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New York, 19.—Mrs. Emma Gales Conkling died this evening. Geo. W. Conkling, United States Surveyor on the Government survey, Nevada, shot dead Wm. H. Haverstick, seducer of his sister. The tragedy took place in "Paris flat," 341 West 23d street. Conkling arrived in the city a few days ago. Ten years ago his sister married a man named Uhler. They soon quarreled and separated. Falling in with Haverstick she came to New York and lived with him in "Paris flat." Learning of her whereabouts, Conkling came to New York and obtained an interview with his sister. She promised to go west with him, but refused to live with her husband. To-night Conkling went again to see her, and was met by Haverstick who swore the woman should not leave the house. The two men came to blows. Haverstick threw a copper statue at Conkling, who drew a revolver and fired. The ball struck Haverstick in the pit of the stomach, inflicting a wound from which he died an hour later. Conkling left the house immediately after the shooting, and walked to Eighth Avenue and 23d Street, and surrendered to the officers.

Uhler was a broker at 17 Broad Street, Conkling said, and Haverstick was his partner. In this way he made the acquaintance of Mrs. Uhler. When his sister saw Conkling she agreed to go with him to his western home, and last night was fixed for leaving. When Conkling arrived, his sister was in an inner room, and heard only the noise of the quarrel. Conkling is 27 years old and Haverstick 30. He was a broker at 60 Broadway, and had lived with Mrs. Uhler about two years. Conkling is locked up. He refused to talk to reporters. He told the officers Haverstick tried to eject him, and threw a number of articles at him. In self-defense he shot. Mrs. Uhler is said to be very pretty.

Austin, Tex., 19.—Thompson, a young train robber, who assisted in robbing a train a few weeks ago was captured and jailed today. All four of the young rascals are now in jail; the youngest 13, the oldest only 16 years.

Harrisburg 19.—In the House to-night, Bierer, of Westmoreland, introduced the following:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this house that some action be taken looking to the proper disposition of the question as to the right of Nicholas Lyman Dukes, of Fayette County, to his seat in the House of representatives. The resolution was referred without discussion to the judiciary committee, with instructions to report as soon as possible.

New Orleans, 19.—Tarrant's Pavilion, Bourbon and Orleans streets, was a scene of great excitement to-night. Just before the close of the performance, an alarm of fire was given, and the large audience, panic-stricken, made a rush for the exit. The fire was subdued, and when quiet was restored it was found that two men, two women, a girl and boy, and a colored youth, were severely crushed by being trampled upon. Some are believed fatally hurt.

Vicksburg, 19.—The country about Clarksdale is inundated to the depth of 3 or 4 feet; the town being on very high ground, is entirely safe. The country from Clarksdale to Hazonia, 300 miles, is under water on both sides. The river is as deep as last year. A considerable amount of the overflow is caused by water from Friar's Point break, on the Mississippi. The trip from Williams can be made to Friar's Point in small boats. The current at Clarksdale is very swift and caused the steamer *Sunflower* to turn out in the fields, losing one chimney and being otherwise damaged. No loss of stock is reported. The inhabitants are confident the water will pass off in time to make a fine crop, it having begun to fall three inches in 24 hours. The finest crop for years was raised last year after the water fell. The country from Hazonia down is safe with several feet of bank to spare. Flowing and planting are progressing.

Greenwood, Miss. 19.—Tallahatchie County is overflowed; Greenwood is submerged; water only 12 inches below that of last year, but it is rising slowly. From Greenwood to Henry Island, the whole country is submerged. Some of the

largest Yazoo river planters fear that their interests will be seriously injured.

Cairo, Ill., 10.—The Indianapolis board of trade relief committee arrived this evening. They have visited every inundated city and village on the Ohio river, and given relief where needed. They say no more funds and supplies are necessary.

Ottawa, 19.—Five cars of a freight train on the Canada Pacific Railway left the rails on Rouge bridge near Calumet station, and fell sixty-five feet to the river below, breaking through the ice and going to the bottom. The train hands escaped.

WASHINGTON, 19.—It is stated that the President has abandoned his trip to Fortress Monroe, and will instead move to the Soldiers' Home.

Secretary Teller requested of the Secretary of War, a military guard for the protection of Yellowstone Park property. Secretary Lincoln promised to comply with the request.

Secretary Folger left the city very quietly on Saturday afternoon. In fact, his departure was not known till this morning. It is believed he embarked on a revenue cutter for a short voyage.

Brooks, chief of the secret service, says the number of counterfeiters has greatly increased since resumption, as counterfeiting metallic currency requires less skill. He does not think, however, the total amount of counterfeit money any greater.

