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## NEWS CONDENSED.

### Concise Record of the Week.

#### EASTERN.

Miss Roma Sickles, stepsister of Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, has been clandestinely married to William Meade, a coachman employed at the residence of her father, George G. Sickles, at New Rochelle, N. Y. The affair creates a sensation.

The sum of \$20,000 in bonds has been mysteriously abstracted from a safety deposit vault in Boston. Suspicion attaches to a young man related to one of the trustees of the property, who has had access to the box.

The extensive vitriol-works of James Irwin & Co., at Pittsburgh, valued at \$100,000, were wiped out by fire.

A race for \$12,000 between Miss Woodford and Drake Carter attracted twenty thousand persons to Sheepshead Bay, Long Island. The former, who was entered by Dwyer Brothers, made 2½ miles in 4:28½.

It is alleged that the "Molly Maguire" organization is showing signs of activity in the coal regions of Pennsylvania.

Rindskopf Bros. & Co., clothiers, at New York, have made an assignment, giving preferences for \$886,980. Their liabilities are estimated at \$900,000, while the actual assets are said to amount to \$1,100,000.

Four of the miners' wives at Coal Center, Pa., have been arrested—three for conspiracy and one for assault. They are members of the "tin-pan brigade," a body of 200 women who visit the collieries every morning to induce the non-unionists to join the strikers.

Priddy, a Pittsburgh oarsman, who engaged in a contest last week, has since developed paralysis in both arms, which can not be removed by a galvanic battery, and it is alleged that he was poisoned in the interest of his rival.

A factory at Wheeling produced 7,504 kgs of steel nails in fifty-five hours last week, which beats all records.

At the Sheepshead Bay races Miss Woodford beat all previous records by making the second two-mile heat in 3:31½. The best previous authentic record was 3:34½, made by Willie D. at Prospect Park in 1879.

Thousands of New Yorkers, representing various grades of society, attended the obsequies of Jerry McAuley, the reformed river thief, at the Broadway Tabernacle, New York. Brief addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Irenaeus Prime, Dr. William M. Taylor, and A. S. Hatch, the banker.

#### WESTERN.

Five of the Cleveland (O.) Judges met last week to hear arguments in the case brought by the Cleveland liquor-dealers to prevent the County Treasurer from collecting the liquor tax under the Scott law until its constitutionality had been passed upon by the State Supreme Court. The Judges failed to agree. The liquor-dealers' attorney then took a non-suit and immediately appealed to the Supreme Court.

A fire originating in Moore's planing-mill on High street, Detroit, spread to Grand River avenue, destroying the Reed block and other property valued at \$60,000.

Charles Francis Adams, Jr., President of the Union Pacific Road, reports that for the year ending June 30 the surplus income of the company amounted to 5.22 per cent. on the capital stock. The fixed charges of the system are \$793,000 per month.

A train on the Indiana, Bloomington and Western Road, en route for Peoria, was thrown from the track near Farmer City, Illinois, by a broken rail. Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks was a passenger, but escaped unharmed. Eight persons were so seriously injured as to be helpless, while several others received bruises.

The steamer Dacotah sank in the Missouri River near Providence. She was valued at \$24,000.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Pacific Road, net earnings of \$4,425,820 were reported. The capital stock is \$88,807,988, and the funded debt \$40,278,000. The unsold lands east of the Missouri River amount to 4,079,955 acres, which are dedicated to the extinguishment of preferred stock.

A La Crosse (Wis.) newspaper intimates that the damage to wheat by rust is very serious, and that grain has been sold at certain points on the basis of 28 and 30 cents per bushel. Elevator men complain of working in the ears, the wheat smells so badly.

In the Blaine-Sentinel libel suit at Indianapolis the defendants on Sept. 18 filed a bill of discovery. After reciting alleged facts previous to Mr. Blaine's marriage, they claim that no record was made of the marriage; that the officiating minister has been dead for years, and that as Blaine is himself cognizant of all the occurrences, and as it will be necessary for them to prove illicit intercourse with the person to whom he was subsequently married to justify the publication complained of, they demand that the plaintiff answer the interrogatories previously propounded; that the proceedings be stayed until answer is made; or, if no reply is returned to the questions, that the case be perpetually restrained.

