

**LINEMEN TOUCHED LIVE WIRE.**

Is Instantly Killed—His Body Hung in Midair for Some Time.  
Atlanta, July 10.—Stricken by a live wire which he had accidentally touched, D. S. Demars, a lineman who was working at the corner of Jackson street and North Boulevard, hung suspended in the air until fellow workmen could extricate the body and lower it to the ground with ropes.

For many minutes the dead man hung from the end of an arm on an electric light pole, his foot having caught in the wires. His head was swinging below the wires and the blood flowed from a great burned place in his left side. Other workmen had to ascend the pole, cut away the wires and tie a rope to the swinging body, when it was carefully lowered to the ground.

Demars was alone on the pole repairing wires. He accidentally let his left arm touch a live wire as he tried to throw a hand over it. The shock was so great that he was thrown away from the pole, where he struck other live wires. His foot caught in the wires fastened to an arm on the pole and kept him from falling to the ground.

**FERRYMEN DROWN IN VIRGINIA.**

Bridal Couple on Boat Narrowly Escape Similar Fate.

Danville, Va., July 10.—Hampton Oakes, white, and James Pannell, a negro ferryman, at Towler's ferry, on Staunton river, were drowned while rowing a party across the river yesterday evening.

In the boat were J. A. Ferguson and his bride of a few hours, Rev. Mr. Brooks, the minister who had married them, Walter Johnston and the two men that were drowned. The cable connecting the boat with the overhead cable broke, causing the boat to turn with the current and fill. Pannell and Oakes, seeing the danger, jumped and were immediately drowned. Johnston climbed to the overhead cable and after hard work succeeded in towing the boat ashore.

The bridal couple and the minister were taken from the water nearly exhausted. The buggy in which the couple were driving was washed overboard and the horse drowned. The minister's horse lodged in a tree and was afterwards rescued.

**Georgia Veterans to Meet.**

Macon, Ga., July 10.—The veterans, sons of veterans, mayor and council, Macon fair association and chamber of commerce, met with the executive committee of the Georgia division of confederate veterans and decided that October 24 and 25 would be suitable dates for holding the Georgia reunion at Macon next fall. This will be on the occasion of the first two days of the Georgia Farmers' Fair and Live Stock exposition. Special attractions and entertainment will be prepared for the veterans by the fair management. On Oct. 26 the Georgia division of the daughters of the confederacy will hold a convention here and inducements will be offered for them to meet at the fair grounds.

**While Being Cursed Fell Dead.**

Columbia, S. C., July 10.—W. J. Rollins dropped dead at Lucknow, Lee county, as the result of a dispute. Some of the citizens decided to clean a ditch and Rollins was overseeing the work. Peebles said he would help and secured a hoe and began work. The two men disagreed as to how the work should be done. Peebles became offended and went home. Later Rollins went by Peebles' house to explain the matter more fully. Peebles being already mad, ordered Rollins away, cursing him. Rollins went to the well, which is in full view of Peebles' piazza. While standing there he fell dead, with Peebles still cursing him.

**Noted Moonshiner Captured.**

Raleigh, N. C., July 10.—The United States deputy marshal and four of his assistants have arrested after a desperate struggle Columbus Edwards, a white man, who has for 25 years been, perhaps, the most daring moonshiner in Piedmont North Carolina. It required the strength of all five of the men to overpower and handcuff Edwards, who styles himself "the Red Fox," and whose boast is that for a quarter of a century he had been too sly for the best revenue officers in the service. He is in jail.

**Tennesseean Waylaid and Killed.**

Chattanooga, Tenn., July 10.—A special to the News from Pikeville, Tenn., says that W. S. Tolleite, vice president of the Ferguson house here and brother of the state senator, E. G. Tolleite, of Crossville, was waylaid and shot to death early this morning while coming from his farm. No cause is known for the crime. The murderer has not been captured.

**Mr. Cleveland Will Not Retire.**

New York, July 10.—In relation to a report that Grover Cleveland was considering retiring from the trusteeship of the Equitable Life Assurance society, Mr. Cleveland authorized the following statement: "Nothing has occurred thus far to dissatisfy me in the least, and the idea of retiring from the trusteeship has never entered my mind."

**INSIDE TIP GIVEN  
COTTON BROKERS**

**Government Statistics on Cotton Crop Leaks Out.**

**IN LEAGUE WITH THE BROKERS**

This Outcome is the Result of an Investigation Started by the Cotton Planters' Association, Who Charged that Information Leaked Out.

