

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

AMERICAN ITEM.

East.

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POLITICAL POINTS.

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WASHINGTON NOTES.

Gen. E. F. Butler has been retained to defend the Dorseys in the next star-court trial.

The suspension of two internal revenue Collectors in Alabama is announced. Morgan, Mobile, has been superseded by P. D. Joseph, and Rapier, of Montgomery, gives place to William Youngblood.

The contributions toward the Garfield Fund at Washington amount to \$8,000.

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For deserting the Italian army to serve with Arabi Pasha a court-martial at home was convened Lieutenant Paoletto to two years' imprisonment and dismissal from service.

A cablegram from Trieste states that to the results of the late election in Overland and twenty deserts from the Austrian army drew lots to determine who would throw bombs at the Emperor during the recent reception. The explosives were made by a Russian Kieff.

Heavy snow-storms in Switzerland buried the crops a foot deep.

The Exposition building at Sydney, N. S. W., with all it contained, was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$2,500,000.

The recent speech of the Governor of East against the laws is believed by the peasants and others to be a signal for a new outburst of that unhappy strife.

Drayer Gray, the imprisoned Dublin editor, advises an exposition in 1881, in order to further the sale of Irish newspapers. He also suggests that an Irish exposition be held in the United States, and that the Government modify its tariff in favor of the country.

Presiding Elder Dye, of the Seavey, (Ark.) district, met Editor McCall, of the *Record*, on the street in that city and knocked him down and pummeled him, because of a bitter article by McCall against prohibition.

Jack Chapman, colored, was executed at Bellevue, Louisiana, for the murder of John Williams.

Oklahoma Payne and his followers, who had been brought prisoners to Fort Smith, were released by the United States Court.

The demented daughter of James Cleveland poisoned the whole family of six, except her mother, at Nashville, Tenn., by putting strichine in the coffee. Mr. Cleveland has died, and one of the daughters is in a precarious condition.

At Hot Springs, Ark., in an affray growing out of a bitter newspaper controversy, Charles Matthews, editor of the *Hornet*, was shot dead either by Col. Fordice, Vice President of the Texas Narrow-Gauge road, or Col. Ring, one of the proprietors of the Arlington Hotel.

Thomas Dodd, of Covington, Ky., while standing in his doorway beside his wife, was shot dead by Edward Welsh, who stood on the sidewalk with his wife only a few feet away. Dodd had been intimate with a daughter of Welsh, and declined to marry her.

MISCELLANEOUS GLEANINGS.

The steamship Alaska has beaten the record for a voyage from New York to Queenstown in six days, fifteen hours, and nineteen minutes.

Burned: Several stores on Magazine street, New Orleans, loss \$100,000; Timothy Dwan's foundry, Quebec, loss \$40,000; a lumber-mill at Dorset, loss \$5,000; Shaw's wooden-mill at Wales, Mass., loss \$50,000.

Lightning fired a church near Mazatlan, Mexico, and in the rush to escape five persons were killed and a number wounded.

Ex-Minister Christianey has been granted a divorce on the ground of desertion by his wife.

In Sinaloa, Mexico, a corn famine prevails, and in some sections it is sold at 25 cents per pound.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company was held at New York. President Villard's report showed the net earnings to be \$1,857,000, and the number of miles operated 1,672 miles of track yet to be built. During the year '95, 6,128 acres of land were sold for \$1,769,328, the average price being \$3.60 per acre. The officers of last year were re-elected. Henry Villard was re-elected President.

The ferry steamer Richeleian, plying between Lachine and Chateauguay, on the St. Lawrence river, exploded her boiler. Capt. Duquet was flung thirty feet into

the air, falling dead on the boiler; his son Pierre was blown overboard and lost; James Ricard and Capt. Aloyt were scalped to death, and seven others seriously injured by hot water.

The National Convention of Distillers and Liquor Dealers, held at Cincinnati, issued a declaration that, while they have obeyed the most oppressive laws, they believe the sale of spirits should be placed on the same footing as other merchandise; that they favor a judicious license system, aiding the Government and protecting dealers. George T. Stagg, of St. Louis, was chosen President, the \$5.50 scale was signed.

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The supply expedition which sailed in the Neptune from St. John's in July found itself unable to reach Leith, Greeley, there being a solid ice-field or two degrees south of him, and it therefore returned rather than spend the winter in the Arctic seas. Greeley took stores of all kinds to last two years.

An ocean collision, fortunately not attended with great loss of life, occurred in the Atlantic between the steamers Lepanto and Edam, the latter being sunk, while the former, though badly damaged, got away to New York. Of the passengers and crew of the Edam but two, the third engineer and assistant engineer, were safely transferred on board the Lepanto, the two others having gone down with the ship.

Parnell, Davitt and Dillon, have requested the stoppage of agitation by the subscribers to the "skirmishing fund," because of its injurious effects on Land League receipts.

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THE NEW REPUBLICANS.

The State Convention of the New York Republicans was held at Saratoga. The first ballot for Governor gave Charles J. Adams 226, and George C. Conkling 199. W. Wadsworth, 60; John H. Stark, 19, and John C. Robinson, 6, with 237 total. Adams was chosen.

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