

# The Thirteen Towns.

FOSSTON, (Polk Co.) MINNESOTA.

A wise man would rather be ignored than be bored.

Men do less than they should unless they do all they can.

Some people wear glasses because they can't believe their own eyes.

Smiles and frowns are little things, but they are powerful for good or evil.

Of things that are in our power are our opinions, impulses, pursuits, avoidances, and, in brief, all that is of our own doing.

There are now upward of 400 rural mail carriers in the United States, and during the year just closed they carried close to 10,000,000 pieces of mail.

Possibly Senator Clark was "turned" down for the crime of raising the price of senate seats to a figure where none but plutocrats could afford to buy them.

A New York clairvoyant told the owner of a stolen horse where the animal could be found. The thief must have refused to give the clairvoyant a commission.

Pretoria, the capital of the Transvaal, is said to be a veritable city of roses. The town nestles among hedges of roses, which grow everywhere in wild profusion. It is fair to assume, however, that "Oom Paul" doesn't do much reclining on beds of them at present.

Those who assert that wine growing countries are largely exempt from the evils of intemperance need not point to France in proof of their assertion. The habitual use of wine often creates the craving which seeks for such stronger stimulants as absinthe or vermouth. Of about three thousand prisoners in the department of the Seine, in which Paris is situated, it is officially stated, more than two thousand were drunkards. The number of suicides induced by habits of intemperance is said to have more than doubled in recent years. Alcoholism is also largely responsible for the fact that thirty-four per cent of the young men conscripted for the army are sent back as unfit.

The great moral reform wave that has been sweeping over the country has subsided. It has failed to crush a single play on the American stage. Rather, it has supplied several most excellent advertising. Seats for "Sapho" in New York are sold four weeks in advance, and a dozen "Sapho" companies are on the road. Banned from a few cities "The Degenerates" enters more than it had intended when it started on the circuit. Other plays are being Sapho-ed and degenerated, to meet the public demand for the sensational. The theater season will be prolonged several weeks. All because the reform wave ran right up against public sentiment.

An eminent physician lately called attention to the important part wars have taken in hospital development. He declared that the Crimean war developed the trained nurse and the training school. In the American civil war, medical men learned that small hospitals, and even hospital tents, are better than large enclosed structures for the sick and wounded. To the knowledge thus gained is due the pavilion tent. It was war, also, it is asserted, that led, not to the discovery, but to the introduction of antiseptic surgery. Medical science will profit by the conflict now in progress in South Africa. Through disease and wounds there treated, benefit will come to the civilized world. Thus out of a great evil may come a great good, for war compels resort to every expedient to save the lives of one's own soldiers, no less than to destroy the lives of those in the hostile army.

The power plant of the Paris exposition has a chimney 289 feet high. Twenty-six feet is below the service of the ground and 263 feet is above the ground. The foundation rests upon an oak piling capped with a concrete block fifty-nine feet in diameter and five feet thick. Upon this is built a truncated cone of masonry fifty-four feet in diameter at the base, and forty-two feet in diameter at the top and eighteen feet six inches high. Into the hollow space in its interior open the tunnels conveying the smoke and gases from the various boiler plants. Above the ground line the chimney consists of a pedestal fifty-two and a half feet high, a shaft 177 feet high and a capital thirty-three feet high. The chimney is built of white brick ornamented with bands, lozenges, crosses, etc., in red, black and enameled brick. On the whole the smokestack is most excellent from an architectural point of view.

"The opening of the baseball season" is a phrase which implies that the season opens everywhere at once. In reality, the season opens in our big country very much as the honey season for the bees, or the season of birds' singing, or the strawberry season, opens—that is to say, not long after New Year's day in Florida, and from that date on to a period several months later in northern Maine. Now that American soldiers have introduced the American game in Havana, San Juan, Manila and Iloilo, baseball has all seasons for its own.

# IS HARD AT WORK

PEOPLE'S PARTY IN NATIONAL CONVENTION AT SIOUX FALLS.

Temporary Organization Elected and Committees Take Up Their Duties - South Dakota Town Makes Good Her Promises-Delegates and Visitors Are Well Taken Care Of - Gov. Lee Welcomes the Convention on Behalf of the State - P. M. Ringdal of Minnesota Temporary Chairman.

