

and I believe that their prayers and the prayers of all those who have interceded for me have been instrumental in bringing about this result." Then Durrant remarked that he could not understand why Christian people should beg him in letters to confess. "I am innocent," he said, "and would never confess to such vile crimes. Sooner or later the truth will be known. I have faith that the real perpetrator will yet be discovered and punished. All of these little stays bring us nearer it. I know that the Lord will sooner or later set all things right. I shall never give up the fight, because the Lord is with me," he added, embracing and kissing his mother.

On Mrs. Durrant's face was a smile of contentment, but the son looked sad his eyes were dull. He earnestly repeated many times that faith in God would save him in the future as in the past.

"You may say I am innocent," said Durrant, in conclusion. "I will never yield, and God is with me."

After half an hour's private talk with her son, Mrs. Durrant returned to her hotel and Durrant was taken back to cell 21 in the murderers' row, which he had occupied before the death watch was set over him.

Chicago, Nov. 12.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington, D. C., says: "Ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty by the United States Senate is assured. The administration has made a poll of that body, and as a result President McKinley is satisfied that more than two-thirds of the senators will vote for ratification. When the treaty was submitted to the Senate on June 16th last, fifty-seven senators were depended upon to cast their votes in favor of the instrument. Eleven senators more were doubtful and twenty-one were opposed to its ratification.

"Since that time the administration has taken steps to ascertain the views of the men who were then in doubt. As a result President McKinley is depending upon sixty-one senators who will certainly cast their votes in favor of the treaty, with prospects of the addition of several votes to this number.

"The treaty is in excellent shape for prompt action. It was fully considered by the Senate committee on foreign relations, reported to the Senate and placed on the calendar with practically the unanimous indorsement of the committee. There were no votes against it, though Senators Turple and Daniel refrained from voting because they had not fully made up their minds as to what position they would take in the matter.

"It is said to be the purpose of Chairman Davis, at the first executive session, to ask that a day be fixed for taking up the treaty. Ratification during the early part of the year is confidently expected.

"President McKinley, in his message to Congress, will present as strongly as possible the arguments for annexation. He will show that the treaty has already been ratified by the Hawaiian senate, and only the action of the Senate of the United States is required to add the islands to our territory. The President does not expect annexation will result in complications with any foreign power."

Both Utah senators are included among those who will vote for the treaty.

These are the senators who, it is said, will vote for the treaty:

Aldrich, Allen, Allison, Baker, Burrows, Cannon, Carter, Chandler, Clark, Cullom, Daniels, Davis, Deboe, Elkins, Fairbanks, Foraker, Frye, Gallinger, Gear, Hale Hanana, Hansbrough, Hawley, Helffeld, Hoar, Jones, (Nevada), Kyle, Morrill, Murphy, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Pettus, Platt. (Con.)

Platt, (New York), Pritchard, Proctor, Quay, Rawlins, Roach, Sewell, Shoup, Smith, Spooner, Stewart, Teller, Thurston, Turner, Turpie, Warren, Wellington, Wetmore, Wilson, Wolcott.

Those believed to be opposed to the treaty are:

Bacon, Bate, Berry, Caffery, Chilton, Clay, Cockrell, Faulkner, George, Gray, Jones, (Ark.), Lindsay, McEnery, Mills, Pascoe, Pettigrew, Tillman, Vest, Walthall, White.

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St. Petersburg, Nov. 11.—A terrible accident has occurred near Bielostok, Russian Poland, resulting in the death of thirty persons. A wedding party was returning from the church to the house of the bride. All were in one wagon, a huge vehicle, drawn by eight horses. The road along which they drove crossed the railway track on the level and the driver, either through carelessness or ignorance of the train schedule, pushed his swiftly moving horses upon the crossing just as the express was coming up. The locomotive struck the vehicle squarely, killing many members of the party outright and maiming others so that they soon expired in frightful agony. Not a member of the party escaped.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 11.—Miss Ruth Amanda Colvin of Bonus, Ill., a student in the school of liberal arts at Northwestern university, stepped on what was supposed to be a signal torpedo on the sidewalk on Emerson street, Evanston, last night, causing it to explode with force sufficient to almost sever her foot from the ankle. The injury may result fatally. The police have many theories, the most plausible of which is that a torpedo of the kind used in railroad signaling was dropped carelessly on the sidewalk.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 12.—Miss Mathilda Anderson, a young woman who has been kept alive at the city hospital for six weeks by artificial respiration, died late last night of congestion of the lungs. For forty-two days the nurses and physicians have been filling Miss Anderson's lungs by artificial means at first by raising and lowering the arms, and when that became painful, by operating on the chest. By this method, however, the lungs were partially filled at best, and had the nurse stopped even for five minutes Miss Anderson would have strangled and died. And yet the young woman had become so used to the manipulation that she ate and slept almost naturally and could carry on a conversation. The young girl was a victim of laudrys paralysis when received at the hospital, and when the disease was complicated with congestion of the lungs it was impossible to save her. The case has attracted the attention of many eminent physicians.

