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NEWS CONDENSED.

Telegraphic Summary.

EASTERN.

Pleuro-pneumonia has broken out among the cattle at Salem, Ct. Two whole herds are attacked by the disease. Both are in quarantine, by order of the State Commissioner, who appreciates the importance of preventing a spread of the malady, and having full authority will doubtless prevent its further extension.

Potatoes throughout Western New York have been attacked by black rust, and the entire crop of that region is in peril.

The Misses Mary Kains and Mary Rudd, each 15 years old, were drowned while boating in Silver Lake, near Rochester, N. Y.

The funeral of Judge Jere S. Black was the largest ever held in York, Pa., and was attended by many men of distinction in law and politics. Gen. Hancock and Chief Justice Mercer were among the pall-bearers.

A fire at Long Island City destroyed the Empire oil-works and a large amount of petroleum, causing a loss of \$500,000 and injury to three workmen. The large paper-mill of J. H. Lewis, near Chester, Pa., valued at \$80,000, was burned.

Fourteen persons were drowned at Wells, a watering-place on the Maine coast. They were bathing in the surf, and were swept out by the strong undertow.

George Beattie, who had been employed by Noremac, the pedestrian, as bartender in a New York saloon, killed Mrs. Noremac, in her rooms in Eighth avenue, and then took his own life. He was found lying across her corpse. It is believed the deed was committed in revenge for being discharged.

The annual great auction sale of cotton goods in New York city was attended by the most important buyers in the country. Sixteen thousand packages were closed out in a few hours at prices said to be unsatisfactory to the mills. The offering, however, as a whole, was considered to lack in attractions, and therefore standard elements, such as ticklings and muslins, suffered in sympathy.

At Sunbury, Pa., Henry Stein, 45 years old, a tramp who was traveling with a band of Gypsies, was bitten twice by a Newfoundland dog, and died of hydrocephalus in the evening of the same day.

By the burning of a tenement house in Boston four persons were smothered to death and one fatally injured by jumping from the building.

The steamer Elbe brought to New York a party of German journalists, professors, army officers and members of Parliament. They came at the invitation of President Villard, to witness the formal opening of the Northern Pacific road.

The postoffice, hotel, a private residence and a block of brick stores were consumed at Mifflintown, Pa., causing a loss of \$65,000.

WESTERN.

Eleven of the victims of the cyclone at Rochester, Minn., were buried at Oakwood Cemetery on Thursday, the 23d of August, in the presence of a vast concourse. "At an early hour," says a correspondent, "strangers began to pour in from all directions, and by noon the streets were crowded with a surging mass of humanity. The expression of sadness on every face told more plainly than the fluttering crepe or tolling bells the tale of mourning, desolation, and death. A procession was formed in front of the Cook House, and started for the cemetery. Literally the streets from Broadway to the cemetery gate were jammed with teams. The ceremonies performed were of the simplest character. No dirge was sung, and no sound was heard but the humble prayers and smothered groans of unutterable anguish. The only tributes left upon the close, clinging clay were silent, scalding tears. It was by far the saddest funeral that ever occurred in Rochester."—A Rochester dispatch says the official list of deaths in the city gives the number at twenty-six, and in the immediate surrounding country ten, making a total of thirty-six; injured, eighty-two. Nine of the latter will die. The effect upon the fields through which the cyclone passed is only describable by saying that the earth was left, and that was all. Scores of farmers who ate their suppers with the pleasurable consciousness that wheat and oats were cut and shocked could not find in the morning a vestige of straw even, and those who had not finished cutting met with no better fortune, since the fields reaped by the whirlwind showed not a vestige of vegetation. The track of the storm probably averaged three-fourths of a mile in width, and the length of the course was fully fifty miles, two-thirds of which were under cultivation. Corn was stripped to bare stalks, unless, indeed, the stalks too, disappeared, and the dead domestic animals are to be counted by the hundreds.—George McDonald, who occupied an upper room at the Cook House, in Rochester, thus describes the approach of the cyclone: "I was standing at the window, watching the approaching storm, with no thought of the fearful consequences which would follow. The sky was a mass of ominous inky clouds, which made the earth as dark as twilight, but was illuminated every few seconds by vivid flashes of lightning shooting from one cloud to another. A strange stillness pervaded the hour—a hush as if there was a sense of impending calamity. To the southwest I saw a black, funnel-shaped cloud approaching, which seemed to be revolving with great rapidity. I rushed to shut the window, but before I could reach it there was a horrible crashing, banging, and creaking—the whole building shook, and the wind rushed with such force as to throw me to the floor. The shock lasted but a few seconds."—A freak of the wind was the driving of a pine board through the trunk of a maple-tree. In a field near Dodge Center a herd of twenty cattle was in the track of the

