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NATIONAL NEWS

Raging Rivers.

Alton, Ills., May 14—The Mississippi River is still rising. Traffic is entirely suspended. The plants of the Sparks Milling company and Illinois Glass works have been flooded, throwing 800 men out of employment. One of the largest levees gave way, flooding 1,000 acres of wheat. All crops in the lowlands will be destroyed. Water in the Illinois River is rising at the rate of four inches a day, and much damage has been done at Beardstown and surrounding district.

Vicious Train Robbers

San Antonio, Tex., May 14—An attempt was made by a band of seven desperate robbers to hold up the south bound Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train between the stations of Temple and Echo at 3 o'clock in the morning. The engineer, when the man commanded him to halt his engine, put on full speed. Each of the robbers was armed with a Winchester and about one hundred shots were fired into the train. Thomas Hurley, a conductor on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, occupied and upper berth and was shot through the arm near the shoulder. Several other passengers were wounded by broken glass and it is almost miraculous that none were killed.

An Iowa Fiend

Des Moines, Ia., May 14—Doo-ley, the Prescott murderer captured at Villisca Thursday confessed to a reporter in the Corning jail Friday morning. He claims the crime arose from a quarrel about herding cattle, but it is believed he attempted to outrage Mrs. Coons and then killed her and the little girl.

Deschamps Partly Pays for His Crimes

New Orleans, May 14—Ettinge Deschamps was hanged in the jail

yard here today. Deschamps was a quack doctor, who became acquainted with Juliette Dietsch, aged 12 years and accomplished her ruin. Becoming tired of his victim he determined upon murder. They were found in Deschamps' room.

A Baby Farmer's Victims

Berlin, May 16—An aged nurse named Myer, residing at Rockenheim, has been arrested charged with causing the death of fifty-eight infants. The alleged crimes extend of a considerable length of time, and it is reported that several wealthy ladies of Frankfort are to be accused of complicity in the baby farmer's criminal operations.

Defective Switch-Fatal Wreck

Hagerstown, Md., May 16—The fast train on the Norfolk and Western railroad, was wrecked twelve miles south by jumping the track and dashing into three loaded freight cars. The conductor was killed instantly and ten passengers were seriously injured. A jury was impaneled who declared the accident due to a defective switch.

The Roslyn Disaster

Roslyn, Wash., May 16—All the bodies of the victims of the explosion in the mine here have been recovered. The total number taken out is forty-three. A relief committee has been appointed and already several thousand dollars have been subscribed by the citizens.

Avoid but do not Violate

Chicago, May 17—Immigration Inspector Osborne has finished an investigation among the coal fields of Pennsylvania. He says that but 5 percent of the miners are citizens. The balance are Poles, Italians, Slavs and Hungarians. Whenever a mine owner desires more men, the agent goes among the foreign miners and secures from them the names of any of their friends across the water who

are desirous of coming to America. Steamship tickets costing \$12.50 each are given to the miners and they are told to send them to their friends. Thus are the foreigners brought over, without any trouble and without violating the law.

Rescue Boats Out at Alton

Alton, Ills., May 17—The river has risen nine inches since Sunday and is now in Second street. Only two trains reached here from St. Louis via the Chicago and Alton tracks. At Mitchell the Chicago and Alton tracks are under water for a mile. Relief boats were sent to rescue the people in the American bottoms.

Many Starving People

St. Louis, May 17—The Mississippi has about reached its crest and is not expected to rise more than five or six inches above its present stage. Great distress prevails in the flooded districts of East St. Louis. The manufacturing have shut down and hundreds are out of work. Starving people are applying for food every hour at the police station.

Levee Breaks

New Orleans, May 17—A break in the Gypsy levee is 200 feet wide and twelve feet deep. The water is pouring through at a fearful rate. The railway tracks are submerged for miles. A large force of men are working to stop the gap.

Lunch of Rat Poison

New York, May 17—An example of what fools these mortals sometimes be, if furnished by the suicide of a woman in New York, who indulged in a lunch of rat poison because she had been robbed of \$5,000.

Notorious Outlaw Killed by Girl

Fayetteville, N.C., May 17—Seventeen miles below here, A. Gilmore, a notorious outlaw from South Carolina, entered the house of Rev.

