

Dr. Payne Is Responsible.

Inquest Jury in the Anna D. Hill Case Attributes Death of The Young School Teacher to the Notorious Physician—City Chemist Harms Found No Trace of Chloroform in Victim's Stomach—The Verdict.

The inquest relating to the facts connected with the death of Miss Anna D. Hill, the schoolteacher who expired in the office of Dr. E. S. Payne on Saturday, Dec. 20, was concluded in Judge Sommer's court before a jury this morning. Dr. Payne and his wife were present at the inquiry. Mrs. Payne greeted her husband most affectionately and smiled cheerfully during the examination.

NO CHLOROFORM SIGNS.

The important feature of the examination this morning was the testimony of Chemist Herman Harms, who made the analysis of Miss Hill's stomach. His testimony was in the nature of a surprise, as he stated positively that there were no evidences whatever of chloroform in the dead woman's stomach, neither were there evidences of any other poisonous matter. Answering County Attorney Christensen, Mr. Harms said:

"The stomach was given to me on Monday by Dr. Mayo with instructions to make an analysis and to look more particularly for chloroform. I immediately began the examination and it was a most careful one."

"I found no chloroform present."

At this statement Dr. and Mrs. Payne exchanged glances, which indicated profound satisfaction.

"The stomach was carefully examined," continued Mr. Harms, "and I found the lining normal in every respect. There was no solid food in the stomach. Chloroform can only be detected in the stomach shortly after death, probably six hours. The drug goes to the lungs and very little of it gets into the stomach. If chloroform had been administered I could not have

ACCUSED IS FORMALLY CHARGED WITH MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE

The coils are drawing rapidly and tightly about Dr. Payne. Whatever his intentions may have been towards Miss Payne he must answer to the law under a charge of murder in the first degree. That much was decided upon this afternoon when County Attorney Christensen drew and filed a complaint against him. The complaint was filed in the office of Judge Diehl and that official will hear Payne's plea at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, that hour having been decided upon today. Meanwhile the doctor will in all probability remain in jail as it is not thought that he will under any circumstances be able to secure bonds. Should he do so, it will be a great surprise to the public which has been watching the case.

TO DEVELOP GAS PROPERTIES.

Utah Light & Power Company Decides to Expend \$150,000 for This Purpose—Will Establish Auxiliary Reserves of Steam and Water.

The Utah Light and Power company is preparing for an investment of \$150,000 in the improvement and development of its gas properties, which, with the amounts to be expended in the improvement of the electric power plant on the west side, will make very heavy outlays during the coming two years by the company, and add largely to the taxable valuation of the city.

This was brought out in yesterday's monthly meeting of the directors of the Utah Light and Power company, when General Manager R. S. Campbell presented plans for the coming year's outlays. His preliminary estimates for the improvements meditated in the gas system were adopted, the most notable feature being a new gas holder to cost \$60,000, and other valuable details being the rehabilitating and modernizing

UNITED STATES "GOOD FRIEND"

Washington, Dec. 27.—There is now in progress an active exchange of notes between the allied powers, Venezuela and the United States respecting the method of submitting to arbitration the issues which have arisen between Venezuela and the allies. Questions are being put and answers are forthcoming, but it is said that the negotiations are in such shape that it would be extremely injudicious and indiscreet to make each phase public if there really existed a desire to reach a satisfactory settlement. It is explained at the state department that the part of the United States government just now is that of "good friend" to all parties; that it is not undertaking to draw up protocols or impose limitations upon the parties, but is confining its offices to getting them together and keeping them so. In this view it will not be necessary for our government to prescribe how the Monroe doctrine shall or shall not figure in the protocols; it will judge for itself by results how our interests are affected and will not indulge in premature or uncalled for protests.

As for the terms of the arbitration, it is stated that they are in a fair way to be speedily adjusted, but nothing can be said of the details. It is presumed that the allies will agree to terminate the blockade, though no stipulation has yet been entered into on that point. Nothing has been heard recently of the part to be taken by United States Minister Downes in the final settlement and it begins to appear that, after all, Venezuela will probably be represented by one of her own people.

