

## NEWS CONDENSED.

Geographic Summary

EASTERN.

The Central Labor Union of New York, by a large majority, refused Dennis Kearney permission to address the meeting.

Frederick Schmidt, one of the wealthier citizens of Reading, Pa., caused the arrest of his son for three. The young man tore up his shirt and hanged himself in his cell with the straits.

Tom Thumb died at Middleboro, Mass., of apoplexy. He was born in Bridgeport, Ct., in 1839, his real name being Charles H. Stratton. He had been before the public, on both sides of the Atlantic, for the past thirty years, and had accumulated a fortune.

Two ladies undertook to drive across the Leckwanna track at Roscoe, N. Y., in plain view of an approaching train. Their horse became paralyzed with fright, and stood over the rails until struck by the engine. The ladies were instantly killed and a young child was badly bruised.

The Treasurer of the Butland (Vt.) Railroad Company is short \$8,000.

Father O'Horan, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., has forbidden Sunday school children to wear hats or frizes in church.

The Captain of an English bark from Manila discharged a Chinese carpenter at Boston, who desired to become a resident of the United States, for which the skipper was held to be \$2,500 for violating the Immigration law of 1882.

Ex-Congressman Archibald McAllister, of Pennsylvania, dropped dead of apoplexy at Alton.

In a rowing contest at Ogdensburg, N. Y., Haulan boat Ross by a quarter mile, making the best four-mile time on record—27:57 1/2. A talking match occurred before the race between Hanlan and Courtney. The latter charged the champion with cutting his boat at Chautauqua lake, or hiring some one to do it several years ago. Hanlan retorted that Courtney was a liar and a thief.

The funeral of Tom Thumb took place at Bridgeport, Ct., with Masonic ceremonies. Fully 10,000 people viewed the remains.

A very disastrous fire took place in Brooklyn. It originated among a quantity of jute linters and straw, and the flames spread to three vessels lying at the wharf and loaded with cargoes of jute and saltpetre, all of which are a total loss. The loss of property is variously estimated at from \$40,000 to \$1,000,000. Five sailors were drowned. There were many narrow escapes from death, twenty-five firemen being buried under the debris of a fallen roof, but all were taken out alive.

WESTERN.

Postmaster Clingen, of Polk City, Iowa, was recently assassinated in broad daylight. Two men, characters, named Hardy and Crawford, were suspected of being the authors of the dastardly deed. They fled and were pursued. The assassins took to the woods in the vicinity of Elk Horn Grove, Shelby county. Volunteers speedily turned out from every village and railway station to help in the man-hunt. The murderers were surrounded in a grove, and in attempting to capture them one of the pursuing party, J. W. Maddy, a respected druggist of Marne, was shot and killed. The assassin was instantly riddled with bullets. Another of the pursuing posse was shot and seriously wounded. The other assassins then ran into an open field and surrendered, and, after having narrowly escaped lynching at the hands of the outraged citizens, were placed in jail. Before dying the murderer made confession of his crime, and also gave a clew to the detection of the murderers of Mayor Stulz, of Polk City, a year ago.

The Walnut Land and Coal Company of Bates was recently incorporated at Jefferson City by Charles Foster, J. Warren Keifer, Senators Plum and Miller, and Thomas M. Nichol.

Fire broke out in the hotel at Cooncato, Minn., which spread rapidly, and consumed three-fourths of the town. In the hotel three men were burnt to death, and one was injured by jumping from a window.

Another great storm swept through the Northwest on the 16th inst. At Fort Atkinson, Wis., 100 buildings were wrecked, six persons injured, and a damage of \$50,000 inflicted. At Peoria, Ill., the roof of the Peoria depot was unroofed, two stories of the Beemis House swept away, and a brick foundry blown down. The damage in the city is estimated at \$50,000, while the surrounding country suffered twice that amount. At Des Moines, Iowa, the wind attained a velocity of forty-eight miles an hour, and the dwellings were unroofed. At many other points in Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa the effects of the storm were seriously felt.

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A circular has been issued from the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General officially notifying the Postmasters throughout the United States of the reduction in postage rates, to take effect Oct. 1, and directing them to make preparation for it. Postmasters are notified that it is desirable to have as small a stock of 3-cent postage stamp and stamped envelopes as possible on hand when the reduction of rates goes into effect, and they are accordingly directed to limit their requisition for stamps and envelopes of this denomination to such quantities as, upon careful estimate, they may deem sufficient to last until the 1st of October.

**POLITICAL.**  
Arrangements for a series of joint debates have been made by Gov. Sherman and Judge Kimball, Republican and Democratic candidates for Governor of Iowa. The first meeting will occur at Independence on the 20th of August.

The Commissioners of Internal Revenue have appointed Isham Young of Knoxville, Tenn., revenue agent, vice C. H. Tamm, removed.

The President has appointed Henry G. Stafford Collector of Customs at Erie, Pa., vice Matthew B. Barn, resigned; E. Freeman, to be Register of the Land Office at Red Wood Falls, Minn., while William E. Dunnington, suspended; Charles F. Gardner, Receiver of Public Moneys at Sacramento, Cal.; Currie G. Bell, Receiver of Public Moneys at Bayfield, Wis.; Benjamin W. Thompson (West Virginia), Agent of the Indians, Sisseton Agency, Dak.

