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The Decisive Factor.

Temperament is a word that has fallen into some discredit, according to a writer in the Revue Scientifique, but after all, temperament itself is the decisive factor in the daily life of every human being. Heredity counts for much, no doubt, and environment is very important; but heredity and environment together are not so influential in determining the factor of one's every-day life as temperament. An illustration of its potency is seen in the ease with which a fortune teller can read the past of a perfect stranger. Many well-informed persons are skeptical when clairvoyants claim to be able to read the past life of an individual. The too credulous, on the other hand, are amazed when some fortune teller states accurately the record of their lives. The feat is comparatively easy. One needs but to know what a human being's temperament is—sanguine, lymphatic, bilious or nervous—in order to read an outline of his or her past. Hence all impostors of the successful sort, like Cagliostro, for instance, studied human temperament carefully. Character, we are told, is destiny. It would be more scientific to say that temperament is destiny. Opposed temperaments, if united too closely, may lead to divorce, to rivalry, to a thousand and one complications inexplicable upon any other hypothesis. Before we can estimate any man or woman truly we must satisfy ourselves as to his or her temperament.

Secret of Good Garden Making.

In order to have good gardens we must really care for the plants in them, and know them individually as well as collectively. This is an important part of the technique of the gardenmaker; he must know intimately the form and texture as well as the color of all the plants he uses; for plants are to the gardener what his palette is to a painter. The two arts of painting and garden design are closely related, says Scribner's, except that the landscape gardener paints with actual color, line, and perspective to make a composition, as the maker of stained glass does, while the painter has but a flat surface on which to create his illusion; he has, however, the incalculable advantage that no sane person would think of going behind a picture to see if it were equally interesting from that point of view.

Comment is often made on the supremacy of the Jewish element in the theatrical field. Miss Ellen Terry puts her finger on the secret of it in her comments on Disraeli. She expresses a liking for his novels because of their color, their pageantry, and then says: "Disraeli was a heaven-born artist, who, like so many of his race on the stage, in music and elsewhere, seems to have an unerring instinct for the things which the gentile only acquires by labor and training." In other words it is not the commercial sense alone, as so many assume, that makes Jews succeed in this field, but the instinct she speaks of for what will please.

When sending a car off on a record-making or breaking trip on the Pacific coast, observes Automobile, there are more things to be thought of than gasoline, oil, tires and spares—many more—and not the least of them is the fact that, owing to the lamentable lack of bridges and other signs of civilization, there are apt to be many times when the car will find itself under water. Now the modern automobile, while amphibious to a certain extent, is not a diver, and when the wet begins to rise above the footboards there is usually a muffled sigh and a gurgle that sounds the death knell of the carbureter as well as the ignition system.

Great Britain's employes' compensation act has gone into effect, and there is some doubt as to whether its effects will be good or bad. Broadly it provides that an employe incapacitated by accident shall receive 50 per cent. of his usual wages while incapacitated, but not to exceed five dollars per week. For death the compensation is $750 to $1,500. It is urged by some that it will prevent the employment of persons whom age or partial infirmity make especially liable to accident, but that remains to be seen. Many employers are taking out insurance, which companies are issuing against loss under the law.

The irony of fate would be forcibly illustrated if the United States should furnish the Japanese with armament and machinery to fight Uncle Sam, and yet it is said that six ships have arrived here with $10,000,000 to purchase war material.

King Edward's taste in jewelry is extremely quiet. A horseshoe or single pearl pin and a plain gold ring on his little finger are all that he ever wears, with the simplest possible links and studs.

O. A. Kessler, the New Yorker who has bought Riverside, Borne End, on the Thames, where the Harvard crew trained last fall, will spend $150,000 in renovating it. For one thing he will put in 3,000 electric lights in the house and grounds. The mansion will be known hereafter as New York Lodge.

It now appears that the farmers "hollered" before they were hurt. In spite of the late spring, crops are turning out a fair average.

LATEST NEWS OF MICHIGAN

MRS. WASHBURN NOW TELLS NEW STORY OF THE MURDER OF REYNOLDS.

HAD SEVEN HUSBANDS.

She Becomes Sullen and Says Very Little—Opinion of the Authorities in the Matter.

