

NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

Mr. COCKRELL presented a memorial in the Senate, Dec. 24, from the merchants, manufacturers, and business men of St. Louis opposing the repeal of the Vaporizing law of 1879, which permits vinegar-makers to produce low wines for the purpose of making vinegar without payment of the United States tax. The Senate confirmed the appointment of General Royal M. Johnson to be Surveyor General of Arizona. Adjourned until Jan. 1.

The Speaker before the House a message from the President transmitting the report of the Secretary of State, and the papers relating to the trial, conviction, and execution of the late Patrick O'Donnell. Laid on the table for future action. Speaker Carlisle announced the appointment of a committee to report on the adjournment of the House.

EASTERN.

With a capitalization of \$125,000, the Chronicle and the Telegraph, of Pittsburgh, will be consolidated, retaining both names.

Gen. Grant slipped on the ice at New York and fell to the pavement, sustaining a painful injury to the hip.

Rowell and an Alderman of New York are to have a six-day walking match in that city for \$500 a side.

WESTERN.

A terrible accident on the Louisville New Albany and Chicago railroad occurred Christmas eve, near Salem, Ind., resulting in the death of seven persons and the wounding of number of others. The place where the accident happened is the bridge over Blue river. The stream is a narrow one, and in the summer time is an insignificant brook. The speedy melting of snow and the heavy rain following had swollen it to undue proportions. The flood had washed away the earth from under the shore-supports of the bridge, rendering the structure weak and shaky. The train consisted of a baggage car, smoking car, ladies car, and the Pullman buffet car Escaria. Just after the engine had gotten safely across the bridge suddenly settled. The awful crash followed. The chasm is about forty feet deep. The baggage car pitched headlong into the river, while the other cars telescoped and were badly smashed. Some of them, however, remained partially on the track, although what was left of the cars was scarcely anything but debris. The bridge was only about half again as long as a passenger coach, so that all the cars did not go into the water. A scene of excitement and confusion ensued, and the passengers, many of whom were bruised and otherwise injured, began crawling out of the coaches. Some were asleep in the buffet car, but managed to get out all right. Through the overturning of the stove the wrecks caught fire, and all that was above water burned.

John A. Clark was executed at Bozeman, M. T., for murder. The condemned man died protesting his innocence.

John N. Irwin, Governor of Idaho, declines to receive his salary since July 1, as he has been unable to attend to his duties.

The eleventh and twelfth days of the Emma Bond outrage case at Hillsboro, Ill., were consumed by the defense in further building and strengthening their alibi structure. Clement, one of the defendants, was placed in the stand and accounted for his whereabouts on the day of the outrage in a straightforward story. A number of witnesses, all of them, with one exception, relatives of the accused, were called to the witness stand and corroborated the stories of the three defendants. On the thirteenth day of the trial Miss Bond was recalled and gave important testimony directly contradictory of John C. Montgomery. She had to leave the witness stand for the Judge's private room, where she fainted and fell heavily to the floor. On recovering she remarked that her condition was caused by the presence of Montgomery.

The Merchants' Exchange, of St. Louis, has tendered its hall for the Democratic National convention.

The liquor-dealers, of Ohio, who have been holding a State convention at Columbus for the purpose of organization, passed a resolution asking the repeal of the Scott law and the enactment of a judicious and constitutional measure.

Ten thousand men, women and children gathered at Nevada, Mo., to witness the public execution of William Fox for the murder of Thomas Howard.

Petersburg, Ind., at a public meeting attended by the best citizens of the place, resolved that the lynching of Harvey was the proper thing in the proper place.

SOUTHERN.

A family of seven persons named Boss lived on the banks of Hardy creek, in Trimble county, Ky. By a sudden rise of the water they and their cabin were swept off and have not since been seen.

In a free fight at Allendale, S. C., three persons were killed and several wounded.

