

burg & Gulf railroad, and is situated sixteen miles inland from Sabine City. In 1886 a wave swept over Sabine City, covering the place with six feet of water, destroying many houses and causing several deaths. Great distress was caused and there were many narrow and thrilling escapes. When the Gulf road was first projected land on Sabine Pass, owned by Kountze Brothers of New York City, was offered the railroad company for a terminal. Both because of a fear of a tidal wave and owing to a failure to reach a satisfactory price for the land, the proposition was rejected. Port Arthur then became the southern terminal of the road and was built up on the strength of that enterprise.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 13.—At an early hour this morning the wind at Galveston gained a velocity of thirty-seven miles an hour. Ships had been forewarned of the expected storm, and those along the dock were in good shape. A few small skiffs were sunk and two barges were driven ashore on the flats west of the wharves. The only building to suffer was the Olympia, the big pavilion at the Gulf side. Two sections of the circular roof were carried away.

New Orleans, Sept. 13.—A dispatch from Beaumont tonight said the Southern Pacific at that place received a dispatch from the agent at Sabine Pass, who walked from Sabine Pass to Port Arthur, stating that the track for eight miles was washed away and that about thirty-eight people are missing. He reports the sinking of two tugs and the drowning of Green Moore and Lewis Beetes, prominent steamboat men at Orange.

A later message says that the loss of life at the pass will not be so great as reported, probably not more than six or seven.

A later dispatch from Sabine Pass says that the loss of property is slight.

City of Mexico, Sept. 13.—The people killed at the Panuelas quarry explosion, numbering twenty-four, were asphyxiated by the dense gases generated by the explosion. Among the number were several horses, and the bodies of men and horses lay together in a horrible mass. It seemed an age before the heavy atmosphere allowed the gas to arise from over the graves in which they had been entombed. Outside men, women and children wept and wrung their hands, while those in charge of the works stood helplessly by, waiting for an opportunity to reclaim the bodies. One hundred people were injured by inhaling the gas.

Logansport, Ind., Sept. 13.—Excitement prevails in this vicinity over the capture of a carrier pigeon with a message signed "Andree." The writing is in English, but it is thought that the explorer sent out the message in all languages.

The bird was first seen to fly over a small town called Idaville, near here, and was next seen when it alighted on Farmer Weekwan's house in an exhausted condition. Its capture was easy, but in getting the bird down it was injured and died this morning.

Its right foot had a small aluminum band around it, on which was inscribed "No. 21," and the letter "A." Under the left wing was a parchment containing some badly disfigured writing, of which only the following could be read:

"August 29, pole."

The next was erased. Then came the signature, "Andree."

The action of the wing had worn the parchment and erased the writing. The whole had been tied on the body of the bird and while not loose had evidently been in all kinds of weather.

At first it was thought that a prac-

tical joke had been played, but the exhausted condition of the bird disproves that.

Columbus, Kan., Sept. 14.—A story of crimes rivaling the deeds of the notorious Bender family comes to light in a murder trial now in progress here in the district court. Ed and George Staffleback, brothers, and their mother, Mrs. George Wilson, are accused of the murder of Frank Galbraith, in June last at Galena, Kan. The evidence is so direct that George Staffleback and his mother were speedily found guilty of murder in the first and second degree respectively, and the trial of Ed Staffleback is still in progress. The family are keepers of a dive in Galena.

Galbraith was shot to death and robbed in the place, during a quarrel with the mother and sons over the woman's daughter. His body was thrown into an abandoned mine shaft. Mrs. Cora Staffleback, wife of George, and two other inmates of the house gave testimony as to the facts of the murder, and from these witnesses evidence of another triple murder at Galena has been secured. Their story is that two girls from western Kansas were visited at the Wilson dive by an acquaintance, Mike Staffleback, another son of the Wilson woman, who is now in jail, charged with burglary, became enraged on account of jealousy and killed the man and the two girls with a hatchet. The bodies were thrown into an abandoned shaft. At Galena a force of men are pumping out the shaft in an endeavor to find the bodies of the other murdered persons.

Washington, Sept. 16.—News has reached the state department that the bark Nonantum of Seattle, Wash., William Newham, master, loaded with coal, from Panama, was wrecked on Easter Island, May 7th last. The crew, numbering fifteen men, landed on the island.