NOTE RECEIVED IN LONDON.

London, Dec. 27.—The foreign office officials say a note from Secy. Hay similar to those presented at Rome and Berlin has been received here. Nothing has yet been decided regarding the cessation of the blockade or the terms of the arbitration protocol.

GERMANY DISAPPOINTED.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—The German government is disappointed by President Roosevelt's decision to be arbitrator in the Venezuelan dispute, but in pursuance of his decision will correspond

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FAC-SIMILE OF THE BIG TELEGRAPH ORDER.

That the fame, worth and attractiveness of the Christmas News has gone and is going far from home is evidenced in many ways. That it is regarded as a great holiday edition by those who are able to judge in such matters is clearly proved by the fact that yesterday afternoon an order for five hundred copies was received by telegram from Pettingill & Company, one of the world's largest advertising agencies. The order was all the more appreciated from the fact that it was not only unsolicited but wholly unexpected. The order, which was promptly filled, is reproduced in the above halftone cut of the telegram:

SOME LET-UP IN BUSINESS.

Caused by Quiet of Holidays and Inventory Taking.

ORDERS STILL POURING IN

The New Year Will Open With More Business on the Books Than Ever Before.

New York, Dec. 26.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: "Trade and speculation experienced the customary holiday quiet, except in Christmas goods, which sold freely, many packing and shipping departments being still engaged on this class of work which could not be completed at the specified time."

"Industrial undertakings are interrupted in many cases by the taking of inventories while other plants are closed because fuel cannot be obtained. Orders still come forward freely and the New Year will open with more business on the books than ever before."

"Prices of commodities are firmly held by the domestic demand and there is a good export movement of the leading staples. In this as in many other instances, however, there is still the drawback of inadequate transportation facilities to the seaboard."

"Financial conditions are satisfactory. Railway earnings thus far this month surpass last year by five per cent and 1902 by 11.5 per cent."

"Quiet conditions in the iron and steel industries unaccompanied by any signs of weakness testify to the healthy tone and suggest a bright outlook for the coming year. Furnaces and mills will extend the season of idleness beyond the usual time, not because orders are lacking, but in order to accumulate a moderate supply of coke. Foreign pig iron is offered slightly below domestic quotations but neither imported nor home-made iron is available for immediate use in large quantities. Independent steel mills claim they are unable to pay present prices for billets, which cost \$21 or more for early shipment."

"An exceptionally favorable feature has appeared in the market for cotton goods. After a long season of stagnation in the export division, the demand for China silks became considerable, notwithstanding the depression in silver and liberal stocks of cotton in Shanghai."

"In woolen goods there is a good demand, overcoats providing the chief feature. Wool is strong with a further advance anticipated next year."

"Failures for the week number 209 in the United States, against 239 last year and 21 in Canada, compared with 23 a year ago."

MARCONI IS GENEROUS.

Gives Lindsay Credit for Being First Believer in Wireless Telegraphy.

New York, Dec. 27.—When Mr. Marconi lectured at Dundee, says the London correspondent of the Tribune, he gave full credit to the Scotch inventor, James Bowman Lindsay, for being the first man who thoroughly believed in the possibility and utility of long distance wireless telegraphy, 50 years ago. He contends that Lindsay's system was not considered practical on account of the enormous electrical energy required, even for the most moderate distances, and the necessity of placing immersed plates at a considerable distance apart, but he admitted that the inventor would have done much more if he had lived in the present time. Lindsay's biographer has delivered lectures on these early experiments in wireless telegraphy and has exhibited the original apparatus and diagram. The biography which will be published shortly, will contain many of Lindsay's letters on the subject which prove the originality and feasibility of his experimental work. It is not generally known that Lindsay took out a patent for his method of wireless telegraphy. He began experimenting in the ponds around Dundee in 1844 and resumed in 1852 at Portsmouth and across the bay.

STATEMENT.

