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LARGE GRIST OF NEWS.

THE SENATE LAYS ASIDE THE FORCE BILL.

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Church Lotteries Dismayed.

A special from St. Paul, Minn., says: The Catholic Church, which, up to the present time, has permitted lotteries at fairs for the raising of money for church purposes, is to shut down on all such practices, at least in this section of Minnesota and North and South Dakota. Archbishop Ireland has issued the following order: "Public sentiment has become so pronounced and rightly so, against lotteries and chance games, that we do not, on duty to prohibit altogether, as we now do, the raising of money for religious and charitable purposes by the sale of chances, the use of wheels of fortune, or by any method savoring of lottery or gambling. This rule, which we now make, admits of no exception. It applies to convents as well as to towns, to convents as well as parishes."

Soldier Savages.

It is probable that one of the many attractions of Chicago during the World's Fair will be a small nation of Sioux Indians encamped at Fort Sheridan.

Gen. Miles, who is expected to arrive soon from Pine Ridge Agency, will bring from their reservation about two hundred Sioux warriors, enlisted in the United States army and station them at Fort Sheridan. There they will be drilled the same as white enlisted regulars and reserved for use in possible future Indian wars.

"Gen. Miles has been talking over the prospect in a general way," said Col. Corbin at army headquarters, "but I don't think he has yet evolved the details. He has been thinking of bringing a couple of companies of Indians to Fort Sheridan, but before it can be done many preliminary arrangements must be made."

New Messiah Crave.

The story of the spread of the messiah craze to the Minnesota Indians on the reservation near St. Hilaire and the threatened uprising promises to be an absurd fake perpetrated by a member of Gov. Merriam's staff.

The officers of the Great Northern Railway, Gen. Ringer and others strenuously deny all knowledge of an uprising. It turns out to be a scheme to induce the Legislature to make a heavy appropriation for the national guard, for which a lobby is now making a strong fight.

Blown Up with Dynamite.

Bonfield (W. Va.) special: The fourth instance in which houses, in this vicinity have been blown up with dynamite occurred here recently. The home of James Collins was demolished; Moses Henry's store was partially wrecked the same night and William Roan's dwelling was demolished and several persons injured. Three arrests have been made as a result of the explosion. The town is tormented.

A Postmaster in Trouble.

Colonial special: John L. Jones, postmaster at Kinston, N. C., is facing a criminal trial before a United States Commission of Inquiry of this place for taking a letter from the Columbus postoffice that was addressed to John Clegg, of Newbern, Ind. Clegg owned Jones a store bill and he came here and got the letter; it is charged, in which there was \$24 due Clegg as a postman.

Fatal Ice Carnival.

At an ice boat carnival, at Erie, Pa., while one of the craft was traveling at a terrific speed, it ran into a log, scarcely visible above the ice. Human Fidler had his head crushed and legs broken. He died shortly after. Henry Schaefer was badly injured. Others on board escaped with little or no injuries.

Gas Explosion.

A horrible gas explosion at Mill Grove, Blackford County, Ind., is reported. The Salina Gas Company, of Fort Wayne, have men there digging a gas well, and it is supposed the explosion was under the boiler. It is rumored that two men were seriously hurt and one fatally buried.

Tin Plate at Canton.

The first tin plate manufactured in this country is on exhibition at Canton, Ohio. It is one of two cups made by a St. Louis company, and presented by them to Maj. Eliot. It is composed of 97 per cent.

A State Treasurer \$85,000 Short.

The count of currency in the Arkansas State Treasury proceeded. The sum of \$64,000 still wanting shows the shortage to be \$95,000. The balance will be made good by the bondsmen as soon as officially notified.

Indiana Refuses to Appropriate Money for the World's Fair.

The Lower House of the Indiana General Assembly after debate covering several hours, by a vote of 62 to 32, resolved not to appropriate one dollar to the World's Fair if the Federal Senate passed the force bill.

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THE Italian laborers employed on the Baltimore and Ohio at Uniontown, Pa., struck against a reduction in wages from \$1.35 to \$1.20 per day. About half of the gang quit and the other half wanted to continue work, but the strikers attacked them in a body and drove them off. The leaders in the riot have been arrested.

