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SOUTH NORWALK.

The South Norwalk Office of the Gazette is at the store of Newman & Pinney, No. 12 North Main Street, where Advertisements and orders for Job Printing, as well as Items of News, can be left with Homer M. Byington, Manager.

The board of School Visitors will meet to-night.

The barge Henry Vandusen is at John H. Ferris' wharf loaded with coal.

F. B. Coleman will erect a barn on his premises in which to store his new bicycle.

Lieut. Col. Crowe will be one of the judges at the prize squad drill of Co. G in Danbury to-night.

Mr. W. D. F. Prentiss is improved in health. Yesterday he was able to go out for a short drive.

Colfax Encampment, I. O. O. F., met last night and worked the third degree on several candidates.

Miss Florence Brown, who has been visiting friends in Great Barrington, returned home this morning.

Jere Donovan expects to leave for Canada to-day, on a short visit to his daughter, who is at school there.

Karl Johnson, a former employee of John H. Ferris, has returned from a visit to his mother country, Sweden.

Miss Gertrude Bohannan entertained the Chautauqua last evening. The papers read at the former meeting were repeated.

A son of Willis B. Mills, of Day street, is sick with the diphtheria. Health Officer Coburn has quarantined the house.

The Building and Loan Association will hold their monthly meeting in Taylor & Golden's office on Washington street this evening.

Uncas Tribe, I. O. B. M., rehearsed the Chiefs and Warriors degrees last night and to night they will work them on candidates.

The Fawcett versus Ireland case comes up in the Supreme Court in New Haven to-day. Attorney John H. Light is in attendance.

A large number of local young people expect to attend the Bridgeport Wheel club's reception in the Bridgeport Armory this evening.

A dog had his legs cut off this noon on the Wilson Point tracks of the Danbury & Norwalk railroad, near the Meadow street bridge.

The remains of Josephine, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Raymond, were brought from New York for interment in the East Norwalk cemetery, this morning.

To-morrow afternoon on the premises, at 2 o'clock, the homestead of the late Andrew J. Crofut will be offered for sale, at auction, under the direction of the executor of the estate.

Mrs. W. D. F. Prentiss has bought the adjoining property to their Wood-ward avenue estate which was owned by Paul Berg. Mrs. Prentiss has been negotiating for some time for this purchase and has finally come to satisfactory terms with Mr. Berg.

A wagon got caught in the trolley tracks where the road had been dug out to lay the bricks, yesterday afternoon in front of Tomlinson's drug store, but it was gotten out without any damage being done.

A young man named Edward Selleck employed at the depot news stand was struck in the eye by a stone supposedly thrown from a slung-shot, while sitting upon the porch of a house on Crescent Terrace, last night. He was quite painfully injured and visited R. H. Plaisted's drug store where Dr. H. E. Bates relieved his pain with cocaine.

At the annual meeting of the officers and teachers of the South Norwalk Congregational Sunday school, held last evening, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year from May 1st: Superintendent, Jacob M. Layton; first associate, Edward H. Gumbarr; associate in charge of intermediate department, Marshall H. Tolles; associate in charge of primary department, Miss Margaret B. Weed; treasurer, John H. Ferris; librarian, Charles S. St. John; secretary, Jesse M. Ferris; executive committee, Louis H. Nash, Nelson Dickerman, Frank A. Ferris, Miss Eliza G. Platt, Mrs. Gerald H. Beard and Mrs. Charles S. St. John.

The Philharmonic Orchestra gave an excellent concert and ball in Music Hall, last evening. There was a good attendance and the dancing and music enjoyed by all. Under the able leadership of Prof. "Bert" Freeman the orchestra rendered several choice selections which were highly enjoyed by those present. In addition Miss Kittie Flynn and Messrs. Force, Wehle, Davies, Smith, Cole and the St. Joseph choir treated the audience to choice vocal selections. After the concert dancing was indulged in and the twelve numbers on the program were greatly enjoyed.

HERE AND THERE.

—School supplies Hayes' 5 Main St.

Bicycle riders are warned that commencing this evening they are liable to arrest if found propelling their wheels on the city thoroughfares after sunset, without lanterns.

The Phoenix boys will be out for practice to-night, after which they will be served with a clam-chowder and com-comitants furnished by Smith "O. T. R. B." Northrop who was 30 years of age yesterday.