A number of Christmas tragedies of an exceptionally bloody character are reported from the South. At McDade, Tex., three men were taken from a saloon at midnight by fifty armed and masked citizens and hanged to a tree, for horse-stealing. Six relatives of the victims rode into town and forced a fight with suspected Lynchers, in which two of the assaulting party were killed and two others were mortally wounded. At Yazoo, Miss., an affray between whites and blacks resulted in the killing of three white men and a negro. At Paris, Ky., in a drunken affray between negroes two of them were slain. In Chatham county, N. C., Mrs. Sarah Gunter, her daughter and grand-daughter were murdered by robbers. In New Orleans a city official named McCaffrey was shot dead by a notorious gambler. Near Sherman, Tex., a constable and three citizens were murdered by a band of outlaws.

A company engaged in boring for oil at Warfield, Ky., struck a flow of gas which blew 4,000 pounds of tools into the air. The roar of the well can be heard for three miles.

A gambler named Burns killed the

night watchman at the end of the track on the Mexican Central road, near El Paso, Tex. Burns was hanged to a box-car by a mob.

Two negroes, accused of shooting white men, were taken from jail at Brooksville, Fla., and shot dead.

WASHINGTON.

The prediction is made at Washington that Mr. Bland, as Chairman of the Finance committee, will prevent the passage of a bill to stop the manufacture of the daddy dollars.

Representative Townshend, of Illinois, feels confident of the passage of his bill to pension all survivors of the Mexican and Blackhawk wars.

Gen. A. A. Humphreys, who was retired in 1879, died suddenly in Washington last week. He was Major General of Volunteers, and afterward became a Brigadier in the regular army, serving as Chief Engineer for twelve years. He was an honorary member of several scientific societies in Europe and America.

POLITICAL.

Senator McDonald is attending closely to his law practice in Indianapolis, which in 1883 netted him over \$60,000. He is about to proceed to Washington on Supreme court business, but will confer with Senators Beck and Garland as to his chances for the Presidential nomination. So says an Indianapolis dispatch.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Burned: Several stores at Rushford, N. Y., involving a loss of \$50,000; Belcher's soap factory, Holbrook, Mass., loss \$20,000; Tyson Brothers' mill and elevators, Baltimore, Pa., loss \$30,000; Wright's soap and bluing factory, Stevens Point, Wis., loss \$10,000; Linderholm's elevator, Clarinda, Iowa, loss \$10,000; Harrison's dry-goods store, Paris, Tex., loss \$30,000; Sarazin's tobacco factory, New Orleans, loss \$20,000; eight business houses at Stewartsburg, Mo., loss \$30,000; a wing of the insane asylum, Ward's Island, N. Y., loss \$25,000; a number of stores at Naches, Tex., loss \$20,000; a herd of cattle and horses at the Cheyenne agency, I. T., loss \$12,000; the Lutheran church, Rochester, Pa., loss \$10,000; Demarest's fruit store, New Orleans, loss \$25,000; a large saw mill, at Deer Lake, Mich., loss \$125,000; a large printing establishment at Montreal, Canada, loss \$55,000; a street car house and stables at Cambridge, Mass., loss \$35,000; a cotton-seed oil mill at Temple Tex., loss \$35,000; Goddard's flour mill, Freeport, Ill., loss \$10,000; Tobol's flour-mill, Troy, Kan., loss \$25,000; a storehouse at Memphis, Tenn., loss \$35,000; the Havelock house, Algona, Iowa, loss \$15,000; Samuel Cupples' broom factory and other property in St. Louis, Mo., loss \$450,000; a flouring mill at Chippewa Falls, Wis., loss \$35,000; a match factory at Utica, N. Y., loss \$15,000; a flouring mill at Cape Girardeau, Mo., loss \$60,000; Neideringham's furniture store, St. Louis, Mo., loss \$100,000; a business structure at Red Wing, Minn., loss \$25,000; Lee's shoe factory, Athol, Mass., loss \$70,000; Hardinburg & Co.'s carpet store, Brooklyn, N. Y., loss \$125,000; Green Brothers' foundry, Watertown, Ontario, loss \$30,000; several stores and shops at Fargo, Dak., loss \$40,000; a number of business houses at Bloomfield, Ind., loss \$25,000; the Empire brewery, Utica, N. Y., loss \$40,000; the offices of the Tribune and Times and half a dozen stores at Hammond, Ind., loss \$45,000.

