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CHICAGO, 22.—*Citizen's* London: Poole's trial for the murder of Kenny was conducted in the most flagrant and unfair manner, jury packing being shamelessly resorted to. In Dublin, the general belief is that Poole is innocent.

Informer Lamie swore that Kenny's murder was in revenge for the seduction of a girl, and had nothing to do with Irish politics. The Castle wants to hang some one, and Poole has been selected as an example.

Lima, via Galveston, 22.—There has been a crisis and change in the ministry. Don Eugenia Larrabure y Unanue, Manuel Galup and Castro Sealdivar have taken the oaths as minister of foreign affairs, chancellor of the exchequer, and minister of the government respectively. The appointments have given much satisfaction.

Jackson, Mich., 22.—This morning four persons, Jacob D. Crouch, aged 74, a widower; Henry White, aged 38, a son-in-law of Crouch; Eunice White, aged 33, a daughter of Crouch, all of Summit township, Jackson county, and Moses Polley, aged 20, of Transfer, Mercer county, Pa., were found murdered in their beds, all having been shot through the head behind the ear. It is supposed they were chloroformed first, as no signs of a struggle appeared. Each victim was lying as if asleep, and an odor of chloroform was noticeable when the bodies were discovered. White was also shot through the left arm. No clue has as yet been discovered, although tracks around the house indicate that a guard was placed while the murder was being perpetrated. Crouch is a wealthy farmer living seven miles southwest of Jackson, and the owner of an extensive sheep ranch in Texas. It is rumored that he had just received \$50,000 from Texas, payment on sales made of a ranch. Bankers here state that no money was deposited by Crouch, and it is presumed the money was in Crouch's hands. Polley was stopping at Crouch's having just come from Texas with a large amount of money for the purpose of buying blooded stock. The theory is that he, Polley, was followed from Texas by the murderer or murderers for the purpose of robbery. The house was thoroughly ransacked and everything of value carried away. A young girl, the adopted daughter of the Whites, and a negro aged 18 who were sleeping up stairs, say they heard no firing, although the negro says he heard a thumping noise about the middle of the night and thought it was caused by the fierce wind which was blowing. Mrs. White was expected to become a mother in a week. The officers are very quiet upon the subject, but are working every clue.

The sheriff believes that the shots were fired by one person and one revolver, as a number of empty cartridges found on the floor all show the same calibre. There are conflicting rumors regarding the use of chloroform. Physicians claim that none was used, but the theory of one person doing the butchery and the testimony of the first neighbors at the scene, who claim that the chloroform was suffocating, is against them. A young negro named Boles was arrested and jailed to await the result of the coroner's inquest, which will be held to-morrow. Crouch was worth about \$2,000,000 in property in Jackson county and sheep ranches in Texas and Fort Worth. He leaves two sons and one daughter. A pocketbook containing \$105 and a certificate of deposit for \$500 were found on the window sill in White's room. An empty cartridge box of 32 calibre was found in the negro Boles' room.

Chatanooga, Tenn., 22.—Andy Taylor, the last living of the three Taylor brothers, who murdered two sheriffs and captured a railroad train with 100 passengers aboard, compelling the engineer to carry them twenty miles at a dangerously high speed about a year ago, will be hanged to-morrow at 2 o'clock, at Loudon, Tennessee. To-day, while being taken from Knoxville to Loudon, he slipped a revolver out of the pocket of one of the guards, and, though heavily manacled, managed to get the muzzle of the pistol close to the head of Sheriff Foute, of Loudon, but owing to the fact that Taylor thought the pistol a self-cocker, he was knocked down before he could raise the hammer of the pistol

He remarked: "If I had not mistaken the pistol for a self-cocker you (Foute) would have got to hell several hours before me." Taylor is but 21 years old, but seems to have no fear of the gallows. The execution will be private. The crime was committed by his two elder brothers and himself. The crime was one of the most atrocious and daring ever committed in the State.

Little Rock, 23.—The *Gazette's* Batesville, Ark., special says: Yesterday's cyclone in Izard County destroyed La Crosse, five miles from Melbourne. Every store, and the academy and the churches are in ruins. Three persons were killed outright and several seriously injured. The latest report from Melbourne of the cyclone there, is that 17 persons were injured. Miss Sheffield died to-day. A citizens' meeting here sent a relief committee headed by Drs. Lawrence and Case, to both towns, and \$150 was raised for immediate relief.

