his companion in theft, Emigh, was sent to the county jail for one month.

Ross Mackenzie, the well-known lacrosse player of other days, and for some years past connected with the Canadian Pacific, will leave that road April 1 to take the management of the Niagara Falls Electric Railway.

Rev. R. P. Mackay, secretary of the Presbyterian foreign mission committee, has received a letter from Formosa, saying that the mission out there is getting on well, and that Rev. Wm. Gauld, the writer, is in good health.

At a meeting of the quarterly board of the Parkdale Methodist Church it was resolved to do away with all forms of entertainments as a means of raising money hereafter. This applies to the funds not only for local church work, but for foreign missions as well. All sums needed will be raised by straight contributions.

Capt. Maisonneville, of the Grand Trunk Railway transfer boat Great Western at Windsor, has tendered his resignation, to take effect on May 1. He has been in the employ of the company for over 25 years, and is now 74 years of age. In recognition of his faithful services the company presents him with six months' salary.

Mrs. Macdonnell, wife of Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, the well-known pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, died on Friday morning. She had been ill several days of pneumonia. The deceased lady was widely known through the city and Province, and was an invaluable assistant to her husband in his pulpit work. She was a daughter of Rev. Dr. Smellie.

Lady Macpherson, of Toronto, died on Friday in San Remo, Italy.

Snowstorms prevailed in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick on Friday.

Smallpox has broken out among the Chinese in the bonded warehouse at Vancouver.

It is 45 years since the suspension bridge connecting Queenston and Lewiston was erected.

The late Mrs. (Rev.) D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, was a daughter of Rev. Dr. Smellie, of Fergus.

The west winds of Friday cleared the Bay of Quinte of ice. Navigation is now open. This is the earliest opening in 30 years.

After a long spell of magnificent weather a blizzard set in at Winnipeg on Friday night, and developed into the worst snowstorm of the season.

A Brockville person, evidently conscience-stricken as the result of a recent revival there, has forwarded a city book-seller some money "due you for a small debt." The note is unsigned.

The civil service examiners are instituting a rigid inquiry into a number of cases of alleged personation at last November's examinations. Conclusive evidence of fraud is forthcoming in about half a dozen cases.

Wilson and Wallace, the men charged with the murder of Paul Blondin, were, at the court of assizes, Winnipeg, on Friday, acquitted. The crown failed to make out a case against them. The judge instructed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

A Moosomin, Man., dispatch says: Angus McCrury, a Crofton farmer, was found dead about a mile from a place called Red Jacket. Deceased had been drinking heavily before starting for home. It is supposed he sat down to rest, fell asleep and perished.

### INDIGNANT CANAL MEN.

Protest Against the Action of the Department of Railways and Canals.

ST. CATHARINES, March 23.—A public indignation meeting was held in the Opera House here this afternoon, at which the strongest possible terms of indignation were used at the action of the Department of Railways and Canals in ordering the closing down of the old Welland Canal.

Both Conservatives and Liberals were unanimous in their condemnation and expressed their detestation to argue the matter shoulder to shoulder.

A strong delegation was appointed to go to Ottawa to interview the Government on the matter.

Shortly after the branch of the San Francisco Savings Union opened Friday morning, an unknown man entered the place and shot Wm. A. Herrick, the assistant cashier, who fell dead to the floor. No money was taken. The murderer is believed to be a crank.

## HIGGINS HANGED!

And the Excited Spectators Call for Prendergast's Execution.

COOK COUNTY JAIL, Chicago, March 23.—At 11:53 o'clock precisely the mournful procession taking Rufus Higgins to the gallows reached the north corridor in full view of the spectators. The sheriff and jailer Morris went upon the gallows, and were immediately followed by the doomed man and the priests, Higgins being brought to a stop directly beneath the noose. In a few deft movements, the sheriff and jailer bound the prisoner's feet, his arms already having been secured behind his back, and the rope was quickly placed around his neck and the cap adjusted.

The drop fell at 12:03. On the scaffold Higgins kissed a crucifix, and, smiling, said "good-bye" to the priests. His death was apparently painless.

As the clock of the falling trap rang through the cell corridors the prisoners yelled "Hail Prendergast! Hail Prendergast!" The little assassin of Mayor Harrison crawled further into the corner of his cell, where he sat trembling with rage and fear.

Prendergast would have nothing to say about the hanging, and seemed overcome with terror by the sounds accompanying the execution, which he so narrowly escaped.

Higgins' crime was one of the most brutal ever committed in Chicago. With two other hard characters Higgins planned to rob an old citizen named Pete McCooey. When the old man awoke and started up to protect his house the leader of the gang shot him before he could leave his bed. The murdered man was an employee of the city. A few days before the murder Mrs. McCooey drew her savings, amounting to \$400, from a west side bank. It is supposed that Higgins heard of this and surmised that the money was still in the house.

