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## NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

### EASTERN.

Abe Buzzard, the Pennsylvania outlaw, surrendered to the prison keeper at Lancaster, first extorting a promise from the jailer and his brother that they would not claim the reward offered for his arrest.

Ex-Gov. Hale of New Hampshire, who has been carrying on extensive manufacturing enterprises in New Hampshire and Vermont, and is also largely interested in real estate in Boston, has failed for a large amount.

The Juniata Building and Loan Association of Everett, Pa., has failed for \$65,000.

Benjamin Helpkin, a New York saloon-keeper, shot his wife in the head and then blew out his brains.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher is preaching a series of sermons to his Plymouth Church congregation upon the subject of evolution. In his last Sunday's sermon he took the ground that the developments of science have rendered the theory of plenary and verbal inspiration of the Scriptures untenable, but that in another sense—the sense that it is a history of the human race, and that every part of it was lived—the Bible is a divinely inspired book. The preacher advised theologians to abandon the effort to harmonize such biblical legends as the story of the creation of the world in six days with the facts of science. The theory of literal inspiration, he claimed, led surely to infidelity.

After the doctors had visited Gen. Grant, Sunday afternoon, they said that, as compared with a week before, there was no appreciable increase of the swelling on the throat and no apparent increase of the cancerous trouble in the throat.

The factory of Beckerle & Co., Danbury, Conn., was burned, entailing a loss of \$200,000.

W. T. Dorrance, for eighteen years a teller in the Providence National Bank, was arrested in that city, after confessing the embezzlement of \$30,000.

William Henry, ex-business manager of the New York *Herald*, proposes to start a paper in opposition to the *Herald* and *World*, and claims to have \$600,000 of the necessary \$1,000,000 raised for the enterprise.

At New Bedford, Mass., a confirmed inebriate named Charles Foss killed a merchant named Philip D. Slocum and then took his own life. Foss had requested his victim to send him to Hudson's Bay, and was enraged by the delay to do so.

### WESTERN.

Judge Chipman, of Detroit, has granted a divorce to the wife of Mark Hopkins, the St. Clair millionaire, on the ground of cruelty.

Within six months the County Agent at Chicago has expended \$10,000 in conveying insane persons to their homes in other States, on evidence that they had been deliberately shipped to the Garden City.

Two persons, named McKinley—father and son—were killed by lightning at Minnesota, Mo.

The Secretary of the Kansas Board of Agriculture reports that at least 40 per cent. of the winter wheat has been abandoned and the ground seeded to spring wheat. He estimates the product of winter wheat at 12,000,000 bushels.

Burglars were caught at work on a safe in an office at Sedalia, Mo., by two policemen. One of the latter was shot in the face, and the officer, returning the fire, shot a burglar through the heart. The other robber then decamped.

The annual election of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway resulted in no changes of importance. Chauncey M. Depew voted on \$7,000,000 of stock owned by William H. Vanderbilt. The directors declared dividends of 1½ per cent. on the common stock and 2 per cent on the preferred.

Reports to the Illinois Agricultural Department state that the condition of the wheat crop in general is worse than it was a month ago. The reports mention the appearance of the army worm in the meadows in a few localities, but in small numbers. "Crops of all kinds are in better condition in Southern Dakota than at the same time last year," says a Yankton dispatch. In Ohio, according to a Columbus dispatch, "thousands of acres of wheat have been plowed up, the crop not being worth harvesting, and in many places the estimated yield of that yet standing is placed as low as a half-bushel to the acre. The Hessian fly is doing great damage to the crop." Some of the men in Chicago, reports the *Tribune*, who have been watching the situation from the start, now say they do not believe the wheat crop of the United States will aggregate anything like as much as 350,000,000 bushels this year, and some of them think the total may even fall below 300,000,000 bushels.

The Postmaster at Lewiston, Idaho, has absconded, after having stolen some \$50,000 by means of fraudulent money-orders.

A mob of seventy-five masked men entered the jail at Eldora, Iowa, and took therefrom two brothers named Rainsbarger, and literally riddled them with bullets. The victims were brothers of the two Rainsbargers now in Marshall County (Iowa) Jail for murder, and had been arrested for an alleged attack on Dr. Underwood, a prominent witness for the prosecution.

