LYNCHED NEAR CHICAGO.

Brutal Tramp Put to Death by Enraged Illinois Farmers.

HAD ATTACKED A LONE WOMAN.

He Had Assaulted Mrs. Seinska, Wife of a Farmer in Mannheim, on the Outskirts of the City—Friends of the Husband Take Up the Chase and Kill the Man at Once—Stabbed With Pitchforks.

CHICAGO, Ill. (Special).—A tramp met with swift retribution for an assault upon a woman near Mannheim, Cook County. A company of farmers, enraged and indignant that such a crime could take place within sight of and almost adjoining the city limits of Chicago, took the law into their own hands. When they had finished they left his lifeless body lying face down in a cornfield with as much indifference as they would have left the body of a rabid dog killed for the protection of the neighborhood.

Shortly after the dinner hour, when her husband and the farm hands had returned to their work in the fields, Mrs. Carl Seinska, the wife of a well-to-do farmer living near Mannheim, was startled by a roughly-dressed man entering her kitchen, where she was alone, attending to her housework. The man asked for food, which was given to him. While he was eating his meal he learned that Mrs. Seinska was alone in the house. Without warning he attacked her. She struggled with him, screaming for help at the top of her voice, but there was nobody near enough to hear her, and the tramp's superior strength soon mastered her. He then bound the woman's hands tightly. She continued to scream as long as she had the strength.

This enraged the tramp and he gagged her, so that she could no longer raise her voice. He added to the outrage by slashing his victim's legs with a knife. After the assault the man started away from the house, leaving Mrs. Seinska gagged, bound, and lying upon the floor. After lying in a semi-conscious condition for several minutes, the woman partially revived and at once began efforts to liberate herself. She finally succeeded in loosening the knots which held her and staggered across the fields, where she found her husband and some other men at work. To them she told the story of the assault upon her.

A man hunt was organized without delay. The alarm was spread throughout the neighborhood and fully forty farmers responded. They were armed with various kinds of weapons, rifles, shotguns, revolvers, pitchforks, and axes. Two of them had snatched up hoes and others had whiffletrees and clubs. The pursuit was not difficult, for the direction that the man took was learned readily by inquiry. The fugitive had made a short cut across fields, evidently intending to reach Chicago.

After a chase of three miles, the tramp was sighted in a cornfield. At first he attempted to hide, but, apparently fearing that his whereabouts would be discovered easily, he started on a run. The pursuing party rapidly gained on him, and, seeing that escape was hopeless, he turned upon his pursuers. Drawing two revolvers from his pockets, he opened fire. He shot without accuracy, for none of his bullets did any damage, although it was reported at first that one man was wounded.

The pursuers, grim and silent, waited until they got within easy range and then opened fire. One bullet reached its mark, disabling the tramp, so that the task of reaching him was easy. A volley from rifles, shotguns and revolvers laid him low and he fell with a dozen wounds in various parts of his body. The farmers closed in upon the man, and though death was only a question of a few moments he was beaten with clubs, stabbed with pitchforks and kicked to death.

Having avenged the assault upon Mrs. Seinska the lynchers went to their homes. The body was left in the cornfield, and about 5 o'clock p. m., a telephone message informed the Coroner that there was a case waiting him. No arrests have been made, nor is it likely that any will be made.

Mrs. Seinska was badly injured in her struggles with her assailant, and is in a serious condition. She is a comely woman under thirty. The tramp, who has not been identified, was apparently thirty-five years old. He had a dark mustache and wore a soft flannel shirt, dark clothing and a black slouch hat. It is supposed that he was from Chicago.

Mannheim is a small station with only a few hundred inhabitants, a few miles west of Turner Park, on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad.

KIDNAPPED CHILD FOUND.

Little John Conway Returned to His Home in Albany, N. Y.

John Conway, the five-year-old boy of Albany, N. Y., who had been at the mercy of kidnappers since Monday morning, was returned to his parents shortly after 9 o'clock Thursday through the efforts of the private detectives and reporters in the employ of the Argus. The child was abducted by his uncle, Joseph Hardy, and a companion named H. G. Blake.