George I. Buxton is renewing old acquaintances in Washington, D. C.

Chief Bradley accompanied Gussie Adams to the State school for boys, at Meriden, to-day.

Officer Morehouse was acting as chief of police, this morning.

At the meeting of the Barbers' Union last evening, one new member was elected, and it was voted to close the shops at noon on the 4th of July.

Messrs. J. Belden Hurlbutt and Bradley S. Keith are in New Haven to-day at the Republican State convention.

Olson Brothers have sold their brown horse "Barney" to Dr. Brownell of South Norwalk.

Our Brothers' Lodge, I. O. O. F., met last night and worked the first degree.

Hams, 11c per lb; shoulder, 9c per lb; granulated sugar, 18 lbs for \$1.00; best creamery butter, 23c lb; good butter, 20c lb. W. R. BATES' Cash Grocery, 47 Main street.

James S. Barbour of New York is visiting friends in town. An attack of tonsillitis accompanies him.

Complaint is made that garbage is dumped in hillocks on Cross street, not only impeding travel but filling the air with disease germs.

Substitute Perry is acting for letter carrier Glendenning who is taking a short respite from work.

The J. T. Provit company sold six bicycles yesterday.

The board of school visitors will meet this evening.

If you are in want of a new harness or anything in that line it will repay you to read Dwyer's new adv. His prices are astonishingly low.

The matter of changing the name of Tryon avenue to Morgan avenue will receive attention at the next regular meeting of the Council.

County Commissioner Miller was in town yesterday.

Street Commissioner Kellogg has a gang of men at work on Adams avenue to-day.

On account of the illness of Mrs. M. E. Mead, Miss Brush, a former teacher at "Hillside," arrived yesterday to take charge of some of the classes until Mrs. Mead recovers from the effects of her illness.

Miss Mary Sellack of Merwin street, left this morning for a two weeks' visit in New York.

There was a very refreshing shower at 12 o'clock last night, which materially brightened nature this morning.

Oliver Clark says that there are several lads living in the vicinity of his home who are habitual truants. He will make complaint to the proper officers.

FOR SOLDIER AND SAILOR.

The recent experiments of the United States government to test the value of a concentration army ration have shown it to be a failure.

Owing to the breaking down of the copper tubes in the boilers of the torpedo boat destroyer Rocket, these tubes will be replaced by steel tubes, not only in the Rocket, but in the Skate, Sturgeon and Starfish also.

Frederick Price, who used to be the center rush in the football team in the University of Georgia, is now fighting in the Cuban insurgent army. He gets \$24 a week, and he says the work is not half so exciting and dangerous as football.

M. Lockroy, the French minister of marine, in his endeavor to put a stop to favoritism in the navy, intends to publish in the Journal Officiel all private reports of admirals and captains on the officers under them. There are lively times ahead for the French navy.

Army surgeons say the expression of the faces of soldiers killed in battle reveals the causes of death. Those who have perished from sword wounds have a look of repose, while there is an expression of pain on the countenances of those slain by bullets.

Prince Henry of Battenburg's death from fever contracted on the Ashantee expedition was attributed to his being "out of condition," but Maj. Ferguson, of the horse guards, who also died of it, was one of the most perfectly trained athletes in the British army.

Indiana furnishes a great many tall men for the army. Out of 118,254 men whose descriptions were taken at the time of enlisting 11,392 were six feet in height or more. There were 2,614 six feet one inch, 1,357 six feet two inches, 406 six feet three inches and 303 over six feet three inches.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—Miss Ella Ewing, of Price, Mo., weighs 200 pounds, and is said to be seven feet two inches in height. She attends church regularly, and takes up the collection every Sunday.

—An oysterman of South Norwalk, Conn., came to New York recently with a boat load of oysters. He couldn't find profitable sale for them, so took them back and planted them again.

—An English automatic gas company does a flourishing business. Last year its penny-in-the-slot customers consumed on an average 1,875 cubic feet a month, and the amount received from the meters in the past six months was £30,000.

—The family of a farmer named Raymond, living in Calhoun county, Mich., is in the heavy-weight class. There are six sons and their combined weight exceeds a ton—considerably over 300 pounds each. Neither the father nor the mother tips the scales at more than 150 pounds.

