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NEWS CONDENSED.

Telegraphic Summary.

EASTERN.

During a fireman's parade at Paterson, N. J., the silk-mill of R. & S. Adams was damaged to the extent of \$45,000 by flames.

Flames broke out in the basement of Nos. 537 and 539 Broadway, New York, and soon destroyed the building. It cost \$50,000 some years ago, and the mercantile firms occupying it report losses aggregating \$700,000.

Jay-Eye-See trotted a mile in Boston in 2:11½ and showed no signs of exhaustion.

On bet of \$1,000, on Cayuga lake, Charles E. Courtney, the oarsman, made three miles in 20:05, beating the record by nine seconds.

The will of Nathaniel Thayer, of Boston, bequeaths property amounting to \$16,000.00.

In the bicycle tournament at Springfield, Mass., Higham made twenty miles in 66 minutes 2½ seconds, beating the record by 72½ seconds, taking a purse of \$1,000 and the championship of the world.

A boiler in the Sligo Iron Works, Pittsburgh, exploded with great violence, killing three men and seriously injuring eight. The shops of the Lake Erie road and several dwelling-houses were set on fire. The largest fragment of the exploded boiler flew to the center of the Monongahela river. The loss is \$18,000.

There were 177 failures in the United States reported to Bradstreet's New York Commercial Agency during the week ending Sept. 22, forty-one more than the preceding week, thirty-six more than the corresponding week of 1882, and eighty-one more than the same week of 1881. Dunn's Commercial Agency reports that trade generally is in a healthy condition, notwithstanding the fact that the clearing-house exchanges are reduced in volume. Speculation, they assert, is not so rampant as at this time last year, but legitimate business is fully as large and more satisfactory. Country collections are good, money is abundant, and rates to borrowers are low.

The great drought in New Hampshire has compelled the closing of the saw and grist mills, and cattle are driven long distances to water.

The Pittsburgh members of the Knights of Labor threatened to withdraw because a free-trader of Massachusetts was placed at the head of the Executive Committee.

Rev. Dr. E. F. Hatfield, who was Moderator of the last Presbyterian Assembly, died the other day in New York.

While six men were timbering the Woodward mine shaft at Kingston, Pa., a heavy block of timber fell on the platform supporting them, and four of the men tumbled sixty feet to the bottom and were drowned. The other two saved their lives by hanging to a beam until rescued.

WESTERN.

Christopher Mann, of Independence, Mo., had the aid of eighty-five descendants in celebrating his 103rd birthday. Of seventeen living children, one is 72 and another 17.

Charles McComas, the boy whose parents were slaughtered, and who was taken into captivity by the Apaches, has been rescued—according to a report from Mexico.

Two belligerent cowboys were slain by a plucky Mexican at Ute Creek, Col. He was promptly filled with lead by the victims' companions. J. B. Pruden, a mail-carrier of Deadwood and Miles City, his stock-tender Jack Harris and two cowboys, while playing cards at Little Missouri, Dak., became involved in a quarrel, when all agreed to settle it by fighting. A man named O'Neill, Pruden, and Harris started out in advance, when the cowboys began firing, whereupon Pruden and Harris turned and fired, killing one cowboy instantly and mortally wounding the other. Thomas Hayes, a Texas cattle-king, was killed at Coleman, in that State, by a saloon-keeper named Pendleton. Jesus Mason, a rich cattle-raiser, was killed at his ranch in the Zuni mountains, without provocation, by a Navajo Indian. Friends of the dead man promptly dispatched his murderer.

The Piegans Indians, after a conference with Senator Vest and Delegate Maginnis, agreed to cede to the Government a large tract from their reservation, and requested to be furnished with cattle and farming implements.

The brewing firm of Anthony & Kuhn of St. Louis, has suspended, with liabilities of nearly \$400,000, the chief creditors being two banks.

The Northern Pacific road reports gross earnings of \$7,855,459 for the year and expenses of \$5,336,929.

Two men at Camp Point, Ill., procured at a drug-store a quart bottle of bitters, and, after drinking freely, both dropped dead. A third man was seized with spasms.

In a dispute over cards in a Lockland (Ohio) saloon Philip Kuhn struck Ezekiel Lee (colored) with his fist, killing him instantly.

Lord Coleridge, Chief Justice of England, was banqueted by Hon. E. B. Washburn, in Chicago.

A correspondent who recently visited Kelley's Island, reports that the grape crop this year will be nearly as bad a failure as that of 1875.

The administrators of seven of the girls who were roisted alive in the rag warehouse at Cincinnati have filed suits for \$10,000 each against the owners of the building, alleging that they knew the danger and neglected to provide exits.