A. P. A. JURYMAN.

Eleven Out of Twelve Men Belonged to the Organization.

DENVER, Col., March 24.—For the first time in the history of the courts of Colorado the question of religious differences has been raised. In the case of Tim Drew and James Burns, charged with robbery, Attorney Toward, for the defense, challenged a juror because he was a member of the A. P. A. The challenge was overruled. He then challenged the entire jury and found that eleven out of twelve were members of that organization. The attorney once asked for a new venue, and that the coroner's office have charge of the jury on the grounds that Sheriff Buchanan was prejudiced against the defendants because they are Catholics. One of the jurors when leaving the court room shouted: "Hurrah for the A. P. A."

A BUSINESS-LIKE BOYCOTT.

On New York Cigarette Smokers—Business Men Will Not Employ Them.

NEW YORK, March 24.—Business men in this city, who employ some 20,000 boys, have determined to give preference to boys who do not smoke cigarettes. This movement is the latest development of the Anti-Cigarette League, which was organized in the public school a few weeks ago by Charles B. Hubbel, of the Board of Education. The president of an establishment employing from 12,000 to 13,000 boys every year has informed Mr. Hubbel that he will, each year, employ from 500 to 1,000 boys graduating from the grammar schools if they have letters of recommendation from the Anti-Cigarette League. This gentleman further said that he will propose to the Western Union Telegraph Company to show a like preference.

A number of other business men employing many boys have expressed a desire to secure boys who are free from the cigarette-smoking habit. To meet this demand the Anti-Cigarette League will issue a certificate of discharge to its members who have kept their pledge to abstain from cigarettes.

The Boy Felt Dead.

DETROIT, March 23.—John Dunnyslager had been playing in the yard near his home, at 457 Bellevue avenue, yesterday afternoon, when he walked into the house and suddenly fell dead into his father's arms. The boy was 9 years old. It is supposed he ruptured a blood vessel near the heart.

ALL MEN.

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Please mention this paper.

## Death-Dealing Dynamite

Pennsylvania Factory Blown to Atoms.

Five Persons, Including Two Women, Killed.

Fatal Explosion of the Deadly Stuff at Hazleton, Pa.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 23.—Two explosions occurred this morning at the Acme Powder Company's works at Black's Run, fourteen miles from this city, on the Allegheny Valley Railroad, resulting in the death of five persons, the injury of another and destruction of five buildings and 10,000 pounds of dynamite. The monetary loss is about \$12,000.

THE VICTIMS.

The dead are: Charles Robbins, aged 25, of Allegheny City; Nellie Remaley, aged 25; Sadie Remaley, aged 30; William Arthur, aged 28; Belle Arthur, aged 19, wife of William Arthur. The three women were sisters.

The person injured was James Mooney, superintendent of the works. His right thigh was struck by a flying splinter.

THE FIRST EXPLOSION.

The location of the works was about a mile from Hazleton, in a ravine. The first explosion occurred in the packing house about 7:15 o'clock this morning, shortly after work had been commenced. The only eyewitnesses of it are Superintendent Mooney and Simon Bradley, one of the workmen. They were at the glycerine house, almost 200 feet above the packing house, arranging to make nitro-glycerine. Bradley had his eyes in the direction of the packing house, when he saw a flash of fire come out of the door. In a terrified shout to Mooney he said: "What's that?"

Mooney shouted in return: "It's fire; run for your life!"

They fled up the run as fast as their legs would take them, but in a few seconds the awful explosion deafened them and hurled them to the ground. Mooney was struck by a splinter, Bradley was uninjured. At the time of the explosion Mr. Arthur, his wife, Sadie Remaley and Rob. Arthur were in the building and were blown to fragments.

BLOWN TO FRAGMENTS.

Nellie was in the boarding house, about 100 feet below the packing house. This building, which was a two-story frame structure about 30 by 40 feet, was leveled to the ground, and Nellie was crushed by the falling timber. She was rescued, but died on the way to the hospital.

THE SECOND EXPLOSION.

occurred at the mixing house at 8:25 a.m. This was caused by a spark from the ruins of the boarding house. The smoke had been seen in time to warn all in the vicinity to get out of the way before the explosion took place, so no lives were lost. In the second explosion 1,000 pounds of dynamite exploded, blowing the mixing house with all its machinery to atoms.

A TERRIBLE SCENE.