Vicksburg, Miss., 22.—The condition of the affairs of the Mississippi Valley bank, which failed yesterday, is hourly getting worse. Mr. Klein says the liabilities will probably reach \$800,000. The commission house of John S. Halpin & Co. is closed, caused by the failure of the bank. Much distress is caused among women and the poorer classes, who were small depositors. A committee of the creditors is appointed to see if any plan of settlement can be agreed upon.

Indianapolis, 22.—At about 7:30 this evening the prisoners in the county jail attempted to escape. By the use of dynamite they succeeded in blowing a hole in the wall large enough to crawl through. They were, however, confronted by the sheriff with a cocked revolver and retired to their cells.

St. Louis, 22.—A heavy rainfall, extending over a large portion of Southern Illinois, occurred yesterday, doing much damage to bridges, culverts and other property.

Galveston, 22.—*News'* Woodville special: A cyclone last night struck the town of Calmesniel, ten miles north. Several persons were seriously hurt. The amount of damaged property is unknown.

NEW YORK, 23.—Hon. Henry Watterson, editor of the *Courier-Journal*, of Louisville, delivered an address to-night in advocacy of the principles of free trade. The address was somewhat in the nature of a reply to arguments in favor of protection presented last night by ex-United States Consul Dudley. Mr. Watterson had an audience which included the best thinkers in this section, who give attention to the subject of free trade and protection. While closest attention was given to the utterances of the speaker, the applause was generous and genuine. Rev. Henry Ward Beecher presided and presented Mr. Watterson. Beecher said: As to the charge that I am a Republican, I don't deny it, but they do not own me. Every citizen must do what he can to further the ends of government and he can only do this by working with one of the great political parties. I am also a clergyman, but only by courtesy; I am also a citizen, and I am here to perform my duties as such. Beecher went on to say that he believed the protective system was a grinding oppression upon the poor men of the country. If it was right to tax clothes and books and pictures and iron, it could not be wrong to tax ministers, and yet he didn't intend a tax should be put upon such men as Dr. Taylor and Dr. Hall. It was perfectly consistent with the theory of protectionists. Mr. Watterson was preceded in a short address by David A. Wills.

CHICAGO, 22.—The general managers and general passenger agents of the western roads were startled yesterday by the receipt of telegrams from Denver announcing that the Union Pacific road was paying commissions on Colorado business. This was startling news, because there is an agreement in force that no commissions should be paid on Colorado business that was pooled. The reason given by the Union Pacific for the violation of the pooling agreement was that other lines—the Burlington, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and Rio Grande roads—were doing the same thing. Chicago representatives of the latter lines were called upon, and all of them deny that they are paying commissions on the business in question. This action on the part of the Union Pacific road is looked upon as an attempt to force a dissolution of the Colorado pool, as the President of the Rio Grande road made several threats a week

ago. A telegram received from D. C. Dodge, general manager of the Rio Grande road, stated that as soon as the charge against the Union Pacific is proven, he will do all in his power to burst the pool. Another telegram received from the west last evening bore testimony to the fact that the Rio Grande, Burlington, Santa Fe and Union Pacific roads were cutting and slashing Utah freight rates. Commissioner Daniels is greatly alarmed at this state of affairs, but it is known that this fight has been going on for six weeks. The reason that no arbitrator for the Colorado pool was selected at the recent Topeka meeting was because the Denver & Rio Grande representative refused to vote for an arbitrator as long as his line and the Union Pacific could not agree upon the pooling arrangement on Utah business. The general impression prevailing just now is that the Colorado pool is doomed.

CHICAGO, 23.—*Daily News* Special Decatur: The aged father of the murdered Zura Burns, accompanied by a dozen rough looking fellows, passed through here for Lincoln, Ills., this morning and declined to state the nature of their errand. As old Mr. Burns has twice previously attempted to make a personal attack on O. A. Carpenter, arrested for the crime. It is thought the present journey is taken for a like purpose. A large number of people have gone to Lincoln in expectation of an encounter of some character.

QUEBEC, 23.—All the banks interested will grant the necessary extension of time to Sharpless & Co., lumber merchants.

NEW YORK, 23.—The city is all agog, in preparation for the centennial of Evacuation Day. If Monday brings fair weather, the parade will be such a one as New York never before witnessed.

Central Pacific, 57; Burlington, 26; Northern Pacific, 29; North-western 24; New York Central, 16; Pacific mail 40; Panama, 98; St. Louis & San Fran., 25; Texas Pacific, 22; Union Pacific, 86; Wabash-22; Wells Fargo & Co. Ex., 10; Western Union, 79; Bar Silver, 15.

Business failures for the last seven days throughout the United States and Canada 247, against 235 for the previous week.

