

## MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

A CASE OF SUPPOSED SUICIDE AT  
BELLVILLE.  
3/17/1894

A Lady Passenger of the B. & O. Limited  
Jumps or Falls from the Train and  
is Fatally Injured—Thought  
to be a Miss Fleming.

A telegram was received at the B. & O. telegraph office last night from the conductor of the limited passenger train No. 8, at Mt. Vernon, asking that the crew of the first freight train passing search along the track for the body of a young woman, supposed to be a Miss Fleming, who, it was thought, had jumped from the train.

The trainmen of freight No. 23 were notified and they commenced a search. At 1 o'clock this morning they found the girl lying along the track one mile east of Bellville, in an unconscious condition. She was lying face downward and when they picked her up it seemed to arouse her somewhat, as she began to talk, but the men could not understand what she said. They took her to Bellville and doctors were summoned. The examination revealed no serious external injury and it was thought the girl would live, but at 6:30 this morning she expired without regaining consciousness.

There was nothing on the young lady's person by which her identity could be learned and it may be several days before her name is known, although the railroad company and authorities are making a good effort to identify her.

The deceased is fine featured, of fair complexion and very pretty. She has good white teeth, long black wavy hair, and dark brown eyes. She was 5 feet 5 inches tall and would weigh about 110 pounds. She wore a diagonal navy blue sacque, trimmed in gray fur, and a red hat trimmed with black feathers and ribbons. The dress was a gray plaid floss, trimmed in black, waist of same material, black sleeves and black velvet collar. She wore a gold watch and chain; the number of the watch is 2,592,372. Four dollars were found in her pocket book.

As McFarland's grocery wagon was going up Park Avenue West at noon the horse, when opposite the fire department, frightened at the street car. The driver could not control the animal and it ran up Walnut street. Cyrus Hersheiser, who was crossing Walnut street, was struck by the wagon and knocked down. The wheels passed over his shoulders, but he sustained no injuries except a few bruises. The driver succeeded in stopping the runaway horse when it reached Second street.  
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3/16/1894 On a Spec.

The woman mentioned in the SHIELD several days ago as inquiring of the local ticket offices whether her husband had bought a ticket to leave the city is Mrs. Jackson Arnold. Mrs. Arnold was up to see Mayor Black this morning. She said her husband drew \$90 pension money the first part of the week and has been on a drunk ever since. He has been taken in charge by several "bleeders," who are having a good time off his money, which the family needs. Mrs. Arnold requested he mayor to arrest her husband on sight, as he will spend all his money unless he is locked up.

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## MR. J. KIRKWOOD.

BEING A RESIDENT OF MANSFIELD,  
LATER IOWA'S WAR GOVERNOR.

He Was a Giant Among Men, Measured  
by Mental Endowments, Capabilities  
for Great Accomplishments or Measured by  
Actual Results.

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The Saturday Cincinnati Commercial Gazette contained the following from the pen of Hon. Henry C. Hedges, of this city, on the life and deeds of Samuel Kirkwood, which will be of interest to our readers:

The recent death of the great Comonomer of Iowa, whose birthplace was in the soil of Maryland, but whose truly maturer life was in Ohio amidst the smiling valleys and wooded hills of Richland county, make proper now a eulogy of him for the Commercial Gazette, for he was our Kirkwood, our honest Sam, though his greatest work and grandest distinction and national fame came to him as a citizen of Iowa. He was her war Governor, her U. S. Senator, her Cabinet Minister.

When I was a lad I knew Samuel J. Kirkwood, knew him prior to his admission to the bar, knew him when he was a teacher of youth, when he assisted in appraising the real property of the whole county, when he came on the farm in the valley of the Moccasin to become the partner of Thomas Bartley.

I knew him when he married his wife, Miss Clark, and a splendid woman and wife she was, a farmer's daughter, it equal to any place or position; knew him when the people elected him prosecuting Attorney of the county, and the duties of the office were never done faithfully and ably discharged when he was that attorney; knew him when Richland county chose him as Dr. J. P. Henderson as its members of the Constitutional convention, called to formulate a new constitution for Ohio.

He was a Democrat in those days; that is, he was a member of the party nominated the Democratic party. He was ever a Democrat in its true and best sense, for he believed in the people, in the rule of the people, "in the control of the people, by the people, for the people."

In his view of parties and party organization, there came a time when the party to which he belonged drifted from its moorings and while he re-

### A Book Agent Said to Have Assaulted a Dining Room Girl.

The Park Hotel was the scene of a scandalous row last evening in which brute force asserted itself. Harry Brown, a book agent, has been boarding at the hotel for the past two or three months, during which time he has worked the city selling his publication. He has become known in nearly all the resorts of the city as a "dead game sport."

It is said that at supper last night Brown endeavored to make an engagement with Miss Blanche Long, a dining room girl, and when she refused to have anything to do with him he abused her with vile language, at which she became indignant and it is understood she told him pretty plainly what she thought of him. Brown became enraged and attempted to choke the young lady. Other people at the house came to the mistreated young woman's assistance and freed her from the book agent's assault.

Miss Long was advised to have the fellow arrested, but owing to the notoriety which would necessarily be created she shrinks from doing so, but nevertheless the matter has not yet been settled and prosecution may yet be made

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### AN OFFICIAL CHANGE.

Probate Deputy Cummins Will Resign to  
Complete His Law Studies.

At the close of the present week a change will be made in the personnel of Probate Judge Lewis Brucker's force at the court house, by the resignation of First Deputy Will Cummins, who will go to Shelby to complete his law studies with the firm of Skiles & Skiles. Second Deputy James M. Ottinger will be promoted and the position of second deputy will be held by T. B. Bollman, who is now deputy in the office of Recorder J. W. Weil.

The resignation of Mr. Cummins will be greatly regretted by all those with whom he has done business. Besides being a genial young man with a host of friends he has been an accommodating clerk and an efficient assistant to Judge Brucker. Mr. Cummins has occupied the position of deputy since 1890, when Judge Brucker took charge of the office. The SHIELD joins Will's friends in wishing him much success in his fight with Blackstone.  
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### Commissioners' Bush.

The county commissioners in a meeting today unanimously voted that all business should be transacted at the office; that all supplies and stationery required in the several county offices be ordered through the county commissioners; that one and five-tenths mills be levied on each dollar of taxable property in Richland county for road and bridge purposes, and that five-tenths of one mill of said levy be worked out on the roads.

### Admitted to the Bar.

The following Richland county law students have been admitted to the bar: Wm. G. Burwell, of Plymouth, Olin M. Farber, of Bellville, C. H. Keating and Charles H. Workman, of this city.  
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### Officers Installed.

The officers of Mohawk Encampment, Royal Foresters, were installed last night by General Blake and staff. After installation services the Illustrious Knights and Sir Knights sat down to tables in the armory, which were laden with good things to eat and of which all partook with "royal" good appetite. This encampment starts out with a roster of over fifty Sir Knights and with prospects of decided success. Forestry dates back to the 17th century and its fraternal features are of peculiar excellence.  
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The family of M. P. Schambs will move next Monday to Greenville, Pa., where the three daughters will attend Thiel College, a Lutheran institution. Mr. Schambs will continue to travel for the Schambs Manufacturing Co., of Millersburg.  
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