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NEWS CONDENSED.

Telegraphic Summary

EASTERN.

In Allegheny City, Pa., an employee in Kiefer & Stiebel's tannery descended a well to ascertain the depth of the water. Finding the foul air was choking him, he cried out, and two other men went to his assistance, who were also overcome. When the three men were brought to the surface they were dead.

At Narragansett Park, Providence, R. I., the trotter H. B. Winslow made a mile with a running mate in the remarkable time of 2:10 1/2.

The creditors of F. Shaw & Brothers, of Boston, unanimously rejected an offer of 33 1/3 per cent. in compromise, and instruct a committee to proceed by civil or criminal suits to secure 50 per cent.

During October the convicts in Sing Sing penitentiary earned \$20,677.74, while the expenses were only \$15,641.20.

The Pennsylvania Railroad company is about to lease its anthracite coal mines to a syndicate, headed by William L. Scott, of Erie, who will send the coal west from Erie and Buffalo. It is stated that the railway corporation will get \$1 per ton for all the coal mined.

A desperate combat took place between Freshmen and Sophomore classes at the Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y., the only wonder being that several were not killed. Both parties have been suspended until the damage to the building is paid.

Joseph McEneany, cashier of a steel-works in New York, embezzled \$35,000 and squandered it in racing pools.

Rachel Leyton, a colored woman, died at Trenton, N. J., at the very ripe age of 106 years.

A farmer at West Millcreek, Pa., took \$11,000 in currency from his safe and concealed it in the parlor stove, where it was destroyed when he lighted a fire.

Eliza Kerner, 16 years of age, an inmate of the almshouse at Erie, Pa., nurses like a babe, and has only the mental capacity of one, her mental progress having been stopped by an attack of brain fever when an infant. The case is creating a wide interest among the physicians of the locality.

Arthur B. Johnson, a lawyer and politician of Utica, N. Y., killed himself in his office with a revolver, his body being discovered by a notorious woman with whom he lived. He leaves a wife and four children. President Arthur appointed Johnson a Commissioner to examine a section of the Northern Pacific railway.

WESTERN.

After a determined fight, United States Marshal R. S. Foster and a posse of detectives captured nine counterfeiters at Steinville, Pike county, Ind., and took them to Indianapolis. In the conflict one of the criminals was shot in the lung, another through the hand, and a bullet passed through the hat of a third.

Four well-known citizens of Erie, Pa.—John W. Eyster, Frederick C. Kelsey, Giles Russell and Charles Brown—were caught in a storm while duck shooting in the bay, and drowned. Eyster had his life insured for \$20,000.

It has for some time been charged that certain city officials of St. Louis, Mo., were in collusion with the gamblers, policy dealers and other disreputable classes, by which the latter were permitted to ply their unlawful vocations unmolested. The matter reached a culmination last week in the indictment by the grand jury of Police Commissioners Carruth and Lutz, the State Commissioner of Labor Statistics, a member of the Legislature, two editors and several other parties. The grand jury censures the Governor of Missouri for granting pardons.

Col. Frank P. Pond, of Morgan county, Ohio, author of the Pond Liquor law, is dead.

Willoughby, Ohio, a little town twenty miles east of Cleveland, was almost totally destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of not less than \$100,000.

Senator Tabor's case at Denver against his ex-confidential adviser, W. H. Bush, was decided, the jury awarding Tabor \$20,000. Bush's counter-claims for \$28,800 for aiding Tabor to secure a divorce and other matters were ignored.

Secretary Frelinghuysen, in answer to the committee of Irishmen, states that the department in Washington will extend to Avenger O'Donnell all the protection to which he is entitled if it shall be shown that he is an American citizen. If he is not such a citizen the American Government will make no direct representations whatever.

M. J. Bond, a Grand Rapids (Mich.) lumberman, has failed for \$175,000.

Orin A. Carpenter charged with killing Zora Burns was arraigned for a hearing at Lincoln, Ill., on Saturday, the 3d inst., and demanded a change of venue from Justice Rudolph to Justice W. D. Wyatt. The prosecution demanded that the case be taken to Justice Maltby, and gained their point. Mr. Maltby, however, adjourned the case till Monday. A great crowd witnessed the proceedings, but the accused bore himself calmly, his blanched features being the result of confinement in prison.

At Princeton, Wis., the young son of Fayette Whittemore was found in the river. With his throat cut.

The disappearance of H. L. Eisen, the Milwaukee clothier, has been followed by the failure of his firm, whose liabilities are \$88,000.

The city authorities of Sioux Falls, D. T., cut down the telephone poles in that city recently ordered removed by the council, which mandate the company disregarded.

The round-house and repair shops of the Toledo, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad, located near Dayton, Ohio, were totally destroyed by fire; loss, \$75,000.

T. J. Gallagher, a St. Louis journalist, found the missing Mary Churchill at work in the laundry of an insane asylum three miles from Indianapolis. She stated that she left home alone.

