

ASKS THE DOCTORS TO END HIS LIFE.

Chicago Scientist Stricken With Lockjaw.

A Great Specialist on the Same Disease.

Doctors Lack the Nerve to Poison Him.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Dr. Joseph Peasden, a scientist occupying one of the foremost positions with a large packing firm, last night indicated by signs to physicians at his side in the Chicago Baptist Hospital that he realized that the attack of lockjaw from which he is suffering, would prove fatal and urged them to end his life with a drug.

The surgeons about him, inured as they were to the sufferings of others, hesitated before the dumb appeal of this man of science, probably more skilled in the effects of the disease which had seized him than any other man in the country, and then turned away for fear that they might grant his wish. Before the verdict of the dying man on his own life they were silenced for there could have been no higher authority than his opinion.

When he found that the law, written and unwritten, would not permit his fellows to end his sufferings, Dr. Peasden resigned himself to the care of the nurses. He heard his physicians say that if he lived another day there was hope for him. He shook his head. They pretended not to notice and left him in charge of a nurse with some lotions to quiet his pain.

Today will prove whether the dying expert correctly diagnosed his own case. If Dr. Peasden dies, his expert opinion is justified. If he lives he will no longer be regarded as infallible in the one disease in which he has made a special study and won his reputation. On Christmas eve while arranging a Christmas tree for his children in his home, Dr. Peasden was stricken with acute lockjaw. The injury, which brought on tetanus, was a compound fracture of the nose, sustained a week ago. Dr. Peasden was going through a dark passageway leading from his laboratory to another part of the establishment when he fell down a short flight of stairs and struck his nose on a board. The hurt caused an abrasion of the skin and the germs of tetanus infected it.

FLOUR FIGURES.

Falling Off in the Number of Barrels from Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 26.—Flour shipments from Minneapolis for 1907 will fall short of the total shipped during 1906 by nearly 1,000,000 barrels. The decrease apparently has not been entirely due to the financial flurry as the figures for each month show that only in three months for the entire year have the shipments for 1907 exceeded those for the same months in 1906.

The number of barrels of flour shipped from Minneapolis so far this year is 16,825,275, which for a corresponding period in 1906, there were 14,573,123 barrels, a decrease of 2,252,152 barrels.

FRENCH FORCES

In Algeria Greatly Impress the Turbulent Tribes.

Paris, Dec. 26.—Official advices received from Gen. Liautey, commander of the French forces in Algeria, from Lalla Maghnia, state that the two French columns which have been making and armed demonstration along the disturbed frontier have formed a junction. The commanders of the columns report that the turbulent tribes have been greatly impressed by this display of force and that even the fierce Beni Massen tribesmen are beginning to pay the indemnities imposed upon them.

LOST 200 MEN.

Sultan of Morocco Wins Victories Over His Rivals.

Morocco City, Dec. 25.—Recent fighting in this vicinity has resulted in two victories for partisans of Abd El Aziz, the Sultan of Morocco. The Tehamas, followers of Mulai Bafid, the "Southern Sultan" attacked the Shragra tribesmen, partisans of Abd El Aziz, but were repulsed with the loss of 200 men. After receiving 800 reinforcements from Mulai Hafid the Tehamas attacked a second time but again suffered defeat.

HE DISAPPEARED.

Banker Told This Man He Was to be Arrested.

Chatham, Dec. 25.—Because Col. Geo. Massey, manager of the local Bank of Montreal, accommodatingly informed A. D. Ralph, who yesterday sold his Wonderland Theatre to J. Bragg, of his intention to file a warrant against him, charging him with fraud, Ralph promptly disappeared as if by magic. He owed the bank \$200. The police without a warrant, arrested Ralph's son, who was later released and now threatens trouble claiming false arrest.

DEATH OF REV. DR. CAMPBELL.

Ex-Moderator of the General Assembly Passes Away at Perth.



Perth, Dec. 26.—Rev. Dr. Robert Campbell, ex-Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and for many years minister at Renfrew, died at his home here yesterday morning and will be buried at Renfrew to-morrow at 1.30 p. m. He was a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, and distinguished himself as a student. It was during his term of Moderatorship that the General Assembly at Hamilton appointed him General Agent of the Century Fund. He was especially active in the home mission work of the Presbyterian Church.

FOUR OF THEM. MURDERED BY HIRED MAN.

Woman's Unique Christmas Gift to Her Husband.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 26.—The Christmas present of Mrs. William Luck, of Roanoke to her husband to-day, says a special to the News Leader, was two boys and two girls at a birth, all doing well.

SHOCK TOO GREAT.