Mrs. William Washburn, who in her 59 years has been the wife of seven different men, is now going back on her story that No. 6 husband, Alkali Bill Shimmel, murdered No. 5, who was Ira Reynolds. A few days ago in the Kent county jail she told in detail a story of how one night Shimmel called Reynolds to the door of their house near Grand Haven and killed him with a club, then took the body away in a bob sled.

Now Mrs. Washburn says that she is not sure whether Shimmel was the murderer or not. "It might have been some other man. It's so long ago I can't remember clearly," is the way she expressed it.

The prosecuting authorities have long had a suspicion that Shimmel killed Reynolds. Mrs. Shimmel talked freely when brought to the jail. Now she is sullen and saying little. It is not clear now how reliance can be put in anything she tells from now on.

Storm Freaks.

The severest electrical and rain storms that ever visited Traverse City occurred Friday night. The small fruit crop is considerably damaged. At Buckley the house of Frank Raphric was struck and the chimney knocked off, bed clothes on the upper floor were torn to pieces and a partition between the dining room and kitchen was broken to splinters. The family dog was killed instantly. Raphric, with his baby in his arms, his wife and two children were seated near the dog, and the babe was thrown to the floor heavily, but was not injured. Lightning struck a cherry tree on the B. J. Morgan farm, tearing a ladder to pieces. Mrs. Michael Knoll was picked up apparently dead, but was revived.

Owosso Unfortunates.

Two peculiar accidents happened in Owosso Friday, seriously injuring Richard King and John Cook. King was bitten on the shoulder by a vicious horse, a large chunk of flesh being removed. Some of the tendons were cut and it is feared the arm will be permanently stiffened. Cook, who is circulator of the Daily Press-American, was carrying the form for the first page of the paper, when he stubbed his toe and dove head first into a brick wall. The accident rendered him unconscious and the page was pied, delaying the paper three hours.

Bay City Troubles.

The bureau of public safety, provided by the last legislature to take over from the Bay City council the control of the fire and police departments, has began mandamus proceedings in the circuit court to compel Mayor Hine and the council to turn over the books, records, etc., of the two departments. The mayor and council are contesting on the ground that the appointment of the board by Gov. Warner is unconstitutional. Arguments will be heard and the case will go to the supreme court as soon as possible.

Gasoline Famine.

Because the Standard Oil Co. will not ship any gasoline to the Soo, the city faces a famine in the liquid fuel line. The last drop in the city was sold Saturday and all gasoline boats, automobiles and stoves are going out of commission. The tanks of the trust are empty, although a supply was ordered a month ago and it is claimed at the company's office that letters sent to headquarters regarding the trouble have not been answered. Housewives are sweltering over wood fires as a result.

Victim Walked Off.

While automobiling in Battle Creek Prof. Malcomb Watson felt a chug under his machine, but he rode on. Some one yelled "That was a man you hit," and Watson stopped. Seeing that the victim was prostrate in the road, he hurried to a telephone and called the police. When they arrived the man was gone. Neighbors say he walked away swearing at "that street car."

Many Violent Deaths.

There were 294 deaths by violence in Michigan, in June, according to the health reports, leading pulmonary tuberculosis deaths by 9. There were 424 deaths of infants under 1 year and 806 deaths of elderly persons. Of the violent deaths drowning caused 43 and lightning 3, and three died from sunstroke. There were 3,679 births, a decrease of 440 from June of last year.

The High School building in Coldwater was struck by lightning during a storm and caught fire. Prompt work saved the building. The loss is covered by insurance.

A premature explosion at the West Republic mine instantly killed Severne Mattson, a young miner, whose body was blown to pieces. A blast that had missed fire was struck by a drill at the Great Western mine, and the explosion killed Reuben Gimblck, an Austrian, and injured one eye of Charles Lund, a Finn.

Miss Jennie Leavens, of Detroit, was bitten on the right forearm while trying to stop a fight between her dog and one owned by James Hays. Dr. Thomas Hart attended to her wounds and ordered the dogs tied up for 10 days to see whether they are mad.

The report of United States Consul Neil McMillan, at Sarnia, directly across from Fort Huron, shows that for the year ending June 30 the exports from the Sarnia district to the United States amounted to $1,638,189.58. The principal articles were: Lumber, horses, sheep, lath, shingles, staves, ties, flax, beans and clover seed.

Michael Carey, of Lapeer, is unfortunate. On Tuesday Mrs. Carey had her shoulder broken. Wednesday the horse ran away. Thursday it ran away again, wrecking a blind man's peanut stand and breaking a leg, so it had to be shot.