Isaac Jacobson, the Finlander who murdered George Bedell, a North Clark street business man, was hung in the jail at Chicago. The unfortunate man seemed to have completely broken down before his execution.

Judge Drummond has telegraphed the President asking to be relieved at once, before the October term of court.

Several towns in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana were shaken, on the afternoon of Sept. 19, by an earthquake of a few seconds' duration, the oscillations being more perceptible in the upper stories of structures. Tableware was dashed to the floor, furniture disturbed, and windows wrecked, alarming the inmates, who, in many instances, fled panic-stricken to the streets. At Detroit the quake was severely felt, and the river rose some inches. The Methodist Conference and Ladies' Missionary Society, in session at Defiance, Ohio, hastily quitted the building which they occupied; and the disturbance

almost caused a panic at a reunion in Ottawa, Ohio. Children in the schools at Indianapolis became alarmed, and occupants of railroad depots in the sections visited imagined that a locomotive had collided with the buildings. A rumbling sound was heard in some places, resembling a distant explosion. Tremors were also felt in portions of Canada, Kentucky, and West Virginia, and were so severe in the suburbs of Cincinnati as to terrify the children in the schools.

The clothing house of Buchman Brothers, of Cincinnati, which succeeded Rindskopf & Co., has failed for \$400,000.

An incendiary fired the lumber yard of Monroe Brothers, on the upper flats in Cleveland. Two hours later the lumber yard of Browne, Strong & Co. was found in flames. Engines were obtained from five neighboring cities, and the firemen labored many hours to suppress the conflagration. The loss is estimated at \$250,000.

At a conference of the lumber-dealers of the East Saginaw (Mich.) district, it was determined to shut down the sawmills about the 10th of October and thus curtail production. The lumber market is dull, and immense quantities of saw-logs are on the hands of the dealers waiting purchasers.

A majority of the Supreme Court of Dakota have decided in favor of the commission act moving the State capital from Yankton to Bismarck.

#### SOUTHERN.

E. De Merolla, wine merchant and Italian and Turkish Consul at Baltimore, is missing, and owes \$30,000.

A child in Baltimore, suffering from diphtheria, recently, coughed infected matter into the face of Dr. Melville Taylor, the result being the death of the latter.

The remains of Brig. Gen. B. H. Helm, of the Confederate army, who was killed at Chickamauga, have been disinterred at Atlanta and removed to Elizabethtown, Ky. He was a brother-in-law of Abraham Lincoln.

At Frankfort, Ky., John Simmons, a colored boy, whipped Morgan Browner, aged 16, when Browner procured a gun and shot the negro dead.

Henry A. Frellsen, a New Orleans merchant, who, when a subject of Denmark, took an active part in Greece's struggle for freedom, and there became intimate with Lord Byron, has just died at the age of 84.

A. M. Scales, Democratic candidate for Governor of North Carolina, escaped death on Cowee Mountain by the action of his horse, which fell down a precipice of one hundred feet. Scales caught in a tree, and was rescued and sent home to Greensboro.

The outlook for the fall and winter trade in all sections of the South is reported to be favorable.

Harry Clay, a well-known lawyer of Louisville, and a grandson of the great Henry Clay, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded by Andy Wepler. Clay took offense at his friend Wepler because the latter would not lend him as much money as he wanted to buy whisky with.

Recent reports of damage to the rice crop in the South by floods were grossly exaggerated, and the loss will be small compared with the total yield.

#### WASHINGTON.

H. H. Kislingbury, son of the lieutenant who perished in the Greely expedition, has been appointed by President Arthur to a cadetship at Annapolis.

Col. Dudley, Commissioner of Pensions, has resigned. He is to go into the banking business.

