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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Fire destroyed the Music Hall at Buffalo, N. Y., together with St. Louis Catholic Church. The theater building contained a valuable German library, which was entirely consumed. One man was killed. The loss is estimated at \$325,000.

The demise of Gen. James McQuade, at his brother's residence in Utica, N. Y., is chronicled.

John H. Eustis, a New York merchant, having made the victim of a Chicago divorce on the testimony of two unknown men, has secured a warrant for the arrest of his former wife for perjury.

The funeral of Joe Goss, the pugilist, which took place from a sporting resort in Boston, was very largely attended. John L. Sullivan sent a floral tribute representing the gates ajar. Another feature was a champion belt made of flowers.

Gen. Grant testified that he paid in \$200,000 as a special partner in the firm of Grant & Ward; that on May 1 last he thought himself worth \$1,000,000; that he drew from the firm \$8,000 per month for two years, and that everything he possessed was lost in the failure.

Becky Jones, the obstinate witness in the Hammersley will case, was released from prison by order of the New York Supreme Court.

New York representatives of leading rifle and cartridge manufacturers intimate very strongly that both Russia and England have placed orders in this country for arms and ammunition. There is increasing activity at the works of the manufacturers.

A prize-fight in a barn in Reheboth, Mass., between Ashton and Dolan, of Providence, increased in horrors so rapidly that the spectators stopped it, for fear of fatal results.

New York was visited by a disastrous fire, which resulted in the total destruction of Schumacher & Ettinger's lithographic art establishment, involving a loss of \$350,000.

A corpse found in the Delaware River at Trenton, N. J., has been identified by several persons as that of S. S. Conant, the missing editor of *Harper's Weekly*.

WESTERN.

Miss May Simons, of Buffalo, who was visiting friends in Chicago, was arrested at the demand of a State street shopkeeper for attempting to steal a jersey, and was locked up in a police station with two disreputable females. The mistake was speedily made apparent in the court-room.

J. H. McVicker secured a permit to place two additional stories on his theater, at a cost of \$100,000.

John Neil, a burglar lying in Cleveland jail awaiting sentence to the penitentiary, was married to a servant who desired something to worry about.

At Muncie, Ind., late at night, Olney Scott and William Haines went to the house of Bishop Scott to play a joke by making the chickens cackle. The owner of the poultry had been forewarned, and endeavored to reciprocate good-naturedly by firing an old horse-pistol at the invaders. He blazed away into the air, and is now bowed down by grief at having killed his friend Haines.

A Green Bay dispatch records the death of Mrs. Frink, widow of the first Baptist missionary in the Fox River valley.

Orville Cronkhite, a veteran in the insurance business in Chicago, and General Anson Stager, formerly one of the General Superintendents of the Western Union Telegraph Company are chronicled among the recent deaths.

Lake men do not expect the resumption of navigation between the upper and the lower lakes much before the 1st of June. The ice in the straits of Mackinac is over thirty feet in thickness.

A fire in the cooper-shop of the Ohio Penitentiary at Columbus caused a loss of about \$40,000.

An inquest was held at Chicago over the remains of the Langham Hotel victims. The testimony was such that the deaths could not be attributed to criminal carelessness, and a verdict was rendered accordingly.

Five oil wells have this week been completed at Macksburg, Ohio, two of which yield 150 barrels per day. The fourth iron tank will be finished this week.

Eight deaths from small-pox are said to have occurred this week among the colored people at Mount City, Ill.

I. S. Hyatt, one of the inventors of celluloid, formerly Sheriff of Henry County, Illinois, recently died in Florida.

The wheat acreage in the southern half of Illinois is said not to be half what it was in 1880, and the plant has suffered severely from frost.

Fourteen business buildings at Oak-land, Ind., valued at \$60,000, and the Miller block at Valparaiso, worth about the same sum, were destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Sanford, Chicago, was burned to death by the fall of a hanging lamp under which she was reading. She ran out to a pool of water in the yard, leaving a trail of fire behind, and soon succumbed to her injuries.

Judge Dickey has lately sold his homestead on the bluff at Ottawa, Ill., where he settled forty-six years ago, retaining the family burial-ground, containing the remains of Gen. W. H. L. Wallace.