SOUTHERN.

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H. A. Ramsey, of the Vulcan Iron

Works, at Baltimore, Md., has made an assignment.

In Sumter county, S. C., citizens took a negro who had assaulted a 12-year-old girl, tied him to a tree, shot him, and then beat the corpse into a jelly.

Five men were killed by the explosion of a steamboat boiler at Shreveport, La.

Fire destroyed the Oxmoor iron furnaces at Birmingham, Ala., causing a loss of \$500,000.

Miss Sallie Johnson, a handsome Baltimore girl, hanged herself on the staircase by rope, from grief at the insanity of a companion.

Col. R. S. Strader, a leading horseman of Lexington, Ky., had an affray with a colored employee, killing him with a shotgun.

WASHINGTON.

Mr. Hill, Supervising Architect, has tendered his resignation.

The pension appropriations are holding out far beyond the expectations of the experts.

Postmaster General Gresham has ordered the Postmaster at New Orleans to deliver no more registered letters or money-orders, to the New Orleans National Bank until it shall have discontinued receiving the lottery-man Dauphin's mails.

Secretary Folger has made a call for \$15,000,000 in 3 per-cent, the interest to cease Dec. 1.

Although polar explorers have volunteered their services, Secretaries Chandler and Lincoln perceive no feasible way to relieve Lieut. Greely this fall.

The requisitions upon the Postoffice Department by the Postmasters for the new 2-cent stamps are so large that the contractors are unable to supply the demand, and the Department consequently is reducing the amounts called for in the requisitions.

The announcement comes from Washington that the Pension Office is unable to expend the money appropriated at the last session. Commissioner Dudley called for \$170,000,000, and now finds that \$75,000,000 will suffice. As a result, a large amount of bonds will doubtless be called in.

The decision of the Secretary of the Treasury in regard to the construction of the "charcoal iron" and "round iron" provisions of the last Tariff act is adverse to the claims of manufacturers on both points.

POLITICAL.

The New Jersey Republican State Convention met at Trenton and nominated Judge Jonathan Dixon for Governor. Among other things, the resolutions endorse President Arthur's administration, oppose monopoly, call for the protection of American industries, and demand an equitable system of State taxation.

The New York Republican State Convention was called to order at Richfield Springs by John F. Smyth. Senator Lapham presided. Among the delegates who failed to appear were George William Curtis, Whitelaw Reid, Thomas C. Platt and Gen. Sharpe. Senator Lapham was called to the chair, and made a few remarks which evoked hearty cheers. A platform was adopted, eulogizing President Arthur and calling for a moderate protective tariff and the taxation of corporations. The following ticket was placed in nomination: Secretary of State, Gen. Joseph B. Carr; Comptroller, Ira Davenport; State Treasurer, Pliny J. Sexton; State Engineer and Surveyor, Silas Seymour; Attorney General, Leslie W. Russell.

Col. Charles R. Codman was chosen to preside over the Massachusetts Republican Convention, at Boston, and in taking the chair said there was no room in that Commonwealth for a cheap and vulgar dictatorship, but there was a necessity for a Governor of decent manners and seemly behavior. On the first ballot for Governor Hon. George D. Robinson received 996 votes and Charles Francis Adams, Jr., 117. Mr. Adams at once caused the nomination of Mr. Robinson to be made unanimous. The remaining State officers were renominated. Mr. Dawes presented the platform, which was unanimously adopted, and which, after endorsing Arthur's administration favoring civil-service reform, a currency based on specie and a higher standard of temperance legislation, arraigned and denounced the administration of Gov. Butler.

The Dakota Constitutional Convention, which met at Sioux Falls, has adjourned, leaving the final arrangement of the constitution in the hands of the Committee of Arrangement and Phraseology. Very stringent safeguards will be made against the monopolies of banking and railroads. The convention defeated an amendment to the article on corporations, assessing railroads upon their gross earnings. The question of salaries to be allowed State officers, was decided as follows: The Governor, \$2,000; the Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General, \$1,000 each; the Secretary and Superintendent of Public Instruction, \$1,500. The Legislature will fix other salaries. A provision was adopted to submit to a popular vote any prohibitory measures upon the petition of 5,000 legal voters, and upon a majority vote it shall become a part of the State constitution.

A mass convention of colored voters of Ohio was held at Columbus, Sept. 20. The Democrats took control at the outset, but the Republicans reorganized the affair after recess. Then a split took place. One convention refused to send delegates to the Louisville convocation; the other appointed a full set.

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