Sioux Falls, S. D., May 11.—The national convention of the People's party began business at 2:30 o'clock yesterday in the big tent wigwag on the top of the hill on the western side of the city of Sioux Falls. There have been larger crowds in attendance upon national conventions, and possibly there have been questions upon which more enthusiasm has been manifested but there have been few similar events which have been marked by more evident sincerity of purpose or more pronounced decorum of behavior. It was evident that delegates were there for a well understood purpose, and that whatever that purpose, it was to be carried into effect. The big tent was arrayed in full dress attire for the reception and entertainment of its guests, and the structure proved in every way equal to the service required of it. The accommodations for delegates, for distinguished guests, for the press and for ordinary visitors proved

Exceptionally Good - equal to those of most conventions held in buildings of more permanent character. There were probably 500 delegates in their seats and surrounding them there was a fringe of alternates and visitors numbering 600 to 800. Seats had been provided for a much larger number, but the attendance did not appear meager, and it may be truly remarked that what was lost in attendance was compensated for in enthusiasm. From the arrival of the Minnesota delegation, bearing Bryan and Towne banners, there were outbursts of applause at every convenient opening and upon the slightest provocation. United States Senators Butler, Allen and Helfield received liberal greetings, while Senator Pettigrew was overwhelmed by the cordiality of the welcome accorded him. There was also generous applause when the name of Mr. Bryan was mentioned by the speakers of the day. Many

Sentiments Were Cherished - to the echo, and this was notably the case with Gov. Lee's reference to the Boers and the Filipinos. It should be stated that Sioux Falls is proving entirely equal to the demand of entertaining the convention. The attendance is somewhat smaller than had been anticipated by some of the more sanguine residents, but there are still a very large number of visitors here for a small city to entertain, and there would be confusion but for the exceptional system which prevails in taking care of them.

The convention was called to order shortly after 2 o'clock by Chairman Butler of the national committee. Prayer was offered up by Bishop O'Gorman, and then the call for the convention was read by Secretary Edgerton. Amid applause Senator Butler then introduced Gov. Lee, who, on behalf of the state,

Welcomed the Convention to South Dakota. Fitting response was made by Senator Butler. P. M. Ringdal of Minnesota was then presented to the convention by Chairman Butler as the temporary chairman of the convention. Mr. Ringdal delivered a short address which aroused considerable enthusiasm. Temporary secretaries were appointed and Chairman Ringdal then announced the committees, after which adjournment was taken until 8:30 in the evening.

The evening session was devoted to singing and music. (The convention adjourned to 9 o'clock this morning.) The committee on organization met during the evening and

Agreed Upon Rules for the government of the convention. At a late hour the committee on resolutions was still in session. Among the planks agreed upon were those relating to trusts, imperialism, militarism and finances. At midnight the situation with reference to the vice presidency was still the paramount question among the delegates, and the solution of the problem was apparently as far off as it was when the delegates began to arrive. The present outlook is favorable to Towne, but his opponents are very active.

night it appeared almost certain that Former Congressman Howard of Alabama will head the ticket. His mate is problematical. National Chairman Deaver has declined to accept the nomination for the vice-presidency and it possibly will go to Ignatius Donnelly. The latter appears perfectly content to abide by the wishes of the convention.

From the resolution committee's progress—it was still in session at midnight—it appeared that the declaration of principles to be placed before the country will be of such a nature as to practically establish anew the greenback question. That plank will probably call for an unlimited issue of "government paper currency." Silver is likely to be dropped. The other leading planks will demand direct legislation and government ownership of railroads and telegraph.

CROSSED THE ZAND. Force of Horsemen on the Track of Retreating Boers. London, May 11.—Gen. Hutton's mounted infantry brigade, including the Canadians, with a part of Gen. French's cavalry, crossed the Zand river Tuesday and began to work its way cautiously along the railway northward in the track of the retreating Boers. About 8,000 horsemen were probably engaged in this advance. Gen. Hutton, before he was joined by a part of Gen. French's force, had a sharp fight. This was on Monday, when he reached the river and saw the Boer convoy on the other side and pressed forward, intending to cross and capture them. The Boers, however, opened fire with from eight to ten guns, forced the river above and below, seemingly in thousands, and sought to envelop the British. Gen. Hutton fell back several miles, the Boers following until other British cavalry reinforced Hutton. During the night the Boers retreated, not further contesting the crossing. Lord Roberts, according to one correspondent, left Hamilton to-day to consult one of the Smalheirs, fifteen miles distant. The Boer attack on Hutton does not indicate any such panicky conditions as have been alleged to exist among them. Nevertheless the British