HUNTINGTON, Pa., 23.—A disastrous forest fire is raging in Jack's Mountain, in the vicinity of Mill Creek, and extends almost to Allen-ville, a distance of nine miles. About five thousand cords of wood and a like number of cords of bark have been destroyed. The fire extends over several acres of valuable timber land and is supposed to have been started by hunters camping in the mountain.

KINGSTON, Ontario, 23.—Owing to rows at the Salvation Army meetings, the Police Commissioners have sworn in nine Salvation Army constables for the meetings.

Dr. Wilson, Curate of St. George's Cathedral and leading Anglican clergyman, has created a sensation by attending the all-night prayer meetings of the Salvation Army and taking part in the Holy Communion. The Rector of the Cathedral has requested an explanation. Dr. Wilson defended himself, and takes the full responsibility.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., 23.—Developments to-day show that the late A. B. Johnson, of Utica, was a defaulter to the amount of \$300,000 to the McDonnell estate in this city. Mrs. McDonnell is a sister of Johnson, who had entire charge of the state.

MILWAUKEE, 21.—An Iron Mountain dispatch says: No violence has been shown yet at the Chapin or Ludington mines of the Menominee company, but the officers have secretly sent for more police, and it is said Gov. Begole has been asked to forward a company of militia as soon as possible. The strikers have forced all the employees to join their ranks, and stopped the pumps on Tuesday night, which caused the mines to fill with water. The fires are now out and the water gains rapidly.

Pinkerton's men are guarding the machinery. Several shots were fired Tuesday night by unknown parties, throwing a woman into hysterics and causing general alarm. The men number 1,500, and have posted notices warning others to keep away from the mines. They have demanded full pay without deduction of board bills or store accounts, but the companies refuse to accede.

Boston, 23.—A largely attended meeting of Boston Bank Presidents' Association was held to-night, and the subject of the promotion of the speedy passage of an equitable and

uniform national bankrupt law was discussed. The Congressman of Massachusetts all favored the Lowell bill or an act with the Lowell bill for a basis. James G. Blaine was one of the speakers. The committee of bankers said the legislation proposed was an urgent necessity for the better protection and prosperity of the business community. With the bill proposed, the credit of business men all over the country will be enhanced, as men of one section, doing business with those of another, would feel assured of getting an equitable adjustment of their claims in case of failure.

PORTLAND, Or., 21.—A fearful accident occurred at Blue Mountain station yesterday afternoon, resulting in the death of George Lamkins and wounding four others. The circumstances of the accident are about as follows as near as can be ascertained: Poole Bros. have a grading contract for the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company from Blue Mountain station southward towards the Baker City division. Quite a force of men have been engaged in blasting out a roadway in the rock above the station. Yesterday afternoon a blast charged with giant powder was set off but for some reason or other did not explode. After waiting a few minutes Lamkins went up to the mine and began picking out the charge in order to reprime it, when suddenly without warning the powder ignited, throwing Lamkins and a great mass of rocks a hundred feet in the air. Four others who were standing some distance off were more or less injured by falling rocks, but none seriously. Parties rushed for Lamkins as soon as he came down, but nothing could be done as life had already departed. His body was horribly mutilated and most of his clothing torn to shreds.

WASHINGTON, 23.—Sergeant Lamar testified before the probate court that Captain Pike told him when the vessel reached Cape Sabine that he felt disposed to delay several days, but Garlington discovering land to the north, urged a forward movement. It will be remembered that Garlington was ordered to take advantage of every lead and push northward as rapidly as possible. Sergeant Kenny testified that the crew of the *Proteus* were good for nothing as sailors or anything else. He believed they intended to steal Garlington's boat. He had been cautioned to "look out for himself."

Comptroller Knox's report shows that Illinois has advanced from the sixth to the fifth place in National bank capital; Kentucky has displaced New Jersey, and Minnesota is now the fourteenth state, taking the place of Vermont, and displacing Iowa and New Hampshire. Virginia is superseded by Wisconsin, Texas and California. In the next two years the charters of 976 banks expire leaving a capital of \$275,548,000, and a circulation of \$185,335,000. The average rate of interest now paid by the United States on bonds deposited as security for circulating notes is about 3½ per cent. on par value, but equal to 3¼ per cent. only on current market value. More than half the bonds now held by National Banks are 3 per cents., and all these are likely to be called within the next three years. Those of the lower numbers, which it is safe to estimate will not be called for the next two years, cannot be purchased for a premium, much less for 2 per cent, and at that price there will be a loss upon circulation based on this class of bonds if redeemed within three years. Total amount of bonds held by National, State and Savings Banks on November 1st, \$621,229,259, or nearly half the interest-bearing debt of the country. The Comptroller says the section of the revised statutes which places restrictions upon loans should be so amended as to be excluded from the limitation mentioned for legitimate loans upon produce or warehouse receipts, and some other classes of collateral security, as well as loans upon United States bonds.

