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ANIMATED SCENES

IN ALBANY TODAY.

Democratic Convention in New

York Remarkable in Intense

Interest.



Rash Act-Inquest This

Amernoon.

(Special to the "News.")

in the following letter written by Mrs.

Stone and discovered this morning by

"Grief has driven me to this, Fa-

ther, mother, brothers and sisters, for-

WOMAN BLAMED FOR IT.

tions are the cause of all this. Made-line has tried to separate us ever

since we were married. I cannot and

I will not live without the man I love.

May heaven bless you all in this great

sorrow and may God pity me are my last words on earth. Ah, it almost

breaks my heart to think of my dear,

THEIR LAST REQUEST.

"Clarence wishes to make a request

"Oh gracious, heavenly Father look down upon the parents of this unfor-

tunate couple and give them each and

every one strength and courage to over-

THE WOMAN'S RELATIVES.

TESTIMONY AT INQUEST.

and Mrs. Stone was begun this morn-ing at 10 o'clock before Judge Howell

and a jury. County Atty. Hulaniski and Judge Maginnis were present to conduct it. Dr. Dickson testified that

The inquest over the remains of Mr.

"PATIENCE."

"Madeline Cave and Clarence's rela-

the officers:

When the Doors Opened the Crowd

Broke in With an Onward Sweeping Yell and Rush.

EXCITEMENT WAS AT HIGH PITCH

Compromise Offer to Which Hill Said "No"-Peace Preparations Fall And Battle is On.

Albany, N. Y., April 18 .- The Demoratic state convention to elect delegates to the national convention and to nominate electors at large and presidential electors, was called to order here this afternoon.

Great confusion resulted from orders which had been given to keep the doors closed until the last moment. The result was that when the doors were opened at three minutes before 2 o'clock the crowd burst in with a yell and a rush. In three minutes the top gallery was filled with a stamping and shouting mass of men and boys. In the gaileries were a number of Hearst banners and a running fire of shouts and comments was maintained by the gallery crowd.

A MURPHY RUMOR.

While the delegates were assembling a rumor gained circulation that Sena-tor Hill and the Parker forces had partially decided that between the sessions of the convention they would inform the Tammany people that they would concede the choice of Charles F. Mur-phy in the delegation at large to the national convention

hospital under a guard's care. His right arm and hand were hidden by the bed lothing and with hardly a discernable notion he slipped the bandages off his left arm and with his sharp fingernalls tore away the threads in the wounds and inserting his forefinger into the ragged hole, he worked again at the veins and sought to reach an artery. He unconsciously uttered a groan and made a couvulsive movement which at-tracted the attention of the physicians, surses and the guard, and on throwing back the cover lids, the attendants saw with horror that Neidermeier had torn away the bandages and re-opened the wound. Neidermeter opened his eyes and with a leering smile explained: "Let me die, doc.; go away and let me de. You were almost too late the first time. Now why do you try to save my life." Neldermeier lost a large quan-tity of blood and was almost pulseless for a time. The most danger, however, is that the polsonous phosphorus has burned him so severely that his life cannot be saved for its final snuffing out on the gallows.

HIS PHOSPHORUS IDEA.

Neidermeler got his idea of swallowing phosphorus when a prisoner in the fall committed sulcide in that manner while Neidermeier was awaiting trial. For the last two weeks Neidermeier has been saving the matches he was able to beg. He gave up smoking to some ex-tent so he could hoard them. In getting at the veins and arteries in his arm he fist sawed three gashes. Then he pushed the sharp end of a pencil into one, so it would pass under the veins. Then he twisted the pencil around and around until the veins were twisted and In doing this the pencil was

broken'into several pieces.

HIS FIRST ATTEMPT. Neldermeier's first attempt at suicide

was nearly successful. Guard John Roeder, passing Nied-meir's cell, saw him huddled on his ot with a blanket drawn over his head. A mean attracted his attention and when his attempt to arouse him proved fruitless he summoned Jailer Whitman and the cell was opened. Niedermeir was unconscious, and his clothing and the blanket were found soaked with blood, which was flowing from a ragged hole in his wrist. Other guards were summoned and he was taken to the jail The artery in his wrist was fastened. Then it was learned that he had attempted to poison himself. In his cell was found a quantity of matches from which he had eaten the heads, and Jaller Whitman said most of these p obably had been smuggled to other prisoners. The physician him by at the enough of the poison to prove fatal, but in a serious condition from loss of b A close watch has been kept on the

bandits si e they were sentenced to be hanged, to prevent an attempt to commit suicide, and even matches have been kept from them. The wound in his wrist Niedermeir made with a lead pencli he was permitted to have.