The child was rescued from his captors in a dense wood near Karners, about eight miles west of Albany. Joseph M. Hardy, the boy's uncle, is accused of being the chief conspirator in the attempt to obtain the ransom at the risk of the child's life. To the cowardice of the boy's abductors alone is it due that he has been restored to his parents. Hardy and Blake are under arrest.

Blake was caught in Schenectady and was taken to Albany by train. The station was filled with an angry mob and the police had great difficulty in getting the culprit and placing him in the patrol wagon. When they got him in the wagon fully 2000 persons surrounded it and cries of "Lynch him!" "Hang him!" "Shoot him!" excited the mob to an extreme point, but the horses were whipped up and they passed through the crowd which hung to both sides of the wagon until they fell off. Mayor Thacher managed to get in the wagon and held Blake with one hand, while he held a revolver with the other. At the police station, some blocks away, an enormous crowd had gathered, but the prisoner was landed in the private office of the Chief of Police.

Assassin Golli Executed.

Michacle Angiolillo, alias Golli, who shot and killed Senor Canovas del Castillo, was executed at 11 o'clock a. m., at San Sebastian, Spain, according to the sentence of the court-martial imposed upon him.

Greece is Growing.

The United States Minister to Greece has supplied the State Department with some advance figures of the Greek census, taken last October. They show a total population for the country of 2,433,806, as against a total of 2,187,208 in the year 1889. There were 1,266,816 males and 1,166,990 females. There were twelve towns with a population in excess of 10,000.

After Cargoes of Grain.

The largest fleet of vessels that ever left England in ballast has cleared for American ports to get cargoes of grain.

DUKE OF YORK IN DUBLIN.

He Lands in Ireland With the Duchess and Receives an Ovation.

The Duke and Duchess of York arrived at Kingstown, Ireland, from Holyhead, and all the ships in the harbor were brilliantly decorated for the occasion. The Guard Ship Melampus fired a royal salute as the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert entered the harbor. At noon the Commissioners of

DUKE OF YORK.

Kingstown Township boarded the Victoria and Albert and presented the royal visitors with an address expressing the hope that their visit would lead to the establishment of a royal residence in Ireland. The Duke of York replied that he and the Duchess looked forward to becoming better acquainted with the people and the beautiful scenery of Ireland.

On disembarking, the Duke and Duchess were cheered by the vast crowd assembled on and about Carlisle Pier. The cheering, which was mingled with the booming of cannon, was followed by the bands playing the national anthem, during which the whole throng uncovered.

DUCHESS OF YORK.

The ovation was repeated upon the arrival of the royal pair in Dublin. All the windows and housetops along the route were profusely decorated. There was an imposing military procession and on all sides were to be seen Union Jacks entwined with the green flag of old Ireland.

The Duke and Duchess were received at the Castle by Earl of Cadogan, the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, and by Countess Cadogan, as a royal salute was fired by a battery of artillery stationed in Phœnix Park.

The Duke and Duchess of York will visit Ballsbridge Horse Show, where the Prince of Wales is an exhibitor; will inspect Trinity College, will be present at a public ball and a banquet given by the Lord-Lieutenant, will witness a review of the troops in Phœnix Park, and finally will be the centre of attraction in the installation of the Duke of York as a Knight of the Order of St. Patrick.

STEINWAY & SONS SOLD.

English Syndicate Paid Over $6,000,000 For the Piano Business.

The great business and plant of the piano manufacturing firm of Steinway & Sons has passed into the hands of a syndicate of English capitalists. The sale involves one of the largest cash transactions recorded in England in many years. The purchase price, in round numbers, is more than $5,400,000.

The name of the reorganized concern will be Steinway & Sons, Limited, and its capital is placed at $6,250,000, divided into 75,000 five per cent. cumulative preference shares of $50 each, and 100,000 ordinary shares of $25 each.

The house of Steinway & Sons was founded in 1853 by Henry Steinway, who came from Seesen, near Brunswick, Germany. He was a skilled piano maker, and started the business in Varick street with his three sons as partners, Charles, William and Henry, Jr. The firm prospered from the beginning. Steinway Hall in Fourteenth street was built in 1866, and in 1872 the town of Steinway, north of Astoria, was founded, with its houses for working people and its public school. The great factories were built there in 1877.