The return to the Treasury by Representative Fowler of New York of \$400 said to be over-payment of his accounts as Representative is not generally understood. It was not over-payment, according to the general construction of the law; but Fowler chose to construe the law to be that a member was not entitled to pay when absent on leave on account of sickness. If some other less conscientious members should follow the same rule, they would have to return most of their salaries.

The volume of Foreign Relations for 1882, just published, contains an interesting letter to Secretary Frelinghuysen from Minister Comley of the Hawaiian Islands. He discussed the future of the Sandwich Islands, a question which he considered of great importance to the United States, in view of the rapid decadence of the native population. Mr. Comley shows that out of a population of 45,000 natives of aboriginal descent, there are over 700 condemned lepers at the lepers' settlement on Molokai. It is estimated there are between 3,000 and 5,000 concealed lepers on the islands. The ablest physicians there declare that four-fifths of the natives are infected with syphilis. The Minister says that the robust race of ancient K makes has shriveled and dwindled to this melancholy handful, some of whom are of amiable character, but too many of whom are crippled with rheumatism, syphilis, paralysis, or leprosy. They are crippled alike in person, in morals, in fortune and in mind, body and estate. There is no mercantile or manufacturing business in the kingdom, that is owned and managed by natives of full blood. It appears from Mr. Comley's letter that not only all the commoners of the race are disappearing at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent. per year, but the chiefs are faring still worse. The constitution requires that the sovereign shall be of native or high chief blood. Of all the royal family and collateral branches there is but one frail little girl, half white, the daughter of Princess Likelike, to represent the second generation. Comley says Queen Dowager Emma is childless; Queen Kahiolani has no children; Princess Luka (Rath) sister of the late Kamehameha, has no heir of her body to her name or large estate; Mrs. Panakl Bishop, daughter of the old Chief Paki, has never had a child, and has once refused the nomination to the succession unless the genealogical tables of the kingdom shall be reformed and enlarged. There is no other family left eligible to the throne. The natives do not reckon Kalakaua's family to be high-chief blood. The distinction is made painfully apparent when any of the present family are brought in contact publicly with Queen Emma or Princess Luka. Comley says that the question of the replenishment of the vital forces of Hawaii demands the consideration of the United States. It will require watchfulness to prevent the islands from drifting into an Asiatic possession or becoming a British protectorate through the introduction of East Indian coolies.

CHICAGO, 19.—Exhibits for the

National Exposition of Railway Appliances, which opens here on March 24th, are being received in large numbers. Secretary Talbot to-day received a cablegram from London stating that the old engine "The Rocket," built by George Stephenson, and the first locomotive ever run upon a railroad, has been secured. It is now among the curiosities of the South Kensington Museum. The Exposition will have the four oldest engines in existence, the other three including one from England, one from Nova Scotia, built by Stephenson, and one owned by the Baltimore & Ohio road.

New York, 20.—Soon after Conkling arrived in New York he found his sister and spoke earnestly to her of her folly and told her he thought it possible her husband would be reconciled to her if she would leave Haverstick and go west. He urged her to go but vainly and he was compelled to abandon the scheme to reunite them, yet he labored earnestly to separate her from Haverstick and take her west with him. He found that she was infatuated with her betrayer, but his pleadings made her waver and a few days ago he succeeded in inducing her to promise that she would leave Haverstick. It was agreed that she should go to a hotel last night and to-day accompany her brother to Montana. Conkling prepared for the journey and about nine o'clock last evening went to the Paris flat to take his sister away. It had been arranged that she was to send Haverstick away on some pretense so that Conkling should not meet him and that he should be ignorant of the scheme of separation, but the woman's infatuation for her paramour vanquished her good resolutions and when Conkling entered her apartment he was confronted by Haverstick who saluted him ironically and Conkling knew by his manner that the plot had been betrayed. Conkling is a young man, fair haired, with an incipient red mustache and not the equal in physique of Haverstick who was a tall, strong, swarthy man, yet Conkling was not cowed; he said he had come to take his sister away and he meant that she should leave the house. Haverstick swore that neither she nor any of her belongings should go. The woman wavered between affection for brother and the fatal infatuation, and tried to calm both men; but they became violently exasperated and when Conkling boldly arraigned Haverstick for his villainy, the latter's temper burst all bounds and seizing a Dresden China image on the mantelpiece he hurled it at Conkling, who clapped his hand to his hip, and drawing a revolver, cocked it. Haverstick's wrath blinded him, and he seized the companion image of the one he had thrown, and was in the act of throwing it at his adversary, when the pistol shot rang out and Haverstick fell, shot in the centre of the body just below the ribs. Conkling dropped his weapon and hastily left the apartment, pushing aside his sister, who was frantic with apprehension and remorse, and walking to the Grand Opera House, sought an officer and said:

"I desire to surrender myself. I have shot a man down there, and I guess he is going to die."