A LETTER FOUND. A letter written by Neidermeler prior to the attempt at suicide was found concealed in his cot. In the letter the writer incidentally expresses repentance of his incidentally expresses repentance of his career and regrets leaving the few who have loved him, but chiefly the letter is a morbid glorification of the witer's comorbid glorification of the writer's courage and his loyalty to his i Writer's courage and his loyalty to his i Mind in contrast with Neidermeier's as-sociate, Gustav Marx. The letter says: "There are four reasons why I should take my court his take my own life. First, because of the public boast

that I cannot suicide while I am so Second, that I cannot cheat the scaf-

"Third, that they cannot say they ex-

ecuted me and made me pay for a "Fourth, to have another mystery for

the ignorant police to solve." The latter concludes as follows: It seems very pleasant to have this

"PETER NEIDERMEIER."

Race Feeling Dying Out.

Squaw Who Saw Custer Massacred Sent to Washington.

cred Sent to Washington. Butte, Mont., April 18.-Deputy United States Marshai Eiderkin left for Wash-ington, D. C., today with Running Deer, an aged Sloux squaw, who has been ad-judged insane, and is to be put in an asyidm in the national capital. Running Deer is a survivor of the Custer massa-cre. She was the wife of a brave killed in that fight and after the battle, for some reason, fied to the Crow reserva-tion in Montana, leaving her tribe. A year ago she knifed two Crows, who had stolen a pony from her. The squaw is said to be over 59 years old. She remem-bers the Custer fight well and when in a good humor will tell how she saw the "Yellow Hair" pulled down and toma-hawked. Pathetic Pleas for Forgiveness for Her Ogden, April 18 .- Additional light on the causes leading up to the suicide of hawked. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Stone, is contained

FEDERATION OF LABOR, Will Consider Eight-Hour Law and

"My dear darling ones at home. Be-Anti-Injunction Measures. fore your eyes shall see this short but Denver, April 18 .-- Consideration of the eight-hour and anti-injunction measures pending before Congress, is perhaps the most important business of sad note, you shall know the awful crime I have committed.

general interest of the quarterly meeting of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, which give your little Patience. An, alas, did began in this city today. The Colo-rado labor troubles will also be thoroughly discussed,

Referring to the course of Gov. James H. Peabody in dealing with strikes of miners in this state, President Gompers said: "The violation of the fundamental principles of our country has made

Colorado the laughing stock of the country, as well as the rest of the civilized world. Besides it robs men of the actual rights and protection guaranteed them by the Constitution. It appears that if civil law continues

old grayheaded mother and father, for I know this will almost kill them. overridden as it has in the past Good-bye forever to all, your loving and devoted little PATIENCE." the fight will soon develop from a technical legal conflict to a physical one. This letter was enclosed in an en-velope addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Lu-ther Shobe, Billings, Oklahoma Terri-That would be the most deplorable thing we could have in a state or country with a Republican form of govern. tory. Another letter reads as follows:

At the morning session the council appointed a sub-committee of which President Gompers is chairman, to consider U. S. Senator Patterson's bill for that you bury us together in the same the exclusion of the Chinese, grave. 'Tis my request also.

Maj. Hugh C. Dennis Dead.

St. Louis, April 18.—Maj. Hugh C. Dennis, president of the Rialto Grain & Securities company, from which United States Senator Burton was convicted of having illegally accepted fees, died at his home here tonight of lung Physicians who attended Maj. Hugh

C. Dennis stated today that his death resulted from continuous brooding over the conviction of Senator Burton because of his connection with the Rialto ompany. From the time of Senator Burton's conviction, Maj. Dennis continually talked of his case, denourcing himself for having permitted Burton to become a representative of the com-

pany. House Proceedings.

Washington, April 18 .- The house to day passed a bill providing for the re-lief of growers of leaf tobacco. It repeals the internal revenue tax and all special taxes. Under suspension of the rules a bill was passed to recognize and promote

the efficiency of army chaplains. It gives the grade of major to a number of chaplains of long service. A bill also was passed under suspension of the rules providing for the establishment of a supreme court for the Indian territory and for additional

United States judges therein Submarine Boat Raised.