The Chairman of the Iowa Republican State Committee has declined the proposition of Gen. Weaver, Greenback canidate for Governor, to take part in the joint debates arranged to take place between the Republican and Democratic candidates.

The State Central Republican Committee of Virginia elected John F. Dezen-Dorff Chairman, and passed a resolution in doring James G. Blaine for President.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

It is reported that William H. Vanderbilt has purchased the celebrated collection of paintings owned by Sir Philip Miles of Leigh Court, England, for \$550,000. This was the collection which "Bonanza" Mackay was reported to have purchased, and for the same amount, some time ago.

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Gibraltar, and Spain views the project with favor.

James Carey's fellow-townsmen again set fire to his house in Dublin, but failed to burn it to the ground.

A steamer from the Congo River reports Stanley in good health. Five Belgian members of his party died.

A widow's son named De Vere, a young army officer, and a widow's daughter, Miss McKay, were playing lawn-tennis at Bedford, England. Suddenly the young man shot the young lady dead, and before he could be seized committed suicide.

At the Parliamentary election in Wexford borough the O'Connor Don, Liberal, was defeated, and Redmond, the Parliamentary candidate, elected. The windows of the Liberal committee-rooms were smashed and other disorderly scenes took place. Redmond had over twice as many votes as the O'Connor Don at the close of the election.

In his report to the Panama Canal shareholders at Paris, De Lesseps said the co-operation of American contractors had dissipated the prejudice existing in the United States against his company constructing the canal.

In the Northern German countries the prospects of a good harvest are excellent.

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**LATER NEWS ITEMS.**

Flames nearly extinguished the town of Ephata, Pa. The loss is estimated at about \$30,000.

Hannigan's day was commemorated at Canton, Ohio, by the execution of George McMillan for killing his wife; at Lexington, Ky., by the hanging of David Timmerlake, (colored) for a criminal assault on Maggie Lawson, (colored) and at Memphis, Tenn., by the swinging off of Robert Wilson, (colored) for shooting Frank B. Russell.

At a German Methodist picnic near Newport, Ky., Otis Hager killed George Neer with a knife and escaped.

Twenty-five small wooden buildings in Virginia City, Nevada, were burned. Loss, \$25,000, partly insured.

Encouraging crop reports come from all parts of Nebraska. The yield of rye and barley is said to be very large. The wheat harvest has commenced and the crop is found to be excellent.

Gunn, Curris & Co., merchant and label printers, of Boston, Mass., have failed. Liabilities, \$120,000; assets, \$75,000.

Thirty suits covering damages of \$50,000, have been begun against the Trustees of the Brooklyn bridge, for the series of accidents on Decoration day.

E. W. Hollrook & Co., dry-goods manufacturers, New York, have made an assignment. Their liabilities are about \$725,000, with preferences of \$67,000.

Dispatches from Portland, Me., state that William H. Phinney, the head of a bankrupt firm of merchants in the Cuban trade, lost over \$100,000 of joint money and securities in speculation. The liabilities of the insolvents are \$247,000.

A Pittsburgh dispatch chronicles the failure of the Manchester Iron and Steel Company for nearly \$1,000,000.

The Louisiana State Board of Health has passed a resolution denouncing Dr. J. H. Rauch, of the Illinois Board, as a meddler, and inviting him to stay at home and attend to his own affairs.

The majority report on public charities made to the Legislature of Massachusetts pronounces the charges made by Gov. Butler against the management at Tewksbury Almshouse groundless and cruel.

Nine persons were killed and two severely injured by an explosion in a St. Petersburg powder-mill.

The cotton-worm is having a bad time in the cotton fields at Aldershot for some destination unknown.

The English newspapers assert that the misunderstanding with France, arising out of the Tamatave affair, will be amicably settled.

Parnell presided at a meeting of the organizing committee of the Irish Land League in Dublin. Michael Davis was present. A resolution amalgamating the evicted tenants' fund was unanimously adopted. The South Dublin Union consented to the emigration to Canada of eighty workhouse inmates.

Cholera claimed 140 victims at Cairo, Egypt, on the 20th of July, and the death roll was growing day by day. There were twenty-nine deaths from the disease at Mansurah, twenty-four at Samanoud, twenty-eight at Damietta, forty-four at Chabar, and three at Damietta. Cairo dispatches give an alarming picture of Egyptian outbreaks. The clothing of persons dying in the hospitals from cholera is often taken for use by relatives, and coopers in their coffins are forced to work at the expense of the Western Union Company, being entirely cut off from communication with their families.

The English press has a quiet and orderly manner. In large measure it is due to the fact that the men who work in the printing offices are well educated and have a good knowledge of their work.

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## PRESIDENTIAL PROSPECTS.

A Forecast as to the Coming Candidate for President.

Blaine, Arthur, Tilden and McDonald Have the Largest Following.

The New York Times publishes a comprehensive forecast of the Presidential campaign. It covers seven and a half pages of that paper, and presents all shades of opinion. Early in June the Times sent letters to over 400 points in the thirty states, asking answers to the following questions:

1. Who is most frequently spoken of by men in your vicinity as their first choice for Presidential candidate in 1884?

2. What other names are mentioned?

3. Who is most frequently spoken of as their first choice in your neighborhood as their first choice for Presidential candidate in 1884?

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