Faulkner, the leading counterfeiter

of Southern Indiana, who lived in what might be termed a log fort at Frenchtown, was deceived into entertaining and instructing a detective, who captured both him and his wife by a ruse. Faulkner made double eagles which would deceive the most expert cashiers.

SOUTHERN.

The first bale of cotton ever picked by machinery, is on exhibition at Charleston, S. C. It is declared equal to the hand-picked staple.

In a fight between negro thieves and a posse of three law-and-order citizens, near Toombsboro, Ga., three of the former and one of the latter were slain.

Hon. Armistead Burt, one of the oldest and ablest lawyers in South Carolina, died suddenly in his office at Abbeville. He was a member of Congress from 1842 to 1863.

A fire at Savannah, Ga., which had its origin in the large cotton warehouse of Garnett, Stubbs & Co., destroyed the warehouse, containing 3,000 bales of cotton, and 1,300 houses, covering an area of a half mile square, causing a loss of at least five lives, and probably eight or ten. The loss is placed at nearly \$1,000,000, and the insurance at not half that amount.

Unknown assassins fired a volley of bullets through a circus tent at New Edinburgh, Ark., killing a contortionist in the ring.

Kate Townsend, a notorious woman of New Orleans, La., was stabbed to death by Treville Sykes, who had been his victim's putative husband for twenty years. The tragedy occurred in an elegant mansion owned by the woman. She was worth \$200,000. Sykes is in jail. The woman was ten times cut with a huge bowie-knife, each of six of the wounds being fatal in its character.

Three squares of wooden buildings in Algiers, La., were burned, the loss being \$9,000.

The warehouse of R. B. Hutchcraft, at Paris, Ky., valued, with its contents, at \$50,000, was wiped out by fire.

A street fight occurred at Danville, Va., between blacks and whites, in which five of the former were killed and two white men wounded, one mortally. The beginning of the conflict was the beating by one of the citizens of a negro who abused another negro for apologizing for an apparent rudeness, and spoke roughly about the citizen. Some of both colors intermixed, and a pistol was knocked out of the hands of one white man and exploded. Just then the report reached an assembly of white citizens, that a conflict was going on in the street. They came out in a body, and both classes formed in separate crowds. Some of each crowd were armed. A number of negroes approaching the white crowd called out, "Shoot, you, we had as soon settle this thing now as any other time." Just then someone in the white crowd called out "fire!" and the firing began. The negroes returned the fire and ran off, some firing as they ran. All the stores were closed immediately, and the alarm bell was sounded and the people came out with arms. The Town Sergeant came out soon after with one of the military companies and commanded the people in the name of the Commonwealth to go home, and the streets were soon cleared.

WASHINGTON.

The Utah commission, in its second annual report, argues that the influence of polygamists is destroyed by the law disfranchising them. Ten suits have been instituted by Mormons against the members of the commission for being deprived of the right to register and vote.

The receipts and expenditures of the Government for the past few months indicate a reduction of the surplus revenue by only \$34,000,000 per annum, despite the reductions made by the last Congress; but the income is lessened at the rate of \$60,000,000 per year, about equally divided between customs and internal revenue.

The War Department has issued a special order appointing a court of inquiry to investigate the cause of the failure of the Greely relief expedition.

Following is a recapitulation of the statement issued on the 1st inst.:

Interest-bearing debt—
Three and one-half per cents..... \$ 4,970,000
Four and one-half per cents..... 250,000,000
Four per cents..... 737,620,700
Five per cents..... 305,000,000
Refunding certificates..... 332,550
Navy pension fund.....

Total without interest..... \$1,312,446,050
Matured debt..... 4,348,745

Debt bearing no interest—
Legal-tender notes..... 247,739,816
Certificates of deposit..... 12,620,000
Gold and silver certificates..... 182,900,081
Fractional currency..... 6,990,303

Total without interest..... \$459,268,200

Total debt (principal)..... \$1,666,062,995
Total interest..... 9,801,243

Total cash in treasury..... 9,201,000
Debt, less cash in treasury..... 1,511,506,737

Decrease during October..... 10,304,798

Decrease of debt since June 30, 1883..... 59,544,470

Current liabilities—
Interest due and unpaid..... \$ 2,698,000
Debt on which interest has ceased..... 4,348,745

Interest thereon..... 288,857

U. S. gold and silver certificates..... 182,900,081

Certificates of deposit..... 12,620,000

Cash balance available Nov. 1..... 161,44,443

Total..... \$364,347,601

Bonds issued to Pacific railway companies, interest payable by United States—

Principal outstanding..... \$ 6,623,512

Interest accrued, not yet paid..... 1,207,470

Interest paid by United States..... 59,222,093

Interest repaid by companies—
By transportation service..... \$ 17,056,755

By cash payments, 5 per cent. net earnings..... 655,198

Balance of interest paid by United States..... 41,510,193

Secretary Folger went home to work. No bond call will be made for some time to come.