William Brunt, and finding no one but Miss Brunt there, forced her to prepare dinner for him at the point of a pistol. After eating heartily, with an oath he leaped out the window. Miss Brunt grabbed a gun and fired thirteen buckshot, striking Gilmore, from which he died in a few minutes. A reward of \$300 was out for Gilmore, to which Miss Brunt becomes entitled.

Indians Gained Their Point

Washington, May 18—The house judiciary committee ordered an adverse report on the senate bill to extend the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the United States to include judgments and decrees of the highest courts of the Cherokee, Creek, Seminole, Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes of Indians. Delegations of Indians from the above mentioned tribes appeared before the committee in opposition.

Circus Wreck

Concordia, Kan., May 18—Ringing Bros. Circus train was wrecked near Concordia, Kansas yesterday morning. Four showman were killed, five badly wounded and twenty head of stock were drowned in the stream.

Union Pacific Wreck

New Castle, Wyo., May 18—The engine on a freight train on the Union Pacific blew up fifteen miles east of here. Fireman Rhinehart was instantly killed and engineer James Wilson was injured internally and bruised about the head and will probably die. Brakeman Arthur Woodbury was badly injured. The boiler was thrown 350 feet.

Everything Flooded

Cairo, May 18—The Iron Mountain railway between here and Poplar Bluffs, Mo., is flooded and the track partly washed away. Traffic is suspended. At Dudley everything is flooded by the highest water ever known. Thirteen railroad bridges in the Cotton Belt and Iron Mountain are washed away.

Surprised a Guilty Pair

Ashland, Pa., May 18—Upon returning home from work sooner than was expected, John Seerichs found Samuel Cinithia in the room with his wife. He shot Cinithia in the arm and side, inflicting dangerous wounds. The enraged husband then shot his wife in the stomach, causing death soon after. Seerichs escaped.

Sac and Fox Money

Washington, May 18—The senate committee on Indian affairs ordered a report recommending the indefinite postponement of a bill in-

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roduced by Mr. Tetler of Colorado, for the relief of the Mo-kaw-ho-ko band of Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi. The bill deducted from payment due other bands of Sac and Fox Indians the sum of \$71,054, which it was claimed had been wrongfully divided among three other tribes.

Fatal Duel in Mexico

Chihuahua, May 19—Licenerat Don Pablo Ochoa, one of the most prominent attorneys in northern Mexico, died here from the effects of a wound received last Thursday in a duel with Senor Diaz Condor, the editor of the El Diarico De Chihuahua. The duel took place just outside of the city limits, and after fatally wounding his antagonist, Senor Condor took to flight. It is believed that he is now in the United States.

Killed His Daughter

Galena, Ills., May 19—George Kneble accidentally shot and killed his little 7-year-old daughter. He was shooting at a target with a revolver, when an unfortunate shot was followed by a piercing cry proceeding from an outhouse nearby. The bullet had, in missing the target, penetrated the wall and lodged in the head of the child.

A Medium Sentenced.

Berlin, May 19—Frau Valesca Toeper, a spiritualistic medium of wide reputation, was sentenced to imprisonment for two years for having given fraudulent manifestations at seances and thus obtained money by false pretenses.

The Result of Negligence

Concordia, Kan., May 20—A coroner's inquest was held over the bodies of Albert Dietzler and Neil O'Donnell, the two men killed in the wreck of the circus train. The finding was that the accident was the result of extreme negligence on the part of the Missouri Pacific Railroad company. It was shown that the washout had been discovered by section men and no danger signal placed there.

Unknown Assassin Kills Four Women

Dennison, Tex., May 20—An unknown assassin brutally and premeditatedly shot and killed four women, two of them the leading ladies of the city and two members of disreputable houses. All business is suspended here, and a thousand armed men are in pursuit of the murderer. Dozens of arrests have been made but the real culprit is believed to be still at large.

Iowa Flooding

Sioux City, Iowa., May 20—In Sioux City the Floyd River which runs through the center of the city, has flooded the low part of the city, the water reaching the second floor of the houses. 8,000 people are homeless, between twenty and thirty persons are reported drowned.

Women Excited.

Boston, May 21—At the Episcopal convention of the diocese of Massachusetts a motion that the by-laws be changed so as to admit women as lay delegates was lost-84 to 85.

Iowa Sons of Veterans.

Waterloo, Ia., May 21—The state encampment Sons of Veterans closed. The following officers were elected: Commander, L.A. Dilley, Davenport; senior vice commander, Bert Crane, Mount Pleasant; junior vice commander, J. Owen Smith, Des Moines; division council, J. A. Rice, Oskaloosa; L.J. Norton, Rock Rapids; J.G. Patterson.