—The grand jury returned a true bill against Elizabeth A. Short, of Verona, Pa., charging her with being a common scold. The charge is a strange one in the county courts, and is not heard of very often. Many years ago persons convicted of this crime were punished with the "ducking" stool. C. J. Mathewson, of Verona, brought the suit.

—The management of the Tennessee centennial exposition is locating the buildings of the fair so as to leave as few open spaces as possible between them in order that the visitor may not be wearied going from one to another. The walks will be constructed of asphalt and fountains and statuary will be placed at every point of vantage.

—A woman who is an enthusiastic naturalist suggests that the diminution in the number of song birds of New England is due not to the hostility of the English sparrow, or the small boy, or the fashion of wearing dead birds in bonnets, but to the general use by farmers of Paris green and other poisons as insect exterminators.

—A burglary insurance company has taken the field, which is apparently a new one in the insurance line. It is a Boston concern, and already is doing business in 11 states—meeting with a success which its managers hardly dared to anticipate. Most of its risks are for dwelling-houses, and the policies are usually for \$500 or \$1,000 to cover losses from the depredations of burglars.

SUSIE GOT THE SAFETY.

But It Was Not the Kind She Had Hoped For.

Susie Simpkins lives in the little back-country village of Concordia, but even in her childhood Susie was considered "powerfully smart," and too bright a girl to waste her ability in so small a sphere. As the years passed and Susie budded into young womanhood, this conviction deepened in her mind, and she longed for the things of outside life. She felt that though doomed to be in Concordia, she was not of it.

Then she took a queer fancy. She would have a bicycle, and roam the country lanes of her neighborhood in freedom and unrestraint. The city papers and the illustrated magazines—even the art-born bicycle catalogues—penetrated to her rural home, and the bicycle passion was fanned by each scrap of cycling information she perused.

One day an eastern paper found its way into her hands, and an advertisement caught her eye. An offer was made that to agents who disposed of three cases of a certain brand of baking powder a present would be made of a ladies' safety, finished in full nickel, and thoroughly guaranteed for one year.

The next outgoing mail bore away an order for the three cases of baking powder, accompanied by the cash Susie had been saving for a twelvemonth back. In the course of a week or so the baking powder arrived, but with it came a letter stating that the safety had been ordered from the factory, and would be somewhat delayed in shipping owing to an unusual demand.

Susie fretted in her impatience, for she had told the neighborhood of the safety she was expecting, but still the safety came not. She haunted the little weather-beaten railway station upon the arrival of every train, express or freight, in anxious expectation of her coming treasure.

A fortnight passed, and with its end came a letter from the baking powder concern, addressed to Susie Simpkins, and inclosing one-twelfth of a dozen of those useful little articles so familiar in the feminine toilet. It was Susie's safety.—Bearings.

Thoughts from Dumas.

To make friends with a man requires time; with a woman only occasion. Experience and philosophy that do not result in forbearance and charity are two acquisitions that are not worth their cost.

A well-bred woman does not fall in love a second time without allowing a considerable interval to elapse. There are never two accidents in close succession on the same railroad.

It is with science and philosophy in their search after truth as with railway trains passing through a tunnel in broad daylight—darkness in the middle, but day is at both ends. Whichever side we go out it is the same light in which we entered. The same God is at the beginning of faith and at the end of science.

A woman has no power to efface radically by the sole effort of her will an image that has long filled the mind. She must replace it by another. She does not destroy, she superposes. When the second image is finer or larger than the first, so that the first is seen no more, all goes well; this is forgetfulness. When it is smaller, so that the edges of the other, can be seen, things go badly; that is remorse.—Detroit Free Press.

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**SADDLE HORSES A SPECIALTY**

**AN OLD WILL.**

How George Washington's Mother Disposed of Her Property.

Copy of the Ancient Document That is Still to Be Seen on File at Fredericksburg, Va.

"In the name of God! Amen! I, Mary Washington, of Fredericksburg, in the county of Spotsylvania, being in good health, but calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, and willing to dispose of what remains of my worldly estate, do make and publish this, my last will, recommending my soul into the hands of my Creator, hoping for a remission of all my sins through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of mankind; I dispose of all my worldly estate as follows:

"Item—I give to my son, Gen. George Washington, all my land on Accokeek Run, in the county of Stafford, and also my negro boy, George, to him and his heirs forever. Also my best bed, bedstead and Virginia cloth curtains (the same that stands in my best room), my quilted blue and white quilt, and my best dressing glass.

