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FINE PICKING OF NEWS,

AS FOUND IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Highwaymen Murder a Stockman Near Lima, Ohio—Another Crisis in France—Mother and Child Completely Killed—The Oberholser Council at War.

IN A DENSE WOODS.

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Lima (Ohio) special: Daniel Swearer, a wealthy stock breeder of Cherry Fork, left his home the other morning with a large sum of money for the purpose of buying some stock. In going to West Union he passed through a dense wood, where he was waylaid by highwaymen, who cut him open from behind and dealt him a heavy blow on the head with a heavy instrument. When found his skull was crushed and his throat cut from ear to ear. His money, watch and jewelry were gone, and some valuable papers were missing. The body was carried to the borders into another thicket, where it was found lying in a heap. The discovery was made accidentally by some hunters.

Swearer was aged about fifty years, and leaves an estate valued at \$75,000. There is no clue to the highwaymen, although a number of suspicious characters have been seen in that part of the country lately. The amount stolen was over \$1,200.

ANOTHER CRISIS IN FRANCE.

The Government Forces Defeated on a Vote.

Paris special: The Government was defeated in the Senate on a bill to increase the military and naval budget, and regarding that as a vote of lack of confidence the ministry resigned. The M. Ribot cabinet has held sway for eleven years. Ever since this ministry came into power the opponents of the movement have sought an opportunity to overthrow them. The Panama scandal, it was thought, would afford the opportunity, but none of the various tasks were made none proved successful, the chamber each time voting confidence in the Government and discrediting their enemies. The adverse majority of five votes to one by the Chamber of Deputies on the liquor amendment was more or less a signal to the Government, and after due deliberation the ministers decided to regard it as a vote of want of confidence. As stated above, their resignations followed. No action has yet been taken towards forming another cabinet.

A Railroad Strike.

One of the most interesting of the displays to be presented at the World's Fair by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company is the antique locomotive "John Bull" and a train of cars attached, such as were used in the old Canand and Albany railroads, the route between Philadelphia and New York, in 1836. It is the original locomotive constructed in England by John Stephenson, shipped to the United States and erected by Isaac Dripps, at Bordentown, N. J., in 1831, and has been launched for a number of years in the National Museum at Washington, where it was deposited as a curiosity and for safe keeping.

Bayard Placed.

The President has appointed Thomas F. Bayard Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Great Britain. The nomination of Minister Lincoln's resignation officially expired. The appointment is not a surprise and it meets with the most general approval. As an ex-member of the Senate Mr. Bayard was confirmed at once as the first ambassador under the new order of diplomatic rank. Mr. Bayard has held his old position as Secretary of State, but he is absent, but he preferred service abroad, and having permitted to make his own selection he chose Great Britain.

A Bad Break.

The steamer Saginaw, which has arrived at New York, brought the news that the steamer *La Provence*, on March 14, visited the French bank at San Domingo City broke into the vault of the bank and secured \$55,000 in cash. He attempted to leave the town for Monte Christi but was stopped by two French men-of-war who demanded reparation and indemnity of \$100,000.

Mother and Child Instantly Killed.

Mrs. Ed. Patterson and her 5-month-old baby were instantly killed at Warsaw, Ind. The family live over Boyce's cigar factory, and Mrs. Patterson had started down stairs with her baby in her arms when a four-wheeled carriage, in high skirts and a full繁e, ran long to the pavement below, meeting instant death. The mother fell on the child, crushing it to death.

The Treasury Receipts.

The Treasury receipts for March exceed \$30,000,000 being heavier than for some time past. Expenditures, however, have kept close base with receipts.

Alleged Forgeries at Waterloo, Ind.

Bryon Cooper, son of a prominent citizen of Waterloo, Ind., secured over \$1,500, it is alleged, by forging his father's name, and more shortages are expected to develop. He has fled to parts unknown.

The French Arsenal Burned.

The greater part of the arsenal at Lille, France, was burned. All the apparatus used in charging cartridges and minnie shells was destroyed.

CRIME AND CASUALTY.

The vault of the register of deeds of Harvey County, Kansas, was broken into and valuable documents were taken.

A New York paper claims to have discovered an anarchist plot to assassinate the Prince of Wales should he come to America to attend the World's Fair this summer.

Deputy United States Marshal Flaming has unearched a gang of counterfeitors in the Arkansas State penitentiary. Two of the men were arrested last summer, and one year ago for some days, his term expiring recently, and Tom Johns, confined for horse stealing, his term expiring April 1, were the guilty parties. Four pairs of plates of pure models were found, two in Lorton's guardhouse and two in Johns' cells, besides several counterfeit bills.