New Orleans Street Cars Tied Up.

New Orleans, May 21—The street car lines are still tied up. Efforts were made to run cars without success. The strikers derailed the cars, sometimes overturning them. The police made many arrests, but were unable to keep any cars running.

Bank President Under Arrest.

Atlanta, Ga., May 24—The Merchants and Miners Bank of Tallapoosa is in trouble, and President Spencer is under arrest. The officers are charged with using their advantages to secure loans for personal purposes. The bank's capitol is \$50,000.

Got Strychnine for Calomel

Memphis, Tenn., May 21—J. A. Warner Jr., a prominent business man of this city, returned from Nashville Wednesday and purchased what he thought a dose of calomel. Yesterday morning he died in convulsions, asserting that the alleged calomel was strychnine. A warrant will be issued for the druggist.

Street Car Drivers Strike

New Orleans, May 21—Street car drivers on five lines struck because the companies refused to employ only union men. Other lines may be tied up to assist strikers.

Four Women Dead in Texas

Dennison, Tex., May 21—Four women were assassinated last Thursday night, in Dennison Texas, by some unknown person for some unknown cause, and the city is terror stricken. They were all shot while in their homes, the murderer shooting through the windows.

Iowa Train Robbers

Des Moines, May 23—A sensation was caused here by an attempt to hold up and rob the vestibule train. Two miles west of the city where the tracks run through a lonely and desolate place the train ran into a pile of railroad ties placed on the track. The train had been running fifty miles an hour but was signaled in time to slow up before reaching the ties.

Bloodhounds on the Trail

Jacksonville, Fla., May 23—It is now very probable that the murder-

ers who attempted to rob the express car on the railway near Monroe Junction Saturday morning will be apprehended. Sheriff's posses have captured six suspects. Two others are being trailed by trained bloodhounds and it is expected they will be run down.

Brutal Prize Fight

Muncie, Ind., May 23—One of the most brutal prize fights ever witnessed in Indiana took place Sunday morning. The fight lasted eight rounds, when Riffle was knocked senseless by butted on the head by Conley.

Tramps Prevent a Disaster

Dayton, O., May 23—Two tramps walking along the Big Four road discovered a broken rail. One of the tramps hurried east and the other west to signal trains. A limited express was signaled and an awful calamity averted. Passengers raised a purse of \$100 for the tramps and the Big Four officials telegraphed to give the tramps a free ride to Cincinnati.

Noble Work of Rescue.

Little Rock, Ark., May 23—A dispatch from below says the government boat Adams rescued 1,550 people in the Redfield district. The snag boat Reese saved 400 Negroes at Red Bluff. The iron bridge over Red river was declared unsafe and no Iron Mountain trains are running. Word came from Castoria for help, 1,000 people being in immanent danger of drowning.

Relief Work.

Pine Bluff, Ark., May 23—The first steamboat to come down the river from Little Rock since the flood was the Anna B. Adams, yesterday. She was on a relief expedition and picked up in all about 50 families. There is not a single farm on the river between here and Little Rock that is not flooded.

Smallpox at Chicago.

Chicago, May 24—T.S. Meek, a traveling salesman from Philadelphia and a guest at the Palmer house, was suffering from smallpox. Meek was removed to the pest house.

Appeal to the Nation.

Washington, May 24—The following telegram has been received by the president and is by him given to the press in order that the great suffering and destitution caused by the floods may be known by the people of more favored localities:

Shreveport, La., May 22, 1892. To the President of the United States, Washington.

There is great destitution and suffering among the multitude of people who have been driven from their homes and deprived of employment by the floods in the Red river districts. A great number are in this city and more will come. We earnestly appeal to you and, through you, to the na-

tion for relief and assistance. - William Harper, Chairman Committee.

Hotel Burns

Two Guests Perish

Fairfield, Cal., May 24—Fire destroyed Joyce's hotel and caused the loss of two lives. The building was a frame one and so rapid was the progress of the flames that those of the inmates who escaped did so with great difficulty.

A Mine Caves

Wilkesbarea, Pa., May 24—The surface over Waddell's mine at Miners' Mills caved in. The water from the creek running close by found its way into the excavation and flooded the mine. A large army of men are at work trying to alter the course of the creek, which is quite high from recent reports.