"Item—I give and devise to my son, Charles Washington, my negro man, Tom, to him and his assigns forever.

"Item—I give and devise to my daughter, Betty Lewis, my phaeton, and my bay horse.

"Item—I give and devise to my daughter-in-law, Hannah Washington, my purple cloth cloak lined with shag.

"Item—I give and devise to my grandson, Corbin Washington, my negro wench, old Bet, my riding chair and two black horses, to him and his assigns forever.

"Item—I give and devise to my grandson, Fielding Lewis, my negro man, Frederick, to him and his assigns forever, also eight silver teaspoons, half of my crockeryware and the blue and white tea china, with book case, oval table, one bed, bedstead, one pair sheets, one pair blankets and white cotton counterpane, two tablecloths, six red leather chairs, half my pewter and one-half my iron kitchen furniture.

"Item—I give and bequeath to my grandson, Lawrence Lewis, my negro wench, Lydia, to him and his assigns forever.

"Item—I give and devise to my granddaughter, Bettie Carter, my negro woman, little Bet, and her future increase, to her and her assigns forever; also, my largest looking-glass, my walnut writing desk, with drawers, a square dining table, one bed, bedstead, bolster, one pillow, one blanket and pair of sheets, white Virginia clock, counterpane and purple curtains, my red and white tea china, teaspoons, and the other half of my pewter crockeryware and the remainder of my iron kitchen furniture.

"Item—I give to my grandson, George Washington, my next best dressing glass, one bed, bedstead, bolster, one pillow, one pair of sheets, one blanket and counterpane.

"Item—I devise all my wearing apparel to be equally divided between my granddaughter, Betty Carter, Fanny Ball and Milly Washington—but should my daughter, Betty Lewis, fancy any one, two or three articles, she is to have them before a division thereof.

"Lastly—I nominate and appoint my said son, Gen. George Washington, executor of this, my will, and as I owe few or no debts, I direct my executor to give no security nor to appraise my estate, but desire the same may be allotted to my devisees, with as little trouble and delay as may be, desiring their acceptance thereof as all the token I now have to give them of my love for them.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 20th day of May, 1788. MARY WASHINGTON.

"Signed, sealed and published in our presence, and signed by us in the presence of the said Mary Washington and at her desire. John Ferneyhough, James Mercer, Joseph Walker.

"(Registered in the clerk's office at Fredericksburg, Va.)—The Spirit of '76.

**The South African Plain.**

The plains here stretch in illimitable expanse to the horizon. Far to the west is a range of mountains, forty good miles away, which in the clear morning air stands out as if but a dozen miles distant. You may see the dark lines and patches of the time-worn seams and kranztes that scar its sides. This transparency of atmosphere is very common in southern Africa.

The rains have lately fallen, and everywhere around the dry plains have started at the breath of moisture into a splendid if short-lived beauty. Miles upon miles of flats, all glowing and ablaze with purple and a rich flame-like red, are spread around. The wonderful composite are in flower, and the barren, desert-like flats are for a brief week transformed into a carpet of the noblest coloring and pattern. Look closely and you may see the bleached and blackened limbs of former growths of low shrubs which stand amid the gallant blaze, gaunt reminders of the transitory existence of African flower life.—Blackwoods Magazine.

**Compensated.**

The epigrams of Voltaire, the French philosopher, were often ruthlessly sarcastic and severe. He could, however, exercise tact and gentleness, and, as is usually the case with brilliant persons, those qualities became him wonderfully well. He met the famous statesman Turgot, and cordially inquired about his health. "It is as you see," replied Turgot. "I am tormented with gout. I can hardly drag my feet about." "You remind me of the statue of Nebuchadnezzar, M. Turgot." "Yes," assented the invalid, sadly, "you are right, poet, the statue had feet of clay." "And a head of gold," cried Voltaire, warmly. "Remember that, a head of gold!"—Youth's Companion.

**FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.**

Hints Which May Be Useful to Busy Women.

Very light sunshiny rooms can bear Indian and Pompeian reds in draperies and coloring. They have a cool effect even in midsummer.