Drops Dead When Told His Sister Must Go Under Knife.

Buffalo, Dec. 26.—John Mahoney, 30 years old, who lived at No. 372 Katherine street, dropped dead, yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock when told that one of his sisters would have to be operated upon for appendicitis. Another sister had just come from a hospital after an operation for the same disease.

The Mahoneys have had steady affliction the past few weeks, and it worried Mahoney's mother, who is ill. The sister who is to be operated upon is unable to leave her bed, and the one who has just left the hospital is still a convalescent.

Dr. James W. Nash visited the home yesterday afternoon to see the sick sister. He found her in a serious condition, and decided that an operation would be imperative.

Before Dr. Nash had left the house Mr. Mahoney fell prostrate to the floor and died almost instantly.

BABY GIRL

Scalded to Death on Christmas Day in Buffalo.

Buffalo, Dec. 26.—Two-year-old Martha Kaczmarek, whose parents live at No. 106 Weimer street, was scalded to death yesterday afternoon by falling into a tub of boiling water her mother had placed on the kitchen floor, preparatory to washing clothes.

The child was playing in the room, pulling her mother's apron strings and performing other playful pranks. The mother stepped out of the room to get some clothes to wash and while she was gone, which was only for a moment, the little tot walked over to the tub of boiling water, clambered up and fell in.

The child's screams brought the mother rushing into the room, but it was too late. After raising the child from the hot water the mother rushed with her to the street and cried for aid. A neighbor passing ran to the residence of Dr. Schroeter. The child died within a few hours.

Dr. John D. Howland, deputy medical examiner, investigated the case. Mrs. Kaczmarek is heartbroken over the loss of the little one, the youngest in a big family.

A Man Without a Stomach.

Or a man with a bad stomach is like a motor without the wires, useless. A teaspoonful of Parke's Lihiated Fruit Granules, in half a glass of water every morning keeps the stomach right and the man free from headaches and accompanying ills, sold in yellow labelled serck capped bottles at 25c. Parke & Parke, Druggists.

RESUME WORK.

Bonnetterre, Mo., Dec. 26.—It was announced last night that the St. Joseph Lead Co. and the Doe Run Lead Co., which have been working on half time during the past thirty days, will resume work at full time on January 1st. Ten thousand men are affected.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

The Man In Overalls

Are you a eadder and a wiser man? What like a time did you put in? Was Santa Claus good to you? I hope you didn't forget to remember the poor.

You were at church, of course. The Salvation Army had many guests. Quite a society function.

I don't hear any more about those feather foundries the Mayor was to bring here from Cleveland.

I see few aldermanic cards lying around. Poor Jake Sunfield! What a miserable and is his.

Don't forget to put in a plumper for the ward system. Everybody I talk to tell me they are to vote against the money 1-7 laws.

Have you got a Times calendar yet? They are dandies. Now the merchants are busy exchanging the misfit Santa Claus gifts.

Under Tory control the Conservative Executive might as well move into the City Hall. Will we have the Christmas music over again in the churches next Sunday?

Outside Christmas was spent quietly in Hamilton. But there were many family reunions and much jollity for all that. It was a great day for the turkey. The people didn't do a thing to it, I guess yes. What they did do to it, I am told, was a shame.

The man who had Santa Claus sitting on his chest all night, loved not wisely but too well the toothsome mince pie.

A SAD CHRISTMAS.

Unexpected Death of Mrs. Charles Davis Yesterday.

Christmas morning brought deep sorrow to the family and many friends of Mr. C. G. Davis, of the Times newsroom, his wife passing away quite unexpectedly. Mrs. Davis was a daughter of Mr. Freeman Ryckman, a resident of this city for many years. She had long been afflicted with heart trouble and had been quite seriously ill of late, but was so much better on Monday and Tuesday as to be able to attend to many little kindnesses in connection with the festive season. Early in the evening she was taken severely ill and passed away about 1.30 yesterday morning. Mrs. Davis was in her 34th year. She is survived by her husband, one son, Clayton, and one little daughter, Lottie. The funeral will take place on Friday at 2 o'clock, from 29 Victoria avenue north.

THEY DINE WELL.

Miners 1,000 Feet Underground Phone Thanks.

Ely, Nev., Dec. 25.—One thousand feet below the surface of the earth three miners to-day spent the strangest Christmas in the world. Bailey, McDonald and Brown have been imprisoned in the Alpha shaft of the Giroux mine since the 11th of December and the rescuers have still three weeks' work before they are reached. But to-day they had a fine holiday meal, beginning with straight whiskey and topped off with coffee and cigars.