#### POLITICAL.

The Greenbackers of Colorado met in convention at Denver and placed in nomination the following ticket: Presidential electors, J. D. Barley, of Denver; F. C. Messenger, of Greeley; H. P. Button, of Denver; for Congress, George W. Way, of Boulder; Governor, John E. Washburn, of Larimer; Lieutenant Governor, A. K. White, of Lake; Secretary of State, M. C. Dunn, of Pueblo; State Treasurer, J. R. Buchanan, of Denver. Ex-Representative Rev. Dr. Gilbert De La Maty declined a unanimous nomination for Congress. A resolution having for its object a fusion with the Democrats on the State ticket was passed.

The Colorado State Prohibition Convention also convened at Denver. A series of resolutions were adopted declaring in favor of the principle and policy of legal prohibition, pledging support to only pure men for positions of official trust, declaring unity with and allegiance to the National Prohibition party, and pledging cordial support to St. John and Daniel. A committee of fifteen was appointed, with instructions to place a State ticket in the field, either of the candidates of the other parties or new men.

The police of Naples have been ordered to prevent religious processions, which tend to the spread of cholera, and which, it is charged, are promoted for sordid purposes.

Grand Trunk railway officials, in semi-annual meeting at London, declared a full dividend on first preference shares, but passed the dividend on second preferred shares. The net loss on receipts for the six months was \$49,000.

Two more telegrams have been received at Cairo from Gen. Gordon, who complains of dilatory action in sending relief, while the foes in his front are increasing in numbers.

There were 630 new cases of cholera in Italy, including 507 in Naples, on the 18th of September. Of the 341 deaths, 233 occurred in the same city.

A Rome dispatch states that the Pope has created the Archbishop of Siena and the Archbishop of Rheims Cardinals.

The Limerick Councilmen refuse

very positively to make an assessment for the extra police tax, or to send a deputation to Lord Spencer, the Irish Vice-roy, to arrange for a compromise. The Councilmen take it that the tax was an unjust one, and are prepared to go to prison rather than make the assessment for its payment.

Reports have reached Cairo that Gen. Gordon recently fought two battles with the rebels and raised the siege of Khartoum.

The *Journal des Débats*, one of the leading Parisian journals, condemns the management of the French navy and says it is almost worthless. The *Pall Mall Gazette* says similar harsh things about the British navy.

Mr. Harrington, an Irish member of Parliament, in a letter to the *Dublin Freeman's Journal*, the principal Irish daily newspaper, says that he is convinced from care

fulness personal inquiry that Myles Joyce, who was hanged for complicity in the Maamtrasna murders, and four other persons convicted at the same time were innocent.

The German Colonization Society proposes to secure land in Zanzibar for colonization purposes, instead of on the west coast of Africa, as at first projected.

A hotel at Burziz, Pomerania, was recently sold by a man named Seaver, who probably sailed for the United States. The new landlord soon discovered in the cellar the bodies of six traveling salesmen who had been guests at the house.

#### LATER NEWS ITEMS.

Capt. W. P. Clark, Second Cavalry, was attached to Gen. Sheridan's staff, who just died at Washington. He was distinguished for his services in fighting Indians and was regarded as one of the best authorities in the army on the Indian sign language.

The report that the siege of Khartoum had been raised is confirmed by official telegrams.

Foreign merchants at Shanghai have asked the naval commanders to take action toward keeping the Woo Sung River open to traffic. Russia is about to make large accessions to her fleet in Chinese waters.

Thomas Fawcett, a banker of London, Ontario, with liabilities estimated as high as \$1,000,000, is in financial difficulty, the Bank of Montreal having thrown out his checks.

De Lesseps proposes to visit the Panama Canal next year, when he hopes to inaugurate the section of the canal connecting the two oceans.

A rock taken from a well at Denison, Texas, when broken showed traces of gold, and a mining company is being organized.

The Newcomb-Buchanan Company of Louisville, the largest whisky house in the South, have made an assignment, after attempting for the past two years to meet liabilities of \$1,500,000 on which it then secured an extension.

A new and fatal cattle disease has made its appearance in the vicinity of Leavenworth, Kan.

Some boys engaged in stealing turpines in North Topeka, Kan., unearthed a handkerchief in which was tied \$100 in silver coin.