Seventeen Persons Drowned

Melbourne, May 24—Two fishermen and fifteen members of a football team were drowned in the bay here Saturday, it is thought. They started for Prot Philop and have not yet been heard from since. Their boat has drifted ashore bottom side up.

Indianapolis Shocked.

Indianapolis, May 24—Indianapolis felt a distinct shock of earthquake at 8:36 last evening. The disturbance lasted about 5 seconds.

Anti-Christian Riots.

Hong Kong, May 25—Fresh anti-Christian disturbances have occurred in districts bordering on Tonquin. A Chinese official is reported killed.

Church Destroyed.

Meridan, Miss., May 25—The First Baptist church was totally destroyed by fire. Loss \$25,000; partially insured.

Arkansas City Under Water.

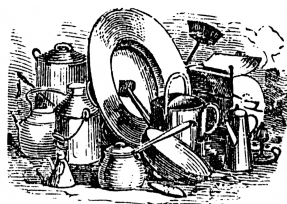
Arkansas City, May 25—This city is completely under water. All the stores are flooded out and the tops of houses are visible only on the back streets. All the trains on the Iron

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Mountain are abandoned on account of the bad condition of the bridge over Boggy bayou.

King Christian's Golden Wedding.

Copenhagen, May 25—Next Thursday will be the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Christian IX of Denmark. The celebration of the event commenced with a private divine service in the king's residence, when the royal family took part in the Lord's Supper.

Electric Boat

Frankfort, May 25—During the electric exhibition at Frankfort-on-the-Maine an electric boat has been exhibited, built in Zurich, Switzerland, and put in motion by electricity. It moved on the river without smoke and steam and nearly without any noise. The length of the boat is 48ft, its width 10 ft. It is arranged for carrying passengers.

Captain Andrews To Repeat Crossing

Boston, Mas., May 25—Captain Andrews of Boston, who 4 years ago crossed the Atlantic in a little sailing boat, is going to repeat his exploit next July in a boat, which is only 14 1/2 ft long, 6 inches shorter than the one, in which he made his former trip. He thinks, to get across the ocean in 40 days.

Airlie Collision

Dundee, May 25—The ship Airlie which arrived here, was in collision off Yarmouth with an unknown schooner which sunk, it is believed with everyone on board.

Texas Lynchers Met by Lead

Dallas, Tex., May 26—Policeman C. O. Brewer was shot and instantly killed by a man named Henry Miller who he was trying to arrest. A mob attacked the jail and in the riot two men were seriously shot. The mob finally dispersed, when they saw that to carry the jail meant heavy loss of life.

Is It Legitimate?

Chicago, May 26—Walter C. Lloyd, secretary of the Frank Shaw Mercantile Telegraph company, was indicted for keeping a gambling house. A test case will be made. Shaw's attorney will claim that the Mercantile company is doing a legitimate business and that pool selling on horse races is no part of it.

Mrs. Russell Guilty

Eau Claire, Wis., May 26—Mrs. Elizabeth Russell was found guilty of murder in the first degree. Mrs. Russell had been on trial for the charges of causing the death of Mrs. Bertha Erickson. Mrs. Erickson had just been married. Mrs. Russell was in love with Erickson, who had been her hired man. An autopsy showed she had poisoned the wife.

STATE NEWS

Cario, Neb., May 14—The remains of A. J. Steadman who took an overdose on Tuesday night at his home, were gazed upon by a jury yesterday, who came to the conclusion that death resulted from an overdose of aconite or belladonna taken by his own hand by accident. The deceased was 64 years of age and had no family.

Omaha, May 14—The Missouri river is rapidly rising and a torrent of mud is madly rushing down toward its mouth. At East Omaha it is cutting away the banks in acre slices, and it is feared the stream will seek its old channel along the Nebraska bluffs.

Omaha, May 14—The County Hospital at Omaha is a wreck. The north wings main floor gave way, the roof cracked and partly caved in. An attempt will be made to save the south wing which is also cracked.

Omaha, May 16—The Methodists spent yesterday among the various churches. Many of the minister occupied the pulpits about the city. A Sabbath observance meeting was held under the auspices of position hall.

Omaha, May 16—Our friend of street pavement assured us, that to all the other beauties of paved street belongs also the saving of money, as such street need no repairs. The paved streets of Omaha have been so badly damaged by rain, that \$20,000 will not repair them.