These facts "came to light" via the modern telephone with which the mine is equipped at the 1,000-foot level. The imprisoned men sent the most cheerful Christmas message to all their friends by this means and stated that they had supplies enough to last until the debris above them is removed.

TOO MUCH OPIUM.

Pittsburg's Only Chinese Woman Drops Dead.

Pittsburg, Dec. 26.—Sang Foon Wah, the only Chinese woman in Pittsburg, dropped dead at the home of her cousin here late last night. It is thought she had indulged excessively in opium, which affected the heart. Her sudden death was followed by a panic among several Chinese who were in the room and who were terrified by what they considered a visitation from the angry Joss.

YOUR CHANCE

To get a good case of Ebony goods at very low prices, just because our ebony goods came in so late that we are sacrificing them rather than carry them over. Don't forget to send that box of Hayer's candies that are so fresh and delicious. Parke & Parke, Druggists.

A Smoker's Holiday Gift.

There is nothing to equal a genuine R.B.B. English briar pipe. All shapes in "Own Make" with amber and vulcanite mouthpieces, with and without cases, are sold at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

A GOOD MOVE.

Paris, Dec. 27.—Following elaborate experiments to prevent the recurrence of accidents to submarine vessels, the Minister of the Navy has issued orders that all submarines be fitted with detachable telephone buoys, which, in case of accident, will permit of communication with the surface.

MURDER TRIAL.

Bennington, Vt., Dec. 26.—Alfred Mahan was placed on trial here to-day, charged with murder in the first degree in connection with the death of Ethel, the four-year-old daughter of Gorman Mahan, the defendant's brother.

SHAH HESITATES.

Teheran, Dec. 26.—It is announced that the Shah is indisposed and is inclined to postpone the formal taking of the oath of allegiance to the constitution which he had promised to do to-day.

LAST DAY OF LIFE FOR JAKE SUNFIELD.

OUT OF BENNETT'S.

Theatre Not Available For Temperance Meetings Hereafter.

Mr. George Driscoll, manager of Bennett's theatre, has notified the Temperance Executive Committee, which has had charge of the Sunday night meetings at that theatre, that the house will not be rented to the committee any more after next Sunday, in other words he has given the committee a week's notice to discontinue the meetings. No reason is assigned for the action in the letter sent to the secretary. The crowd at the theatre a week ago last Sunday night did some damage. A jam near the stage caused a lot of the curtains to be pulled down. Some license holders and the Bartenders' Union have also made a protest against the theatre being rented for the purpose and in a good many of the hotels the theatre's bills have been taken out of the windows. The committee will arrange to hold the meetings elsewhere.

TELL-TALE LETTER.

Rev. Dr. Shafer on Trial For Unbecoming Conduct.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—The Rev. Wm. H. Shafer, presiding elder of the first district in the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was placed on trial before the ecclesiastic court here to-day on the charge of conduct unbecoming a minister. An anonymous letter which the former landlady of Dr. Shafer declares she found in the waste paper basket in his room figures prominently in the case. It is charged that the letter was sent to Dr. Shafer by Mrs. Martha J. Deichley, a widow, of Morgantown, Pa. The defence claims that the letter is a forgery. Both sides have engaged handwriting experts.

QUIET CHRISTMAS.

Many Home Gatherings and Not Much Drinking.

This year's Christmas weather was not conducive to outdoor merrymaking, but was more the less happily spent. Home gatherings and Christmas trees were very numerous. The church services of the day were quite largely attended and the road race attracted the attention of a good many of the young men in the afternoon. Although the damp weather might have been expected to drive a good many of the men into the hotels, there was very little drunkenness and few arrests.

A GOOD ONE

Is the Thirteenth Regiment's 1908 Calendar.

One of the best calendar productions of the season has just been issued by the lieutenant-colonel, officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the 13th Regiment. It shows the regiment in review order at the corner of King and James streets, with a corner of the Bank of Hamilton building, the James street stores north of King, and the City Hall tower in the background. The picture is taken from an original painting by John S. Gordon, and is mounted on a dark buff card, with the regimental crest on the monthly calendar in the lower right hand corner, and the regiment's compliments on the left.

A BAD MAN.

Almonte, Ont., Dec. 26.—The redoubtable Ben Farrell, who escaped from a body about two months ago, came back to town on Christmas evening and became decidedly disorderly. He was arrested, but while this was being done he assaulted Policeman Joe Burnett, Ben Bolton and Wm. Anderson.

THREE MEN APPOINTED TO THE LOCAL POLICE FORCE.

