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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Three murderers will be hanged in Pennsylvania on the 23d of September.

The National Rubber Company, of Bristol, R. I., has closed down, owing their workers two months' wages.

A fire, originating in the block factory of Harvey & Farr, at Gloucester, Mass., spread until property valued at \$500,000 was destroyed.

The failure is announced of D. Root, Sons & Co., agricultural implement manufacturers, of Mount Joy, Penn., with liabilities of \$46,000.

Mrs. J. G. Swisshelm, whose name has for forty years been a familiar one to the American public, died last week at her home in Sewickley, Pa. She was born in Pittsburgh in 1815.

The Coatsville Iron Company, of Westchester, Pa., has failed. The liabilities are about \$250,000, and the assets are estimated at \$80,000. The failure is said to be due to the suspension of the agents, Carmichael & Emmens, of New York. It will result in throwing 250 men out of employment.

Lewis Spencer, a colored man who died in the poor-house of Niagara County, New York, is believed to have been 115 years of age.

The embezzlement of Sperry, the absconding Treasurer of Chautauqua County, New York, amounts to \$90,000, and his son converted \$10,000 of the public funds to his own use, which he squandered in speculation.

Oehlert's distillery, at Connellsburg, Pa., with three bonded warehouses and 7,000 barrels of whisky, was burned, the loss being placed at \$65,000, fully insured. The flaming whisky floated down the river, and hundreds of men got drunk on some saved from the fire.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company paid \$40,000 for 125 acres of land at Freedman, Pa., on which \$1,500,000 will be expended in round houses and repair-shops.

The boiler of an engine on the Lehigh Valley Railroad burst near Whitehaven, Pa. J. W. Harsel, the engineer, his son, who acted as brakeman, John Armbruster, the fireman, and a telegraph operator named Smith were instantly killed.

Ex-Gov. Harriman, of New Hampshire, has just died at the age of 67.

Daniel Pratt, ex-Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New York and at one time Attorney General of that State, died at Syracuse, aged 78.

A lamp explosion at Millersburg, Pa., destroyed a block of buildings valued at \$30,000.

Fifty-one men have been placed in jail at Pittsburgh, for criminal treatment of a demented girl who wandered among the camps along the Monongahela River. Her jewelry, valued at \$500, was found in a shanty at Elizabeth.

WESTERN.

A natural gas deposit was struck at Frankfort, D. T., at a depth of eighty-five feet. When lighted, explosions followed which shook all the buildings in the place.

A hail-storm devastated a section near Huron, D. T., resulting in a damage to crops estimated at \$50,000.

The dry-good house of Wear, Boogher & Co., of St. Louis, has made an assignment to Nathan Cole. The liabilities are believed to be about \$450,000, and the assets are reported at \$600,000. The largest home creditor is the St. Louis National Bank, which holds \$25,000 in paper. Most of the indebtedness is in New York and Boston.

On judgments aggregating \$45,457.80, a Deputy Sheriff, in Chicago, seized the extensive cigar factory of Louis Cohn & Son, Nos. 15 to 27 Wabash avenue. The liabilities will probably reach \$100,000.

A recent examination of the pay-roll of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad shows that that corporation employs about 28,000 persons.

A tree, overthrown by a storm, fell upon a dancing pavilion at Broad Ripple, Ind., which sheltered a number of picnickers. A dozen persons were injured, some seriously.

Three children of Joseph Ashley, of Sunkiaco, Wis., went out to pick berries, and were drowned while bathing in the river.

H. H. Young, statistical agent for Minnesota, estimates the wheat yield of the State at 44,000,000 bushels.

A party of masked citizens of Sabin, Ohio, drove the inmates of a brothel into the street, and blew up the house with giant powder. The keeper of another disreputable place was taken from bed, given a coat of tar and feathers, and warned to leave town.

An inventory of the estate of the late Cyrus H. McCormick shows stocks and bonds aggregating \$3,000,000, an interest of \$1,870,000 in the Harvester Company, and real estate producing an income of \$128,700, besides vast amounts of other property.

Lafayette Huff, of Oxford, Ohio, has received \$5,000 from the Pan-Handle Road for injuries inflicted by ejection from one of its trains.