Washington, July 10.—As a result of the investigation by secret service agents into the charges made by Ricard Cneatham, secretary of the Cotton Planters' association, that information had been given to cotton brokers in New York by some person or persons in the bureau of statistics, department of agriculture, Secretary Wilson today made public an official report in which he states that Edwin S. Holmes, the associate statistician has been guilty of "juggling" the official report. The report says:

"It has been found that Mr. Holmes communicated advance information to L. C. Van Riper, a New York broker, and M. Haas, of New York, who acted as a go-between in conveying information from Holmes to other New York brokers, including Theodore Price. Steps have been taken by Secretary Wilson to prevent any further leakage of the department figures and an entire reorganization of the bureau of statistics and manner of preparing monthly crop reports has been outlined by him. The papers in connection with the investigation were referred to the United States attorney for the District of Columbia and he has reported that in his opinion a criminal prosecution will not lie against Holmes. Holmes has been dismissed from the service of the department.

According to the report, Wilson Judd of New York, formerly in the employ of L. N. Van Riper induced the latter to tell of his connection with Holmes and then made the information to Mr. Cheatham. Van Riper became the principal witness in the investigation conducted by the secretary service and said he was induced to communicate the fact that advance information was given out by Holmes because he had heard that Holmes and his associates had intended to try to manipulate the June cotton report.

Using this information as a foundation, the secret service agents interviewed numerous persons who had been mentioned by Judson and Van Riper as well as gathering a mass of correspondence including many letters written by Holmes to Van Riper and others. The report made to Secretary Wilson and the secretary's comments, together with details of the new plan of conducting the bureau of statistics, makes more than 4,000 words. It reviews the entire investigation beginning with the charges that were laid before Secretary Wilson by Mr. Cheatham several weeks ago. The charges by Mr. Cheatham were backed up with certain evidence that information had been given to cotton brokers in New York by some person or persons employed in the bureau of statistics, relative to the acreage and condition of the cotton crop of the United States prior to the official publication of the information and that the crop figures had been tampered with in the department in the interests of certain cotton speculators. (Secretary Wilson determined once upon a thorough investigation and furnished to officers of the United States secret service all of the evidence which had been given to the department. Agents then were put in touch with Mr. Cheatham and directed to use every possible effort to ascertain whether there had been a leak in the department, and if so to furnish the secretary with the name of the person or persons responsible. Holmes is the only employe of the government who has been found to have had any connection with supplying information to brokers prior to the publication of the official report.

After reviewing the charges Secretary Wilson gives a summary of the testimony adduced before secret service agents. Mr. Van Riper, the New York broker under examination said he became acquainted with Mr. Holmes in New York in Aug., 1904, through a "mutual friend." According to this testimony Holmes told Mr. Van Riper he could get information concerning the government crop report, principally through the report of the general agents and the report of the state agents. Van Riper said Holmes furnished him with information from time to time for several months in advance of the publication of official figures and that the information furnished by Holmes corresponded exactly with the figures afterward published as the official crop report.

**Price Denies Everything.**

New York, July 10.—Theodore H. Price, the New York cotton broker, today declared that he had no acquaintances with or knowledge of either T. C. Van Riper or M. Haas, from whom he is said in a report of the department of agriculture, to have received information concerning the cotton crop

**ELEVEN MEN ARE DROWNED.**

They Were Thrown From Boat Into Swift Flowing Water.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., July 10.—A terrible accident occurred at Little Falls dam, and eleven lost their lives in the water.

A crew of 74 men had been sent out by the Chippewa Lumber and Broom company to break a log jam below the falls.

A crew of 15 men started in a boat for the center of the stream. Louis Gokey and Andrew Cagnon were running the boat, which was overloaded, and as it touched the lower end of the jam three men jumped and landed safely on the logs.

The other 12, however, were carried away into the wild rapids, where the boat was capsized, throwing all into the water. They were all good swimmers, but the water was too swift, and only one succeeded in saving himself. He was a 17-year-old boy, Eddie Martin of Chippewa Falls.

**SEPARATE CARS FOR NEGROES.**

Senator Strange Introduces Bill—Legislature Adjourns 'Till Monday.

Atlanta, July 10.—Senator Strange, of Bulloch county, wants the negroes who ride on street cars to have separate cars or compartments provided for them and in the senate he introduced a bill which, if passed, will require all street car companies doing business in Georgia to provide separate cars or compartments for the negroes.

The senate passed the house resolution concerning the Chinese exclusion act, and after the resolution was read it was lost.

Owing to the fact that no committees have been appointed there will be no session of either the house or the senate until Monday morning. At the conclusion of business in both branches of the general assembly motions to adjourn until Monday morning were made and carried, and a majority of the members of the house and senate will go to their homes Friday night.

