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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Permission has been granted to build a surface railway on Broadway, New York, from the Battery to Fifteenth street, the company agreeing to pay the city 5 per cent. of its earnings.

Rev. Henry Williamson, of Trenton, N. J., went to the outskirts of the city and literally blew out his brains with a revolver.

Masked men robbed the house of Captain John Morrow, an invalid, at Mansfield, Pa., of \$500 and valuables. They bound and gagged Mrs. Morrow and a female friend in a brutal manner, and the former may not recover.

Hereafter glove-fights will be prohibited by the police in Madison Square Garden, New York.

The hundredth anniversary of the consecration of Bishop Seabury, of Connecticut, was commemorated, by appropriate Episcopal services in London, New York, and Hartford.

The Vermont Legislature has elected Homer E. Royce, Jonathan Ross, H. H. Powers, W. G. Vesey, John W. Rowell, and W. H. Walker Supreme Court Judges, the first-named being Chief Justice.

Congressman Wm. A. Duncan, Democrat, of the Nineteenth Pennsylvania District, who was very low with consumption at the time of his re-election, died at his home in Gettysburg last week.

Meyers & Cohen, dealers in cloaks, New York, have made an assignment, with preferences amounting to \$39,000.

After a strike of nine months, the coal miners of the Monongahela valley hungry and half naked, are resuming work at the old rates. There are sixty or more still in jail in Washington County.

WESTERN.

August Tuxhorn, a farmer near McPherson, Kan., was foiled in an attempt to kill his wife and four children. He then fired all the buildings on his place and blew out his brains. In the burned house was \$4,000 in money.

The Sac and Fox Indians have leased 200,000 acres of grazing lands to Kansas parties for ten years, at \$40,000 per annum, the wire fencing to revert to the Indians at the expiration of the lease.

Ten tons of giant powder in Rummel's magazine, near Toledo, Ohio, was exploded by the detonation of a tub of nitro-glycerine, which had been placed near a fire to thaw. The explosion was heard at Detroit, sixty miles away, and in the immediate district smashed windows, leveled fences and barns, and tore limbs from trees. In two schools near the scene a panic occurred, many children being bruised; and a spring wagon, containing four persons, was thrown into a ditch. An employee of the magazine was seriously burned, but will probably recover.

Sarah Farro, a colored woman of Chicago, has been awarded damages of \$8,650 against Frank Parmelee, for having her buggy overturned by an omnibus.

The November crop report shows that 1,254,050 acres have been seeded to wheat in Michigan, and the condition of the plant Nov. 1 was 107 per cent.

The Governor of Montana favors a reduction in the size of Indian reservations, and enters objections to the leasing of lands by the red men. He recommends that no polygamous Mormon be allowed the right of pre-emption.

During a Democratic celebration at Wellington, Kas., Mrs. John Schnarr was struck in the eye by a sky-rocket and instantly killed. Another rocket, carelessly placed, went driving into the offices of the Phillips House, striking the night clerk in the mouth and coming out behind the ear. His condition is precarious. W. H. Hood, of Pittsburgh, Pa., a guest of the hotel, was seriously wounded in the face.

Judge Knickerbocker, of the Probate Court of Cook County, Ill., refused to admit to probate the will of the late Wilbur F. Storey, made in 1881, on the ground that the testator was not then of sound mind, and appointed Austin L. Patterson administrator of the Storey estate, with power to collect. Counsel for Mrs. Storey took an appeal.

Many farmers in the vicinity of Fargo, Dakota, refuse to part with their No. 1 hard wheat at 48 cents per bushel, the lowest rate ever known in that region.

A National Convention of cattle growers was held at Chicago last week, and was largely attended. A National Association was formed, and a committee appointed to attend the St. Louis convention with a view to bringing that body under the provisions of the organization. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the work of the Bureau of Animal Industry, and especially commanding the ability and energy of Prof. Salmon, its chief.

After an absence of two years, the eminent tragedian, Mr. Lawrence Barrett, makes his reappearance at McVicker's Theater, Chicago, this week, in a round of his favorite roles. He opens in "Yorick's Love," which will be followed by "Hamlet," "Richelieu," "Merchant of Venice," and "Julius Caesar." Mr. Barrett has surrounded himself with a strong supporting company of artists, including Mr. Louis James and Miss Mary Wainwright.