In order that Advertisers in the Christmas News may know that their Announcements received the Circulation promised, the Desert News furnishes the following Statement:

We, the Undersigned, State Under Oath, that the Number of Copies of the Christmas News Actually Sold, Mailed and Delivered by Carriers was as Follows:

On Saturday, Dec. 20, 13,500 copies
On Monday, Dec. 22, 1,000 "
On Tuesday, Dec. 23, 600 "
On Wednesday, Dec. 24, 500 "
On Friday, Dec. 26, 680 "
On Saturday, Dec. 27, 420 "

Signed,
JAMES T. DUNBAR,
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Mailing Clerk.

At the Present Rate of Demand, the Issue will be Entirely Exhausted Within a Few Days.

All Advertisers who Ordered their Advertisements to Appear in the Semi-Weekly News, as well as the Christmas News, were Given a Circulation of MORE THAN 22,000 in Addition to the Above Figures.

WHAT OTHERS THINK OF US.

Hon. Wm. A. Gouldier of Boise, in writing of the recent Utah-Idaho edition of the "News" says: "Of this latest work of the Desert News I can only say briefly that, 'a thing of beauty is a joy forever.' It contains everything to please the eye and the intellect as well. What is very particularly pleasing is, that the entire field under view is completely covered, and yet all is so perfectly new and original without a single instance of repetition. Idaho should be specially proud of what has been done for her, for she has been treated as a dear and much loved sister. It affords me great pleasure to say that I have heard many expressions of satisfaction of the very handsome way in which Idaho has been represented in the edition. Everyone is pleased and gratified so far as I have heard any expression of sentiment."

San Francisco Chronicle: The Desert News of Salt Lake has issued a superb illustrated Christmas edition. Within its 34 pages are contained carefully prepared information regarding the agricultural, mining, sugar and in fact all the industries of Utah. The state's trade and railroad extension is also exhaustively shown, in fact, nothing in the way of interesting information regarding Utah's progress seems to have been omitted. Idaho, with its great mining and agricultural possibilities, is also fully exploited. A finely illustrated eight-page supplement on domestic products is devoted to a presentation of the rough beauties and advancement of the young state. The vast amount of data collected by the Desert News is presented in most interesting form, and its half-tone cuts represent the highest class of the newspaper art.

MINING PROPERTY SOLD.

Deseret Mine Purchased for Consideration of \$20,000.

[Special to the "News."]

Provo, Dec. 27.—It is stated here on good authority that a deal has been practically closed by S. A. King for the purchase of the Deseret mine in the Gold Mountain district, for a consideration of \$20,000. The property consists of seven patented claims. The papers legalizing the transfer are being drawn up in Salt Lake.

The Deseret property was operated some years ago by Charles M. Hendrutt, who expended there considerable money for development purposes. He was the heaviest stockholder in the enterprise.

SACKETT CASE IS DISMISSED

He Marries the Girl and the Prosecution is Dropped.

Two Deserters Arrested

Oscar Cross in Trouble—Safe-Cracker On Way to Walla Walla to Finish His Term.

(Special to the "News.")

Ogden, Utah, Dec. 27.—As was expected, the case against J. L. Sackett has been dismissed and the defendant released from custody. Sackett was brought to Ogden from California yesterday by Detective Penner to answer to the charge of seduction, which had been preferred against him by the injured girl's father. When he arrived here he expressed a wish to marry the girl and thus settle the matter and escape a term in the bastille. The parents of the young woman, believing this would perhaps be the best way to end the trouble, were willing the marriage should be consummated. In company with Sackett they went to the office of District Attorney Hayes, and the latter said he would consent to the case being dismissed if the marriage take place at once and the groom-elect pay all the expenses of which the state had been put in the prosecution of the case to date. The terms were accepted by all parties concerned, and a license was obtained from the county clerk. It was issued to James L. Sackett, 23, of Ogden, and Miss Pearl Drysdale, 16, of Ogden. After securing the license, the bride party repaired to the office of Justice H. C. Wardleigh, and the ceremony making the young couple man and wife was performed. Sackett is a telegraph operator at a small Southern Pacific station in California, receiving a salary of \$90 per month, and it is expected the young couple will make their home in California.