cyclone. Of these nine were killed, and the horns of the eleven others were found sticking in the ground, indicating that the cattle had been caught suddenly by the wind of bed-clothing. One was found dead and the other fatally injured beneath the window.

At the triennial conclave in San Francisco, Robert E. Withers, of Virginia, was elected Grand Master of the Knights Templars of the United States. Charles Roome, of New York, was chosen Deputy Grand Master; John P. S. Gobin, of Pennsylvania, Grand Generalissimo; Hugh McCurdy, of Michigan, Grand Captain General and J. Larue Thomas, of Kentucky, Grand Senior Warden.

The recent reported robbery of railroad laborers in Michigan was exaggerated. The pillaging party were workmen from another section, who run short of whisky, and limited their depredation to relieving persons they met of any bourbon in their possession. Of the seven arrested, two were discharged, and five were given ninety days in prison.

At the County Infirmary at Zanesville, Ohio, two sisters named Littlefield attempted to escape by means of a rope made and thrown to the ground head foremost, their horns being left in the ground.

The Sir Knights gathered at San Francisco laid the corner-stone of a monument to James A. Garfield at Golden Gate Park.

The regular season at McVicker's Theater, Chicago, commenced on Monday evening, with the brilliant young tragedienne, Miss Margaret Mather. She opened her engagement in the charming character of Juliet, Alexander Salvini personating the role of Romeo. "As You Like It," "Leah the Forsaken," and other plays in which Miss Mather has achieved her wonderful success, will follow. The supporting company is a strong one, including Miles Leverick, William Davidge and Mrs. Carrie Jamison.

The Presidential party arrived in the Upper Geyser basin of the Yellowstone Park on the 23d of August, after a horseback ride of 230 miles, and went into camp near Old Faithful geyser, which treated the excursionists, a few moments after dismounting, with one of its hourly eruptions. The party were in the best of health and spirits. A sensational story is telegraphed from Idaho to the effect that a band of cowboys had gone to the Yellowstone Park to kidnap the President and hold him for a ransom of \$500,000; that a Texas desperado was the leader of the gang; that five Indians were employed as guides, and that each member of the band had sworn by all the gods to do his duty.

A number of masked men at Park City, Utah, stopped a train and forced it to run to Coalville, where they took from jail a man named Jack Murphy and hanged him to a telegraph pole.

A frightful tragedy is reported as happening at Ogden, Utah. Andrew Burt, City Marshal, and Charles Wilken, City Watermaster, were both shot by a negro. The Marshal was killed and the Watermaster slightly wounded. A savage mob took the negro from jail, hung him, and afterward dragged his corpse through the streets. The officers were in the performance of their duty, attempting the arrest of the desperado, when he did his bloody work.

De Molay Commandery, of Louisville, were awarded first prize in the Knights-Templar drill at San Francisco. Raper, of Indianapolis, got second position, and St. Bernard, of Chicago, third. St. Louis was selected as the place for the holding of the next triennial conclave.

SOUTHERN.

A train on the Memphis and Little Rock road broke through a trestle near Forest City, Ark., by which three persons were killed and fifteen injured.

Representatives of every colony of Cherokees east of the Mississippi met recently in Swain county, North Carolina, and reported a population of 3,000. A chief will soon be elected, and delegates will be sent to Washington to secure \$8,000,000 allowed the tribe by a late act of Congress.

H. J. Kimball, of Chicago, will rebuild the Kimball House, at Atlanta, at a cost of \$50,000.

A yellow fever panic prevails at Pensacola, and the people are seeking safety in flight.