The police commissioners had a meeting at noon to-day that lasted over an hour. The Chief got the three men he wanted to fill vacancies, and three dandies they are. They are big, strong men, and one of them, Norman Bramer, 21 years of age, weighs 202 pounds, and has the strength of a Goliath. The meeting opened with a session in the Mayor's office, from which the reporters were barred. Six applicants then were shown in. Norman Bramer, 108 Mulberry street, married, 21 years of age, employed at the brick yards and sewer pipe factories; Thomas E. Little, 155 Wilson street, single, 22 years of age, structural steel worker, and Robert G. Duncan, 138 Hess street south, single, 22 years of age, a farmer, were the men chosen.

Bramer's measurements are: Six feet 3/4 inch high, chest 39, and weight 202 pounds. Little is 6 feet 1 1/4 inches tall, 37 chest and 180 pounds. Duncan is 6 feet 3/4 inch tall, 38 chest and 167 pounds. The appointment of a detective was laid over indefinitely, as the Chief was not ready to recommend a man. Eight men applied for the job. The rare Constables Brown, May, Steward, Tuck, Barrett, Brannon, Sayers and Robson.

Execution to Take Place at Dawn To-morrow.

The Prisoner Shows No Change in Demeanor.

Visited by His Sister In Jail To-day.

Jake Tamillo—Sunfield, will never see the rising of another sun. At dawn to-morrow, he will be executed in the yard of the city jail, where he has been incarcerated since the 13th day of July for the murder of Andrew Radzyk on the previous day. Owing to illness, Sheriff Middleton will not be in charge of the execution and the death warrant, signed by the governor-general will be read to the doomed man by Major Zealand, the Deputy Sheriff. Radcliffe, the Government executioner, will officiate on the scaffold and he is expected to arrive here from his home in Toronto late this afternoon. It is expected that Rev. Dean Mahoney, who has taken interest in the condemned man, will walk to the place of execution with him.

The procession to the scaffold will start as soon as it is light enough in the yard to see, probably about 7.30. Sunfield, from all accounts is as stoical as a statue and there has been little change in his demeanor since he was informed by his counsel that every means to save his life had been exhausted and that he would have to pay the extreme penalty of the law on Friday morning for his awful crime. At times he has denounced Canadian laws and justice, but he has not given the jail officials much trouble. This morning he was visited by his sister, Mrs. Beinker, but she did not bid him a last farewell.

So far Sunfield has shown no repentance for his terrible deed and he has not accepted the forgiveness of his wife, whom he treated badly, before she left him and went to Chicago. The wife wrote him two letters, both of which referred to their children, but the prisoner did not answer either of them. Mrs. Beinker and her husband will see him for the last time this afternoon and while she was there this morning, the jail officials were testing the trap in the permanent scaffold in the eastern yard, but she didn't know it. The test was made in the presence of Dr. R. A. Bruce-Smith, Government Inspector of Prisons, and a lag of lead of Sunfield's weight was used. The apparatus was found to work perfectly. Dr. Smith returned to Toronto at noon, but will be back this evening and will likely superintend the execution, as his predecessor, Dr. Chamberlain, did at former hangings here.

Very few persons outside the officials, jurors and newspaper reporters will be permitted to witness the execution. Dr. Griffin will be the coroner to take charge of the body as soon as it is cut down and a jury will be empaneled to officially declare that death was due to the crime of the court had been carried out.

Friday has figured consistently in the Sunfield case. The murder was committed on a Friday, July 12; the sentence of death was passed on a Friday, Oct. 12; he was sentenced by the judge to hang later on Friday, Nov. 29, and the judge later changed the date to Dec. 27th, Friday, in view of the Court of Appeal who decided to hear an application for an appeal.

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A deputation was present of the carters and expressmen in the city, complaining about the smallness of the amount they were able to charge under the by-law, which, they said, had not been changed for thirty years or more. They were told to get together and draft a new by-law and present it at the special meeting of the commissioners next Monday.

Chief Smith asked that carters' numbers be put on the harness or the man instead of on the wagon as formerly, as, if a man broke his wagon, he had to change to another and would have to go out without his number. The matter was left in the hands of the Magistrate and the chief with power to act. Soliciting for trade at the G. T. R. station was a sore spot between the carters and the expressmen, but they were told they all had equal privileges at the railway stations.

A police call box at King and Wentworth streets was in the road of the window display of the storekeeper at that corner, and the chief was instructed to do what he saw fit with it. Sergt. Major Prentice, who is not quite recovered yet, was granted a third month's leave of absence. Constable Wheatley asked that he be given \$10 for overwork during the late strike. He was recommended to talk to the Dominion Power & Transmission Co., but another resolution to bring it up at the next meeting was thought more favorable.