

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

POINTED ITEMS CHRONICLING THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS.

The Record of Crimes, Accidents and Other Matters of General Interest to the Public at Large, Given in Few Words for the Benefit of Those Who Are in a Hurry.

John Rosekrans, a laborer, aged 39 years and married, was crushed to death in a freight elevator at John G. Dyer's drygoods store, Albany, by being caught between the floor and the elevator.

DEPUTY MARSHAL DALEY'S STORY.

Shooting of Deputy Sheriff Allen as Cripple Creek.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., March 19.—Deputy Marshal Daley of Altman, who acknowledged that he fired the shot that wounded Deputy Sheriff Allen, given the following account of the fracas:

"Somebody had spread the report around Altman in the afternoon that a force of men were coming to burn our little town. Twelve deputy marshals were sworn in to assist in preserving order.

THE TROY INQUEST.

WITNESSES IDENTIFY M'GOUGH AS ROSS' SLAYER.

Two Men Tightly to Having Seen the Prisoner Struggling with the Murdered Man, and One Claims to Have Seen the Fatal Shot Fired.

TROY, N. Y., March 20.—The Robert Ross murder inquest was full of sensation. M'Gough was identified by two witnesses as the man who shot Ross.

Edward Copperly had voted the fatal shot. He had heard somebody say while at the polling place, 'Here comes the repeater.' Two of them voted and then he saw Cleary fighting at the door with Hayner. Shee helped him and pulled out a revolver, saying, 'I use this, too.'

I saw Robert Ross, he continued, 'trying to knock a revolver out of a man's hand.' That man was the prisoner M'Gough. Ross had neither a club or pistol in his hand. They went over the embankment together. Then I saw M'Gough fire at Ross. I picked up a club from the place where they were first suffling. I went back to telephone for the ambulance, believing that Ross was shot.

DA GAMA SAILS AWAY.

Portuguese Refuse to Surrender to British.

Rio JANEIRO, March 19.—In view of the course of events here it is thought that the impartial observers that the Portuguese government does not intend to surrender to the command of British naval forces in this city.

Admiral Da Gama took a flight on the Portuguese corvette Mincos when the insurrection here collapsed. Admiral Peizoto demanded that the admiral and the officers who were with him be delivered into his hands. The Portuguese minister declined to order the commander of the Mincos to surrender the fugitives, and President Peizoto appealed, it is said, to the Portuguese government to instruct its minister to der the surrender of the insurgent officers.

Whether a reply has been received to this request or not cannot be definitely stated, but the Mincos and the Albatros, another Portuguese warship, having on board Admiral Da Gama and 70 of his officers, put to sea.

It had been thought in some quarters that if the vessels attempted to leave the bay the fugitives on board would be cut off. There was no doubt, however, the slightest opposition made to their departure and, as a matter of fact, trouble arising from this source was never probable.

The destination of the warships is not known. It is conjectured that they will go south to Montevideo and land there if urgent officers there.

If they are landed at Montevideo they can easily, if they are so disposed, join the insurgents in the states of Sao Paulo and Rio Grande do Sul, who are still in armed opposition to the government.

Nothing said regarding their movements, however, is merely speculative. The officers have succeeded in getting out of the bay is a matter of great rejoicing among their friends in this city.

There is no doubt in the minds of anybody that had the admiral been surrendered to the government, his trial by a drumhead courtmartial would have quickly followed. There could have been only one result of this trial and that would have been sentence of death.

Yellow fever continues epidemic. The deaths from the disease average 7 a day.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

"Ouida" expresses the opinion that the nineteenth century clothing of the Englishman is "the most frightful, grotesque and disgraceful costume the world has ever seen."

Professor Bell, the inventor of the telephone, has been grappling with aerial locomotion in Nova Scotia, and, like all other experimenters in that science, he is very hopeful of success.

Rev. William J. Potter of New Bedford, whose death has recently been reported, was the only clergyman drafted during the war. Leave of absence was granted him by his church, and he served out his term.