Advance Rolls On steadily. Gen. Broadwood and Gen. Bune Hamilton have penetrated fifteen miles beyond Winburg. According to Boer advisers sharp skirmishes are occurring and there was a brisk rifle engagement outside of Winburg on Saturday. From Boer sources comes also the report that in a skirmish outside Mafeking on May 1 Col. Baden-Powell was slightly wounded. The Transvaal volksraad adopted resolutions on Tuesday expressing indignation at the British for not conducting the war in a civilized manner, for killing wounded Boers with lances, for using armed kaffirs under British officers and for ill treating prisoners. President Kruger, after his formal speech on Monday, said the British were prepared for war in 1896, as documents which the burghers had captured showed, but that the Transvaal, dreading bloodshed, provided a seven-year franchise and even a five-year franchise. "Great Britain still demanded war," he declared, "and the republic accepted the challenge. If the British take Pretoria, the Boers will still remain a free people. Our state is in God's hands and we may be sure he will defeat the most powerful generals." Adelfert Hay, United States consul at Pretoria, was present when this speech was delivered. The raid continues in secret session.

Volksraad Wants Peace. London, May 11.—The Lourenzo Marques correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Wednesday, says:—"I learn a strong party in the volksraad is still endeavoring to secure the reopening of peace negotiations on a basis which they are sure will get the sanction of a majority of the raad, although the proposition is received with indignation by President Kruger and State Secretary Reitz. It is said the president made a passionate appeal to Pretoria burghers at a religious gathering Sunday."

Boers Move Their Headquarters. Thaba N'Chu, May 11.—The Boers have moved their headquarters in this district from Ladybrand to Cloccolan. They occupy strong positions at Megathluis Nek. The British, including Gen. Brabant, are scattered among a number of strategic points, securing the country south of the line from Winburg to Ladybrand.

Builder Is Advancing. Cape Town, May 11.—It is reported that Gen. Buller is advancing on the Bibbarrsberg and that the Boers are withdrawing.

Systematic Effort to Push Sales in the United States. Tacoma, Wash., May 11.—The steamer Dalynovostok, from Yokohama, brings the following Oriental advice: "The tea deners' union of Japan has taken energetic measures to push the sale of Japanese teas throughout the United States. It proposes to post advertisements regarding Japanese teas in public places and to dispatch commissioners to make inspections of teas imported at the chief ports of the United States and Canada. An annual subsidy from the government has been obtained by the association. The union will endeavor to have the United States abolish the duties on teas and have the inspection transferred from American to Japanese ports."

# In Minnesota. State News of the Week Briefly Told.

K. Kolbinson, an old settler of Lyle, is dead.

Litchfield will build a new \$10,000 town hall.

Farming conditions near Morris are perfect.

Crop conditions at Redwood Falls are good.

Stillwater's creamery will soon be in operation.

Stillwater will hold a street fair in September.

Thomas Ames of Hastings died, aged seventy years.

Frank Smith was found dead in a saloon at Cloquet.

A hardware store at Minneka was raided by burglars.

Two Milwaukee swindlers were captured at Mankato.

Albert Seeprek of Royal was killed by a falling tree.

Fire among logs near Two Harbors caused a loss of \$50,000.

J. Peterson of South Stillwater died while eating his dinner.

Faribault county reports excellent prospects for good crops.

Twelve residences are in process of construction at Plainview.

Surveying for the new road to Duluth is going on at Glencoe.

A train was derailed near Blue Earth City and Engineer King killed.

James Ambler, an early settler of Wright county, is dead at Buffalo.

P. Kenneman of Wadena attempted suicide by cutting and strangling.

The residence of Engineer Furney at Glenwood was destroyed by fire.

District court convened at Stillwater with a calendar of thirty-six cases.

The prison twine factory will manufacture 500,000 pounds more twine.

An unknown man assaulted Miss Stewart, school teacher at Marshall.

Agitation against Sunday labor on the docks has been started at Duluth.

G. H. Spielman of Fergus Falls, was arrested for selling liquor on Sunday.

Adolph Nelson of Albert Lea has been forced out of the liquor business.

Ex-Gov. Stone (Missouri) classes Minnesota among the doubtful states.

John Johnson of the town of Lake Ida was struck by lightning and killed.

The Balaton Creamery association has let the contract for its new building.

One workman was killed and another seriously injured at the new state capitol.

The government will spend \$10,000 on improvements to the St. Croix this season.