The green coat so fashionable in oak may be given to it by using a satin of lampblack, mixed with linseed oil and turpentine. Rub the stain well into the grain of the wood, and finish with orange shellac. The shellac will change the black to green. Ash may be stained a dark green in the same way.

A novelty in the house of a woman who can afford to indulge in such novelties is a boudoir with the walls covered with rose pink crepe paper. The covering of each panel is gathered in the center under a large American beauty rose, made of flower paper, but so perfect that it looks as if fresh from a greenhouse.

The meringue on pies and puddings, which should be a dainty foam several inches high, is often but a crust of leather, produced by too hot an oven. After making a meringue it should be spread roughly but evenly over the surface of a pie or pudding that is nearly but not quite cold. Turn the heat off your oven and bake it about 20 minutes. When finished it should be a delicate brown. Professional makers of fine pastry dry or cook meringues in a very slow oven from half to three-quarters of an hour, and then brown them slightly with a salamander.

Dessert and tea services, or, in fact, china of any kind that is ornamented with gold, should never be washed with soda in the water. The safest plan to prevent chipping the edges is to have a clean wooden tub with a cloth in the bottom; in this put hot water and a piece of soap; rub the soap on a brush or with the hand to make a good lather, wash the china in the lather, and rinse in clear, warm water; then stand it on cloths spread on a table to drain, or in one of the wooden drainers specially prepared for the purpose. Wipe on a clean tea-cloth; then, when quite dry, polish the gold by rubbing it well with a dry soft wash-leather.

Pretty everyday doilies are made from those of the fine hemstitched linen sold in the stores, with a border of two rows of feather stitching in white silk next the hem. If, in addition, an edge of fine durable lace, such as torchon, is added, they are nice enough for everything except state occasions.

A desirable out of door wrap for the house-worker may be made large and loose, reaching to the knees, with big sleeves and a hood attached. This can easily be slipped on over the dress when there are windows to wash, clothes to hang on the line, or other out of door work to be done in cold or chilly weather.

The best cleanser for sponges is a strong solution of borax, in the proportion of a tablespoonful to a pint of hot water. It will not only cleanse the sponge, but disinfect it, destroying all micro-germs or parasites.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

**TOLD HIM TO HOLLER.**

Representative Bailey Found a Very Obedient Claque.

Representative Bailey is one of the most picturesque figures in congress. He affects constitutional law, wears a broad expanse of shirt front, tosses a mass of wavy black hair and glories in a sweeping Texas sombrero. Mr. Bailey's boast is that Texas congressional districts are as big as New England states. He is the subject of a story and it would be wrong to tell who is the author of it, as Mr. Bailey is a hot-blooded man. The story is that when Mr. Bailey first entered public life in Texas he was comparatively unknown. He was anxious to forge to the front, however, and to make himself heard on every occasion. A large meeting was to be held in a neighboring town. Bailey went to it on horseback. He fell in with a traveler, and in the course of conversation about speakers, remarked: "Did you ever hear of Bailey?" "Well," said Bailey, "he is a good speaker, and is going to be there to-day. If you get a chance, yell for him and you will get a speech worth listening to." The traveler promised. The meeting came off, and several speakers were heard. Finally there was a lull, and then some one in the audience began to yell: "B-a-i-l-e-y! B-a-i-l-e-y!" The master of ceremonies turned to Bailey and led him to the rostrum. Bailey started to speak, but the shouters continued to yell "B-a-i-l-e-y!" Bailey stopped. The master of ceremonies said, genially: "If our friend will keep still Mr. Bailey will continue his address. The gentleman speaking is Mr. Bailey." The only reply to this was a howl of disgust from the man who had been making all the noise, and he blurted out: "Why, that's the long-haired galoot that told me to holler for Bailey!"—N. Y. Tribune.

**No Business to Notice It.**

See the young woman at the railway station.

She is waiting to meet relatives who are coming on the train.

See her rush eagerly to meet them.

They have come.

They are her dear cousins.

See the haste with which she runs to kiss Cousin Arabella.

She doesn't lose an instant.

But she is not in such a hurry to kiss Cousin Jack.

When she sees him approaching she does not hasten.

She seems almost provoked because he wants to kiss her.

She keeps him waiting while—

She lifts her veil.—Chicago Tribune.