IOWA REPUBLICAN TICKET.

L. M. Shaw Nominated for Governor at Cedar Rapids.

The nomination at Cedar Rapids of L. M. Shaw, of Crawford County, as the standard bearer of the Iowa Republicans in the coming campaign ended one of the most protracted contests in the history of Iowa politics.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was adopted without a dissenting vote. The financial plank is as follows:

"The Republican Party of Iowa reaffirms and adopts in every part the declaration of principles announced by the Republican National Convention of 1896, and it pledges for Iowa that the election in November next shall be a still more emphatic show of the strength and justice of Republican doctrines. It again especially declares for protection and honest money."

The platform declares that the Republicans of Iowa view with the utmost satisfaction the result of the campaign of last year and congratulate the whole people upon the election of William McKinley.

Mails For the Klondike.

The United States and Canada have entered into a co-operative arrangement by means of which mails will be delivered twice a month to the Klondike region. The service will be under the supervision of the Canadian mounted police, and the expense will be borne jointly by the two Governments.

Anarchists Start for America.

In Anarchist circles in England it is said that a number of exiled Spanish Anarchists, who recently arrived in England, have started for America.

KIDNAPPED FOR RANSOM.

Little John Conway, of Albany, N. Y., Stolen in the Street.

CHARLIE ROSS CASE DUPLICATED.

His Father Informed by Letter That Unless His Captors Received $3000 the Boy Would Be Put Out of the Way—Coaxed Him From His Play, It is Supposed—Albany Citizens Wild With Excitement.

ALBANY, N. Y. (Special).—The kidnapping of little John Conway is likely to be as celebrated an incident in criminal history as the abduction of Charles Ross. The police are nonplussed. The parents are almost crazed with anxiety. Friends are searching the open country which lies about the cities of Albany and Troy, and despatches have been sent by Chief Willard and his representatives to the authorities of half a dozen cities.

That the kidnapping of the Conway child is the result of a plot there is no question. That more than one person is concerned seems certain. The motives, the whereabouts and all the relative circumstances of the theft of the child are mysteries.

Mr. Conway says he has no enemies. In this he is mistaken, for as night train dispatcher in West Albany, for the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, he has been engaged in two or three labor disputes and has aroused resentment. Whether the stealing of his youngest child is an act of reprisal or merely caused by a desire to obtain a ransom of $3000 cannot at present be determined.

The Conway family, consisting of the father, Michael J. Conway, his wife and three children—William, Mary and John—have lived in Colonie street for twelve years. They now occupy a roomy, old fashioned house half way down the hill toward Broadway. Conway is in receipt of an excellent salary.

John is five years old, the youngest of the family. He is a very bright child, and his father said that the little one not only knew his name, so that he could tell it readily, but also where he lived, his home number and his father's name.

The circumstances surrounding young Conway's disappearance resemble closely those attending the kidnapping of Charley Ross. Young Conway's abductors appear to have been close students of the Ross case.

On the morning of his boy's disappearance Mr. Conway returned to his home after his night's duties and ate breakfast as usual with his family. After breakfast the father retired and the five-year-old boy was allowed to go into the street to play. He left the house a little after 8 o'clock. Two hours afterward Mrs. Conway answered a ring of the door bell.

A boy fourteen years old and poorly dressed was standing there with a letter addressed to Mr. Conway. This did not alarm her, as Mr. Conway had several men under him at West Albany, and in case of sickness or a desire to take a few hours off a man would send him word. This letter appeared bulkier than those usually received, and instead of keeping it until her husband awoke in the afternoon Mrs. Conway took it to his room and he read its contents. This was the first intimation the parents had of the kidnapping of the child. The affair is a mystery, and even now the boy's parents would be at a loss to account for his absence from home had not the principals in the plot unfolded in this letter their plans to the boy's father, and demanded a ransom of $3000 and absolute secrecy under threat to kill both the boy and the father if these conditions were not complied with.

Mr. Conway read the letter aloud. Before he had concluded Mrs. Conway had become hysterical. The letter was fairly well written. There was no apparent attempt to disguise the writing.

