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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Three employees of the Government book depot at Pough, India, having confessed they set the recent fire in order to destroy the evidence of their defalcations, two were sentenced to life-long transportation and the other one to ten years' transportation.

A correspondent of the New York Herald, at Alexandria, Egypt, says: "After a seven months' campaign, Capt. Gessi returns north completely victorious. The revolt has been crushed, and with it must go down the slave traffic which has outraged civilization for half a century. In the Nile valley, the slave-traders and rebels combining against Gessi. All the slave states were destroyed, and the establishment of civilized rule will prevent any further raids from the region of the Gassala."

The Prince of Orange, heir apparent to the throne of the Netherlands, and John Ennis, the American pedestrian, who went over to England to walk for the Astley belt, recently saved the lives of two ladies at one of the locks on the river Thames. The Britons unanimously vote him a great hero.

A fire at Point Breeze, on the Schuylkill river, just above Philadelphia, destroyed several factories, a large amount of shipping, and 1,000,000 gallons of oil. The loss will reach more than a million of dollars.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the Governor General of Moscow has found it necessary to extend martial law to five adjacent provinces.

Reports have reached the Government of India of fresh massacres of Royal Princes at Mandalay, prompted by the King of Burma.

The cause of the recent advance in silver in London is attributed by the London Times to the fact that the German Government is hoarding coin with a view, it is believed, to its early recoinage.

The Great Council of Geneva, Switzerland, has refused to discuss the re-establishment of capital punishment. Not a single voice was raised in its favor.

It is rumored that the Khedive of Egypt will abdicate.

The bill for the removal of the French legislative body from Versailles to Paris has passed the upper house of the French Parliament by a large majority.

While the steamer Orpheus, bound for Koenigsberg, was lying in the harbor of Bremen, Germany, she was burst, and many persons aboard were killed.

A British parliamentary committee has resolved that the electric-light system in London is sufficiently developed to allow its economical use for public, but not for domestic purposes.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

Three young men, Charles Fifield, William D. Pinkham and William Rowell, were drowned in Salem (Mass.) harbor, the other day, by the capsizing of a sail boat.

Fury, the Philadelphia fiend who murdered his daughter, and was sentenced to death, cheered the hangman by taking a dose of strychnine. After twelve hours' suffering he died in the most horrible agony.

Wednesday, June 11, was the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of the Emperor and Empress of Russia, and the event was celebrated with great pomp at Berlin.

Commodore I. A. Parker, Superintendent of the Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Md., died at Baltimore, last week, aged 56.

A mysterious and horrible murder is agitating the people and puzzling the detectives of New York. Dr. Hull, an aged lady of wealth and respectability, living with her husband in an aristocratic mansion in West Forty-second street, was found dead in her bed, with a gag in her mouth and a handkerchief tied across her eyes. The deed was probably perpetrated by burglars, for the purpose of robbery.

The little town of McIntosh, Liberty county, Ga., was the other day the scene of a terrible riot between a party of negro excursionists from Bryan county and those belonging to the place. It began in a fight between two negroes, whereupon John Randall, Captain of the negro militia company from Bryan county, a part of the excursionists, ordered his men to charge. The result was, bayoneting everybody within reach. The Captain himself killed one man, by running him through with his sword. There was intense excitement at this outrage. The Liberty county negroes rallied, and were marching to the place, when they were met by a party of whites, who opened fire on them, killing four and wounding many more, only stopping the shooting when the train got out of the way, which they tried to prevent by tearing up the track. All the parties engaged were negroes.

At Huntsville, Ala., the other day, while a body of conscripts were marching to meet, six of them broke away. Two were shot dead by the guards and the other four escaped.

West. Advice from the Upper Missouri reports that Sitting Bull and a small band of his adherents have gone to the Snake river. It is said that before his departure he advised his tribe to return to the United States and submit to the Government.

A dispatch from the West reports that "the coach from Deadwood" for Sidney was stopped near the Cheyenne river by five masked robbers. The passengers, four in number, were robbed of their money and valuables. The mail-sacks were cut open and their contents thrown on the road, the robbers taking the registered packages. Having made a successful "clean-up," the robbers allowed the coach to proceed on its northward journey.

We read in the Chicago papers that contracts have been made within a few days for the transportation of wheat from Chicago to Liverpool at the rate of 30 cents per 100 pounds, which is equal to 12 cents per bushel.

The footpads who recently knocked down a messenger of the Illinois Central railroad in the streets of Chicago, in broad daylight, and robbed him of \$10,000, have been arrested and a considerable portion of the money recovered.

The twenty-first passenger of the North American Steamerbound began at Cincinnati on Wednesday, the 11th of June, and, lasting five days, wound up on Sunday, the 15th, with an out-door concert. The chorus was nearly 5,000 strong, comprising all the local societies, and visiting clubs from all over the West, besides some from the East.

One of the most furious railroad wars known for years is being waged between the Southern and Northern lines. A recent telegram from Kansas City says that the Southern line has sold there for St. Louis and Chicago at 50 cents. Just before the starting time of the trains one of the roads put the price down to 5 cents, while the Chicago and Alton offered a free ride to all who would go.

Henry Schlenker, sentenced to be hanged in Nebraska, has been respite until July 15, to allow the Supreme Court to pass

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upon his case. Schlenker is a young printer from Illinois.

The Chicago Times prints extensive telegraphic reports of the condition of the crops throughout the West and Northwest, from which it appears that in the great wheat-growing States of Minnesota and Wisconsin the prospect is more favorable than earlier in the season was anticipated. The late rains seem to have removed all unfavorable effects of the drought. The late-sown grain has taken vigorous growth. An increase of about 10 per cent in the acreage over last year is reported, and the present estimate of the yield is about 54,000,000 bushels.

A hose-cart, while being rapidly driven to a fire in Chicago, a few nights ago, was plunged into the river, the bridge being open. Of the four men on the cart, two saved themselves by leaping from the vehicle, the other two were drowned. One succeeded in swimming out, the other, together with the horse, being drowned.

At Boswell, Ind., a few days ago, about 150 persons were taking shelter in a low lumber-shed from a severe thunder-storm, when a thunderbolt struck the shed, separating, passing down each side of it, killing in the process two men—Mike Wagoner and Low Sherman—fatally injuring George James and John Lane, while Lorenzo Stover, Dr. J. W. Green, Samuel Gay and another, name not given, were severely injured. The crowd was called together for a shooting tournament at that place.

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tion, which was adopted, providing for the final adjournment of Congress at noon on the 17th of June. The Judicial Appropriation bill was passed by the House in the same shape in which it was prepared by authority of the Democratic Advisory Committee and reported by the Appropriations Committee. It makes no provision for the payment of election expenses and Deputy Marshals, and special agents to collect the payment of any part of the appropriation to the officers, and the making of any expenditure to pay them. Various amendments by the Republicans were promptly voted down by the Democrats. The bill passed by a strictly party vote.

In the Senate, on the 11th, the Committee on Appropriations reported back the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill as passed by the House, with a large number of amendments, the aggregate effect of which is to make it conform substantially to the recently-vetted bill of the same title, diverted of the political sections, and omitting also the appropriation for judicial expenses contained in that measure, and all increases of salaries there proposed for the benefit of clerks and bureau officers in the various executive departments. Mr. Hill, of Georgia, introduced the Senate bill, which was read by Mr. Blaine's late speech. The House, after a warm debate, passed the Democratic Caucus Appropriation bill. A number of amendments were offered—including one reducing the army to 10,000 men and another for the purpose of increasing the number of the House of Representatives. The bill was ordered printed and recommitted. 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