Lucy Hughes, of Muncie, Ind., 10 years of age made a nearly successful attempt to strangle herself with her garter because her mother punished her for neglecting the baby.

In the Ohio Valley the drought has resulted in serious losses to farmers, who are on the alert to prevent their parched fields taking fire. Hay is \$16 a ton and advancing, tobacco is badly injured, and corn is threatened.

The Health Department of Chicago has received warning that a physician of San Francisco has started Eastward with two lepers, whom he proposes to exhibit in all the large cities and on the steps of Beecher's Church in Brooklyn.

The Health Commissioner of St. Louis, is a ter fully investigating the rumored case of cholera on board the steamer Anise P. Oliver, reports that the family involved were

never in France, and that their child died from summer complaint. They are Italians, and have lived in Louisiana for the past year.

Pleasant Valley, Clear Creek, Brunswick, and the section around those towns in Wisconsin were swept by a hail-storm, the frozen lumps being eight to ten inches in diameter. Dwellings were shattered, cattle, hogs, and sheep killed in large numbers, and crops entirely destroyed. Much-needed rain fell throughout Southern and Central Ohio, the storm resulting in the death of six persons by lightning.

John C. Bacha, representing himself as a millionaire cattle dealer of Las Vegas, was drugged by thieves in Cincinnati, and robbed of \$13,000.

The opposition to the Scott law in Cincinnati by the saloon keepers has left the city without any means to pay the police force, and report has it that they are to be discharged.

An electric street railway has been put in successful operation in Cleveland.

SOUTHERN.

By the explosion of a gas-main at Wheeling, W. Va., Superintendent Dillon of the gas-works and Samuel Darrah were badly burned. Four others received slight injuries.

Miss Helen Owens, a simple-minded lady of good family, eloped from Anne Arundel Co., Md., with a coal-black negro employed about the residence of her brother-in-law, Dr. Henry Richardson.

The explosion of an oil can, used in starting a fire, resulted in an explosion at Pima, Texas, by which two children of John Randsale were burned to a crisp.

The act of the Virginia Legislature prohibiting School Superintendents from taking part in politics has been declared unconstitutional by the Court of Appeals.

John Heil, a clerk in the German Bank at Wheeling, W. Va., struck a match in the vault. It appears that the gas had been escaping all night, and the explosion which followed swept Heil across the room with a singed face, and blew out the glass front of the building.

An illicit distillery conducted by a moonshiner named Polk West, in Overton County, Tennessee, has been seized by the revenue officers, who have destroyed 1,000 gallons of beer and a still of 100 gallons capacity.

The tannery of Charles F. Sauer & Co., at Louisville, valued at \$80,000, was destroyed by fire. Capt. Hexman, of the Fire Department, received what may prove to be fatal injuries.

The wall of a mill at Lexington, Ky., collapsed, being forced out by the weight of 5,000 bushels of wheat. Two men were buried under the grain and debris, one being killed and the other mortally hurt.

Victor Eloy, a wife murderer, and Kendrich Holland (colored), who killed his mistress, were hanged at New Orleans.

Near Pocomoke City, Md., Irving Mills went riding with a young widow, the daughter of Capt. L. L. Davis, who objected to his attentions. The father rode out to meet the couple, when Mills deliberately murdered him with a revolver, firing after a fatal wound had been inflicted.

WASHINGTON.

Queen Victoria sent her congratulations on the rescue of Lieut. Greeley. In reply, President Arthur expressed the appreciation of the American people of the timely gift of the steamship Alert.

A meeting of the National Sanitary Conference will be held in Washington Aug. 7. The conference is composed of representatives of State Boards of Health. Its object is to secure concert of action by all health authorities against the spread of epidemic diseases throughout the country.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue reports receipts for the fiscal year of \$121,590,039, a decrease of \$22,983,305, mainly on tobacco. Illinois leads the States in contributions to the National Treasury, having paid \$23,820,848, Kentucky following with \$18,583,12.

John G. Brady, of Alaska, George E. Irrie, of Pennsylvania, and Chester Seeber, of California, have been appointed United States Commissioners for the newly organized District of Alaska.