At first he could not appreciate the fact that his little boy had been stoled. Then he rushed out and made hurried inquiries in the neighborhood, without result. Desperate because of the apparent hopelessness of his search, he went to the police, but they have been unable to obtain any clue to the boy's whereabouts or his abductors.

The police ordered photographs of the missing boy to be copied, and sent them broadcast with the following description of him:

"John Conway, kidnapped; age five years; blue eyes, light colored hair, cut short; wore knee pants, pink stripe; blue waist, light straw hat with brown stripe; black stockings; button shoes."

Excitement is at fever heat in Albany over the kidnapping. Hundreds of people thronged the street on which the boy lived all day long, and watched every visitor closely, expecting some news of the abductors. The police have had a score of clews that have amounted upon investigation to nothing at all. Every one is at sea, and the parents of the lost child are nearly crazed with anxiety, and uncertain as to what step to take.

A reward has been offered by a local paper, and the entire detective and police force, as well as hundreds of citizens, will pursue their search.

Stirred by a Brutal Murder.

No criminal event in the history of Philadelphia has so aroused public interest as has the murder of William C. Wilson, proprietor of the most widely known private circulating library in the city, and almost as widely known as a miser. He was found dead in his store, within ten feet of the open door of the library, his head crushed in, a towel tightly tied around his neck, and a heavy hammer, with which the murder had been committed, lying at his side. The motive was undoubtedly robbery. Wilson was commonly supposed to keep a large sum of money in the store. Wilson originally came from New York. He served in the Civil War, and at the close had reached the rank of Major.

Held Up a Missouri Bank.

The Pineville (Mo.) Bank has been robbed. Three men, supposed to be the Indian Territory bandits, armed with rifles, rode into Pineville between 9 and 10 o'clock a. m., and proceeded to intimidate the people by firing their guns. They then went to the bank, which two of them entered, while the other kept up the firing outside. One man held up the bank cashier while the other secured all the cash in sight, between $600 and $1000.

Choked to Death by a Son.

Frank Dickerson, aged sixty, was choked to death by his his son, Leroy Dickerson, aged twenty-two, at their home in Cortlandt, N. Y.

Ameer Knuckles Down.

In response to the note of protest and warning addressed to the Ameer of Afghanistan by the Indian Government, in regard to inciting Mohammedans of India to revolt against British rule, the Ameer has issued a firman forbidding his subjects to join the Indian rebels. The Ameer has prescribed severe penalties.

Minor Mention.

At Clinton, Ky., an acre of wheat yielded 108 two-bushel sacks.

Oats six feet high in the stalk are reported in Lane County, Oregon.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

The question of a treaty between France and the United States under the reciprocity clause of the new Tariff law is under consideration.

Secretary Sherman has sent a reply to the last note of Japan relative to the annexation of Hawaii.

President McKinley's congratulations have been conveyed to the President of Uruguay on the failure of the recent attempt on the life of the South American executive.

W. W. Warbrick, of Cincinnati, has been appointed Chief Law Clerk in the office of Comptroller of the Treasury, at Washington.

The Treasury Department will permit boats bound for Dyea, Alaska, to land at Skagway if weather be bad.

General David G. Swain, U. S. A., retired, died in Washington, aged sixty-three. He was born in Salem, Ohio, in 1834, and came of a family which has been represented in every war ever waged by the United States.

Domestic.

RECORD OF THE LEAGUE CLUBS.

Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.	Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Bostor	68	31	.687	Pittsb'g	43	53	.448
Balt	63	32	.663	Louisv'le	44	56	.440
Cincin'ati	61	33	.649	Philad'a	43	58	.426
N'w York	58	37	.611	Brooklyn	40	57	.412
Clevel'd	52	44	.542	Wash'n	39	59	.398
Chicago	49	52	.485	St. Louis	26	74	.260

A meeting of coal mine operators was held in Pittsburg, Penn., and an organization was formed with the purpose of ending the strike.

The convention of the American Bankers' Association came to a close at Detroit, Mich.; Joseph C. Hendrix, of New York, was elected President for the ensuing year.