London, April 18 .- The submarine

beat A 1, which was run down by the steamer Berwick Castle, March 18, near the Nab lightship, resulting in the loss of her crew, numbering 11 officers and men, was raised today.

Stone lying in each other's arms. Mr. Stone was rigid and cold in death, while Mrs. Stone was yet breathing very heavily. He, with Dr. Powers, had her removed to another room Iowa Coal Trouble Settled. Des Moines, Ia.; April 18 .- The coal operators and miners signed an agree-ment today under the terms of which lowa mines will be operated for the two years dating from April 1 last.

on the subject-"Girls in the Modern French Novels." This evening he will talk informally before the local French STILL IN DOUBT AS TO CAUSE. THEY TRIED TO SEPARATE THEM club.

> M. Dupouey was sent from Paris to Harvard university seven months ago through the joint efforts of the minister of public instruction of France, and James H. Hyde of New York. He holds the chair of professor of French at Harvard, and has been studying the English language ever since his ad-

vent in America. When he returns to Paris, he will teach Greek, Latin and English, having almost mostered this tongue even in the short while he has been here.

It was arranged by Mr. Hyde that he should make a tour for the purpose of lecturing on various French topics and since he started from Boston four months ago he has delivered about five lectures a week, visiting all the principal cities.

PROTHERO RELEASED.

you know what I am compelled to un-Man Who Was the Principal Witness dergo, you would forgive me, I know. Against Shockley Will Go to Idaho.

Upon motion of Assistant County Attorney J. J. Whitaker, Judge Morse this morning released Percy Prothero from custody. Prothero has been held in the county fail as a witness for the state in the Shockley murder case, which was concluded on Saturday. He was arrested on the day after the mur. der and has been in jail just 101 days. He stated today that he will leave for Idaho Falls, Ida, either tonight or to-morrow. When asked what action he would take in regard to securing the reward for the apprehension of Shockley, he said that his attorney would have to be seen about that matter. His father is still in the city and will ac-company him to Idaho.

DISTRESSING CASE.

Mother of Abe Majors Quarantined and Without Food or Water.

come this great grief. Heaven bless my dear father, mother, brothers and sis-ter. You had best embalm our bodies Mrs. Wagner, the mother of Abe Majors, who is serving a life sentence in for it will be some time before my folks can reach this city." the state prison for murder, is said to be in very indigent circumstances at her residence at 646 south First West A third letter, addressed "To whom may concern," was as follows: A third letter, addressed "To whom it may concern," was as follows: "Kindly notify the following persons by wire, C. O. D.: Mr. and Mrs. Lu-ther Shobe, Billings, O. T.; Mrs. D. B. Wyatt, Wellington, Kan.; Mr. W. L. Shobe, Fort Worth, Tex.; Mr. Luther Shobe, Los Angeles, Cal.; Mr. J. A. Shobe, Wichita, Kan.; Mr.LeonardShobe, Billings, O. T.; all of whom are my brothers and sisters and parents. They will come and make arrangements. Madeline Cave and the Stones have ruined my life. They have tried to separate us. We cannot and will not live separate and apart, so 'tis best we street. Her youngest son, who is 14 years of age, is ill with the smallpox, and it is stated that there is no food in the house and no water. The landlord, Fred Taylor, has ordered the water shut off as a means toward getting them to vacate the house as they are said to be owing him some rent. He commenced ejectment proceedings against the woman some time ago, but when the sheriff found the boy sick he refused to serve the writ of ejectment. Since then It has developed that the boy has the Arthur April 11, which is officially de-smallpox. The boy will probably be nied. The general staff has no infor-removed to the quarantine hospital to-mation in regard to the rumored aplive separate and apart, so 'tis best we take this step. May God bless the dear babies which we leave behind. day

Heaven pity us, are my last words on earth. Good-bye forever." "MR. AND MRS. C. J. STONE." Stone had two children by his first Two new cases of smallpox were re ported to the board of health today. They are: Charles Burt, aged 20, re-siding at Fifth and I streets; Free wife, Miss Edith Cave, who died March 15, 1901, in this city. These are the chil-dren referred to in the above letter. Harris, aged 20, residing at 582 Fifth street.

HOME FROM PARIS.