Comptroller Knox has refused to authorize a national bank in Indian Territory, on the ground that the applicants were non-residents of the country.

The following is the condition of the United States treasury.

Gold and bullion..... \$10,530,064

Silver dollars and bullion..... 121,112,611

Fractional silver coin..... 26,764,455

United States notes..... 1,855,651

Total..... \$410,262,261

Certificate outstanding:

Gold..... \$152,491,470

Silver..... 1,674,129

Currency..... 13,035,000

SOUTHERN.

Miffin E. Bell, of Des Moines, Iowa, has been appointed Supervising Architect of the Treasury at Washington.

In a quarrel at Reading, Pa., about

local politics, Congressman Ermentrout was knocked down in the street and beaten by George Smith, a Democratic leader.

The Speakership canvass is now one of the principal topics of interest in Washington. Carlisle, Cox and Randall are all working like beavers. A Democratic member said the other day he would not be surprised to see the contest over the Speakership protracted for several days, and in that event a dark horse he believes will win.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Holmes and Bracken, the alleged dynamiters, were committed for trial at Elizabethtown.

Thomas Walls & Sons, commission merchants at Toronto, Ontario, have failed for \$80,000.

Eighty fine horses from the late national show in New York have been sold at auction at an average price of \$300 each.

In a dispute at Hamilton, Ontario, about the proper manner of entering goods, S. F. Hazelton, the United States consul, was knocked down with a chair by a wool merchant named H. F. Long.

The Government of Canada has accepted a loan of \$15,000,000 at 4 per cent. from the Pacific railway syndicate, and will guarantee a 3 per cent. dividend for ten years on the stock of the road.

The schooner Sophia Minch, valued at \$24,000, went aground near the east pier at Cleveland, and was scuttled. The schooner Arab was beached at St. Joseph, Mich. The steamer City of Toronto was burned at Port Colborne, and the steamer Oneida was wrecked on a rock in the St. Lawrence.

Considerable excitement has been created by the announcement that work on the Rocky Mountain division of the Canadian Pacific railroad would be suspended for two years, owing to the difficulty of selecting a suitable pass. It is believed that this suspension will retard the work at least four years.

A mercantile agency in New York reports 215 failures during the week in the United States and Canada. Creditors have closed the Chicago office of the Rock River company; liabilities, \$500,000. The Chicago boot and shoe house of Brainard & Survey, with liabilities of \$12,000, was taken in charge by the Sheriff. F. E. Blackman, a tobacconist in Chicago, whose debts are \$17,000, has made an assignment.

The Marquis of Lansdowne has been in receipt of several letters threatening his life.

Daigneau & Co., bark dealers at Hyacinthe, P. Q., have failed for \$250,000.

FOREIGN.

Regarding the London explosions, details show that the number injured is fully as large as first reported. It has also been determined that nitro-glycerine entered largely into the composition of the explosive used. The Irish in London are greatly excited, and are free to confess that the crime was planned by enemies of the National movement. O'Donovan Rossa claims the explosions were caused by Fenians, of whose movements he is aware. All the banks, public buildings and prisons at Glasgow are carefully guarded against explosions. The explosive used at Frankfort-on-the-Main was nitro-glycerine, which had been placed in eight small glass shells, perforated with holes.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin was announced to speak in the City hall at London, but a crowd of Orangemen took possession of it and declared they would hold it. An immense procession of Nationalists escorted the Lord Mayor past the building, when the Orangemen threw stones from the roof and windows and wounded a man and a boy. A mob then stoned the City hall, and the militia were called out. The Mayor of Londonderry issued a proclamation appealing to the people to keep the peace.

The Prince of Wales, in closing the International Fisheries exhibition at London, announced that the substantial surplus would be devoted to improving the condition of the fishermen. He expressed the hope that hygienic and inventors' expositions would be held soon, and said he proposed to have a colonial exhibition in 1886.

France does not intend to provoke hostilities with China, but will not renew negotiations; its forces are firmly planted in Tonquin. It is thought, in the meantime, that England will make endeavors to avert a war.

Court circles on the Continent are now excited over the rumored betrothal of the Crown Prince Carlos of Portugal to the Archduchess Maria Valeria, youngest daughter of the Emperor of Austria.

Prince Bismarck has entirely regained his former strength. King Alfonso has the rheumatism. The Princess Albert of Prussia has sprained her ankle.

A man named Piotrowski has been arrested in Prussia for having undertaken to murder Bismarck for the Nihilists, and has confessed his guilt.

Cablegrams announce the suspension of Carver, Derbyshire & Co., merchants of London and Manchester, with liabilities of \$120,000, and of Hollinshead, Titley & Co., cotton brokers of Liverpool, who owe \$100,000.

Moody has begun a mission of six months in London, in an iron chapel seating 5,000 persons.

There were 240 deaths from cholera at Mecca last week.