Judge Advocate Swaim has been suspended from duty pending his trial by court-martial, and Gen. Lieber has been appointed to his place.

President Arthur left Washington by boat last week, for a vacation. He will sojourn in the Catskills, and be absent several weeks.

With the intention of entering upon special duty under some foreign power, Dr. Koch has asked that the congress meet in Berlin. A Marseilles dispatch says: "The aspect here is becoming somber. The steamer which arrives weekly from Algeria is suppressed. The line to Syria is stopped. The South American packets have ceased to call here. The custom-offices and quays are deserted. There are many funerals during the night, the burials being performed by the aid of lanterns. The Mayor has interdicted the annual fair, and forbids the processions of Aug. 15."

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Ex-Minister Sargent, now in Massachusetts, has received a dispatch requesting him to run for Congress in one of the California districts.

Independent Republicans from several States gathered in New York on the 22d for a conference. George William Curtis called the meeting to order, and Charles R. Codman was chosen President. The latter called the nomination of Blaine an insult to American manhood. Thomas Bacon said the Independent had twice defeated Blaine's aspirations within the party. A platform was adopted declaring that the abuses of the past cannot be corrected under the leadership of that person. One laborer was killed by a gun.

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LATER NEWS ITEMS.

The cotton goods manufacturers of New England have begun a spontaneous striking-down movement for August and September; which promises to be of large dimensions.

Gov. Cameron, of Virginia, has called an extra session of the Legislature of that State for Aug. 13, on the petition of two-thirds of the members.

Assigning as a reason that the acatory letters of Butler and Cleveland have not been made public, without which intelligent action could not be taken, the National Labor party's committee at New York issued orders postponing the convention at Chicago until Sept. 1.

Officials of the Navy Department estimate the cost of the Greely expedition at \$700,000.

The amount of gold now in the United States Treasury is about \$119,000,000, being about \$15,000,000 less than a month ago. This decrease is due to the redemption of bonds, the payment of interest, and the settlement in gold of all the clearing-house balances at the New York Sub-Treasury during the month.

Forty structures, including two banks, an hotel, the Postoffice, nine dwellings, etc., were destroyed by fire at Devil's Lake, Dak. The loss is \$100,000, and the insurance about \$60,000.

St. Paul's new city directory contains 39,720 names, an increase of 4,388 over the number in last year's volume. It is estimated that about \$11,000,000 will be expended on new buildings in that city during the year. In recognition of its increased population the Postmaster General has given it five additional letter carriers.

Portland (Ore.) dispatch: "News has been received here that an organized band of stock-thieves has been run down and captured by a party of regulators at Willow Valley, Ore. Seventeen thieves were caught with a large number of valuable horses. The two ring-leaders of the band were lynched in short order, and the remaining fifteen are held in custody. They will be handed over to the regular officers of the law for trial."

The principal clearing houses report \$664,702,280 as the clearings for last week, which is a decrease from the preceding week of \$28,032,832. When compared with the corresponding period last year the falling off equals 19.7 per cent.

The hospitals of Panama are filled with men taken ill while working on De Lesseps' new canal. The Government ordered a quarantining some time ago, but has revoked it at the instance of the canal company. Dr. Lopez, the chief physician of the corporation, recently died of dysentery.

Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, has reached England. When he left the Congo country he was suffering badly from bronchitis, but was much benefited by the sea voyage.

At a large miners' demonstration at Barnsley, resolutions were adopted demanding the abolition of the House of Lords.

A disastrous fire occurred at Marash, Asia Minor. One thousand shops, 200 houses, four hotels, three mosques, and the municipal palace were destroyed.

John Daly, the alleged Fenian arrested two months ago at Birkenhead, England, has been indicted at Chester for having explosives in his possession.

The Paris *Figaro*, a leading Republican organ, advises France to abandon all friendly relations with England, which has always thwarted France, and whose friendship is false and hollow. At the same time the *Figaro* recommends an alliance with Germany, who has been an honest enemy, and would make an honest ally.

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FOREIGN.

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The Siberian plague has appeared in China, and typhus fever caused ten deaths in the Vosges.

James Stephens, ex-head-center of the Fenians, is to sail for America to advocate the Irish cause. In the same connection it is announced that the English authorities