Cape Henry, Va., Nov. 12.—The British steamer Governor, from Galveston for Newport News, passed Cape Henry at 8 a.m. She signalled the weather bureau office that her cargo was on fire.

St. Louis, Nov. 12.—In the United States circuit court, Judge Elmer B. Adams, has caused some surprise by sustaining a demurrer to an indictment charging "Professor" I. C. Fay, a medium of this city, with using the mails to defraud. The evidence against Fay was conclusive, but he was discharged by Judge Adams, who held that any man who was so mentally dwarfed as to be swindled by representations such as Fay made should not be a competent prosecuting witness.

Fosteria, O., Nov. 12.—An explosion of a quantity of gasoline in the basement of the Alcott building, caused a disastrous fire. In a few minutes the

entire building was destroyed. The loss will reach \$50,000.

New York, Nov. 12.—Henry August Hurlbut, one of New York's leading financiers, dropped dead at the dinner table last evening at his home, 111 West Twentieth street. The cause was heart disease. As was his custom, he went to dinner in company with his son. The conversation turned on the Thorne case and nothing out of the ordinary was noticed in Hurlbut's manner. When the meal was half over young Hurlbut noted a pause in the conversation, and looking up saw that his father's head had sunk upon his breast. He had passed away without uttering a sound and apparently without pain. Mr. Hurlbut had been a citizen of New York for upwards of fifty years rising to a position of prominence as merchant, manufacturer and financier. He was born in Hartford, Conn. He was a delegate to the convention in Philadelphia which nominated Gen. Grant for the presidency, and accepted the position of commissioner of emigration. He founded the Hurlbut scholarship at Yale college.

St. Louis, Nov. 12.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Birmingham, Ala., says: A late report from Eutaw says that the rapist, Bud Beard, has been lynched at Carrollton. The mob succeeded in breaking into the jail and getting Beard out before the arrival of state troops from Tuscaloosa.

Kansas City, Nov. 12.—The Missouri Pacific passenger train, known as the St. Louis fast mail, which leaves Kansas City at 9 p.m., was held up by five masked robbers at 9:30 o'clock tonight at the Chicago & Alton crossing, just east of Independence, Mo., and less than a mile from the famous Blue Cut, in which three train robberies have occurred within the past year.

Two of the robbers were disguised as women, and when the engineer saw them swinging a lantern across the tracks, an apparent signal of danger, he did not hesitate to stop, when the engine crew were immediately covered with revolvers.

Conductor Dennis O'Brien and brakeman Michael stepped out to see what was the matter, and were greeted by a volley of bullets, which caused the greatest confusion in the passenger coaches. The conductor and brakeman were compelled to cut the express and baggage cars from the rest of the train, and the engineer and fireman were made to get down from their cab.

The robbers quickly jumped aboard, and took the engine and express car about two miles further east, where they stopped and compelled Express Messenger Williams to open his car. He offered no resistance, as he carried no treasure.

The robbers had evidently intended to stop the St. Louis limited night express, which leaves Kansas City at a late hour, and were greatly surprised upon discovering that the cars which they had captured contained nothing of value. In their rage they pounced upon the express messenger and went through his pockets, but \$2.65 was all that they secured. After this they quickly left the train and disappeared in the darkness.

After a delay of over an hour the train was got together again and was started on its journey. The county marshal and his men were at the scene of the robbery very soon after, but there is every probability that the robbers were safely in Independence or Kansas City before any organized effort was made to capture them.

With the first intimation that the train was in the hands of road agents, consternation seized the passengers in the rear coaches. When the shooting began there was the wildest consterna-