TWO MORE DEAD.

The P. M. Wreck and the Parties Responsible.

The Pere Marquette railroad insist that the crew of the freight train is solely responsible for Saturday's wreck near Salem.

An investigation was conducted all day Monday by Attorney F. W. Stevens and Gen. Supt. Trump, in which Operator Cassidy and others were examined.

A statement was given out by Mr. Stevens in which he, as general counsel for the railroad, definitely set forth the reasons for blaming the freight crew for the wreck.

The prosecutors of Wayne and Ionia are conducting investigations.

The immediate cause of the delay of the freight which led to the wreck was the unloading of a car of gravel mile east of the scene of the wreck.

"The conductor and engineer should not have gone toward Salem on the excursion train's time," says Mr. Stevens. "The brakemen should not have permitted it. If the freight was delayed it should have been stopped and flagmen should have been sent out to warn all other approaching trains.

An inquest will be held in Northville. Coroner Parker may hold another inquest in Detroit. A third inquest will be held in Ionia.

There have been a total of 32 deaths.

STATE NEWS BRIEFS.

Grass Lake bank has just spent $75 for a burglar alarm system.

Representative Charles E. Ward's aged father died in Dunquoin, Ill., Monday.

The Ann Arbor Golf club house erected at a cost of $4,000, is completed.

Theodore Ebert, Allegheny, Pa., go beyond his depth and was drowned at St. Clair.

The Bellevue Gazette suggests William Alden Smith as vice presidential candidate.

Maj. G. E. Kleindinst, of Coldwater caught a 35-pound turtle by the tail and landed it.

Burglars stole negotiable papers worth $7,000, from the Adler bottling works office in Jackson.

Burglars blew open the safe of J. R. Spellman Co., in Covert, and got away with nearly $2,000.

Erle Peterson, of Houghton, was drowned when a boat was capsized but three companions were rescued.

The board of health has ordered residents and business houses to rid their premises of unhealthy rubbish.

Robert P. Robertson, aged 32 years was united in marriage here Saturday to Mrs. Margaret McLaughlin, aged 79 years.

Maud Johnson, aged 11, is missing from home in Port Huron since Saturday and her parents believe she was kidnapped.

William Baker, aged 38, of Grand Rapids, drowned from an overturned rowboat, despite the efforts of two companions to save him.

Alexander Christie, aged 77, of Port Huron, fell on the floor in the Eastern Michigan asylum a few hours after his arrival, and may die.

The Big Rapids Horsemen's association will give $1,500 in purses for racing and the Mecosta County Agricultural society's annual fair in the fall.

The 3-year-old son of Mr and Mrs. Harvey Dunton, of Quincy, died from swallowing the contents of a bottle of aconite, during the mother's absence.

John A. Woodrick, of Bay City, who rose from a tally boy to a mill owner, remove to the wider field in New York. He is a brother of T. A. E. Woodrick, of Detroit.

C. F. Gilkey, son of a state politician was arrested for forgery, twenty years from the date of his first arrest on a similar charge, and it is said he has lived an upright life in the interval.

A $600,000 iron furnace and chemical works will locate at East Jordan. The promoters are C. H. Shaffer, of Marquette; W. H. Matthews and W. S. Shaffer of Boyne Falls, and F. B. Baird Buffalo.

By the falling of a stove which he was assisting to unload, U. P. Whiffen of Flint, was seriously injured. The heavy weight fell on his face, crushing his left eye socket and otherwise severely bruising him.

Nearly 15,000 men, employed by the United States Steel Corporation and independent mine owners on the Vermilion and the Mesaba ranges, went on strike Saturday, paralyzing the entire iron ore industry of the upper Lake Superior region.

Margaret Estep, aged 18, of Ionia who found the wounds of Engineer Reynolds in the Salem wreck, is visiting in Port Huron. Because of her excitement she could not open her grip and cut into it, with a knife to get her clothing for bandages.

Circuit Judge J. W. Stone has appointed Attorney F. A. Bell, of Marquette, as special prosecuting attorney in the case against former State Senator W. N. Mills, of Detroit, charged with resisting and assaulting an officer. The case will be tried on August 12.