**At the Eleventh Hour.**

Deacon Yallerby (with austerity)—I see dat yo' had chickens fo' dinnah las' Sunday, Er'er Blackie, though yo' am so long out o' work.

Mose Blackie—Ya-as, deacon; I got er little job 'round a hen-house late Saturday night!—Texas Siftings.

**THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.**

OF NEW YORK.

**RICHARD A. McCURDY President.**

**Statement for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1895.**

Assets	\$221,213,721 33
Liabilities	194,347,157 58
Surplus	\$26,866,563 75
Total Income	\$48,597,430 51
Total Paid Policy-holders in 1895,	\$23,126,728 45
Insurance and Annuities in force,	\$899,074,453 78
Net gain in 1895	\$61,647,645 36

NOTE—Insurance merely written, is discarded from this Statement as wholly misleading, and only insurance actually issued and paid for in cash is included.

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct.

**CHARLES A. PRELLER, Auditor.**

From the Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

**Report of the Examining Committee.**

Office of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York,  
February 11, 1896.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of this Company, held on the 18th day of December last, the undersigned were appointed a Committee to examine the annual Statement for the year ending December 31st, 1895, and to verify the same by comparison with the assets of the Company.

The Committee have carefully performed the duty assigned to them, and hereby certify that the Statement is in all particulars correct and that the assets specified therein are in possession of the Company.

In making this certificate the Committee bear testimony to the high character of the investments of the Company and express their approval of the system, order and accuracy with which the accounts and vouchers have been kept, and the business in general transacted.

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**SCENE IN A COURTROOM**

Convicted Murderer Piteously Begged the Judge For Mercy.

**LIFE SENTENCE GIVEN HIM.**

The Man Had Committed a Double Murder and Destroyed His Son's Eye. During His Trial He Asked to Be Taken Away and Executed.

BROOKLYN, April 21.—Judge Hurd, sitting in the court room today, sentenced Franz Michael Schwab, the Williamsburg murderer, who on Feb. 18 killed his wife and grandchild and shot his son Bernard's eye out, to life imprisonment at Sing Sing.

The shooting with which he had been charged was the culmination of a series of quarrels which Schwab had with his wife respecting her conduct. He insisted that Bernard was not his son and that his wife was consorting with Adam Schaffer. He was convicted on last Thursday.

During his trial twice Schwab lost control of himself, burst out crying and jumping up begged to be put out of his misery. Once he shouted: "Take me away. Why do you want to try me? I did the crime. Hang me and put me out of my misery."

When he was arraigned for sentence this morning, Schwab was in a more nervous condition than he had been before. When he took his stand before Clerk Joseph Winter, he trembled. He gave his age in a broken voice, but when he was asked if his parents were living he broke down and cried bitterly. His sobs and moans could be heard in the courthouse corridors up stairs.

It took some time to get from him the statistics required by law. This over, Judge Hurd said: "Have you anything to say my sentence should not be passed?" The interpreter repeated the question. It was the occasion for a fresh outburst on the part of Schwab. His frame tottered, and a court officer brought him a chair.

A long pause, during which Schwab partially recovered himself, ensued. Then his lawyer, Mr. Coler, said that he had nothing to say. Judge Hurd said: "Schwab, it is only due to the loyalty of your sons, York and Coler, that you do not stand here for execution of death for the brutal and inexcusable murder of your wife and grandchild and the maiming of your son Bernard. The sentence of the court is that you be confined at hard labor in the state prison at Sing Sing for the term of your natural life."

Schwab threw up both hands and uttered a series of piercing shrieks that brought crowds running from all directions to the courtroom. He jabbered out in German: "Oh, save me, save me! Have mercy! Forgive me! Put me out of my misery! Oh, judge, save me!"

He kept ejaculating these words till two officers seized him and tried to lead him away. He sank to the floor between them, and they had to drag him to the pen. Before they had disappeared he ceased screaming and only moaned feebly. He had collapsed.

An ambulance was summoned, and the surgeon attended the man in his cell. He was conveyed later to Raymond Street jail and was taken to Sing Sing this afternoon.

**DEATH CHAIR SUBJECTS.**

Double Electrical Execution at Sing Sing on Next Thursday.