Attachments were served upon Cortinas' Wild West combination at Galesburg, Ill. The cowboys, Mexicans, and Indians

connected with the show seized the herd of ponies belonging to the concern and started for the West. No attempt was made to stop them.

Rhyner & Co., the insolvent bankers of Highland, Ill., have liabilities of over \$810,000, with assets of \$339,002, of which \$111,823 are doubtful or desperate.

At Gudsell's Station, near Evansville, Ind., John Butcher quarreled with James H. Munnis in regard to the right of way for a loaded team, and fatally stabbed him. Butcher, when pursued by officers, emptied two revolvers, reserving the last cartridge to blow out his own brains.

In a fight between twenty-four cattlemen and a band of Apache Indians at the mouth of Doubtful Canon, N. M., two of the latter were killed.

Chicago notes: The police are waging a war of extermination against the gamblers. Mayor Harrison, accompanied by his family, has gone to the Hot Springs. The real-estate transfers for the week aggregated \$1,020,059. The east-bound freight shipments for the week were 43,083 tons. The death rate for May was largely in excess of what it was a year ago. The total deaths were 1,136. The United States Grand Jury has returned indictments against witnesses in the Mackin-Gallagher case, who are charged with perjury. Sunday racing has been inaugurated at the Chicago Driving Park, and the pulpit has declared war against the desecration. Over 10,000 people attended the opening game of the National League base-ball season between the Chicago and St. Louis Clubs.

It is claimed that the census of Faro, Dakota, now partly completed, will show a population of 10,500.

### SOUTHERN.

Supposing that she was a witch, negroes in Etowah County, Alabama, dragged an aged colored woman from her house, and after tying her to a stake, beat her brutally and burned down her dwelling. Eleven of her assailants have been arrested.

Three lynchings have occurred in the State of Maryland within the last six months. The third was that of Townsend Cook, a negro, who brutally assaulted Mrs. Carrie Knot, of Mount Airy. Cook was taken out of the Westminster Jail and hanged to a tree by an armed mob, his body being riddled with bullets.

Secretary Whitney has received a detailed statement of the present indebtedness of the World's Fair at New Orleans. The total amount of claims against the exposition is \$397,318, of which \$335,000 is provided for by the appropriation—leaving a balance on the wrong side of the account of \$62,318.

In a battle between State Rangers and Mexican freebooters, on the frontier of Texas, three of the Rangers, including the officer in command, were killed.

J. H. Aufdemorte, redemption clerk in the Sub-Treasury at New Orleans, who is charged with a deficit of \$25,343, has disappeared. It is feared that the thief may be fully \$50,000, but the Government is protected by the bond of the Assistant Treasurer.

James McDaniel, a Texas stage robber, who broke jail at San Antonio, has been sentenced to ninety-nine years' imprisonment in the Chester (Ill.) Penitentiary.

### WASHINGTON.

The report of the commission which has been investigating the workings of the Internal Revenue Bureau has been completed and virtually approved by Secretary Manning. A reduction of 30 per cent. in the total annual cost of the collection of internal revenue is recommended.

Secretary Lamar has decided that lands purchased by the United States and transferred to the Interior Department are to be regarded as part of the public domain.

President Cleveland and his financial advisers are said to have at last hit upon a satisfactory solution of the silver problem. The main features of the plan, which is to be submitted to Congress, are: To suspend the coinage of silver dollars, and to issue silver certificates representing bullion on deposit, these certificates to be redeemable at the option of the Government in silver bullion, and to be made receivable for all dues to or from the Government and between banks. It is also suggested that the \$1 and \$2 greenbacks and \$5 bank-notes shall be withdrawn, and that small notes shall be substituted based on the silver dollars already coined. The Secretary of the Treasury last week received a protest against the continued coinage of the silver dollar signed by almost every banking institution and business-man in South Carolina.

Investigation has disclosed numerous pension frauds in New Jersey, and Commissioner Black has been put in possession of the facts.