Thirty years ago a Masonic ring fell from the finger of Ambrose Atwood, of Belding, and was lost in some shrubbery. Atwood died shortly afterward and the place has since changed owners a number of times, but when Mrs. Henrietta Andrews, a relative of Atwood, visited the place the ring was restored by the residents, who found it a few days ago.

The celebration of the fifty-eighth anniversary of the marriage of Mr and Mrs. Charles Parkinson, of Freeport, was attended by five children, eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Parkinson is a pioneer resident of Michigan and a civil war veteran.

J. B. Mills owns perhaps more land than any one individual in the state of Michigan. He came to Prescott in '80s with mercantile stock and today he owns 10,000 acres near Prescott, 12,000 in Burleigh township, Iosco county, 15,000 in Montmorency county and some in Arenac and Lapeer counties.

The submarines Cuttlefish and Octupus made new torpedo records at Newport. Whitehead torpedoes fired under the surface of the water, hit the target at a range of 1,000 yards and three out of four targets were scored at a distance of 800 yards.

Grief-stricken by the receipt of a notification that her services would not be required after the end of the month, Mrs. Nielsen, a housekeeper for a land owner named Ulikjaer, of Jutland, hanged three of her employer's children as well as three of her own, and then killed herself by hanging.

TURKIN' THE HOSE ON HIM!

MANY SCORE DROWNED WHEN PACIFIC COAST LINER SINKS

THE STEAMER COLUMBIA, RAMMED BY SCHOONER IN SHELTER COVE, CALIFORNIA, GOES DOWN QUICKLY — SURVIVORS ARE CARED FOR.

Eureka, Cal.—Hourly the death list of the marine horror off the Mendocino county coast shrinks. The best advices are that 177 of the 249 souls on board the steamer Columbia escaped death when that vessel went down to the bottom near Shelter Cove between midnight and one o'clock of Sunday morning.

One hundred and seven of the Columbia's passengers and 37 of her crew have been brought to this port by the steamer George W. Elder, which towed the colliding schooner San Pedro from the scene of the disaster to Eureka. A late message from Shelter Cove says that three more bodies have been picked up, one of them containing 18 persons, another 15 and the third not reported.

Citizens Care for Survivors.

The survivors who were brought to this port are being cared for at hotels and in private houses. The citizens of Eureka, moved to unanimous action by pity and the distress of the victims, have supplied sufficient quantities of clothing and all necessary medical attention.

A committee of citizens under the leadership of Mayor Ricks has charged itself with the duties of the hour, and is performing them with energy and all possible speed.

Among the survivors rescued and carried north to this port by the George W. Elder are men and women from a score of states, not a few from the Atlantic seaboard and the middle west. Among these are a number of school teachers who were varying with a sea voyage their home trip from the annual convention of the National Educational association at Los Angeles.

No Panic; Women Brave.

Eight minutes after the San Pedro struck the Columbia the latter vessel had filled full of water and sank. The night saloon watchman notified all the passengers to go to the upper deck. Without clothing they climbed out of their berths and rushed out. It was only two or three minutes before the decks were awash. Six boats and three liferafts were cut loose and as many passengers as possible were crowded into them. There was scarcely any evidence of a panic, the women acting with heroism.

The crew of the San Pedro immediately lowered a boat and picked up a large number of survivors.

Capt. Doran and First Officer Whitney were on the deck when the Columbia sank, the captain's last words being: "God bless you."

Blame Columbia's Officers.

O. Swanson, a sailor of the San Pedro, was at the wheel Saturday night when the fatal collision occurred. In his report to Sailors' Agent John Erickson the blame is laid upon the shoulders of the Columbia's officers. Other members of the crew of the San Pedro substantiate the story of Swanson. He says that the order was given to him when the lookout sighted the Columbia to put the wheel hard aport. The Columbia was on the coast side, the San Pedro on the sea side. Apparently both vessels were proceeding at full speed.

If all had gone well the San Pedro would have cleared the Columbia, but it is evident that an order "put the wheel hard a 'starboard'" was given on the Columbia. This sent her directly across the bow of the steam schooner. The Columbia, an iron vessel, bore the brunt of the impact and her iron plates crinkled and a gash seven feet across the forward hatch allowed the water free ingress at a great velocity.

Among the survivors Miss Mayhelle Watson, of Berkeley, Cal., is a heroine for her rescue of another woman.

Shelter cove, where the collision occurred, is 179 miles up the coast.