Indianapolis reports a case of blood poisoning said to have resulted from vaccination with bovine virus.

Ex-Gov. Thomas G. Fletcher, of Missouri, a prominent lawyer of St. Louis, has been missing from that city, and has friends unable to account for his mysterious and unaccountable absence from home.

Perry H. Smith, formerly Vice President of the Northwestern Road, died at his residence in Chicago, of congestion of the liver. For some years his health has been extremely poor, and a conservator was appointed for his estate.

The Court House at St. Joseph, Mo., was burned, with the court records and law library. W. B. McMet, Chief of the Fire Department, received fatal injuries. The buildings cost \$250,000.

SOUTHERN.

At Rock Creek, Tenn., last Sunday, John Pearce procured a license to wed Alice Penny, but the young woman refusing to have the ceremony take place on the Sabbath. Pearce drew out his pistol and shot himself dead.

Eight members of the "Sara Sata Assassination Society" have been indicted for murder at Pine Level, Fla.

J. M. Bennett, of Union Springs, Ala., was to have been married, but he got drunk and, fearing his betrothed would hear of it, killed himself.

A troop of cavalry has been ordered to destroy the permanent improvements on a cigarette factory, and it is believed that thirteen employees perished in the flames.

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WASHINGTON.

It is stated that both President Cleveland and Secretary Lamar are in favor of appointing a commission at an early date to investigate the Oklahoma question. Dispatches from Oklahoma report that there is imminent danger of a collision. A band of settlers is said to have already entered the disputed territory.

Capt. Brown, of Indiana, was urged by Vice President Hendricks for Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, but the President nominated Capt. Harmon, of Pennsylvania.

The United States Senate confirmed the following nominations: Samuel S. Cox, to be Minister to Turkey; Henry L. Muldrow, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and William A. J. Sparks, to be Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Senators at Washington have decided that it will be desirable to retrench the expenditures of the upper house. There are over 300 persons now on the Senate rolls who draw salaries aggregating \$350,000 annually. The use of the Butler mansion for committee rooms is to be discontinued.

Solely upon their records, the President will appoint Col. William J. Volkmar, of Gen. Sheridan's staff, Assistant Adjutant General, and Capt. George H. Burton Assistant Inspector General.

A memorial was presented to President Cleveland by the Oklahoma settlers through their representatives at Washington, requesting that a commission be appointed at once to confer with the Indians as to their supposed rights in Oklahoma. The memorial embodied an eloquent appeal for justice.

A Washington dispatch states Ex-President Soto is organizing a revolt against Barrios in Honduras, and an alliance with Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and San Salvador. It is said that Barrios has a force of 20,000 men, and forty pieces of artillery.

Secretary Bayard received a dispatch stating that the Central American cable had been cut by a Colombian gun boat at the mouth of the Bunaenaventura River. The company ask that instructions be sent to the United States naval vessel at Panama.

POLITICAL.

Carter H. Harrison was nominated for Mayor by the Democratic City Convention at Chicago, William M. Devine was nominated for City Treasurer, John G. Neumeyer for City Clerk, and Peter J. Ellert for City Attorney.

The Texas Legislature passed a bill to compel railroad companies to keep their principal offices in the State, under a penalty of \$1,000 fine for each month of neglect.

The Ohio House passed bills prohibiting the employment of children under 12 years of age, and providing that corporations or others employing women or girls shall procure seats for their use when not engaged in active duties, and making a fine of \$10 to \$25 for each violation of the law.

The New York Assembly has passed a bill providing for a reservation at Niagara Falls.

Notwithstanding that saloon-keepers throughout Iowa are closing up their places, the Iowa Brewers and Bottlers' Association has been incorporated at Marshalltown with

the avowed purpose of raising funds to further test the constitutionality of the liquor law.

Three clergymen of Washington called upon President Cleveland and presented a memorial with 1,000 signatures asking the enforcement of the Edmunds act in Utah.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Secretary Manning has prepared a circular letter to the Collectors of Customs requesting information as to the practicability of curtailing the expense of collecting the revenue from customs by reducing the present force of clerks and other employees.