Mrs. W. H. Thompson was arrested at her father's home, south of Terre Haute, Ind., for burying her three-weeks-old baby alive. When Detective McRae lifted the child out of a shallow grave and found it yet alive, though she says she had buried it three days before, her only comment was: "I thought it was strangled."

At the elevator of the Davenport (Iowa) Glucose Works two terrific dust explosions took place, as a result of which four lives were lost and two persons seriously injured. The dead are: John Raap, fell from top of building, sixty feet; John Hamm, fell from top of elevator; William Wolff, caught by falling wall, and Paul A. Wolff, caught by falling wall.

Joseph Perry was sentenced to life imprisonment at Fitchburg, Mass., for assaulting Estelle G. Stratton.

The failure of packers on the Klondike trail to keep their agreement caused the gold seekers to take a determined stand, in which rifles were shown to bring the packers to terms.

Harvey Be Berry, colored, was hanged in the jailyard at Memphis, Tenn. He protested his innocence while on the gallows. He was hanged for attempted assault on a seven-year-old girl on October 8, 1896. This is the first legal hanging for this crime in Tennessee.

The Middle-of-the-Road Populists, of Iowa, held a State convention and placed a ticket in the field headed by Charles A. Lloyd, of Muscatine County, for Governor.

The Tennessee Centennial Exposition may be able to return subscriptions and pay a small dividend. Many exhibits will be sent to Paris for 1900.

Jane and Minerva Young, sisters-in-law, who live with their husbands on Beech Ford, Ky., had a battle at the family spring. Minerva, true to her war-like name, was armed with a big knife. Jane was armed with a club. They fought for fifteen minutes. Minerva wielded her knife skillfully, and after cutting Jane in a dozen places followed her work by stabbing her in the breast. Jane died an hour later.

Pig iron in Cleveland, Ohio, has advanced from $9.25 to $9.50 for future delivery.

Statistician Neill, of New Orleans, says the outlook this year is for a cotton crop of at least 9,750,000 bales, conceding a short crop in Texas.

George Leuthhauser, a Brooklyn electrician, was killed by a current of 2400 volts in a Unionport (N. Y.) power house.

The injunction against the striking coal miners near Pittsburg, Penn., has been made permanent, forbidding marching and trespass.

Private J. H. Williams, of the United States Marine Corps, at Charlestown, Mass., committed suicide.

High officials of the Pennsylvania and Reading Railroad Companies said that the demand for cars was so great that it threatened a car famine.

There is great enthusiasm at Rome, N. Y., over the success of the new gas wells, and four more wells will be drilled at once.

At Middletown, N. Y., Austin, the eleven-year-old son of George W. Decker, Jr., of Warwick, was shot and instantly killed. Austin and his nine-year-old brother secured a revolver and a loaded shotgun. The gun was placed on a bed. The trigger caught in the bedclothes, which the younger boy pulled, and the gun was discharged, the shot passing through Austin's windpipe.

Receivers were appointed for the Massachusetts Benefit Life Association, of Boston.

At Jacksonville, Fla., the situation in regard to the floating hyacinths is growing serious. The decayed vegetation blocks the river front, and navigation is greatly impeded. An epidemic of fever is threatened. There is a movement on foot to appeal to the State Board of Health.

May Anderson, arrested for the sale of forged Baltimore and Ohio Railroad mileage books, has been sentenced to pay a fine of $500 and costs and to serve six months in Cleveland, Ohio. If her fine be not paid she will remain in prison four years. The woman wept bitterly when sentence was passed, and shrieked as she was taken from the court room.

Mine operators in the Pittsburg (Penn.) district said they would open their mines at all hazards, and would use Gatling guns to protect their workmen against strikers.

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, has discharged 500 city employes in a batch.

A sensational meeting of Anarchists in which murder was applauded was held in New York City with police present.

William C. Wilson, proprietor of Wilson's Circulating Library in Philadelphia, was murdered at his place of business by robbers, who made their escape after committing the murder and looting the office.

One of the first effects of the pronounced public sentiment against lynching is reported from Walker County, Georgia, where Colonel Jones saved the life of Will Phillips, who had assaulted his daughter, and turned him over to the authorities for punishment.