The Columbia was a steel vessel of 1,746 tons and was 309 feet in length, 38.5 feet beam and 14.4 feet in depth. She carried a crew of 74 men, under Capt. P. A. Doran, who had been master of the vessel for the last five years. The vessel was built at Chester, Pa., in 1880 and was owned by the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company.

300 Passengers on Board.

During the earthquake and fire the Columbia was lying at the dry dock of the Union iron works and the shock loosened some of her blocks, with the result that the vessel was capsized. But she was entirely refitted, and when she left here Saturday she carried a full list of passengers, about 300.

The San Pedro was commanded by Capt Hansen and is a wooden vessel of 318 tons. She is 166 feet long, 31 feet beam and 12 feet deep. She was built in San Francisco in 1902 for the J. R. Hanley & Sons company, and was recently sold to the Eastern & Western Lumber company.

CRAZY MAN SLAYS HIS FAMILY.

Financial Distress Drives a Michigan Farmer to a Triple Murder.

Muskegon, Mich.—Suddenly crazed by financial worries, Henry Scutchcon, a farmer near Nuncia, Mich., Sunday murdered his wife, son and his wife's foster father, Robert Green, 85 years old. He slashed his wrists and swallowed paris green, but was killed by Henry McClellan, a neighbor, at whom he brandished the ax with which he slew the others. The first blow glanced from his wife's head and the second and fatal stroke was given after Scutcheon cut his wrists and swallowed the poison.

The shooting of the crazy murderer took place while he ran toward McClellan. Shot from a double-barreled gun dropped Scutcheon in his tracks. McClellan was not arrested.

Wanamaker's Stables Burn.

Philadelphia.—The stables on John Wanamaker's estate, Lyndenhurst, near Jenkintown, a suburb, were destroyed by fire Sunday, entailing a loss estimated at $100,000. Three horses were burned.

Heat Fatal in Valparaiso.

Valparaiso, Ind.—Two deaths from the extreme heat were recorded Monday. Lawrence Petrovitch, a railroad employe, was overcome while at work and died in the hospital. Mrs. George Wolf dropped dead.

Second Auto Victim Dies.

New York.—Miss Helen Madigan, who was badly injured at Jamaica, L. I., in a collision between an automobile and a Long Island train, when Dr. Edward J. Gallagher was killed, died early Monday.

Stevens Railway Vice President.

New Haven, Conn.—It was announced Friday by President Mellen of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company that John F. Stevens, former chief engineer of the Panama canal, had been appointed a vice president of the road.

McPherson Succeeds Swift.

Kansas City, Mo.—Thomas B. McPherson, of Omaha, was elected Friday president of the National Livestock Exchange association to succeed James C. Swift, of Kansas City.

Life Sentences for Lamana Murder.

Hahnville, La.—Ignacio Campisciano, his wife, Mrs. Maria Campisciano, Collagaro Gendusa and Tony Costa, who were tried here last week on the charge of murdering the kidnaped Lamana child, were sentenced Monday to serve life terms.

Capt. Bart E. Linehan Dies.

Memphis, Tenn.—After a brief illness, due to the excessive heat, Capt. Hart E. Linehan, promoter and capitalist of Dubuque, Ia., died Monday at a local hotel.

Severe Storm in North Dakota.

Williston, N. D.—A terrific wind and rainstorm Saturday night destroyed 15 dwelling houses, injured 25 people, two of them probably fatally, and did much other damage in this city and the surrounding country.

Yaquis Raid Mining Camp.

Hermosillo, Mex.—Yaqui Indians raided the camp of the Richfield Copper Mining company, just north of Querobabi, Thursday last and stripped it clean of everything of value, but refrained from murder.

31 KILLED IN WRECK

CITY OF IONIA, MICH., FULL OF MOURNING FAMILIES

EIGHT INJURED MAY DIE

Shocking Collision Between Excursion Train and Freight—Crew of Latter Forget Their Orders.

Detroit, Mich.—The death list as a result of Saturday's collision near Salem between an excursion train and a freight train stands now at 31, but among the 100 injured in this city and Ionia, eight are reported to be in a serious condition and not out of danger.

There are 61 injured people at their homes in Ionia and 42 were brought to the hospitals in this city for treatment. Of the long list of suffering persons at Ionia but one, Mrs. H. Durling, whose husband and son were killed, is reported to be in a dangerous condition. Seven of the injured in the local hospitals are not yet out of danger. These are: Banner Huggins, Mrs. Catherine Selbach, John B. Anderson, Abraham Eddy, William Beals, Mrs. Nellie Dalson and Mrs. Catherine Smith. All are residents of Ionia.