OSCAR CROSS ARRESTED.

In the municipal court this morning Oscar Cross was arraigned on the charge of disturbing the peace. He is charged with assaulting a man named Mitchell on Twenty-fifth street last night. At the hearing Cross' wife was the principal witness against him. She testified that she and her husband had agreed to separate last Monday; that he had been cruel to her, and had frequently come home under the influence of liquor and abused her. That last night she was walking along the street with Mr. Mitchell when her husband came along and immediately proceeded to disgrace the countenance of the man who had the temerity to walk with his wife. Leon Parr, who witnessed the disturbance and separated the belligerents, also testified as to the assault on Mitchell. Cross testified in his own behalf, and said that when he saw his wife in the company of the other man, and that, too, being "hugged and kissed" by him, it was more than human nature could endure, and he struck his rival. The case was continued till 7:30 this evening on account of the absence of Officer Wilson, who was also an eye witness to the trouble.

DESERTERS CAUGHT.

Frank Fisher and Theo. Kelly, two deserters from the United States army were arrested here by Officers Meisner and Vance last night. Chief Browning took them to Fort Douglas this morning and turned them over to the government authorities there.

EXPERT SAFE CRACKERS.

This morning Deputy Sheriff Frank Carson of Walla Walla, Wash., passed through Ogden having in custody Harry Monroe, a notorious safe cracker, who escaped from jail in that city about four years ago, while serving a term of 10 years for safe cracking. He was captured in Albuquerque, N. M., where he had cracked several safes, securing about \$100,000 in cash and jewelry. He is regarded as one of the toughest men in his line of business in the country.

Thirty People Slaughtered.

Met Death in a Frightful Collision Between a Passenger And a Freight Train on the Grand Trunk Railroad at Wanstead, Ontario, Canada—Fire Followed the Wreck—Cold and Exposure Added to the Death List.

London, Ont., Dec. 27.—A train wreck bringing death to over two scores of persons and terrible pain and suffering to about forty more, occurred at 10:10 o'clock last night at Wanstead, Canada, a station on the Sarnia branch of the Grand Trunk, forty miles from this city, when the Pacific express, flying westward at the rate of fifty miles an hour and crowded to its capacity with passengers returning to their homes from holiday visits, crashed into an eastbound freight.

The latest estimate of the fatalities is 30 killed and 55 or more injured.

WRECK CATCHES FIRE.

ADDITIONAL HORRORS.

The darkness of the night and the raging of a blizzard added horrors to the wreck. Fortunately the fire horror was averted. A fire broke out in the day coach but it was smothered with snow and coats which were thrown on it before it gained any headway. The Pacific express is a fast train. Last night it was delayed two hours by the heavy travel, and at Wanstead it was speeding to make up time. The freight was working slowly east under orders to take the switch at Wanstead and allow the express to pass. In the blinding snow storm neither engineer saw the other train approaching, apparently, and the freight had just commenced to pull in on the siding when the passenger train came up.

The shock was awful. The train came together squarely head-on. In a second the baggage and express cars of the passenger train telescoped into the day coach.

Following is a partial and official list of

IDENTIFIED DEAD.

Alex Stewart, Petrolia, Ont.
Mrs. Alex Stewart, Petrolia, Ont.
A. Ricketts, Sarnia Tunnel, freeman.
J. Gillies, Sarnia Tunnel, engineer.
Mrs. Thotter, Petrolia, Ont.
Mr. Lawrence, Watford, Ont.
F. S. Freeman, Ont. Springs, Ont.
Jeffery, London, Ont.
Clem Podley, Port Huron, Mich.
Gay de Benier, ticketed to La Crosse, Wash.
R. Penwarden, ticketed to Petrolia, Ont.
Woman, supposed to be Penwarden's wife.
J. H. Brook, Brucefield.
O. B. Burwell, Port Huron.
Wilson Morton, Chicago.
In addition to the above, 15 bodies remain to be identified.