Over 200,000 dollars were taken.

The men were detected through some boys who delivered the coins. Lorton passing them to the boys on the outside by means of strings and the boys returning the good coins the same way.

—Latimer, the Jackson, Mich., escaped convict, is caught. He was run down at Jerome, on the Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinaw railroad, at about noon Tuesday evening. He was taken to a heavily guarded prison across the country, in a wagon. The prison officials awaited him with extra guards, all heavily armed. The

patrolmen on the streets were notified, and the Sheriff had a posse out. There were grave fears that no official force could control the fury of the mob which awaited him. Jerome is a small village, and reports were meager in details, but it was fully identified by his prison number, 4975, on his clothing. The thousand people waited to welcome him.

—A daring robbery was committed on a Baltimore and Ohio passenger train near Napavine, Ind., by a masked highwayman. The robber entered the train at Syracuse and relieved his victim of \$600 in money and a valuable gold watch. He guarded his victim with the revolver until Napavine was reached, where he jumped from the train.

John Patterson Jr. shot and fatally wounded his uncle, John Patterson Sr., at Middletown, Ky. Both were drinking beer. Patterson and Joe Parton also engaged in a pistol duel, in which Parton was badly wounded.

—Eleven prisoners escaped from jail at Middletown, Ky., Sunday night.

THE FIRE RECORD.

The Summit Seed and Feed Company's building at Fairview was destroyed by fire Friday morning. Fred P. Pfeifer, president of truck company No. 1, was killed by a bullet. Frank Mahoney, Tony Riley and another were badly injured. Pierpont was mangled almost beyond recognition. The burned building was a large two-story structure. It had a large quantity of hay and a large quantity of seed and other material. The loss will reach \$60,000. The origin of the fire is not known. At Mead, Kan., the opera house, F. W. Fitch's general store, Mrs. Fitch's restaurant, the Masonic Hall and two other stores buildings were destroyed. The fire started in the entire business portion of the city was about \$25,000.

—The high incense question is causing a little commotion in Fort Wayne municipal circles. A year ago four saloon-keepers were defeated for the Council. Three Republicans who succeeded them have introduced a resolution to increase the liquor license fee from \$25 to \$50. The Council non-committal. The fight is on. A few days ago, to add to the excitement, the Humane Society filed affidavits against prominent saloon-keepers who were charged with selling to habitual drunkards and minors.

—Snedler & Halman, manufacturers of boots and shoes at Detroit, were burned out. The loss is \$150,000.

—Fire destroyed the elevator at Chicago owned by P. F. Marshall, containing 100,000 pounds of oats. The loss is estimated at about \$100,000, of which \$60,000 is on the building and oats and \$40,000 on the machinery. Mr. Marshall carried \$75,000 insurance.

—A destructive fire did great damage along the water front at Elizabethport, N. J. The fire started in a building on White's lodging houses on Pine street, and the inmates, mostly Poles, had to flee for their lives. Five dwellings were destroyed.

—The Creek Nation, the Indian Territory, is infested by an organized band of horse-thieves. A raid made by it on George Stidman's ranch, near Eufala, was successfully resisted by fire-arms.

—The Tonawanda Liner Labrador has arrived at Halifax from Liverpool with 1,200 immigrants, 1,000 of whom are immigrants bound for the United States.

—Col. H. H. Gregg has resigned from the Missouri State Fair Commission.

—Secretary Gresham has called for the resignation of Dr. F. O. St. Clair, chief of the consular bureau of the State Department.

—The Bill incorporating the North American Commercial Bank was introduced Monday by the Canadian Parliament. The company will construct a canal from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario, deepen the St. Lawrence Canal, and cut the canal from Lake St. Francis to Lake Champlain and thence to the Hudson River.

FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

—Dobbins & Dazey, cotton factors at Nashville, with branches at New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis and other cities, have failed, with liabilities of \$750,000.

—A receiver has been appointed for the Southern Land and Lumber Company at Dry Run, Ark., on application of the president, A. C. Foster, of Chicago.

—The Rev. John Souder, Methodist Protestant minister, died at Tiffin, O., aged 93 years. He had lived there seventy years, and had been in the ministry for fifty-one years.

—Dr. William Bissell Ashley, who was the oldest clergymen at Milwaukee, is dead. He was eighty years old.