Eight of them were taken to Valparaiso on the schooner Marie Louise and there relieved by the United States consul. The others remain on the island, where they are well cared for.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 16.—James Shea, shift-boss of the Mountain Consolidated mine of the Anaconda, was shot and instantly killed in Centerville today by Thomas Lane, a miner employed until recently on the same property. Lane then placed the pistol to his breast and killed himself.

Shea came here from Park City, Utah, some years ago and worked for the Anaconda company ever since. He was 35 years of age.

Lane lived here twelve years. Some years ago he fell through the chute at the Anaconda mine and received injuries which it is supposed affected his brain.

The cause of today's killing was an over-indulgence in liquor by Lane, who was brooding over his discharge. Several weeks ago Lane showed up for duty under the influence of drink. In accordance with the rules of the company he was laid off for the day. Several days after that he reported for work in the same condition, and each time was not allowed to go down into the mine. Finally, two weeks ago, he was discharged. Since then he has been drinking heavily.

Today he waited until Shea started for dinner, and when he met the shift-boss he began to fire. Five shots were fired, three taking effect in Shea's body. The last shot was fired as Shea staggered into the hallway of his boarding-house. He died in a few minutes. Lane coolly walked away, and, meeting Deputy Sheriff McGlinn, who was attracted by the shots, pointed the revolver at the officer, who retreated. Others, attracted by the firing, were met in the same way and made for cover. Reaching Main street,

Lane placed the weapon to his own breast and fell dead.

St. Louis, Sept. 16.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Warrensburg, Mo., says:

News of what appears to be one of the most dastardly outrages ever committed in the state of Missouri has just reached this city. James Hull and J. N. McKeeben, two young men of Jefferson township, are under arrest, charged with abduction, criminal assault and robbery. Wesley Jackson of Henry county is wanted for complicity in the crime, and the country is being scourged in search for him.

Andrew Stills, a young farmer, aged 20 years, and his girl wife, aged 16 years, left Warsaw Monday, where their home had been, to drive over to Knobnoster, where his wife's sister resides. On the way the horse died, and Stills was at a loss to proceed until the three young men, Hull, McKeeben and Jackson, offered to permit Stills to hitch his cart behind their buggy and drive the couple to their destination for \$1. The transaction was made, and after getting out into the country, Stills claims, the trio seized his wife and drove away with her, after robbing him of what money he had, over \$5.

The whole country around here is aroused and searching for the lost wife, who is thought to have been outraged and murdered. The three young men were said to have been under the influence of liquor. Stills searched for his wife until exhausted, but could find no trace of her. Farmers whom he importuned for assistance did not believe his story and would not join him in the search. At last several became convinced that there was truth in it. Two arrests followed, and now lynching is strongly talked of.

## TEMPLE NOTICES.

The Salt Lake Temple will be closed during the ensuing General Conference from Monday, 4th, to Wednesday, 6th, October, 1897, inclusive.

Thursday, the 7th, will be devoted to the performance of baptisms for the dead, and on the two days following—Friday and Saturday, October 8th and 9th—the other ordinances will be attended to.

The changes from the usual rules indicated in the above notice are made with a view to accommodating the Saints from a distance who will come to attend Conference.

LORENZO SNOW,  
President.

The St. George Temple will close on Friday, Sept. 24th, 1897, and re-open on Monday, Oct. 25th.

DAVID H. CANNON,  
President.

St. George, Utah, Sept. 8, 1897.

The Mantle Temple will close October 1, 1897, and reopen on the 11th.

JOHN D. T. McALLISTER,  
President.

The Logan Temple will close, on Friday, the 1st of October, 1897, and reopen on Friday, the 8th.

M. W. MERRILL.

Evanston, Wyoming, News-Register: On Wednesday about sixty members of the Evanston ward of the L. D. S. Church met at the residence of Town Clerk James B. Smith and tendered their former Bishop, Wm. G. Burton, a surprise party. A sumptuous repast was served, which was brought by the various parties present. After the inner man had been well supplied and vocal and instrumental music had been rendered, a dance was in order until 3 a.m. The party dispersed realizing that a pleasant reunion had been enjoyed between old friends, as well as the making of many new ones.