Representative Lacey (Iowa) favors the construction of a national park in Minnesota.

Organized building trades men at Duluth are out for higher wages and shorter hours.

Christ Jorgenson, a farmer two miles east of Lyle, broke his arm by falling from a fence.

F. E. Woodward of Langdon suffered loss of farm buildings by fire to the extent of \$20,000.

A Stillwater jury decided that Edward Grant, deceased, was sane when he made his will.

Judge Searle of St. Cloud allowed all undisputed claims against the Benton Power company.

Stillwater convicts were given a special dinner because of good behavior during April.

William O'Malley has been appointed chief of Tracy police to succeed R. E. Willis, resigned.

Dr. Girmmod, recently appointed consul to Santos, Brazil, was formerly pastor at Shakopee.

The Clark-Jackson Lumber company of Duluth is charged with incendiarism by insurance companies.

F. B. Yates of Stillwater has received an appointment in the census department in Washington.

William Playeth died at his home near Montrose while his family was attending a funeral. Heart failure.

The May term of the United States court opens at Duluth with eighteen cases, of which seven are personal injury cases.

Frank H. Peavy of Minneapolis recently paid \$48,300 to an insurance company, his annual premium on a policy of \$1,000,000.

A laborer named Pat Ronnan, while stealing a ride on a Duluth & Iron Range ore train at Two Harbors, had one of his legs cut off.

Burglars broke into three places at Comfrey—the postoffice, A. Emmersch's saloon and F. J. Ewing's barber shop. About \$5 in cash was taken from a slot machine.

J. S. Brown, representing a St. Louis firm, has purchased all of the wool shorn from the 5,000 sheep owned by C. W. Miller of the Laird-Norton company of Winona.

President Northrop of the state university has accepted an invitation to address the graduating class of the Winona high school at the commencement exercises on June 15.

In view of the addition of \$5 monthly to firemen's pay and a like contemplated addition for policemen, Mayor Hugo of Duluth has written the council urging extreme economy and stating that unless there is great care the city will face a deficit.

W. H. Davey will be the next postmaster at Moorhead. Clay county, succeeding Postmaster Fay, whose term expired some time ago. Representative Eddy has filed his recommendation for Mr. Davey's appointment with the postoffice department.

George Tyson, fifteen years of age, was drowned at Fergus Falls. He was sitting on the railing of the river bridge with his younger brother when the little fellow fell in. The older boy jumped in to save him, but being unable to swim, soon sank to the bottom, while the little fellow caught a fishpole and was saved.

# A CARLETON EXPEDITION.

Will Go South to View the Eclipse of the Sun.

An expedition consisting of Dr. H. C. Wilson of Goodsell observatory and Prof. and Mrs. A. H. Pearson of Carleton college, will go South May 14 to view the total eclipse of the sun scheduled for May 28. The party will locate at Southern Pines, N. C., fifty miles southwest of Raleigh. They will go equipped with the eight-inch photoheliograph from Goodsell observatory and also with other necessary photographic and spectroscopic apparatus. Dr. Wilson, who has already conceived considerable success in stellar photography, hopes to secure some choice photographs of the eclipse and also of the solar corona and of the stars near the sun. Of course everything depends upon clear weather, both before and at the time of the total eclipse. The eclipse will be a very rare one and will be total in the United States as viewed through a belt fifty miles wide extending from New Orleans to Norfolk, Va. In this belt will be located astronomers from all parts of the United States and Europe. A party of United States naval observers will locate at Southern Pines, near the Carleton party, and forty miles to the southwest will be the Yerkes, Princeton and Smithsonian institution observers. The Carleton expedition will be joined by Prof. William W. Payne of Goodsell observatory, if circumstances permit, about the time of the eclipse. The junior class of Carleton college has undertaken the financial part of the expedition. It will devote its entire class fund to the purpose. Prof. Pearson will deliver a popular lecture for the benefit of the junior class. At Northfield the eclipse will be partial and will be visible in the event of clear weather between 6:30 and 8 o'clock a. m. on May 28. At the full moon will cover about two-thirds of the sun. This will occasion considerable darkening of the sun's light. Carleton is elated over the prospects of the expedition.