Misses Louise and Lillie, daughters of Joseph H. Richards, who have been in Paris for the last year and a half studying art, arrived home yesterday afternoon

he was summoned to the Beitman rooming house about 9 o'clock last night where he found Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Heber John Richards and family, who have been in Parts for the past 18 months, will return to Salt Lake in June,

Strong Disinclination Exists to Admit

That the Japs Could Have Destroyed The Petropavlovsk,

St. Petersburg, April 18 .- 3:40 p. m .-The authorities here are recovering from the depression which followed the last week's disaster. They seem imbued with new and feverish energy, The greatest activity prevails.

The public is more aroused than at any time since the war began, and now is thirsting for revenge. Crowds gather on the streets. The Russ extra bulletin boards are constantly surrounded, although little fresh news is post-

The vivid eye-witness picture of the torpedo boat fight and the Petropavlovsk disaster transmitted from a Russian correspondent of the Associated Press under date of Llao Yang, Manchuria, last night, is reprinted here and is the talk of St. Petersburg and of official and private circles, being the first connected account published. It also con-tained the first definite information that Vice Admiral Makaroff was at his post on the bridge when the explosion occurred. Besides, it put at rest all doubts as to where the ship was struck She went down bow first, as the Vic-toria did, and exactly as Makaroff's own model did when, during a lecture which he delivered in 1894, he demonstrated the instability of heavily ar mored ships and the impossibility at the time of a disaster, by collision with rocks or otherwise, of restoring the equilibrium of such steel monsters.

The admiralty still lacks definite data as to the cause of the catastrophe, al-though the talk of a boiler explosion and sub-marine boats continues. The public shows an indisposition to accept Vice Admiral Togo's version that his mines were responsible. Members of the naval staff frankly admit that they do not know the cause of the disas-ter, but some of them alread ' are inclined to the probability that the ene-my's avowal is true. "Perhaps the mystery will be like that of your Maine,' said a member of the naval staff to the correspondent of the Associated Press. 'It will take an examination of the hull to determine whether the explosion was internal or external."

CAN'T ALLOW TOGO'S CLAIM.

The reason the naval staff was disinlined at first to accept the possibility of Togo's claim was because if true the mines were laid not only without discovery but without even arousing the faintest suspicion.

Togo's report as telegraphed to the Russian papers, dates the loss of the Petropaylovsk as April 12, whereas it occurred on April 13. Togo also claims that a night attack was made on Port mation in regard to the rumored ap-pearance of Japanese transports of Yin Kow, the port of Newchwang. A special telegram from Port Arthur

says the cruiser Bayan exceeded her trial speed when she went out to the rescue of the torpedo boat destroyer Strashni. The same dispatch reports that a Japanese cruiser was sunk adding that the cause is unknown. The Novoe Vremya publishes an ex-

pert article showing the impossibility and futility of trying to raise the Petro paylovsk as she lies,

SINKING OF THE SHIP.

In the dramatic description of the sinking of the Petropavlovsk at Port Arthur wired from Liao Yang last light by a correspondent of the Assoclated Press a portion of the account was delayed. It is as follows:

low of any sensation suggestive of good times, and so it may be some little time before a sufficient number of subscrib ers can be secured to warrant the es-tablishment of an exchange. However, the company will set up at once a ter-minal toll station plant which will be open to the public patronage. The construction gang is now within six miles of St. George, and by Thursday next,

Salt Lake can ring up St. George Supt. Hempstead says the leaves are all out on the trees in the Divie coun try, and vegetation on the whole is well along. It is hard to get in there, but once in, the climate and surroundings are delightful.

GUARDSMEN APPOINTED.

Gov. Wells Names Hardy and Thompson to Go to the World's Fair.

Cov. Wells today appointed two of Utah's guardsmen to serve in the Jefferson guards at the world's fair at St. Louis. Harvey Hardy, musician in battery A, and Corporal Walter Thomp-

son of the Signal corps, are the appointees. The men will serve during the entire time the fair is in progress and will receive \$50 per month and quarters. The Jefferson guards is an organization which will do police duty at the fair and Gov. Wells was invited to appoint two men from this state to serve in the same. It will be composed of 1,500 men and will be commanded by a regular army officer.

VERDICT FOR CHURCH.

Trustee in Trust Gets Judgment Against Dr. Richards for \$55,500.