The policeman sent another officer to the Paris flat and took Conkling to the station. Meanwhile Mrs. Uhler had summoned the janitor and told him to send for a physician. Dr. Heavy came and found Haverstick in a state of collapse on the floor of the front parlor. The wounded man said, "A young man shot me." He pointed to his breast and tried to pass his hand over the wound. While the doctor bent over Haverstick he said with sudden energy, "George Conkling shot me, shot me down like a dog." Soon after he said faintly, "But I forgive him, he did not mean it."

Then there was a pause of several minutes, which was broken by Haverstick saying, "God bless my mother!" these were his last words. At the station-house Conkling behaved calmly, gave his pedigree and afterwards made a statement of the shooting and what led to it, but refused to talk to the reporters. Soon after the deed Mrs. Uhler was in violent hysterics and Dr. Amidon was compelled forcibly to restrain her. She is a beautiful woman, with English cast of features, and wavy brown hair and she had not been told of Haverstick's death, and at intervals made inquiry about his condition, appearing piteously to be allowed to go to him.

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H Haverstick, last night was arranged to-day in the coroner's office. He is gentlemanly in appearance, and bore himself outwardly with calmness and composure. The coroner decided to begin the investigation this afternoon. Conkling's counsel claims the shooting was entirely justifiable and that the prisoner did it in defense of his sister, and in efforts to remove her from vicious surroundings, and said that it would be sustained by the moral sentiment of the community. Counsel maintained that if he had only used his fists in his assault on Conkling the weapon would not have been brought into play. The prisoner will remain in custody of the police. Mrs. Uhler, the prisoner's sister, became so hysterical after the shooting she had to be removed to the hospital where she now lies in an exhausted condition.

WASHINGTON, 20.—The President will remain here to entertain ex-President Diaz and party, and will probably join Secretary Folger at Fortress Monroe the latter part of next week, from which place they will no doubt proceed to Florida.

The President has ordered the suspension of Judge Everton J. Conger, Associate Justice of the Territory of Montana, against whom charges of drunkenness and gambling have been preferred.

Secretary Chandler has issued an order fixing the hours of labor in the navy yards at eight.

During the closing hours of the last session of Congress a bill passed authorizing the Postmaster General to readjust the salaries of certain postmasters, but that bill makes no pecuniary provision for carrying out its requirements. It is said at the Postoffice Department that the law can't be executed without an appropriation and an additional force of clerks. It is estimated the adjustment of salaries directed by the bill will require the expenditure of at least \$2,000,000.

The Secretary of the Treasury has called for the detailed statement of the condition of the Treasury with a view to acting upon various propositions which have been submitted to him in regard to the future financial operations of the government.

The Secretary of State has transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury the Japanese indemnity fund, and the whole matter will now be settled without delay.

The Secretary of War has informed the Postoffice Department that owing to the inadequate appropriation made by Congress for the support of the Signal Service, the chief signal officer will be unable to distribute as generally as heretofore the weather bulletins and other information for the benefit of mariners and farmers, and it is therefore particularly desirable that postmasters should henceforth post conspicuously in a place accessible to the public all bulletins which may be sent them by the chief signal officer. The Postmaster General will probably issue a circular letter to postmasters on the subject.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs is considering the propriety of appointing a commission to visit the Creek Nation, Indian Territory, for the settlement, if possible, of the threatened war between the two hostile factions of the tribe.

The trouble in the Creek nation is of long standing. It began with the war of the Rebellion, when its members divided, about one-half joining the Confederate cause and the other half remaining loyal to the Union.

The disloyal Creeks have control of the government of the Creek Nation, under the chieftainship of Checota. The faction is composed of squaw men, half-breeds, and a minority of the native Indians, but it embraces the great majority of the educated members of the tribe. They understand the arts of the politician and invariably win in elections. The chief of the opposing faction is Ispicachee, and his followers are said to embrace a majority of the braves. There have been collisions between the opposing factions in the past and there are threats of impending danger. Ispicachee's men are now camped on neutral grounds, for the purpose of protection and defense, and the entire country is reported to be in a condition of anarchy and lawlessness. The ruling faction is accused by the rebelling faction of having defrauded them of sums of money voted for the Nation by Congress; of having secured the adoption of a new constitution by fraud; and of having unfairly appropriated the greater part of the Creek orphan fund. The feud between the two factions was aggra-

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