Deaths: Ex-Mayor Strasburg, of Baltimore, one of the defenders of that city against the British; John F. Ramsey, one of the pioneer settlers of Madison, Ind.; Rev. Dr. T. D. Anderson, of Boston, a widely known Baptist clergyman; Henry S. Buckner, an old and wealthy merchant of New Orleans, aged 87; Rev. John B. Wright, of Wayland, Mass., the oldest Unitarian clergyman in the United States; Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Cram (retired), of the United States Engineer Corps; Gen. Hiram Leonard, of San Francisco, retired army officer; ex-Gov. Ralph P. Lowe, of Iowa, at Washington City; Judge E. S. Williams, a prominent Chicago lawyer; the wife of Gen. W. S. Rosecrans, Washington, D. C.; Gen. Thomas L. Kane, one of the most prominent citizens of Pennsylvania.

Failures: A. D. Smith & Co., of Providence, R. I., operating 57,000 cotton spindles, have failed for \$1,000,000. The crash is a highly disastrous one, carrying with it the suspension of three great companies besides the five mills run by the ruined firm. Other failures of the week are as follows:

Bonham & Von Berwitz, worsted goods, New York, liabilities \$75,000; Willis Bronson, real estate, New York, liabilities \$250,000; J. W. Woolfolk, cotton factor, Columbus, Ga., liabilities \$200,000; J. P. McAfee, hardware, Celina, Ohio, liabilities \$20,000; W. H. Kingsley, grain, Allensville, Ill., liabilities \$28,000; Donald Gordon, dry goods, Rochester, Oswego and Mexico, N. Y., liabilities \$200,000; Lockhart & Stright, dry goods, Albany, Ind., liabilities \$12,000; S. Jacobus, dry goods, Nashville, Tenn., liabilities \$40,000; Gordon, Parker & Co., millers, Sparta, Ill., liabilities \$160,000; George Brooks & Co., hardware, Allerton, Ill., liabilities \$18,000; H. S. Gilbert & Co., grain and commission, Ottawa, Ill., liabilities \$250,000; Soper & Co., auctioneers, Baltimore, Md., liabilities \$35,000; French & McKnight, dry goods, Erie, Pa., liabilities \$4,000; Horatio E. Davis & Co., dry goods, Boston; Lamborn & Gray, bankers, Alliance, Ohio; J. & B. Lambert, dry goods, Chattanooga, Tenn., liabilities \$63,000.

In the assault upon the Orange procession at Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, four men were killed and eight were mortally wounded.

Dun's reports show that there were 214 failures in the United States and twenty-four in Canada during last week, being a reduction of eighty-four as compared with the previous week.

Alaska has had a terrific volcanic eruption.

FOREIGN.

M. De Lesseps has publicly declared that he and his sons live the Suez canal shall remain under French control.

An escaped female slave reports that the Mehdé is becoming frightened, that some trifles have refused him aid, and that he has sent his family to a place of safety.

It is asserted at Madrid that Chinese troops took part in the defense of Sontay, but are actively preparing to hold the Red

river delta. A rumor obtains circulation in Vienna that the French will not negotiate for peace until they occupy Bac-Ninh.

Admiral Courbet has been ordered to take all the advantages possible from his victory at Sontay, but to exercise prudence.

Col. H. R. Rathbone, who married the daughter of ex-Senator Ira Harris of New York, killed his wife and himself in a German city, Christmas day.

The Grand Duke Nicholas, of Russia, in exile in Turkistan, attempted to escape to India, but was captured.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

A Washington dispatch says the publication of the letters of C. P. Huntington, disclosing the movements of the railway kings in Washington in connection with the Southern and Texas Pacific land grants and the Thurnau Funding bill, has attracted great attention there. There can be little doubt that this publication will have these results: First, there will be a searching investigation by one branch of Congress or the other into the various suggestions contained in the letters of undue influence; second, the publication will most unquestionably destroy whatever hopes or prospects the Southern Pacific magnates had of obtaining from Congress the ratification of the assignment of the unearned land grant of the Texas Pacific to the Southern Pacific.