# INSIST UPON HAVING ROYAL.

Royal Baking Powder is in the stock of probably every dealer of groceries in the State. If not, the grocer will add to the reputation of his store by keeping it. Royal Baking Powder itself, and the packages which contain it, comply with all the food laws and every other law of the State, and if any dealer attempts to hinder its sale he does so for the purpose of palming off upon the customer a cheap and inferior substitute. Consumers requiring pure and healthful baking powder, free from alum, should call for Royal. The authorities certify this brand of greatest value, highest in strength, pure and wholesome.

# SUIT AGAINST AN ESTATE.

Valet of the Late Mgr. Bauer Is Turned Down. The probate court of St. Cloud has disallowed the claim of Frank Kronisen against the estate of the late Mgr. J. P. Bauer. Kronisen was valet of the priest and received \$2,000 of his life insurance. He later filed a claim of nearly \$3,000, alleging that he had not been paid for his services as attendant. The executor produced receipts for much of the money alleged to be due and the cross-examination so weakened his case that the court gave him nothing. He declares he will appeal to the higher courts. The deceased left a large estate, of which Rev. B. Richter of Melrose is executor. Objections have also been filed to a bill for \$100 filed by Dr. N. J. Pinault of St. Joseph and to one of \$25 by the sexton of the cemetery.

Judge Hansen of the probate court has issued a citation addressed to Edward Miller, now a resident of Wadena, for him to appear, file his final account and be discharged as guardian of the Lindster minors. Their mother is a sister of Miller and she alleges that there is \$1,000 which has long been due her children but which is in the hands of their guardian. It is claimed the money has been expended and that Miller's bondsmen will be called upon to make the matter good. On his bond appears the name of his sister, but she declares it is a forgery. The name is incorrectly spelled and it is not acknowledged by the notary.

# THE LAMPREY LANDS.

Russell Sage, the Purchaser, Pays Up the Taxes. A representative of Russell Sage, the New York millionaire, was in Fergus Falls recently and guaranteed the payment of the taxes on the U. L. Lamprey lands which, instead of being sold at the forfeited tax sale, will be transferred to Mr. Sage at once. The amount which his representative guaranteed is about \$20,000. This represents only the delinquent taxes of years prior to 1895, but it is understood the taxes delinquent for years since 1895 and which now aggregate another \$20,000, will also be paid. The lands are a part of the old Chicago & St. Paul railroad land grant and were purchased by Mr. Lamprey under contract. It is understood that Mr. Sage purchases them to protect his interest. His representatives have no hesitation in stating that all taxes will be paid up promptly hereafter.

# Death From Lockjaw.

Northwood, Iowa, May 10.—Fred Hartwig, a prominent German farmer of Barton township, this county, living eleven miles southwest of this city, struck a rusty nail in his foot some ten days ago, and although the best medical aid was procured, he died from lockjaw. Mr. Hartwig moved here from Mitchell county, Iowa, some twenty years ago and has ever taken an active part in township and school matters, and will be sadly missed in the circle of his acquaintances.

# Charles Morton's Suicide.

St. Louis, May 11.—The body of Charles Morton, a former night clerk of the Southern hotel, who disappeared Friday night, was found in a room at the Regent hotel. He had ended his life with a dose of carbolic acid.

# Many Wrecks Reported.

New York, May 11.—Many wrecks are reported from the coast. Near Leba four vessels have been lost and all on board drowned. From Brown, Keown and Flensburg come loss of fishing snags with all on board.

# CROP CONDITIONS.

What the Bulletins of the Weather Service Report.

Minnesota crop conditions are summarized as follows in the last regular bulletin of the weather bureau: "There was practically no rain north of the Minnesota river during the week, and in southern counties there were only light and much scattered showers. The weather was cool in the middle of the week, and on the mornings of the 2d, 3d and 4th there were severe frosts, and ice was formed in many places as thick as window glass. Early in the week high winds dried out the soil, and in Kittson county a severe dust storm was reported. The barley and oats are about all seeded; most of the wheat and much of the oats and barley are up and growing very nicely, with good stands, though in Peck county it is said that wheat is not as even as it would have been with earlier and more abundant rains. The cool weather of the week was favorable to the root growth and stooling of early sown small grains. Potato planting is pretty well advanced. Flax has been sown during the week and in a few places it is all in the ground. Some corn has been planted and a great deal of corn ground is ready for the seed, but many are deferring planting till the soil is warmer. Gardening is very well advanced, and the market gardeners have made the first deliveries of out-of-door grown stuff. The warm weather of the previous week started the fruit buds, and wild plums, crabapples, cherries and strawberries are in full bloom, or nearly so. Reports as to the effects of the frosts are contradictory. The cold was severe enough, especially on low lands, to freeze the young plants of vegetables and grains, and possibly the fruit blossoms, and in some places the vegetables and all grains but what were wintered to the ground, but as the frosts of early May have not caused serious loss in previous years, it is probable that the injury to fruit and grains will be found to be slight this season. Pastures are green, but the growth of grass will not be rigid till there is more rain and warmer weather."

# CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Read at Minnesota Conference of the Evangelical Association.

At the Minnesota conference of the Evangelical association, held at Wells, the following appointments were made: St. Paul District—F. R. Plantkoff, P. E.; St. Paul, Pine street, J. M. Basting; St. Paul, Winifred street, H. Plantkoff; East Prairie, F. W. Tesch; Le Sueur, F. P. Werner; Farmington, George Britzner; Kasson, G. Duenbendorf; Rochester, H. Hensel; Preston, J. J. Boelter; Racine, M. Schoenleben; Cherry Grove, A. Zable; Faribault, G. A. E. Luppert; St. Charles, G. H. Schaefer; Waseca, H. Isker; Hammond, F. E. Arndt; Winona, East Fourth street and West King street, J. Manthe; Hinckley, S. R. Swig; Duluth, L. S. Slaps.

Mankato District—G. S. Spaeth, P. E.; Mankato, F. G. Sahr; Blue Earth circuit, J. Kinholz; Blue Earth station, J. Gungoll; Wells, J. G. Simon and C. R. Reosti; Le Sueur, L. Passer; Courtland, C. W. Wethausen; Sleepy Eye, C. N. Selow; Renville, A. Reeck; Winthrop, F. Moede; Lambert, C. F. Kachel and supply; Fairmont, O. Schulz; Sherburn, W. Juedes; Worthington, C. F. Schmitt; Laverne, D. Groening; Pipestone, F. G. Draeger; Marshall, C. A. Tesch; E. H. Bowman, member; Blue Earth station, quarterly conference.

Minneapolis District—H. Bunse, P. E.; Minneapolis, Sixth avenue, A. Geyman; Minneapolis, Highland Park, S. B. Goetz; Maple Grove, C. F. Sydow; Olivia, A. Huelster; Hutchinson, G. H. Siebold; Crow River, A. G. Sahr; Paylesville, M. Gassetter; Zion, J. Graeben; St. Cloud, A. H. Utzinger; Rice, J. A. Iwan; Brainerd, B. Simon; Wadena, J. H. Muehlhausen; Deer Creek, E. Helmer; Elizabeth, F. W. Siebel; Alexandria, A. H. Seder; Odessa, G. H. Hielser; Appleton, R. C. Mittelstaedt; Bellingham, E. H. Bollens; Chaska and Princeton, C. C. Engelhart, conference collectors. The next conference will be held at Lamberton.

# LUMBER CAMP TRAGEDY.

Murder of Five Years' Standing May Be Avenged. Sheriff Johnson of Mora, who has for over a year, assisted by Detective Ryan of Duluth, been endeavoring to detect and apprehend the murderers of Albert Peterson, which occurred in October, 1895, at a lumber camp about twenty miles north of Mora, has apparently got the criminals. Peterson, at the time, was watching camp for McClure Brothers of Stillwater, and was shot by two men who visited the camp. This is the story told by an Indian who was in the camp and who narrowly escaped with his life. The parties charged with the crime are named Barnes and Maloney. Barnes is now in the county jail awaiting a hearing, and it is expected Maloney will soon be captured and taken to Mora from a logging camp in Pine county. An \$800 reward is offered for the conviction of the criminals.

# Guilty of Murder.

Trenton, Mo., May 10.—William Ferguson was found guilty of murdering S. G. Wilson, a Trenton merchant, in March, 1897, on evidence he gave in a former trial while playing detective. This was his third trial. Previously Ferguson instigated the arrest of two suspects, one of whom he claimed tried to get him to assist in the murder. Later he said he was present himself and saw the death blow struck. Wilson was killed by a blow from an ax. The motive was robbery.

# Taylor in Washington.

Washington, May 10.—W. S. Taylor, Republican governor of Kentucky, arrived in Washington yesterday. He was unaccompanied. It is expected the governor will remain until the supreme court's decision is made.

# Two Women Drowned.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 10.—Mrs. M. Orttut and Mrs. Eliza Flowerday were drowned in the St. John's river. With a party of eight they were crossing the river in a boat. Six were rescued.