There was a wild scramble in New York City to buy wheat, and every available steamship around New York had been engaged for shipments abroad.

George L. Fish, who has just returned to San Francisco, reports intense suffering among the gold seekers at Dyea, Alaska.

Storms did much damage around New York City. Lightning struck in many sections of New Jersey and Connecticut.

Foreign.

General Woodford, the American Minister to Spain, it is reported, has been instructed to ascertain the limit of neutrality of the European Powers in the event of an offensive policy of the United States toward Spain.

The religious leaders of the tribes in revolt in the Swat Valley, India, have offered to submit on any terms.

BOMBS IN TWO CAPITALS

Explosions Occur in the Streets of Constantinople and Paris.

SULTAN AND PRESIDENT MENACED

Assassination May Have Been Planned in Both of the Countries—Offices of the Grand Vizier Wrecked at the Porte—Explosion in Paris After President Faure Had Left on a Train for Russia.

LONDON, England (By Cable).—Bombs exploded in Paris and in Constantinople, Wednesday, and it is believed that there were plots on foot to kill President Faure, of France, and the Sultan of Turkey. These fresh outbreaks of Anarchist fury have caused the wildest consternation throughout Europe.

The explosion in Paris occurred in the Boulevard de Magenta, five minutes after M. Faure had passed on his way to the railroad station to begin his trip to Russia.

PRESIDENT FAURE, OF FRANCE.

No one was hurt, but the bomb is believed to have been of Anarchist make.

The wildest kind of terror reigns in Constantinople. An Armenian was arrested in the Imperial Ottoman Bank while trying to explode a bomb. Another bomb was thrown near the police headquarters, but did not go off. Still another bomb killed a man and wounded several others. The London police are said to fear an international Anarchist plot, and are watching all arrivals from the continent closely.

PANIC IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

The Sultan in His Palace Fearful of His Life.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey (By Cable).—The city is almost in a panic over the news of bomb explosions, attempted or accomplished at three different points. The explosions are attributed to the Armenians or Anarchists.

At 3 o'clock p. m. a bomb was thrown just outside the Police Headquarters in the Pera District. It failed to explode.

Almost at the same moment an Armenian, whose name is believed to be Garabet, was arrested at the Imperial Ottoman Bank, in the Galata District. He was carrying a package of explosives which he was trying to ignite and place near one of the main entrances. The crowd which saw him handed over to the police by the bank officials would have made short work of him if it had not been prevented.

Another bomb was exploded in a private road between the Vizierate (offices of the Grand Vizier) and the State Council House. One man was killed and several were severely wounded. The explosion shattered windows in the neighborhood and did other slight damage.

Abject terror prevails in the Sultan's palace. The police and the guards there took extraordinary precautions, which gave color to a rumor that the bomb-throwing is part of a widespread plot.

The police are reticent as to the reason for summoning the Palace Guard and

ABDUL HAMID, SULTAN OF TURKEY.

closing all the doors and gateways, but it is rumored that a similar outrage was attempted within the palace limits and that the approaches were barred to prevent the exit of the would-be assassin.

In many parts of the city, particularly around Police Headquarters and the State Council House, the shops were closed. It was necessary to call out the entire police force and the military before anything like calm was restored.

Reports say that Abdul Hamid is in his rooms surrounded by guards and fearful for his life.

BOMB EXPLOSION IN PARIS.

Occurred Near the Railroad Station Which President Faure Had Just Left.

PARIS, France (By Cable).—A bomb was exploded near Gare du Nord about the time that President Faure was taking a train from that station for Russia, and for a few minutes great excitement prevailed. The explosion took place at the corner of the Boulevard de Magenta and Rue Lafayette.

A TORNADO PLAYS HAVOC.

It Starts Two Water Spouts and Strikes Near Valley Stream, L. I.

A tornado struck a half-mile east of the village of Valley Stream, Long Island, and wrought considerable damage. A hotel was almost totally wrecked, the upper part of another building was carried away, big trees were dragged from the earth and scattered long distances, part of a big wagon shed disappeared, and a horse was lifted into the air and carried a considerable distance.