**Women Drowned While Bathing.**

Knoxville, Tenn., July 10.—Miss Maggie Thorin and Miss Ellen Olsen, a native of Sweden, who were guests of the wife of President Perrin, of the Embreeville Iron company, at Embreeville, Tenn., were drowned in the Nola Chucky river, near Embreeville, while in bathing. The two women had started to wade across the river hand in hand, when Miss Olsen, who was in front, stepped into water 15 feet deep, dragging Miss Thorin with her. When they began strangling, Miss Zelna Johnston, who was on the bank screamed for help and a man responded, but he did not arrive until Miss Olser and Miss Thorin had sunk for the third time. Both bodies were recovered.

**Authorities May Clash.**

Georgetown, Ky., July 10.—It has been stated here today that Judge Sloat, of the circuit court, who is to call the case of Caleb Powers for trial on Monday, has given orders to Jailer Finley not to allow, under any circumstances, the transfer of Powers from his charge, until after the trial. No matter what decision was made by Judge Cochran, and that the prosecuting attorney concurs in the order. As Judge Cochran granted the writ of habeas corpus, and directed that Powers be taken to the jail at Newport, Ky., a clash of authority may occur when the order of the United States judge is put into effect.

**Tragedy in Tennessee Town.**

Nashville, Tenn., July 10.—A terrible tragedy occurred on the main thoroughfare of Dickson, Tenn., this morning in which Dr. E. W. Reddings, the town's leading physician, was shot five times by J. E. Fowler, a musician. Fowler charged Reddings with ruining his home. The wounded man is in a critical condition and can live but a short while. Fowler is believed to be insane. The tragedy has caused the intensest excitement at Dickson.

**Negro Riddled by Mob.**

Shelbyville, Ky., July 10.—Lon Beard, a negro, who had been arrested on the charge of assaulting Mrs. Chester Crawford, of Normandy, was lynched at that place. He was being taken from Taylorsville to Shelbyville for safekeeping, but when the train arrived at Normandy a mob of about 25 men entered the day coach and riddled Beard with bullets as he sat in his seat.

**Insurance Man Comits Suicide.**

Spokane, Wash., July 10.—F. C. Boyd, aged 35, assistant general agent of the Hamburg-Bremen Insurance company, has committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. Boyd was heavily interested in the Big Bend Naval Bank of Davenport, Wash. C. C. May, president of the bank, was arrested in Berlin. It is believed his mind was unbalanced.

**New Officers Are Elected.**

Paducah, Ky., July 10.—The members of the American Microscopical society have elected the following officers: President, Simon H. Gage, Cornell university, Ithaca, N. Y.; secretary, R. H. Wolcott, university of Nebraska, Lincoln; treasurer, J. C. Smith, New Orleans, La.

**JAPANESE ENVOYS  
SAIL FOR AMERICA**

Enthusiastically Cheered As Steamship Departs.

**BANDS PLAY PATRIOTIC AIRS**

Baron Jutaro Komura and Minister

Kogoro Takohira Will Represent Japan at Peace Conference To Be Held at Our National Capital.

Yokohama, Japan, July 10.—The steamer Minnesota of the great northern line having on board the Japanese peace plenipotentiaries sailed from this point for Seattle at 4:30 this afternoon. The governor of Yokohama and the civic bodies escorted the plenipotentiaries to the pier, where they were received by a military guard. At the pier the plenipotentiaries and their suites entered launches and were con-



BARON JUTARO KOMURA.

veyed to the Minnesota which was dressed with flags as were all other ships in the harbor.

The Marquis Ito, Premier Katsura, the other members of the cabinet, Mr. Grisoom, the American minister and the staff of the legation, were among those who accompanied Baron Komura and his party to the Minnesota. An enormous crowd of Japanese and foreigners with bands of music assembled at the water front and general enthusiasm was manifested, the bands playing patriotic airs and the crowd discharging fireworks.

On arriving on board the Minnesota Baron Komura and those who accompanied him partook of a collation af-



KOGORO TAKAHIRA.

ter which the ship sailed amid a storm of "banzais." The Japanese guardship, Takao, fired a salute of 19 guns as the Minnesota put to sea escorted by a torpedo boat and a naval steamer specially detailed to convoy her out of Tokio bay.