THE INJURED.

Alexander M. Stewart, Wingham, Ont.
J. J. Cuthbertson, and wife, Port Huron, Michigan.
Florence Cuthbertson, Port Huron, Michigan.
James P. Rambin, Toronto, Ont.
Mrs. Samuel Cummings, Port Huron, Michigan.
Hattie Northoye, Peterboro, Ont.
James R. Northoye, Peterboro, Ont.
Nellie Coote, Chicago.
Thomas Coote, Chicago.
Frank E. Baker, London, Ont.
W. N. Morris, wife and three children, Sarnia.
Hobart Jackson, Petrolia.
Robert Stewart, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.
James Baines, Woodstock, Ont.
George Stacey, Wanstead, Ont.
Edward Deevans, Prescott, Ont.
Dr. Basil Harvey, Chicago.
Mrs. J. M. Stewart and child, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.
Russell Quinn, Chicago.
James Banes, Woodstock, Ont.
Beatrice Geddes, Sarnia, Ont.
John Lynker, Port Huron, Michigan.
John Bierd, Chicago.
Albert Limont, Wyoming, Ont.
Mrs. W. Cett and Margaret Cett, London, Ontario.
J. Shavies, Strath Roy, Ontario.
W. H. Cole and wife, Flint, Michigan.
B. K. McDonald, Strath Roy, Ontario.
Mrs. T. N. Byrnes, Sarnia, Ont.
Annie Sinclair, Komoka, Ont.
Mrs. Fugley, London, Ont.
Carl Stewart, Oshkosh, Mich.
The injuries of Lottie Lynch are the most serious, but it is believed that all of the injured will recover. The others injured are:

Frank Baker, who has a dislocated shoulder and lacerations.
Thomas Coote, injured in the hip.
Mrs. Coote, bruised and internal injury.
Carl Stewart, fractured hip.
Robert Stewart, broken arms.
Mrs. J. H. Stewart, fractured jaw and lacerations.
Russell Quinn, bruises, burns and scalp wounds.
Mrs. J. J. Cuthbertson, internal injury, lacerations and bruises.
Florence Cuthbertson, bruises.
J. J. Cuthbertson, fractured jaw and lacerations.
Mrs. Samuel Cummings, cut on face and hand.
Dr. Basil Harvey, lacerated wound on head and bruises.
John Bierd, fractured arm, injured back and scalp wounds.
The engineer and firemen of the freight train are missing. The ill-fated express consisted of two baggage cars, a smoker, two first-class coaches and two Pullmans, the Chelmsford and the Fenwick. The smoker, which was

A MISSOURI BANK ROBBED.

Safe Blown Open With Nitro-glycerine And Contents Taken.

St. Louis, Dec. 27.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Union, Mo., says the bank of Union was burglarized between 1 and 3 o'clock this morning, the vault being blown open with nitro-glycerine, and the entire contents stolen. The robbers were two in number, and are believed to be professionals. They escaped.

A little after 1 o'clock a loud explosion was heard and several shots were fired around the public square. Most of the citizens, who heard the noise, supposed it was caused by some boys out on a lark celebrating Christmas, and paid no attention to it. Oscar Busch, a hardware dealer, living across the street, realized that the bank was being robbed, but when he went to the win-

dow to look out, was covered by a revolver and he kept quiet. Others in the vicinity of the bank were also kept quiet, by a display of revolvers. About 50 shots were fired to terrorize any who might want to venture out. Some say seven men were seen around, but Mr. Busch says but two men left the bank after the robbery.

The wreck was complete, the vault door and the safe being completely demolished, as was the whole interior of the bank. The glass front of the building was also destroyed. By 2 o'clock the work was finished, and the men left town, walking to the east.

F. W. Reinhard, president of the bank, is very sick at his home, and he was not told of the robbery. A. W. Hoffman, the cashier, estimates the loss at about \$15,000. The bank carried \$100,000 insurance against burglary. There is no clue to the robbers.