In a dispute over the payment of drinks at Hessville, Ind., a window was broken, when the saloon proprietor, Joseph Hess, plunged a pitchfork into the breast of one man, while Hess' son fired a double-barreled gun into the crowd, wounding three persons, two of them mortally.

Duckworth & Co.'s King Iron Works at Buffalo were destroyed by fire, the loss being \$30,000. The Middlesex dye-works at Somerville, Mass., valued at \$250,000, were burned. Twenty-one buildings at Bronson, Mich., and twelve stores at Sand Lake, were also destroyed by fire. The Esmond Hotel and the remainder of an entire square of buildings at Portland, Oregon, were burned, the loss being \$120,000. The Parker House and nine other structures at Eureka, Nev., valued at \$70,000, fell a prey to flames.

The commissioners appointed by the State of New York to appraise property at Niagara Falls desired for an international park have agreed upon a valuation aggregating \$1,403,429, the principal awards being less than half the prices demanded. Goat Island is appraised at \$525,000.

Sadie Robinson, thirteen years of age, residing at Framingham, Mass., packed up \$75,000 worth of bonds, currency, and diamonds belonging to her parents. When going to school in Boston, she left the precious valise in a drug store, where she afterward led the officers and recovered it. She states that she intended to elope with the lad of her choice.

The iron horse has penetrated to all parts of the world. His snort has been heard in every State and Territory of the United States, save Alaska; in Mexico, and most of the Central American States; in every country of South America; in all the divisions of Australia; in Algeria, Cape Colony, Egypt, Natal, and Tunis, in Africa; in all the countries of Asia save Arabia, Persia, Afghanistan, and Beloochistan; and throughout all Europe. It is only seven years since the first locomotive was built.

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#### OF INTEREST TO FAMERS.

#### Report of the Condition of the Crops in Europe.

##### [Washington dispatch.]

The report of the Commissioner of Agriculture for September has just been issued. It gives a very interesting report on the condition of the crops in Europe, India, and other foreign countries.

In Europe, as compared with last year, the barley and oat acreages have fallen off 5-10 per cent. and 2-8-10 per cent., respectively, and the slight gain of 2.4 per cent. in wheat has no significance beyond the fine condition of the land in the last sowing season.

A despatch to London from Calcutta expresses the opinion that India will be able to export 50,000,000 bushels of wheat to foreign countries this year. The Commissioner observes that the increase of exports from India from a few hundred thousand bushels per annum to twenty years ago to 37,148,543 bushels in 1881-82, and 39,127,977 bushels of sixty pounds for 1883-84 (year ended March 31), has excited the attention of the wheat-growing countries. It is known that India comes near to France and Russia in the volume of wheat production, and that these countries have only one out-ranking competitor—the United States of America.

The Commissioner speaks of the folly of attempting to "feed the nations of the earth." He says: "The area in wheat is now 38,500,000 acres, and 12,000,000 acres are cultivated in excess of the wants of the country, the produce of which must be sold abroad, mainly in Liverpool in competition with the grain of Russia, of South America, of Austria, and of India. It is sent 1,500 miles by land and 3,000 miles by sea, and from California more than half round the world to compete with the half-civilized fellahs of Egypt and the slaves of India. It is a competition unworthy of American freemen, and utterly unnecessary, being caused by bad calculation in the distribution of crop areas, for while we export one-third of the wheat production, we import one-seventh of all the barley consumption and \$100,000,000 worth of sugar at foreign valuation, which brings \$150,000,000 in our local markets, in addition to the costs and profits of refining here."

#### ATROCIOUS VILLAINY.

##### The Nutt Family at Uniontown, Pa., Poisoned by N. L. Dukes' Friends.

##### [Uniontown, Pa.] special.]

Intense excitement has been caused here by the discovery of an atrocious attempt to kill the lives of the members of the Nutt family. The well from which the supply of water was drawn was poisoned by some unknown miscreant. Two of the young ladies are already dead, and other members of the family are dying. As far as can be ascertained, there is no apparent motive for the deliberate crime, and all efforts made thus far to trace the persons engaged in the horrible affair have proved a signal failure.

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