The Japanese peace plenipotentiaries are Baron Jutaro Komura and Kogoro Takahira, the Japanese minister to the United States. Accompanying Baron Komura from Japan are so far as is ascertainable here Colonel Tachino, of the war office; M. Yamada, director of the bureau of political affairs; M. Saito, director of the bureau of information, and H. W. Denison, (American) adviser of the foreign office and a number of interpreters, clerks and others appointed to assist the plenipotentiaries. Premier Katsura will act as foreign minister during the absence of Baron Komura.

**Socialists Bar Policemen.**

Chicago, July 10.—Militiamen, policemen, deputy sheriffs and other officers of the law are to be barred forever from membership in the industrial workers of the world, as the Socialist leaders have styled their new labor organization. Resolutions declaring against the admission of police officers into the new union were adopted unanimously at the convention now in session here.

**Killed His Idiotic Son.**

Morrisville, Pa., July 10.—Driven to distraction by remorse and the ever haunting memory of his crime, Gustav A. Clossou, 62 years old, has confessed that he murdered his 11-year-old son because the child was an idiot. Clossou deliberately planned, he says, to kill his two boys, both of whom had been mentally deficient from babyhood, because their presence annoyed him.

**WOMAN SAVES FIREMEN'S LIVES**

They Were Overcome by "Back Draught" In New York Fire.

New York, July 10.—Miss Caroline Baumgartner, of this city, saved the lives of a number of persons who had been overcome by the "back draught" in a serious fire in the Wing building in Ninth avenue.

She once spent a few weeks at a training school for nurses and when she saw several firemen lying on the sidewalk, some of them unconscious, she insisted on caring for them until the arrival of the physicians summoned to the scene. The first man she attended had been given up for dead, but she dispatched a bystander for whisky, ice, water and ammonia, and by diligent efforts induced artificial respiration. Seeing that the patient was unconscious she ran into the roadway and treated another injured man and then another, kneeling in the muddy gutter, calmly at work with bandages, and ammonia, while the crowd of onlookers encouraged her.

**China Refused Russia's Request.**

Pekin, July 10.—M. Pokotiloff, the Russian minister at Peking, has left for Washington. Prior to his departure, he requested the board of foreign affairs to sanction the dispatch of a small body of Russian soldiers as an escort to the Dalai Lama to the borders of Tibet. The Chinese replied that an escort was superfluous and refused their consent. Russia is apparently desirous to emphasize the fact that Lama is under their protection and it is reported that the Lama is drawing funds from a Russian bank at Kiachta. Minister Pokotiloff recently privately interviewed the Lama at Urga and gave him presents. The Lama is still at Urga.

**Pension Examining Surgeons Meet.**

Chicago, July 10.—The National Association of pension examining surgeons has convened here for a two days' session, with 125 pension examiners, representing 4,500 members of the pension board in attendance. In order to further the movement toward doing away with whatever friction exists between the pension boards and the pension authorities at Washington, Dr. Sam Houston, medical referee of the pension bureau, was invited to attend the convention. The convention will be devoted largely to the reading of papers on diseases peculiar to old soldiers.

**Excursions for Endeavorers.**

Baltimore, July 10.—Today is "Excursion Day" to the 30,000 Christian Endeavorers now attending the national convention of the society. The visitors and delegates are off today on three different excursions to Washington, where District Commissioner McFarland will deliver an address from the capitol steps, one to the battlefield of Gettysburg; one down the Chesapeake which will include pastors and visitors. Among the guests are Governor Warfield and Mayor Timanus and their families. All will return in time to attend a "camp-fire" which will be held in Armory hall tonight.

**Elks to Meet in Buffalo.**

Louisville, July 10.—Robert W. Brown, chairman of the board of grand trustees of the Order of Elks, left today for Buffalo. The Louisville delegation to the National convention tomorrow on a special train Pullman cars via the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern and the Big Four. The Louisville headquarters will be at the hotel Iroquois and the delegation will entertain lavishly there and at the hotel Ellicott. Mr. Brown will resign as chairman of the trustees board and it is understood he has no opposition for the office of grand exalted ruler.

**Lone Highwayman Robs Stage.**

Meadows, Idaho, July 10.—The stage from Warren to Meadows has been held up by a lone highwayman near Resort station. The bandit covered the driver with two automatic revolvers and compelled him to cut open the mail sacks and throw them down. He then removed all the registered letters. Two passengers and the driver were lined up and relieved of their valuables. The robber then coolly walked away with his plunder, amounting to \$1,200 to \$1,500. He was unmasked.

**Occasional Collision of Arms.**

Tokio, July 8.—1 p. m.—The following dispatch has been received from the Japanese army headquarters in Manchuria: "Occasional collisions take place between scouts on both sides of the railroad along the Fenghua Kaih Yuen and Kwangping roads. The enemy is being gradually driven northward."