Several skirmishes are reported between the forces of Honduras and San Salvador in Central America. Honduras takes the part of Gen. Barrios and Guatemala. San Salvador puts her whole army into the field. Nicaragua provides 4,000 men, and Costa Rica contributes 1,000. President Zaldivar, of Costa Rica, will assume chief command of the allied forces. More than twenty veteran Mexican officers have left the City of Mexico to join the forces of San Salvador and Nicaragua. The hostile feeling toward Barrios is growing more intense in Mexico day by day, and aggressive measures are advocated.

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FOREIGN.

Hanlan, the Canadian champion oarsman, was defeated by Beach, of Australia, in their race over the champions' course on the Parrot River, Sydney, N. S. W. Hanlan was six lengths behind at the finish. The attendance was enormous. The weather was favorable and the water smooth. Both oarsmen were in excellent condition.

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After two weeks of active campaigning, during which several hundred lives have been lost, Gen. Graham's camp is just two miles nearer Berber than when he started from Suakin. The army is suffering from typhoid fever and dysentery. The Berber Railway has not yet been begun.

The cable chronicles the death of Prince Orloff, the Russian diplomat, at Fontainebleau.

The "Varsity" race of 1885 on the Thames, at London, between the Oxford and Cambridge crews, was won by the former by three lengths; time, 21:38.

Dr. Higgins, the Catholic Bishop of Kerry, at a meeting held in Killarney, offered a resolution to the effect that an address of welcome be presented to the Prince and Princess of Wales, and was greeted with hisses and groans. The resolution was finally carried.

A cablegram from London says Parliament believes that peace will continue between England and Russia, while the court is certain that war is at hand.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

Gen. Hatch telegraphed to the War Department at Washington announcing that Couch, with 600 or 800 followers, still threatened to defy the President's proclamation and invade Oklahoma. There was a conference at the White House, the result of which was that orders were issued to arrest Col. Couch and the other leaders of his band.

A New York dispatch of the 30th ult. states that Gen. Grant is rapidly losing strength, but he was reported at midnight as resting easily. Minister Romero expresses fear that the General will choke to death within a few hours by his disease reaching an artery. The General has expressed himself as being entirely in his physician's hands, and said he would do whatever was suggested by them. Nothing whatever is kept from him in regard to his condition, and he was informed of its seriousness and probable termination. He received the statement that there were indications of a speedy end without change of expression, but he did not say anything about his feelings. He has known for some time that his disease was sure to kill, and has been ready at any time to go.

Holders of \$21,000,000 Reading Railway securities have given assent to the reorganization plan.

Destitution is reported to be increasing in West Virginia. A correspondent says: "The sound of children crying for bread is heard in many quarters."

The Mayor, three clergymen, and a dozen physicians of Worcester, Mass., have started a movement for the building of a crematorium.

Teams are still crossing on the ice at Mackinaw City, and the indications are that the Straits will not be open until July 1. The ice, which is thirty to forty inches thick, is covered with three feet of snow.

Chicago elevators contain 15,904,217 bushels of wheat, 1,914,428 bushels of corn, 40,931 bushels of oats, 134,525 bushels of rye, and 77,939 bushels of barley; total, 18,572,010 bushels of all kinds of grain, against 22,116,639 bushels a year ago.

A fire in Chicago destroyed the building alongsids and in the rear of the Montauk Block, in Monroe street, occupied by the National Printing Company and Bradner, Smith & Co. The loss is \$350,000. The same building was burned fifteen months ago. The insurance aggregates \$112,500.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate on the 30th ult.: To be Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary of the United States: Thomas J. Jarvis, of North Carolina, to Brazil; Alexander R. Lawton, of Georgia, to Russia, and Anthony M. Kelley, of Virginia, to Italy. To be Ministers Resident of the United States: Isaac Bell, Jr., Rhode Island, to the Netherlands; Rufus Marez, of Indiana, to Sweden and Norway, and George W. Merrill, of Nevada, to the Hawaiian Islands. To be Ministers Resident and Consuls General of the United States: Edward Parke Custis Lewis, of Connecticut, to Denmark; George W. Anderson, of Wisconsin, to Germany; John C. Weller, of