—Gen. E. Kirby Smith, the last of the full generals of the war of the rebellion, died Tuesday at his home in Sewanee, Tenn., aged 89 years. Gen. Smith had remained at Sewanee for a long time, having been connected with the University of the South as professor of mathematics for seventeen years. He leaves a widow and eleven children.

—Col. Elliott Fitch Shepard, editor of the Mail and Express, died suddenly Friday afternoon at his home in New York. His death followed the administration of ether by his family physician, who was about to leave for a vacation. The physician had been in good health, but nearly a month ago he noticed symptoms that led him to believe that he was afflicted with stone in the bladder. He let it go and did not consult a physician until a week ago, when he went to Dr. McLane and it was discovered that he was suffering from cancer.

—The Citizens and Northwestern, St. Louis and Pacific, and Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley Railroads have begun a war against the Order of Railway Telegraphers. Several months ago a division of the order was established at Sioux City, Iowa, and organized a strike, placing the Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railroads under the jurisdiction of the railwaymen. The men who belong to the order have been quietly dropped out of the service of the road, various reasons being assigned. They are now convinced that their membership in the order is the reason, and the official tacitly admits it. It is also said that the Western Union Company is pursuing a similar line of action.

—The electric web concern of the shoe manufacturers rubber goring for the shoe trade are about to pool their issues.

—There will be an extra session of Congress, and it will convene some time in September. There need be no doubt about this, for the President has so decided and made his decision known. The President shortly before the inauguration had some difficulty in getting an extra session, but in view of the enormous excess of imports since January 1, it was scarcely reasonable to expect him to be denied.

—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The volume of trade is well maintained, and manufacturers are better supplied than in previous months, and while the increase was most needed, and every indication that people do not yet begin to think of reducing purchases. The Treasury is of the opinion that the rule requiring sixty days' notice of withdrawal of deposits, etc., will be the earliest time consistent with several necessary considerations, and so September has been decided upon. Of committees having nine or more members eight will be directed by men from the North, and eighteen have Southern Senators for chairmen.

—The Senate, at least, the preponderance of Southern influence and Southern leaders is evidently to be in inverse ratio to the population, business interests and general importance of the Southern States.

THE MARKETS.

—The Attorney General of Panama has demanded that Jose Meardi, a native of Buenos Ayres, and for some years residing in Italy, be executed. He murdered his wife two days after his arrival in Buenos Ayres and confessed that he brought her to Italy with the intent to kill her, having been induced to do so by a butcher's knife for the purpose.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

—Miss Mary Johnson, living at East 14th Louis, arrived at Terre Haute, Ind., from Chicago, on Thursday, in charge of a two-year-old girl which was left in her care at the Pole street station, Chicago, by its mother and deserted. The mother left the child in Miss Johnson's care, and she could get no medical checkup, did not dare take the child to a doctor.

—Miss Johnson took the baby to East 14th Louis with her.

—The Rev. B. F. Mills, the evangelist, has added to his Minneapolis revival service a new feature in the handling of mixed cases in the baby-checking system. He has a special room in his office for mixed cases, and he doesn't want the period of prayer disturbed by crying babies, so the babies will be checked.

—The Harrison administration paid off \$20,000,000 of the public debt, and reduced the annual interest charge to the extent of \$65,000,000; but that kind of statesmanship will now come to a stop for four years.

—The last Congress spent \$115,707

for each Congressional district in the country more than the "billion dollar Congress" that the Democrats talked about so much two years ago.

—The Rush for the spoils.

—The importance which the Democratic party attaches to Mr. Cleveland's pompous profession of civil service is shown by the frantic rush of office grabbers to the national capital. In the morning Mugwump journal of this city confesses despairingly that "despite the perfectly plain utterances of Mr. Cleveland before taking office, and the equally distinct and significant words of his inaugural address, all reports agree that Washington is swarming with office-

"COLONELS" IN CONTROL

HOW THE UNITED STATES SENATE IS ORGANIZED.

Out of Forty-one Committees to Which Chairmen Have Been Assigned, Only Thirteen Northern Men Have Secured Chairmanships—Grover the Great.

The South in the Saddle.

For the first time in many years the formation of the United States Senate committees is in the hands of the Democrats, and already most of the important places have been allotted.

The result of chairmanships—so far chosen is in full of significance.

It is Impoverishes Farmers.

The same promises made by Democrats to agriculturists in the last campaign were made by their predecessors to the farmers in order to win their support for the free trade tariff of 1846. How well those promises were kept is recorded in the annual messages of President Fillmore, written after the free trade act had got under full headway. In the message of 1851 he said:

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