It was a marvellous storm. Following upon the heels of a heavy rain-storm, two towering water-spouts arose out of the sea off Rockaway. One passed to the northward, the other started east. The first spout, whipping over into Jamaica Bay, drove up through the channel with a roaring that filled the air.

Following the channel, the spout made its way towards the railway trestle at Hammel's. Just above the railroad spiling it upset four boats, drowning the occupants of one of them. Collapsing upon the spiling the water-spout subsided. A few yards beyond, however, the cloud swirled down to the water again and formed anew. Some distance beyond it collapsed again with a crash and was seen no more.

The second spout, after going eastward some distance, swerved in towards the beach, driving out a host of bathers and clipping the edges of a bath-house and a hotel.

After leaving Rockaway the cyclone plowed its course of destruction northeasterly through Springfield, Valley Stream, Lynbrook and towards Hempstead. It blew a big hotel seventeen feet from the foundation, unroofed houses, sucked up the water from two ponds as well as from the Hempstead reservoir, scattered a hennery over a square mile of country and plowed a thirty-foot swath through cornfields and orchards.

NEW RAILS FOR THE B. AND O.

Preparing For the Business Boom by Laying New Tracks.

The new eighty-five-pound steel rails that the Receivers of the B. and O. purchased several months ago, at an exceedingly low figure, are now being delivered at the rate of five thousand tons a month. As fast as it comes it is being laid, and if the weather continues good at least 20,000 tons of it will be in the track by Christmas. Nearly a million cross ties have been bought in the last year and placed in the track ready for the new rail. Ballast trains have been kept busy up and down the line, and the work has progressed with such rapidity that when the new rail is down, the tracks will be practically bran new from Wheeling to Baltimore. There are lots of good rail in the old tracks, not heavy enough for the new motive power, which will be taken up and laid on divisions where traffic is not as great as it is on the main line. About ten thousand tons of new steel will be laid on the lines west of the Ohio River this fall, if weather permits.

A KLONDIKE NUGGET.

A Returned Gold Miner Used It For a Pocket-Piece.

A miner, who has just returned from the Klondike, brought with him a nugget of almost virgin gold which he sold in San

EXACT SIZE OF A KLONDIKE NUGGET VALUED AT $231.

Francisco, Cal., for $231. It was small enough to be carried, without inconvenience, in the pocket as this cut, which gives its exact size, will show.

CAPTAIN AND MATE KILLED.

Murder of the Officers of the Schooner Olive Pecker.

A cable message received in Boston, Mass. from Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic says that J. W. Whitman, captain, and William Saunders, mate, of the schooner Olive Pecker, which sailed from Boston on June 27, have been murdered by the crew. The principal owners of the vessel are J. P. Ellicott & Co., of Boston, who also sent out the barkentine Herbert Fuller, on which Captain Nash and his wife and Mate Bamberg were murdered.

The message containing the information was from a banking firm in Buenos Ayres, and it gave only the bare fact of the murder, together with the statement that the vessel was afterward burned, but the crew escaped and landed at Bahia.

Buying Rails Here for a Formosa Railroad.

Advices from Tokio say that Japan is about to place a contract in America for the rails and material required for the 1200 miles of railroad which it is to construct in Formosa, with the object of opening up to trade the phenomenal and as yet undeveloped resources of that island.

Telegraph Line to Klondike.

The Canadian Government has submitted formal proposals to the United States for the construction of a telegraph line to maintain winter communication with the Klondike region. The matter is under consideration by the Interior Department.

Where the Crop is Short.

The wheat crop in Minnesota and the Dakotas will be 30,000,000 bushels short of expectations.

Clam Crop Short.

There is an appalling shortage in the Rhode Island clam crop.

Cycling Notes.

Cycling has become so general in Munich, Bavaria, that a building has been erected recently near the public abattoir in the meat market for the accommodation of butchers' cycles.

The Rev. Dr. Hancher, of the Grand Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, of Kansas City, Mo., has established not only a bicycle check room in the basement of his church, but a room where mothers may check their babies while they attend divine service.

It is estimated that there are fully 5000 wheelmen taking their vacations by touring through New England at the present time. The Berkshire Hills and the White Mountains are their objective points. The small country hotels are reaping a rich harvest from these travelers.