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But the Perpetrator of the Murders Has Not Been Discovered.

By Telegraph to the News.

JOHNSTOWN ALARMED.

A Series of Mysterious Murders Committed in its Vicinity.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Feb. 3.—Nothing since the awful flood has caused so much alarm as a series of mysterious murders committed within a radius of twelve miles. Apparently all have been done by one fiend, but so far the detectives are unable to discover the perpetrator. December 6th the body of a well dressed man was found in the woods near Cambria with a bullet hole in his head. No clue was obtained as to his identity, and he was buried. A week later the body of another man was found, apparently three miles away with a hole through his head. It was identified as George Myers, a prominent citizen of Pringville, who had been missed for his money. Less than a week ago the decomposed body of another man was found in the woods near Bethel. Nothing was discovered to establish his identity. The horrible mystery of old man King and his wife, and the cremation of their bodies a few nights ago is attributed to the same mysterious murderer, who evidently is hiding in the mountains, ready to pounce upon any victim whom he supposes has money.

Newspaper Office Destroyed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The Herald's Vancouver cable says: Senor Peralta, minister of foreign affairs, called at the United States legation today and personally displayed signs for Harrison's recent despatch, accepting Chile's reply to the ultimatum on the "Baltimore" affair as satisfactory. The meeting of the diplomats was apparently of the most friendly character.

The offices of La Democracia at Bolivar, and La Opinion at Valparaiso have been closed out. These papers have been unfriendly to the government. The former was attacked by a mob, and all work and furniture of the office. In the case of the latter it is claimed that some military officers passing the office shot insultingly from the windows and were assaulted with stones and fired shots. They broke into the office, smashed the furniture, piled the fragments and others from the island in the Cerrito. It stands to reason that these acts will be viewed with severity by congress.

Senor Quinteros Lobey, protesting against the action of the mob as a violation of the liberty of the press.

Puerto Montt, with Captains Gats and Simpson, has gone to Valparaiso to inspect the new dock and material for the protection of the latter. Captain Gatin late commander of the "Imperial" under Balmaceda, has arrived here from Peru. He was seized and placed on board the "Chilapina." General Velasquez Bello's pioneer on board the "Errazuriz."

Gallantry Recognized by the Queen.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—The Queen has sent messages to the various guard services in the army and navy to the members of the "Elder," expressing her thanks for the gallantry displayed.

Four Bodies in the Mines.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 3.—The dead and missing in the explosion at Bordentown's hat factory last night are thought to have been blown out. Four bodies were recovered in the mine after the fire was extinguished, but they could not be identified.

Frozen to Death.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., Feb. 3.—Two Swedes, Walstrom and Mattsdy, who came to Oklahoma from Cedar Blades, near here, were frozen to death in the recent blizzard. Their bodies were found on the prairie near the Arkansas line.

A Terrible Gale.

MADRID, Feb. 3.—A terrible gale is raging in this vicinity. Much property has already been destroyed and the lighthouse keeper seriously injured by falling debris.

Cause to get Married, but Found Dead.

BILLERSBURG, Pa., Feb. 3.—Anthony Brown, of Pittston, and Miss Hettie Rutledge, of Duryea, came to Williamstown last night and put up at a boarding house. This morning the landlady discovered her occupying their room. When the room was broken into the woman was dead and the man nearly asphyxiated. He may not live. The couple came to Williamstown to get married. They had secured a license, but had failed to secure an alderman to perform the ceremony. They drank heavily the night before and it is supposed they thought they slept out the gas before retiring.

A Norwegian Bark Abandoned at Sea.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The steamer "Cimbria" arrived today from Liverpool, reports that, on January 20th, she passed the Norwegian bark "Fanchon," abandoned. She did not appear much damaged. She had the mast on the voyage trouble with a dangerous crew.

It is feared that the captain and crew of the Norwegian ship are lost. Their vessel number is unknown.

Earthquakes.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 3.—A severe earthquake shock was felt here at 8:30 tonight. Brick buildings shook and window rattled, terrifying the inmates, who in many instances rushed into the street. The shock lasted about 15 seconds, and is probably the most severe earthquake ever felt in this city. So far as learned no damage was done beyond cracking a few window glasses.

ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 3.—A distinct shock of earthquake lasting about three seconds was felt here at 9:30 which frightened. The vibrations were from southwest to northeast.

OGDEN, Feb. 3.—A slight shock of earthquake was felt here about 9:30 tonight, lasting for a few seconds. In Logan street a large bank of earth caved, nearly crushing a frame house No. 110, and injuring F. H. Green, his wife and two children in the house. Green was badly injured, but the occupants of the house escaped unhurt.

A Court Martial.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 3.—The court martial of Major In Coverson of the army engineering corps, commenced today.

The Lynchers in Jail.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Feb. 3.—The five men who participated in the lynching of J. O. Shafer last Thursday are in jail here. There is fear of the lynching of the accused and the jail is guarded.

Bank Transfer Contested.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 3.—Colonel John Ireland, senior of the San Antonio National bank, committed suicide here this morning by shooting himself through the head. No cause is assigned for the suicide.

The Kidnapped Boy.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 3.—Word was received here the boy abducted near Long Bridge, Cambria, Monday, was brought home early this morning by John Chase of Stoneville, Conn. The boy said he was left the house of Chase by a strange man, who then ran away. The boy said that he was carried 10 miles, where he was left in a small house and kept him until night, when they left him at the door of Chase's cottage.

Black Cats in Congress Prohibited.

With regard to the Committee on Black Cat company, which is going to boost black cats for the "Cabinet" as mentioned in the Partisan and made in the Congressional Record of "Yesterday," by the Hon. Mr. Lee of Kansas, we are glad to state that such scurrilous and other items which appear in southern and black cats will not be permitted to have their name and fame sullied by the Congressional Record. Black cats are not to be permitted to receive the same treatment which white cats receive at the hands of the Congressional Record. Black cats are not a very popular thing in public circles nowadays. The black cated worthiness debates it is proposed to introduce, being in a probable minority, will be a disgusting deliverance by public party.

But it is not to be supposed, it is not within the bounds of possibility that the new Kansas disturbed the House of Representatives, and that the black cats in the Senate and were assaulted with rotten eggs and pieces of brick