The newest avocation in South Carolina is the destruction of illicit stills for a Government reward of \$50 each. It is freely charged that the moonshiners are in collusion with the raiders in putting up cheap distilleries in remote localities, to be captured and credited.

Walter F. Pool, Congressman-elect for the First North Carolina district, died at Elizabeth City, N. C., after a long illness.

Ex-Chancellor James P. Carroll, of South Carolina, died at Caesar's Head, S. C. He was one of the most distinguished jurists of the Palmetto State.

WASHINGTON.

J. B. Gardner, a wealthy citizen of Boston, recently deceased, provided by will that a large sum of money, bonds, and other securities, aggregating in value \$83,600, should be turned over to the United States treasury to be used in helping pay the national debt. The bequest has been received at the Treasury Department, and placed to the credit of the "Patriotic donations."

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that bitters sold in good faith as medicine need not pay a special tax as a beverage. One specimen which he caused to be analyzed contained 82 percent of whisky.

The enormous sum of \$26,000,000 was paid out for pensions during August.

Gen. Crook has written a letter to the War Department, reiterating his views on the Apache question. He does not believe the Indians can be exterminated with powder and ball, but holds that the evil of which they are capable can be minimized by corralling them at San Carlos.

POLITICAL.

John C. New says the leading Republican candidates for Governor of Indiana are Postmaster General Gresham and Congressman Calkins.

The Democratic State Committee of New York voted to hold the nominating convention at Buffalo, Sept. 27.

A joint resolution has passed the New Hampshire Legislature favoring a Government postal telegraphic system.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Flames swept away an extensive saw-mill near Winnipeg, Manitoba, causing a loss of \$300,000.

The Mexican Secretary of the Treasury has called a conference of delegates from the States to discuss the modes of abolishing the internal Custom Houses and devising a more equitable tax.

For the first seven months of 1883 the Pennsylvania's lines of railroad, earned over \$300,000 more than they did in the same time during 1882. The Eastern division made proportionately the most money.

The Federation of Trades and Labor Unions, in session at New York last week, resolved that the question of shortening the hours of labor was paramount to all questions at present, and demanded the enforcement of the eight-hour rule on general, and State Government work.

Patrick H. McLogan, of Chicago, was elected President. A letter received from John Jarrett, President of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, stated that the association would not connect itself with the federation on account of the position of the latter on the tariff question, the iron and steel workers being in favor of a high tariff. It was resolved to answer the letter, stating that the tariff question should be ignored entirely on account of the diversity of opinion on the subject among the different trades unions.

Jack Reilly, who was accused of drink heavily and then shot off lamp chimneys with a revolver, was placed in the calaboose at Stevens Point, Wis., for a brutal assault.

The other night unknown parties went to the jail and shot him dead. In Wayne county, Tenn., a negro named McLain, under arrest for criminal assault upon a young white woman, was riddled with bullets, and the Sheriff was killed while defending his prisoner. In Kaufman county, Texas, two negroes were lynched for a similar crime.

The failures reported for the seven days, ending Aug. 25, throughout the United States and Canada, numbered 165, against 170 for the preceding week. The distribution was as follows: New England, States, 23; Middle, 20; Southern, 30; Western, 48; Pacific States and Territories, 21; New York city, 4; Canada, 14. A brisk fall trade is predicted by the mercantile agencies.

The American Bar Association held its annual meeting at Saratoga. Cortland Parker, of New Jersey, was elected President, and C. C. Bonney, of Illinois, one of the Vice Presidents.

FOREIGN.

An unparalleled crime is reported by cable from Breslau, Germany. The wife of a hotel-keeper called her five children to her and carefully washed and dressed them in their best clothes. She then led them to the attic, where six ropes were suspended from a beam. A rude bench had been placed underneath the impromtu gallows-tree. On this she made the children stand while she adjusted the nooses around their necks. After the crazy mother had made all ready she mounted the form herself, fastened the end of the sixth rope around her own neck, and kicked the support away. The ghastly sight was first seen by one of the domestics. All were dead. For some time previous the woman had been acting strangely, and was undoubtedly insane at the time she committed the deed.

O'Donnell, who killed Informer Carey, will be tried in England.

Senator Windom was banqueted in London. Four members of Parliament and Senator Hawley were present.

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