After the second explosion a terrible picture of desolation met the eye. The smoking ruins of the boarding house with splintered timbers, furniture and torn bedding and clothes lying about, the house being raised so completely that no one could get to the ruins. A foot above the ground more than a foot. A hundred feet further on, where the packing house had been, there was a great hole in the ground probably ten feet deep. The large trees on the hillside were torn up by the roots, others broken in the middle and others stripped of their branches. The heavy iron machinery of the packing and mixing houses were blown to pieces and the bodies of the victims were torn to atoms.

TERRIBLE FORCE OF THE EXPLOSION.

The explosion was felt at Sharpburg, ten miles distant. At Acmetonia, directly over the river from Black's Run, nearly every window in the town was smashed, while houses rocked to and fro for perhaps two minutes. Almost similar scenes were enacted in Hazleton, Okmont, Verona, Johnston, Parnassus, Kensington, Tarentum and other towns within a radius of five miles. At Springdale, two miles above Black's Run, the force of the explosion was such as to break all the glass in the front of the large general stores.

Within five years dynamite factories owned by the Acme Company and located in the neighborhood have blown up five times and nine persons were killed.

Another.

A WOMAN ANNIHILATED.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 23.—A Hungarian named Patrick this morning entered the pump house at No. 5 strippings with a lighted lamp on his head. A cotton bag containing twenty sticks of dynamite hung on the wall. The bag, it is supposed, became ignited from the lamp, and the dynamite dropped to the floor. A terrific explosion followed. Several boxes of dynamite which were kept there were also destroyed, and the machinery and pipes were broken and twisted and carried 100 yards away.

Not a trace of Patrick has been found.

Via London and the Falls.

NEW YORK, March 24.—The Lehigh Valley Railroad will, on April 1, in connection with the Grand Trunk and Chicago and Grand Trunk roads, inaugurate a solid vestibule train service between New York and Chicago via Niagara Falls. Trains will make the run in 27 hours.

Bishop Washed Feet of Paupers.

WILMINGTON, Del., March 24.—At St. Peter's Cathedral yesterday morning Bishop Curtis performed the ceremony of washing the feet of thirteen men who are inmates of the county almshouse. Previous to the act of washing there was a procession of clergy, officials and acolytes. It is said that this was the first time that ceremony was performed in this country.

Killed at a Charivari.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 23.—William Ingram, a young farmer living near Evergreen, Ala., was married last night. Toward midnight a party of friends surrounded his house and began a serenade, using for instruments tin cans and cowbells. Ingram became so incensed that he seized an axe, and running to the door hurled it into the crowd. The sharp edge struck Jim Dixon, cutting his spinal column and producing death. Ingram surrendered.

Walter French, an Englishman, aged about 28, who has been in Ogdensburg since last September, and whose home is unknown, suicided in his room at Ogdensburg Thursday night by strangling himself with a woollen scarf. He was out of work.

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THE DR. WILD TROUBLE.

Mr. Harding Withdraws His Expression at the Request of the Deacons—The Correspondence.

To the Editor of the ADVERTISER:

In reference to the incident in regard to Rev. Dr. Wild that occurred at the annual meeting of the First Congregational Church on Monday evening last, as there may be some of the doctor's London friends who may have received a wrong impression, will you allow us space in your valuable paper for the following statement:

1. In reference to what is reported as having been said in regard to the best members leaving the church if Dr. Wild preached in it again, while Mr. Harding's reported remarks might give the impression, yet the unanimous way in which the proposal to accept Dr. Wild's offer was carried would not indicate any tendency in this direction.

2. The deacons are quite at a loss to account for the regrettable language of Mr. Harding in reference to a gentleman whose instructive and helpful ministrations have been so much appreciated. However, Mr. Harding has done what he could to make the "amende honorable," as the following correspondence will show:

[Copy.] First Congregational Church, London, March 23, 1894.

Mr. A. E. Harding, London:

Dear Sir and Brother,—In view of the publicity that has been given to an expression you used in referring to Dr. Wild, and feeling that whatever may be your present opinion in regard to the doctor and the influence of his preaching on the spiritual life of the church, you will admit that the growth of Christian spirit in the individual is not in any way retarded by the use of wise and temperate language, we feel it our duty on behalf of the church to suggest that you take an early opportunity of placing in our hands a withdrawal of the offensive expression, which we feel sure was used by you without due consideration. We are, yours in kindness,

Per P. C. Maddock, Secretary. MR. HARDING'S REPLY.

[Copy.]

March 23, 1894.

To the Board of Deacons, First Congregational Church, London:

Dear Brethren,—In reply to your letter of the 23rd, and in accordance with your suggestion, I now most unreservedly withdraw the offensive expression which, without due consideration, I used in referring to Dr. Wild, and express my regret that I allowed myself to make use of the same. Yours sincerely, A. E. HARDING.

In thanking you for space, we are, yours truly, the Board of Deacons, First Congregational Church, per P. C. Maddock, secretary.