The explosion of a barrel containing resin and turpentine, at No. 102 Quincy street, Chicago, severely burned Adam and Rennell Poole, James Daley, Eddie and Maggie Burke, Anna Ward, and Steve Bassett, children living in the neighborhood. They were attempting to make a bonfire of the barrel, and some of them, it is thought, will die from their injuries.

The entire business portion of Huron, Kan., was reduced to ashes, the loss being \$40,000.

Arrangements have been concluded between Schaefer and Slosson for two billiard matches in Chicago in January.

Two tramps entered the house of a farmer named Danlon, at Desplaines, Cook County, clubbed his wife to death, and fatally injured the farmer himself. Robbery

was undoubtedly the miscreants' motive, but all they secured was \$21. Owing to the meager description of their persons, no arrests have been or are likely to be made.

SOUTHERN.

A frightful railroad accident occurred at Hempstead, Texas, on the Houston and Texas Central Railway. The north bound express crashed through a bridge and into Clear Creek, drowning twelve of the passengers and wounding forty. Many of the dead were mangled beyond recognition. A dispatch from Austin, Tex., gives the following particulars of the shocking affair: "About two miles south of Hempstead the road crosses Clear Creek, where the embankments are high and the water deep. Here, about 1 o'clock in the morning, as the train came tearing along, the bridge gave way just as the engine and tender had gotten across, and the entire train, consisting of the express, baggage, and smoking cars, two coaches, and two sleepers, plunged into the river. The train was crowded with passengers, and the scene which ensued was horrible in the extreme. As the trembling timbers gave way, a dreadful shriek of horror from the terrified passengers was soon followed by the heart-rending moans and cries of the wounded and the dying. The baggage and smoking cars were plunged beneath the water, the former twenty feet below the surface, while the others were almost submerged. Those who were unhurt joined in the work of rescuing women and children and the wounded, but in spite of most heroic efforts more than a dozen were drowned. Darkness heightened the terrors of the scene. Many perished within easy reach of help. At the last accounts the bodies of twelve dead victims had been recovered. Forty persons were wounded. Many of the dead were mangled beyond recognition, but none of their names were remembered. The fireman jumped the moment he saw the bridge was failing, and landed on the embankment. His leg was broken. The engineer remained at his post and escaped unharmed. The conductor did not receive a scratch. Most of those who were drowned were in the baggage and smoking cars, and among them was the baggage-master."

Director General Burke, of the World's Exposition, has issued a circular advising all exhibitors to ship exhibits at once, in order to guard against delays in transportation and be in time for the opening, Dec. 16. President Diaz, of Mexico, has notified the Director General of enormous shipments of tropical plants for the Exposition.

The office of the Texas Express Company at Bryan, Tex., was burglarized of \$10,000. The robbers escaped.

J. Hadeker & Son, merchants, Canton, Miss., failed, with liabilities amounting to \$75,000.

A fire at Petersburg, Va., destroyed 1,200,000 pounds of sumac.

The mill and building of the Eureka Cotton Seed Oil Company at Arkansas City, Ark., were burned. Estimated loss, \$200,000; partially insured.

Twenty-five leading business houses at Goldsboro, N. C., were wiped out by fire, causing a loss of \$250,000. The fire resulted from a number of boys smoking cigarettes near a lot of cotton.

When leaving the court-room at Dallas, Tex., a lawyer named Frank L. Irvine was stabbed in the back by a local politician named Fred Cullen. It appears that the latter was an unwilling witness in a murder trial.

WASHINGTON.

Secretary McCulloch has prepared a circular in relation to the importation of old rags from infected ports, which modifies existing orders on that subject so as to continue to arrive, and that 50,000 men will be employed during the dry season.

King & Upton's glue-works, at Peabody, Mass., were destroyed by fire, involving a loss of \$80,000. One hundred and twenty-five men are thrown out of employment. Doxey's Opera House, at Anderson, Ind., went up in smoke, causing a loss of \$80,000.