A mob composed of 200 armed men marched through the streets to the jail at Yazoo, Miss., demanded and received from the jailer the keys to the prison. The object of their visit was to inflict summary punishment upon four negroes confined therein for the murder of Joseph Nichols and the Posey brothers a few days previous, and they did their work promptly and effectually. The mob first proceeded to the cell of W. H. Foote. The door was forced open, and as one of the crowd entered he was struck with a hand-iron from the fire-place wrapped in a towel, and knocked down. At this moment firing commenced, and the prisoner was instantly killed, being riddled by more than a dozen shots. Robert Swayse, another of the murderers, was taken from his cell, a rope placed around his neck and thrown over the fence, and he was thus hanged. They then proceeded to the cell in which Richard Gibbs was incarcerated, but could not open the doors with the keys. Gibbs appeared at the grating of his cell, and on being perceived was riddled with shot. A rope was passed into his cell, which was placed around him by his cell-mate, and he was then dragged out and hanged from the outside of the building. The mob then went up stairs to Micajah Parker's cell. He was taken out, a rope placed around his neck, and in the balcony of the middle corridor of the jail he was hanged, the body dangling over the balcony. After this the crowd quietly dispersed. The victims were all negroes, and Foote was Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for the district. The lynchers were young white men from the surrounding country. No effort was made to hinder them.

The French lost thirty-six officers and nearly 1,000 men in the battle of Sontay, and found \$2,000,000 in the city.

At a consistory to be held at Rome in April, several Cardinals will be created, and the vacant sees in America will be filled. It is thought that Archbishop Gibbons, of Baltimore, will be made a Cardinal.

Report has it that O'Donnell, recently executed, was one of four notorious leaders of the Molly Maguires who have long been hiding from American justice.

It is reported that the Salters' Committee, one of the largest and most successful of the London guilds, has decided to dispose of its Irish lands, and is now offering them to tenants on twenty years' time.

Within the last three months seventy-six four-class Postmasters have been raised to the Presidential grade.

A strong pressure is being brought to bear to have the whisky bonded period extended to two years. The petition is signed by whisky-men, bankers and merchants from Boston to Denver.

Mr. Morrison says he will be prepared to introduce his tariff bill in the House of Representatives about the 15th of January. Mr. Morrison says he has received letters from prominent business men of the East, saying that they are not alarmed at the prospects of a tariff revision, but they would like to have the revision made at once.

A Commission of Potter county, Dakota, has made affidavit that Gov. Ordway accepted a bribe of \$5,000 for the appointment of a fellow-Commissioner.

THE MARKET.

NEW YORK.

BEEVES.....\$5.00 @ 7.00

HOGS.....5.50 @ 6.00

FLOUR-Superfine.....4.00 @ 6.75

WHEAT-No. 1 Dirlth.....1.12 @ 1.22

CORN-No. 2.....1.12 @ 1.12

OATS-No. 2......66 @ .67

NO. 2......39 @ .41

PORK-Mess.....14.50 @ 15.25

LARD......99 @ .99

CHICAGO.

BEEVES-Good to Fancy Steers.....6.00 @ 6.50

Common to Fair.....5.50 @ 6.00

Medium to Fair.....5.00 @ 5.50

HOGS.....4.50 @ 6.00

FLOUR-Good White Winter Ex.....5.25 @ 5.50

Fancy White Winter Ex.....5.00 @ 5.50

WHEAT-No. 1.....99 @ 1.01

No. 2 Red Winter.....59 @ .60

CORN-No. 2.....33 @ .34

NO. 2.....59 @ .60

RYE-No. 2.....59 @ .60

WHEAT-No. 2.....32 @ .34

WHEAT-No. 3.....32 @ .34

BUTTER-Churned.....59 @ .60

EGGS-Fresh.....27 @ .28

POUR-Mess.....13.25 @ 13.75

LARD.....8.50 @ 9.00

MILWAUKEE.

WHEAT-No. 2 Red.....1.00 @ 1.05

CORN.....59 @ .60

OATS-No. 2.....32 @ .34

RYE.....59 @ .60

WHEAT-No. 2.....62 @ .63

CORN.....13.50 @ 14.50

OATS.....12.50 @ 13.75

WHEAT-No. 2 Red.....1.00 @ 1.05

CORN.....59 @ .60

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