Omaha, May 17—Bishop Hurst presided and Dr. Bill of Genesee conference led the devotional exercise in the Methodist conference yesterday. The bishops sent in a communication requesting the conference to decide definitely the meaning of the rules where they specified that a call for a vote by orders could be called by a third of either order.

Hastings, May 17—It is now apparent that out of 100 cases of small pox reported at Hastings, not one case was of that disease. They should have dropped it there and after the doctors had vaccinated several hundred people at two or three dollars an arm, it had developed that one or two people were sick with measles.

Omaha, May 17—Douglas county appears to have exceedingly bad luck with her poor farm, probably because she originally tried to steal it from the rightful owner through technicalities of law.

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Three Men Drowned at Crete

Crete, Neb., May 18—William Bienhoff, Nelson Packard, and Joseph Woodard, were drowned in the Blue River at the City roller mills. Bienhoff was a professional fisherman of this city. He attempted to cross the river in his boat and was carried over the dam. Packard and Woodard jumped in the boat to assist the drowning man. When they reached the middle of the stream, below the dam the suction upset the boat and both disappeared in the flood.

Omaha, May 18—How can a man preach the religion of Jesus Christ and still be republican. The Methodist conference at Omaha should in the first place suspend its rules and postpone its regular business until it had settled this difficult problem. Their discussion would no doubt end in sending a dozen or two of missionaries out to Ham Kautzmann. Missionaries are most delighted at heart when they can reform the blackest sinner.

Valley, May 18—A man up at Valley, crazed on religious matters, began to cut off his right hand presumably because it had offended him, and cast it from him the bloody member striking the bed of members of the family, and when they discovered him he was bout to dig out his right eye. His life was saved.

Lincoln, May 18—Lincolnites are pushing preparations for the proper celebration of Nebraska's twenty fifth anniversary of admission into the union, with the greatest zeal and they will no doubt be successful in making it the principal event of the season.

Omaha, May 18—The east approach of the Union Pacific bridge gave way resulting in a thirty foot gap precludes all idea of using the bridge for sometime. The Missouri is rising rapidly. Its channel has

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" No. 3, Daily.....	10:45p.m.	10:50p.m.	
" No. 5, Daily.....	4:20p.m.	4:30p.m.	
" No. 7, Daily.....	12:20a.m.	12:25a.m.	

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No. 46, Daily.....		5:35p.m.	
Passenger West		Ar.	Lv.
No. 41, Daily.....		4:10p.m.	
No. 43, Daily ex. Sunday.....		12:25a.m.	
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No. 47, Daily, ex. Sunday		7:00p.m.	
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The Independent with all the news for a time per week.

A black and white illustration showing three men in a workshop. One man in the foreground is using a large hammer on a workbench. Another man stands behind him, and a third man is visible in the background. The workshop is filled with various tools and machinery, suggesting a manufacturing or repair environment.

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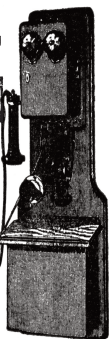
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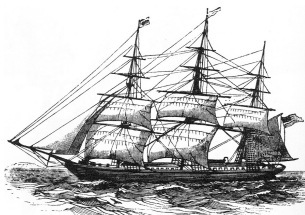
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Nine Drowned at Lincoln

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Omaha, May 21—An Omaha clairvoyant says she has located Captain Egan who disappeared in Chicago. She wrote a letter saying that she was positive Captain Egan was a captive in an old one story dwelling house in the western part of Omaha.

Gibbon, May 21—D. P. Borne of Gibbon, superintendent of the dairy department of the Nebraska exhibit of the World's Fair was in the city on World's Fair business. He is one of the best as well as the best posted dairymen in the state and it is safe to say Nebraska's dairy exhibit will be one of the best at the great exposition.

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Omaha, May 23--According to a statement of the Bee, a number of heavy capitalists of Omaha have formed a company with a capital of \$5,000,000 for the sale of a certain cure for drunkenness, and have closed negotiations for the establishment of a sanitarium in Chicago to cost \$100,000

St. Paul, Neb., May 24-- Mrs. Neff was killed near Elba this county a few days ago. It appears that she for several nights in succession had been dreaming of a lot of treasure being buried and concealed near her home, in her delusion she went digging for it, and while so engaged the bank caved in and buried her, and when found she was dead.

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