A Halifax (N. S.) special reports that while a life-boat with a crew of eleven wreckers, from the steamer Inveralt, stranded on Pictou Island, was returning to shore, during a northerly gale, the craft was capsized and eight of the party drowned. A man from shore, putting out in a boat to attempt the rescue of the others who were clinging to the upturned boat, lost an oar, drifted to sea, and was lost.

A Canadian company, which proposes to construct a canal between Lakes Erie and St. Clair, has applied for articles of incorporation.

It is reported at Toronto that the Canadian Pacific Railway has leased the Grand Trunk.

It is understood that a favorable understanding has been arrived at between Sir Alexander Campbell, representing the Dominion of Canada, and the Hon. Mr. Mowat, Premier of Ontario, as to the best steps to be taken for expropriating all the territory on which subject is understood to have very decided views. In the meantime, Assistant Secretary Coon is acting Secretary on all routine matters. The Secretary has requested the Comptroller of the Currency to withhold their annual reports from publication until after the meeting of Congress.

The President has promoted P. G. Clarke from First Assistant Commissioner to the position of Commissioner of Pensions, to succeed Col. Dudley, resigned.

Secretary Teller has placed on file

the complaint against Col. Allen's exhibition of St. Louis Bull through the country, believing that the traveling will do the old man no harm, physical or mental.

Pension payments for November amount to \$13,000,000.

The State Department has instructed the Consuls at London and Paris to appoint medical examiners to inspect vessels leaving English or French ports for the coasting, with a view to preventing the spreading of cholera.

Secretary McCulloch has refused Gen. Adam Badeau's application asking for an arbitration by the Court of Claims of the Government's claim against him for \$12,000 in notarial fees, alleged to have been illegally retained, and the Solicitor of the Treasury has been instructed to begin proceedings to recover the amount in dispute.

POLITICAL.

Joseph Wright, Jr., of Babylon, L. I., an enthusiastic Democrat, is charged with locking up his aged father on election day to prevent him from voting for Elaine.

A. W. Edmond Brehm, a celebrated German traveler, is dead.

Drunkenness is greatly on the increase in England, especially among women.

The recent death of Baron Alexander von Steiglitz, the head of the Bank of St. Petersburg, is chronicled. He left \$75,000,000 to relatives and employees, including the gift of the Peterhoff Railway to Baron Feuerlein.

Both propositions recently submitted to the voters of Illinois—the constitutional amendment enlarging the veto power and

the appropriation to complete the State House—have been ratified by large majorities.

Zachary Taylor turns up as a Congressman-elect from Tennessee.

It is agreed that 7,000 Brooklyn Republicans who voted for Garfield cast their ballots for Cleveland.

Hon. William R. Morrison is being talked of for Speaker of the next House of Representatives.

None of the State officers of Connecticut having received a majority of the votes cast Nov. 4, the Republican Legislature must elect the entire State ticket.

John P. St. John's son traveled all the way from Washington to Kansas to vote against his father, whom he characterizes as a blanketed old fool.

The electoral college will meet at State capitals, Dec. 3.

Five newspaper men were elected in New York City—two to the Assembly, two to Congress, and one to be Coroner.

Albany telegram: "Gov. Cleveland declines to be interviewed as to the composition of his Cabinet. There are rumors that he will soon resign his position to Lieut. Gov. Hill, so that the latter can sign the credentials of electors. The continuous stream of callers at the Capitol embarrasses the Governor in the discharge of his official duties."

The miners at Terrace, Utah, hanged George William Curtis in effigy. Rev. Mr. Bellamy, of Little Falls, New York, who spoke for St. John during the campaign, has been obliged to keep indoors because of in

suits by his fellow-citizens, and will leave the place.

Washington dispatch: "Advices received to-day from reliable sources indicate that a large majority of Republicans elected to the New York Legislature favor the selection of President Arthur for the United States Senate to succeed Senator Lapham. The President has not yet as signified his intention to become a candidate, but it is believed he would accept if elected without solicitation on his part. An effort, however, is being made to induce the Democrats in the New York Legislature to fuse with Stalwart Republicans and choose Roscoe Conkling, but this proposition is not favorably received."

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