Terrible Blow to Ionia.

Sunday was a day of grief and mourning in the little city of Ionia, which is 130 miles west of Detroit. Mayor John N. Bible says he estimates that one in every 50 of the city's inhabitants was either killed or injured in the wreck. All of Saturday night members of a citizens' committee, which was appointed when the extent of the catastrophe was realized, were at work visiting the homes of the dead and injured and arranging for medical attention and assistance where it was necessary. All of the city's normal activities have practically been suspended and every one is devoting attention to the wreck victims.

One of the most pathetic cases of suffering is the Hass family, which lost its father and two sons. They were the breadwinners, and a widow and six children are left nearly destitute by the death of Charles, Herman and Paul Hass.

Not until Sunday was the identity of all the dead positively established, and an accurate list made up. All but five victims whose names are on the death roll lived in Ionia.

Victims Were on Excursion.

The passenger train, of 11 cars, was bringing the Pere Marquette shop employes of Ionia and their families to Detroit for their annual excursion. It was running at high speed down a grade when it met the freight train head-on.

The locomotives were smashed and behind them six cars of the passenger train lay piled in a hopeless wreck. Four of the passenger coaches remained on the track undamaged and were used to convey the dead and injured to Ionia. One coach was undamaged, with only its forward truck off the rails. These were the rear five cars. The two coaches next ahead of them were telescoped. One of these was the smoker, where most of the victims were riding.

The freight train was moving slowly up the grade in the cut when the excursion flyer bore down on it. L. B. Alvord, engineer of the passenger, saw the crash was inevitable, and after setting the air brake jumped, with his fireman, Knowles. Alvord escaped serious injury, but Knowles died of his hurts.

After the first frenzy of terror subsided the uninjured passengers began to give succor to those who were hurt and remove the bodies of the dead, which were seen on all sides, planed down in the debris.

Fear that the wreckage might take fire lent speed to their efforts.

Crew Is Left at Fault.

Responsibility is put squarely onto the crew of the freight train by officials of the road. One of them, who arrived at the scene of the wreck soon after the accident, took from the crew of the freight the orders under which it was running. They clearly showed the position of the passenger excursion train and that the freight had encroached on the other train's running time.

The special train was due at Salem at 9:10 a. m. and at Plymouth at 9:29 a. m. It passed Salem on time.

The time card of the special was telegraphed to the freight crew in the form of a train order, and this order, with the signatures of the freight train crew attached, was recovered by the officials.

The freight crew explained that they forgot about the special."

Mrs. Hazen S. Pingree Dies.

Detroit, Mich. — Mrs. Hazen S. Pingree, widow of one of Michigan's most celebrated governors, died Sunday night at her residence here, aged 67 years. She is survived by a son, Hazen S. Pingree, Jr., and a daughter, Mrs. Sherman L. Depew.

French Cabinet Scandal.

Paris.—Gil Blas is responsible for the sensational statement that it has been discovered that a former private secretary of the present minister of justice, H. Guyot-Dessaigne, at one time conducted a scandalous traffic in public offices, decorations and pardons. According to the paper, which promises to publish the names of the parties concerned Tuesday, a number of important personages, including H. Guyot-Dessaigne and some of his friends and relatives, are implicated.

Bloody Sunday About Wheeling.

Wheeling, W. Va.—Four murders were committed in and around Wheeling Sunday. Walter Benford, a negro, was shot three times and killed by Charles Moxley, another negro. Jealousy was the motive. At Wellsburg, near here, Edward Lockhart, 35 years old, shot and killed Pierce Davis, aged 37. In a quarrel over a woman at Bradley, O., just over the state line, Arthur Slipper, a negro, shot and killed John Meadows, another negro. Lockhart and Slipper made their escape.

PROF. HAU FOUND GUILTY

CONDEMNED TO DEATH FOR KILLING HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW.

Riotous Mobs Make Demonstration in His Favor and Against Molitor Family—Dispersed by Infantry.

Karlsruhe, Germany.—Karl Hau, a brilliant young law professor, of Washington, D. C., was condemned to death Tuesday morning after a five days' trial for the murder of his wife's mother, Frau Molitor, a wealthy resident of Baden Baden, in that city November 6 last.