Madagascar, the celebrated chief-tain whose death is announced in a Cape Town, Africa, dispatch, was the original of Rider Haggard's 'Ayesha,' or 'She.' Her legal heir (there is no female successor left) is Kashaan III, a Christian.

In his history of the last moments of Lincoln Horatio King relates that Stanton, when the attending physician, with his finger on the great martyr's pulse, announced that the end had come, said with deep feeling, 'He now belongs to the ages.'

In talking over old times in Boston and Cambridge Colonel Thomas Wentworth Higginson, who has just celebrated his seventieth birthday, recently gave interesting testimony to the decline of drinking among the students of Harvard university.

Andrew J. Davis, a lately deceased Montanan of great wealth, was not noted for his liberality as a rule, but to a friend who was in financial straits he once sent a check for \$100,000 with the message: 'Pay me if you can; if you cannot, never mention it.'

The testimony of Edward Solomon in a British court that his earnings when in the full flow of musical composition are nearly \$300 a day is edifying. The astonished counsel in the case admitted that this was more remunerative than a lawyer's earnings.

One of the wealthiest men in the Argentine republic is Senior Jose Guazone, the "wheat king." He owns 63,000 acres of land, according to South American papers. He went to Buenos Ayres in 1875, when 20 years old, with only a few dollars in his pocket.

Sig Crispi is a man of robust physique, with an extraordinary capacity for work. He rises early, does not waste a moment of the day, and puts all his time to the best possible use. He is most abstemious in eating and drinking, and for a period of four years did not once go to the theater, though he is fond of the drama. Society bores him, and his politeness and charm of manner are consequently lost to it.

In a conversation with a visitor from Boston George W. Childs once said there was never any jealousy between Grant and Sherman, though there have been reports that such jealousy did exist, and related Grant's criticism of Kaufman's painting, the "March to the Sea," which hangs in the hall of the editor's house at Long Branch. In the picture Sherman is represented seated before his tent devoid of coat and vest but clad in a fine white shirt. Grant's first remark when he saw the painting was: 'It's excellent and looks just like Sherman, but I never saw him with a boiled shirt on.'

MINOR MISCELLANY. Cocoa was sent to Europe from Mexico in 1520.

In this country 65 per cent of public school teachers are women.

The receipts of American railways from their passenger travel last year amounted to \$140,000,000.

The only objection to American wheat and flour in Germany is that they are too fine and costly.

The sapphire which adorns the summit of the English crown is the same that Edward the Confessor wore in his ring.

The amount of gold coin in actual circulation in the world is estimated by the Bank of England officials to be about 865 tons.

Great Britain has 3,789 cannon; France, 7,694; Germany, 5,380; Russia, 4,424; Austria, 2,180; the United States, 4,155; the world has 41,073.

The onion is one of the oldest of edible vegetables. It is supposed to have been a native of India, and the Egyptians knew it 3,000 years ago.

There are now over 4,500 nursery gardens in the United States, covering 173,800 acres of ground. Over half of the gardens are located in the Northern Central states.

On Germantown avenue, Philadelphia, there is displayed a sign reading, "Raylings made Here," and opposite, in front of a painter's shop, another says, "No them Raylings opposite were not painted by us."

A considerable percentage of the 16,000 Portuguese in the United States are whalers on the Pacific coast, so many, indeed, that the Portuguese residents have engaged in whaling a larger proportion of their number than any other nationality has in the same business.

A buried kettle containing several hundred dollars in gold, silver and copper coin has been discovered near Groton, Vt. The kettle was two feet under the ground, with a large flat stone over it. The coins are American, Mexican, Bolivian and of other South American countries.

Thomas Kennedy, a desperado who murdered a hotel proprietor in Potter county, Pennsylvania, three months ago, and for whose arrest there is a standing reward of \$500, came down from the mountains and terrorized the people of Cascade three days. He whipped nearly every man he came across and shot holes in the hats of others. He left when the police arrived from Williamsport.

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