Information is said to have reached the New York Board of Health that in a den in Mott street are five Chinamen suffering from leprosy. Two others are

said to have been sent back to China a few days ago.

GEORGE KENDALL, the young English farm hand of Arlington, N. J., who was bitten in the lip by a Skye terrier, died in a New York hospital, a victim of hydrophobia in its most horrible form.

BEING told by a medium that her husband was faithless Mrs. Ludwig Anderson poisoned herself and three children at Brockton, Mass.

A FIRE occurred at Jersey City and resulted in the killing of Chief Engineer Henry E. Farrier and Daniel Dianan, stoker of No. 3 engine, and in serious injuries to several other firemen. Two barrels of turpentine exploded with force enough to shatter the plate-glass windows of the store and to shake the buildings in the vicinity.

In a fire at Buffalo, N. Y., two firemen were buried under a wall and instantly killed.

SUSPENDED at New York during the prevalence of a frightful storm. All local traffic was stopped, wires were down, and the mud was a foot deep.

In Peter's Valley, N. J., bears have become so bold and numerous that farmers have been compelled to begin a hunt for their extermination to save their stock.

SCOTTDALE, Pa., coke workers to the number of 16,000 threatened to strike Feb. 2, if their wages are not raised.

WESTERN HAPPENINGS.

GEN. MILES reviewed the troops at Pine Ridge in the midst of a driving storm. The review occurred two miles south of the agency, and all the troops participated except four companies of the First Infantry.

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JAMES R. O'NEIL, a freight conductor, was shot and instantly killed by tramps at Long Point, Iowa.

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GOV. MERRIAM received this dispatch from T. J. Wikstrom, St. Hilaire, Minn.: "The Chippewas are having wild dances every day. Give us protection at once."

The Governor also received a dispatch from the President of the Council and Postmaster at Pine Ridge, calling for 100 rifles and ammunition to protect themselves against the Indians. There are 12,000 Chippewas on that part of the Red Lake Reservation in the neighborhood of Thief River Falls who have shown a decided disposition to be ugly for the last month.

NEAR Butte City, H. W. Lord, of Davis Lake, N. D., was killed by a wren on the Northern Pacific, and eight other people were badly hurt. A freight conductor with a sleeper.

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AT SPOKANE a loss of \$62,000 was caused by the burning of Green's block, a three-story brick. Insurance, \$55,000.

THE INDICTMENT against R. C. Wood, the Seneca Falls scandal fame in Cincinnati, has been dismissed at the suggestion of the prosecuting attorney. Judge Ermiston, in granting the dismissal, said he realized that it was practically impossible to obtain the testimony necessary to convict.

SOUTHERN INCIDENTS.

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

SENATOR HEARST is in an extremely critical condition at Washington. While there have been no signs of immediate dissolution, yet he is rapidly growing weaker.

POLITICAL PORRIDGE.

SENATOR PLATT, re-elected in Connecticut, Senator Vance, re-elected from North Carolina. Senator Vest, re-elected from Missouri. Senator Jones, re-elected from Arkansas. Senator Came-

ron, re-elected from Pennsylvania. J. H. Gallinger succeeds Senator Blair from New Hampshire. Senator Mitchell, re-elected from Oregon. Senator Teller, re-elected from Colorado. Watson C. Squire elected from Washington.

In joint session of the Assembly at Albany, N. Y., the following was the ballot for United States Senator: Hill, 81; Evans, 79. Demarest voted.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

THE Austrian Socialists have determined to make another strike in May for a May labor holiday, and the unfortunate scenes of a year ago are more than likely to be repeated.

In the Reichstag Herr Barth, a member of the Deutsche-Freisinnige party, moved to repeal the prohibitions on American pork and bacon imports.

A LONDON cablegram says an election was held at Hartlepool to fill the Parliamentary seat made vacant by the death of the late Thomas Richardson. The poll resulted in the return of Mr. Furthess, the Gladstonian candidate, who received 4,603 votes, against 3,205 polled by Mr. Gray, the nominee of the Unionists.

At the Charity Hospital in Berlin Professor Sonneberg exhibited a consumptive patient whom the doctors had cut open in order that the Koch lymph might be injected in the cavity of a diseased lung. The Professor said that the patient, who was in an advanced stage of the disease, had been making rapid progress toward recovery since the operation was performed.

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