SING SING, April 21.—The invitations to the two executions at Sing Sing prison this week have been sent out by Warden Sage. Julius P. Herman and Charles Paetlik, the two wife murderers, will pay the death penalty for their crimes in the electric chair on Thursday shortly after 11 o'clock.

Warden Sage said today that the reason he had decided to postpone the executions until Thursday was in order that the two murderers would have some time to prepare for death. They have not been notified when they will be executed, and the first they will know about the date will be when the warden goes into their cells to tell them to go to the death chair.

The cases of the two men were taken to the court of appeals after their conviction and on April 14 were decided against them. Their date of the execution was set for the week beginning April 19. When the appeal was taken, it was thought that the court of appeals would set aside their cases until after the date fixed for the executions had expired. This would necessitate the resentencing of the two men, and the executions would go over several months. Neither man made any preparation to meet death, and when the case was decided against them Warden Sage said he would give them time to prepare themselves.

Both men informed the warden when he told them there was no hope for them that they were ready and willing to meet death. They only asked the warden to feed them well until they were summoned to die.

The machinery in the deathhouse has been tested, and everything is in readiness for the execution. State Electrician Davis will have charge of the executions. This will make the second time in the history of Sing Sing that there was more than a single execution at one time. The first was when the law was first put in force, when four murderers paid the penalty in the death chair during the administration of Warden Brown.

**STATEN ISLAND'S MYSTERY.**  
Searching Parties Have Been Unable to Find the Missing Bride.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Although search has been actively kept up for young Mrs. Constance Clauson, who mysteriously disappeared from her home in Stapleton, N. Y., no clue to her whereabouts has been discovered.

The young woman returned from her wedding trip on Thursday last, and a house warning was to have been given on Saturday evening. The silver wedding of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Zentgraf, was also to have been celebrated on Saturday evening, but Mrs. Clauson disappeared on the day of the intended festivities.

The invited guests formed themselves into a searching party, and the whole neighborhood was gone over to see if anything had been seen of the missing bride. No one had noticed her, and then the Staten Island and New York police were notified. The search was kept up the greater part of Saturday night, was resumed early Sunday morning and continued until today, but no trace of the missing woman could be discovered.

Her husband was on the front piazza of his house as early as 5 o'clock this morning walking up and down in a distracted manner and inquiring of every one who came along whether or not his wife had been found.

**The Burden Thieves.**

LONDON, April 21.—Warrants for the extradition to the United States of William Dunlop and William Turner, the two men arrested here on the charge of being in possession of stolen jewelry recognized as having been the property of Mr. I. Townsend Burden of New York, were granted today.

**Good News From Balawayo.**  
LONDON, April 21.—The Exchange Telegraph company says that better news was received from Buawayo today by the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. The wagon train of provisions from the south is said to have succeeded in entering the beleaguered town.

**Prince Ferdinand at St. Petersburg.**  
ST. PETERSBURG, April 21.—Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria has arrived in this city from Constantinople. The czar gave a banquet in his honor at the Winter palace. Among the guests were Prince Lobanoff Rostovski, the foreign minister, and M. Stoloff, the Bulgarian prime minister.

**Big Sale of Whisky.**  
CHICAGO, April 21.—In settling up the estate of two members of a large wholesale liquor house, both deceased, a sale of old whisky, involving \$600,000, was made today to a Louisville house.

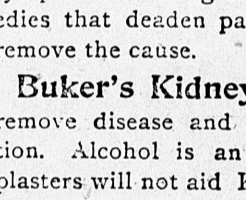
**Navigation Open on Lake Champlain.**  
WHITEHALL, N. Y., April 21.—Navigation on Lake Champlain was opened, the steamer Chateaugay crossing from Burlington to Plattsburg.

**Mrs. Sarah Mercur Dead.**  
TOWANDA, April 21.—Mrs. Sarah Mercur, widow of the late Chief Justice Mercur, died at her home in this city this morning.

**Kellon Appointed.**  
CONCORD, N. H., April 20.—Franklin P. Kellon of this city, well known in banking and financial circles, has been appointed a national bank examiner of New Hampshire to succeed Arthur M. Heard, resigned.

**In Favor of the Women.**  
OLD TOWN, Me., April 20.—The East Maine Methodist conference, by a vote of 55 to 10, has declared itself in favor of admitting either male or female lay delegates to the general conference.

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