### POLITICAL.

President Cleveland has appointed Charles H. Robinson, Collector of Customs at Wilmington, N. C.; John C. Bixby, Collector of Customs at New Haven, Conn.; John H. Farley, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Eighteenth District of Ohio; T. C. Bronson, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Eighth District of Kentucky. William H. Welsh, of Maryland, was appointed Deputy Third Auditor of the Treasury. William H. Cullingworth was commissioned postmaster at Richmond, Va. Colonel F. D. Stephenson, of Illinois, has been discharged from a position in the pension bureau at Washington. The President has appointed the following postmasters:

Colorado—David F. Rakes, Ouray, vice Albert Moore, resigned.

Illinois—Joseph F. Henderson, Aledo, vice John McKinney, commission expired.

Indiana—David J. Eastburn, Fowler, vice George W. Mellis, resigned.

Iowa—John Letzel, Clear Lake, vice A. D. Eldridge, resigned.

Kansas—Justinian Mayberry, Burlingame, vice George W. Doty, commission expired; John

R. Brant, Osage Mission, vice J. S. Curtis, resigned.

Kentucky—C. N. Respress, Maysville, vice M. C. Hutchins, resigned.

Michigan—Martin V. Meredith at East Saginaw, vice William G. Gaze, suspended because he had been found guilty of fraudulently appropriating to his own use part of his allowance for office rent by means of false vouchers, and of subletting a portion of the premises without accounting for the rent received for the same.

Nebraska—John Kittle at Seward, vice C. E. Van Pelt, commission expired.

Pennsylvania—A. H. Simpson at North Clarion, vice H. E. Norris, resigned; Alex. Wertz at Mechanicsburg, vice Miss Catherine Singer, commission expired.

South Carolina—W. H. Gibbons, Columbia, vice C. M. Wilder, commission expired.

Texas—C. A. Gildea, Brackettville, vice W. Lambert, commission expired.

The Republican State Central Committee of Iowa has decided to hold the next State convention, Aug. 26 and 27, at Des Moines.

President Cleveland appointed Gen. W. S. Rosecrans, of California, to be Register of the Treasury, vice Bruce, resigned. Herbert F. Beecher, a son of the famous Brooklyn preacher, has been appointed Collector of Customs at Port Townsend, Washington Territory. Archibald Skillman was appointed Collector of Internal Revenue for the District of Nevada; Baker P. Lee, Collector of Customs for the District of Yorktown, Va.; Andrew Borders, Postmaster at Sparta, Ill.; Willie E. Touelle, at Celina, Ohio; Samuel M. Smead, at Fond du Lac, Wis.; Willis H. Bates, at Denton, Texas; and James E. Hackley, at Vincennes, Ind.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

The number of failures during the week in this country and Canada was 223, as against 206 during the week previous. The week, as reported to *Bradstreet's Journal*, shows an increased depression in general trade. The volume of merchandise is not large. The demand for fall goods is below the anticipations, and in transportation circles freight rates are lower than ever.

The banks at Eastern and Western centers continue to accumulate funds. Interest rates at the interior are lower than ever before, and in still other ways there are evidences of accumulating idle commercial machinery. The industrial situation is complicated by the strike or lockout of 60,000 employees of Western iron mills. It is doubtful whether the stoppage will be long-continued, although the Amalgamated Association declare they will remain out to help the sheet-rollers. The dry-goods market is noticeably dull, and jobbers do not express any reasonable hope for improvement during the month.

Foster Chase and Robert Williams, colored, were hanged for murder in the parish prison in New Orleans, in the presence of fifteen persons, the new law forbidding a large number of persons at an execution. Joseph Clark, colored, was hanged at Bollivar, Hardeman County, Tenn., for the murder of Peter Wooten, colored, near that place, March, 1884. Sanford Sisco was hanged at Hackensack, N. J., for the murder of Abram Gurner. A mob forced an entrance into the jail at Hearne, Texas, took out Henry Lumpkin, a negro, charged with murder, and hanged him to a gateway.

The International Typographical Union held its annual session in New York. Martin M. Ritter, of St. Louis, was re-elected President. A resolution was adopted that in case Public Printer Rounds is removed, President Cleveland be requested to appoint a man who sympathizes with organized labor. The next meeting of the union will be held at Pittsburgh.

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