The prisoner heard the verdict of the jury with perfect composure and chatted smilingly with his counsel after the judges withdrew to fix his sentence. Upon the return of the judges Hau arose and, standing erect with folded arms, listened to the sentence without moving a muscle. A moment later he was being led away to prison by half a dozen policemen. The sentence is unpopular with the street crowds, which have been demonstrating more and more openly for several days in Hau's favor and against the Molitor family.

After the adjournment of the court for an hour's recess at eight o'clock Monday evening, the women of the Molitor party were compelled to remain in the house of one of the officers of the court because it was dangerous to appear in the streets. A carriage waited for them in the courtyard and it was several hours before they were able to leave. Meanwhile, enormous crowds had assembled in the streets adjacent to the courthouse.

Cordons of police kept the crowds in check for an hour or more, but then lost control of them, the masses pushing and crushing forward to the doors with the evident intention of storming the entrance.

There were many shouts from the crowd of "Hau is not guilty," the voices penetrating to the courtroom.

The companies of infantry and a squadron of mounted police appeared on the scene and drove the rioters before them. The infantry with fixed bayonets cleared all the streets within 300 yards of the courthouse.

A large number of arrests were made. One old woman was trampled down by the horses, and it is reported that several persons were wounded.

ABDICATION WAS A SURPRISE.

Viscount Hayashi Says Korean Event Spoiled His Plans.

Seoul.—Viscount Hayashi, the Japanese foreign minister, describes his visit to Seoul as an excursion during the government holidays, made for the purpose of communicating to Marquis Ito the decision made under public feeling in Japan for rectification of existing conditions in Korea, and also to consult with the marquis as to what should be done.

In view of the grave state of the present crisis, Viscount Hayashi has consented to say that the abdication of the emperor occurred simultaneously with his arrival in Seoul, and was a surprise and disappointed his plans. Neither Marquis Ito nor Japan had any part in the abdication, but on the contrary, if consulted, they would not have advised it, says Hayashi.

ARMENIAN MERCHANT KILLED.

Shot Because He Refused to Help Finance Revolution.

New York.—As he stepped out on the sidewalk from his store on East Seventeenth street, near Union Square, Monday, Hoobanes Tavshanjian, a wealthy Armenian rug importer and Persian commissioner to the Chicago world's fair in 1893, was shot from behind and almost instantly killed. The assassin, a shabbily dressed Armenian, who was arrested after a chase of several blocks, declared, according to the police, that he came here from Chicago especially to kill the merchant. He said he killed Tavshanjian because the merchant had refused to contribute to the financing of a revolution in Armenia against Turkish rule.

Fugitive Commits Suicide.

New York.—A. Lansing Baird, 45 years old, a lawyer and until recently manager of the uptown branch of Brown, Ryan & Williams, brokers, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head while sitting under a tree in Central park Monday. Baird had been missing for three months and recently the police had searched for him with a warrant charging that he had passed several worthless checks.

William January Set Free.

Fort Leavenworth, Kan.—William January, alias Charles W. Anderson, for whose pardon a petition containing the signatures of 50,000 persons was presented to President Roosevelt three months ago, was released from the federal prison here Friday. Anderson returned to Kansas City, Mo., where he will resume his business. The case of January resembles that of Victor Hugo's hero, Jean Valjean.

Jealous Husband Shoots Three.

Harrodsburg, Ky.—"Buster" Phillips, a city workhouse keeper, shot his wife four times Sunday, three of the bullets entering her breast and the other passing through her abdomen. He then turned the weapon on Mrs. Kyle Watkins, his sister-in-law, and fired one shot at her, which entered the left side, inflicting what is thought to be a fatal wound. He fired his last bullet at Thomas Stiles, aged 18 years, the ball entering the shoulder. Jealousy was the cause of the shooting.

Alleged Lyncher Acquitted.

Charlotte, N. C.—The jury of Union county superior court, in the case of John Jones, one of 20 citizens of Anson county charged with lynching John Y. Johnson, Friday returned verdict of not guilty.

Leader of Mexican Band Drown.

Atlantic City, N. J.—Capt. August Azzali, leader of the Mexican band, which organization accompanied the El Paso, Tex., lodge of Elks to Philadelphia, was drowned Friday evening while bathing.