**Kansas Can't Build Refinery.**

Topeka, Kans., July 10.—The law passed by the legislature last winter appropriating \$410,000 to build an independent oil refinery at Peru was today declared unconstitutional by the state supreme court in an opinion rendered by Associate Justice Greene.

**Liabilities \$357,645; Assets \$260.**

Chicago, July 10.—Louis M. Spencer, a life insurance and bond agent, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court. He places his liabilities at \$357,645 and his assets at \$260.

**MUTINEERS AT LAST  
SURRENDER WARSHIP**

**Kniaz Potemkine Turned Over To Roumania Officials.**

**TURKEY ORDERED TO SINK SHIP**

The Mutineers Offer the Warship to Roumania as a Present and Want Passports Furnished them by that Government.

KUSTENJI, Roumania, July 10.—The mutinous crew of the Kniaz Potemkine and her consort, the rebel torpedo boat, have surrendered to the Roumanian authorities, have landed and are now being dispatched in small parties to different places in Roumania.

Kustenji, Roumania, July 10.—The mutineers on the Kniaz Potemkine have offered to surrender as deserters and the Roumanian authorities have demanded the breech blocks of the battleship's guns as a pledge of good faith.

The formal announcement of the surrender of the mutineers is expected shortly.

The mutineers have offered to present the battleship to the Roumanian government as they declare they are anxious that she should not be handed over to Russia.

The Kniaz Potemkine arrived here today accompanied by a torpedo boat and now lies in the outer harbor near the Russian guardship Psezooupe. The Roumanian cruiser Elisabata and the training ship Mircea are in close proximity. General Angelesc, commanding the Dobruja division, and the port commander, proceeded to the battleship to demand an explanation of the reasons for her reappearance in Roumanian waters.

Soon after she had anchored the Kniaz Potemkine began exchanging signals with the Royal guardship Psezooupe. The appearance of the Potemkine and the rumors concerning an intended surrender, caused the greatest excitement in Kustenji, and attracted large crowds to the sea front.

The mutineers asked the Roumanian authorities to guarantee that they would furnish the sailors who surrender with the Roumanian passports and also guarantee that they shall not be extradited to Russia. The local authorities are waiting for instructions from Bucharest, and in the meantime the commander of the port is preparing a berth for the Kniaz Potemkine.

**Sink Ship Says Russia.**

Constantinople, July 10.—The Russian embassy has authorized Turkey to sink the Russian battleship Kniaz Potemkine if she appears at the entrance of the Bosphorus. The ports called the attention of the embassy to the possibility of the battleship attempting to force a battle off the Bosphorus and asked what ought to be done under such circumstances. "Sink her without hesitation," was the reply.

The Turkish dispatch boat Issedin, consequently, was sent to try to communicate with the Kniaz Potemkine at the entrance of the Bosphorus, which will be sunk if possible.

**Detailed Account of Lodz Riot.**

St. Petersburg, July 10.—The Official Messenger this morning prints a detailed account of the disturbance at Lodz, and editorially declares that they were unjustified by local economic conditions and were fomented by revolutionary, socialist and Jewish agitators. The account says that the disturbances culminated June 23 in an open conflict between the troops by the rioters. On that day 160 of the rioters were killed and 152 wounded. An officers and three soldiers were wounded and two police agents were wounded and many others, while \$50,000,000 worth of property was destroyed.

**Wealthy Chicagoan Found Dead.**

Chicago, July 10.—Leverett L. Hull, wealthy, and a member of the firm of Hull & Co., coal and coke dealer, was found dead in his room today at the Union club, where he had lived for the past ten years. Dr. W. A. D. Montgomery, who arrived shortly after Mr. Hull's death, thinks Mr. Hull died of heart disease. A bottle containing corrosive sublimate was found in the room, but Mr. Hull's friends place no credence in a theory of suicide. Dr. Montgomery said he had prescribed corrosive sublimate as a lotion for an affection of the skin, a disease that had annoyed Mr. Hull for some time.

**Canadian Sailors Mutiny.**

Halifax, N. S., July 10.—The attempt of the government to transfer Canadian mails from the Allan line turbine steamship Virginia to Sydney and thence to Montreal by rail has developed the fact that the crew of the Canadian government cruiser Canada is in open revolt against Captain Kwoon, who is in command of the vessel. Five of the crew are now in jail for refusing duty. The men allege bad treatment; that the decks leak, making the use of the hammocks impossible, and the bedding has not been changed for months.