In the case of Joseph S. Richards vs Joseph F. Smith, trustee-in-trust of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the arbitrators appointed by the court by stipulation between the parties to the action, today rendered a declaion finding the lasues in favor of defendant. The action was brought to re-cover the sum of \$55,500 as damages for breach of contract for the sale of certain real estate in this city entered into between plaintiff and the inte Pishop Edward Hunter. The parties to the action agreed to submit the case to arbitration and selected the followng four persons as arbitrators: L. : Hills and James Sharp for plaintiff, and W. W. Elter and John R. Barnes for defendant. After hearing the evidence in the case they decided that plaintiff had no cause of action against the do-

BOYS IN COURT.

Youngsters Plead Not Guilty to the Charge of Incorrigibility.

Henry Teuscher, Alex, McCay, Harry Sisking and Oscar Larson, four boys who were arrested last week on the charge of incorrigibility, were arraigned hofore Judge Dicht this morning, and pleaded not guility. The cases were continued until the 22nd.

case against W. I. Wilson, allas 1. Moore, charged with being a fugitive from justice, was called this morning but went over until temorrow morning when Judge Tanner will listen to the evidence and pass upon the case.

U.S. SURVEY.

More Utah Lands to be Shortly Thrown Open to Public Entry.

Frank D. Hobbs, register of the United States land office, today announced that a fractional plat had been received from the United States surveyor-general of township 12 south, range 14 east, Salt

Lake meridian. This plat will be filed in

TREMENDOUS CRUSH.

The crush before the doors and in the hall was tremendous. The aisles were filled with a scrambling crowd, demanding seats at the ratio of about three persons to one seat. The police were all but helpless. Hats were smashed, clothing torn, faces scratched and feet trampled in the rush. Order was finally secured and Former

State Senator Geo. Raines of Monroe county was introduced as chairman and he delivered a speech to the convention. ASTIR EARLY.

The politicians were astir early this porning and the headquarters of Tammany, of David B. Hill and of W. R. Hearst were busy spots. So far as could be learned at an early hour there had been no change in the situation and the Tammany leaders said that they vere guite content to go on the floor of the convention and state their case. That they would be beaten was certain, but they claimed a principle was in-volved, and they would carry the mai-ter to the floor of the national convention.

COMPROMISE REPORT.

It was said that Mr. Murphy of Tammany had this morning offered to com-promise by suggesting that Tammany would agree to the adoption of the unit rule on the name of a candidate, as for instance Judge Parker, but he was not mentioned. It was concelled that, there being almost two-thirds of the delegates in favor of Judge Parker, a mere abolition of the unit rule would practically be an endorsement of Judge Parker and yet would let Tammany down gracefully. But with this proposition was coupled the demand that Tammabe allowed a delegate-at-large, Mr. Murphy himself preferably.

"NO," SAID HILL.

To this suggestion Senator Hill gave an emphatic no. The name of Judge Parker must be in the resolutions and the delegates-at-large must be men who are heartily in his favor and whose loyalty to his candidacy cannot be ques-

With this early morning failure of negotlations for peace the preparations for battle went on. Senator Hill, replying to a question as to what the situation was, said:

"More than two-thirds of the con-vention is for Judge Parker. That is all I care to say."

A HEATED MEETING.

The meeting of the committee was most heated throughout. Sen-ator Grady declared that it was perfeelly apparent that there was an at-Freily apparent that there was an at-tempt to prove to the public that those in control of the committee are in per-fect unanimity. They were about to instruct for a certain man and they were going to trample on every man who opposed them. The senator warn-ed his hearers that the result would be a repetition of the tactice that left the party without an organization in the party without an ormanization in the state. In conclusion he said:

"Don't let it go out that this is a manipulated convention, and that we are forced to do the wishes of a man who carries the voies in his pocket."

HEARST'S SUPPORTERS.

They Have a Strong Organization In West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., April 18 -- It is stated here that the Hearst men have such organization in this city as to cause a fight at the Democratic state and district conventions here next Wednesday. The four delegates and alternates at large are to be selected here at the same time as the delegates and altrnates from the five congression. al districts. The Healst men expect to get part of the district delegates but the conservatives, who have former al districts. Senator J. N. Camden, Judge J. H. Holt, the last Democratic candidate for governor, O. S. McKinney and A. J. Wilkinson slated for delegates at large, say that the Hearst men will get nothing from the state convention.

POSTMASTER FOR BASIN, UTAH.