DENVER, 23.—Passenger agents of the Colorado pool this evening closed a highly satisfactory meeting. While the matter is considered of no special importance to the public, yet the utmost harmony prevailed. Regarding rumors rife in the East, of the probable disruption of the Colorado pool, Commissioner Daniels says the pool is in no special danger. There is too much money involved in it, and the prosperity of Colorado is too intimately associated with the pool to make its dissolution at all probable. He admits, however, that the rate war in the Iowa pool, which it is rumored will

soon be inaugurated, and the present war in Utah rates, if long continued, may eventually disturb rates in Colorado.

Chicago, 23.—The Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Central Iowa roads give notice in letters to passenger agents and other interested lines, of their intention to withdraw from the agreement made November 10th, to maintain passenger rates from Des Moines, at the expiration of thirty days from November 20th. Both deny any intention to cut rates.

It is reported here that the war on freight rates between the Missouri river and Salt Lake will be continued. Regular rate, \$3; cut to 50 cents.

JACKSON, Mich., 23.—In the sensational Crouch murder, the report now is, that the family drank cider before retiring, and it is believed they were drugged. A quantity remaining has been sent to Ann Arbor for analysis. Should it prove to be drugged the stomachs of the victims will be removed and examined. A ball taken from Crouch's head this morning was found to be somewhat battered, but proved to be 32-calibre. The scene of the murder was visited by a large concourse of people this morning, hundreds stand in the rain around the house. Threats of lynching are made should the murderers be found. No clue is gained as yet.

Helena, M. T., 23.—*Herald*, Fort Benton, M. T., special: A daring robbery occurred last night at T. C. Power & Bros.' store about 11 o'clock while Mr. Stark was cleaning up the work of a heavy day's business. He was asked by two strangers, who called at the rear door, the price of a ticket to St. Paul. On being informed the price, one of them said: "I'll take a first-class ticket," pulling out a \$100 bill and giving it to Stark. The latter opened the drawer to make change, exposing a number of bills. Just as he did so, with his back to the strangers, he was dealt a blow back of the ear, and partly knocked down, followed quickly by another that sent him to the floor unconscious. The robbers took \$700 from the drawer and made their escape before Stark revived. Officers are in pursuit. Stark is pretty severely injured, and has been confined to his room all day.

Louden, Tenn., 23.—Andy Taylor, the last of the three notorious brothers, was executed at 3.15 p.m. He maintained the same indifference to the last and refused to converse with a minister. He ate his dinner with much relish. At 3.10 he was taken from the jail. He mounted the gallows with a firm step. When asked if he wished to address the crowd, he said he did not have a word to say. He was entirely unmoved on the gallows. After the noose was adjusted he said to the sheriff of Hamilton county, "Damn you, I could drink your heart's blood." The drop was sprung at 3.15 and he died of strangulation in nine minutes, and was cut down at 3.27. The crowd was orderly and the gallows screened. It was the first private execution that ever took place in the State.

To-night, three hours after the hanging of Andy Taylor, Bill Williams and John McKee, both white, became involved in a quarrel with some negroes, and Williams was struck on the head with a stone and his skull crushed; it is thought he will die.

Nashville, Tenn., 23.—An *American* special from Hickman, Ky., gives an account of a horrible double murder—Hilleman King and wife, an old and respected couple. Their son Arthur this morning visited the house and found his mother dead in a pool of clotted blood. He gave the alarm, and the neighbors found the father in the barn, covered with storks and partly eaten by rats. A German peddler is suspected. The house was robbed of \$2,000.

Chicago, 23.—*Inter-Ocean*, Joliet, Ill., special: In the trial of convict Mooney for the murder of his fellow-convict Anderson, it was found necessary to sever Anderson's head from his body and bring it into court, in order to show the character of the wounds. Mooney was convicted. The head was placed in the jail in the basement of the warden's house. Mooney has secured a new trial, and it is now discovered that Anderson's head has mysteriously disappeared. It is believed that this will render another conviction impossible.

New York, 23.—Another chapter has been added to the history of the coupon frauds in the finance department of the city government, by which the city has been swindled of \$120,000. Inspector Byrnes arrested