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## NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

### EASTERN.

Mary Glanfert, a dwarf forty inches in height, once one of Barnum's curiosities, was found dead in a house on Long Island. Suspicion is entertained of foul play in the case.

Subscriptions to the Grant monument fund in New York have been received from Paris, Amsterdam, and Hamburg. The total amount subscribed to the fund to date is something over \$94,000.

John McCullough, the tragedian, died at Philadelphia from paralysis in the muscles of the neck. Up to within forty-eight hours of his demise he was thought to be rapidly recovering. His wife and sister were at his side when he breathed his last. He was born in Londonderry, Ireland, about fifty years ago, and when a mere lad wheeled coal for a gas-works in Philadelphia. The wardrobe and properties of Edwin Forrest were presented to him as a worthy successor. His last appearance on the stage was at McVicker's Theater, Chicago, in September of last year. His remains have been placed in a vault at Cedar Hill Cemetery. An estate valued at \$40,000 is left to the widow and two sons.

Two men were rowing in a boat above Niagara Falls last Sunday, when they were drawn into the rapids, swept over the falls, and drowned.

Prof. Shaler, of Harvard College, in a report on mining in New England, declares that the abandoned Ely mine in Vermont paid out \$2,000,000 in dividends. The proprietor of a mine at Lisbon, N. H., ground up his quartz, and sold it as a fertilizer, and the following year peddled it out as an exterminator of potato bugs.

### WESTERN.

The Michigan and Mississippi Canal Commissioners met in annual session at the Grand Pacific Hotel and elected officers for the ensuing year. Addresses were made by Judge Murphy, President Utley, Governor Bros, Congressman Plumb, and others, expressing the fullest confidence that Congress at its next session would make the necessary appropriation for the construction of the Hennepin Canal.

"Around the World in Eighty Days" has attracted large audiences to McVicker's Theater, Chicago, during the week. As presented by the Kralffy Brothers' Company, the performance is highly entertaining. The spectacle will be continued for another week.

A series of cyclones are reported in various sections of Illinois. At Versailles several buildings were unroofed. Near Monmouth and Alexis considerable damage was inflicted upon dwellings and barns. The greatest damage was done in Peoria County, where several houses were demolished. A peculiarity of the storm was the fact that household articles were found a mile in every direction from the scene of the wreck, behind the storm and on each side, as well as in the direction it traveled. A wagon on which chickens were roosting was carried a mile, the fowls flying along with it. The major portion were dead when found.

At a convention of the Northwestern Rat-Trap Manufacturers' Association in Chicago the reports showed that the rat-trap industry is considerably depressed, and that there is considerable cutting in prices.

A long existing feud between two Democratic politicians, W. J. Elliott, editor of the *Sunday Capital*, and the Hon. Emil Kiesewetter, State Auditor, culminated in the shooting of the editor by the Auditor at the Neil House, Columbus, Ohio, wounding him in the hand.

A bitter warfare is being waged against the Mongolian on the Pacific coast. At Seattle and Tacoma, in Washington Territory, the word has gone forth that the coolies must go. A fire in the Chinese quarter of Los Angeles, Cal., caused the citizens to meet and order the Celestials away. The latter at once purchased ground outside the city limits, beyond the erection of buildings, and quickly removed their property. Ten companies of infantry were dispatched from Vancouver to Seattle to protect the Chinese and preserve order. At Washington President Cleveland issued the following proclamation:

Whereas, It is represented to me by the Governor of the Territory of Washington that domestic trouble exists within the said Territory, and that by reason of unlawful obstructions and combinations, and the assemblage of evil-disposed persons, it has become impracticable to enforce by the ordinary course of judicial proceedings the laws of the United States at Seattle and at other points and places within said Territory whereby life and property are threatened and endangered; and

Whereas, The Legislature of said Territory cannot be convened, and in the judgment of the President an emergency has arisen and a case is now presented which justifies and requires, under the Constitution and laws of the United States, the employment of military force to suppress domestic violence and enforce the faithful execution of the laws of the United States, if the command and warning of this proclamation be disobeyed and disregarded;

Now, therefore, I, Grover Cleveland, President of the United States of America, do hereby command and warn all insurgents and all persons who have assembled at any point within the said Territory of Washington for the unlawful purposes aforesaid to desist therefrom and to disperse and retire peaceably to their respective abodes on or before 12 o'clock meridian the 8th day of November instant.

And I do admonish all good citizens of the United States and all persons within the limits and jurisdiction thereof against aiding, abetting, countenancing, or taking any part in any such unlawful acts or assemblages.

### SOUTHERN.

At Atlanta, Ga., two negroes were blown to atoms by an explosion of blasting powder. Thirty feet down they struck granite, and commenced drilling for the purpose of blowing up the rock. After one explosion they descended and drilled several more holes, inserting the explosive. Instantly an explosion followed, when the two

bodies were shot fifty feet in the air. One of the bodies fell on the ground about one hundred feet away from the well, horribly mutilated, the head being all severed. The other body shot straight up in the air and fell back into the well.

A party of four girls and two boys went into the woods of Webster County, Kentucky, to gather nuts. They were assaulted by tramps, who nearly killed the lads and bore the young ladies to a thicket and murdered them all. Citizens who turned out in search identified and killed two of the tramps.

At Daingerfield, Texas, a cyclone killed a colored family of six persons. A funnel-shaped storm-cloud did great damage at Rusk, Cherokee County, Texas, blowing down a number of houses. The village of Brownsville, Sumter County, Ala., was almost obliterated by a tornado, many houses being blown away and others damaged. Wide swaths of destruction were cut by a wind-storm through South Carolina. A cyclone at Decatur, Ala., sunk two steamboats and did other damage. Corinth, Miss., was visited by the heaviest hail-storm ever known in that section. Heavy rains in the Carolinas caused great damage to cotton and late corn. Similar visitations in Tennessee are reported, railroads suffering seriously on account of washouts.

### WASHINGTON.

Commissioner Sparks, of the General Land Office, believes from reports received that a large part of the homestead entries in Dakota are fraudulent. He has received advertisements offering ex-Union soldiers or sailors homesteads without the formality of living on them, and copies of railroad tickets with homestead entries under the timber-culture act attached as gratuitous coupons. The Commissioner says he will not certify any entries until convinced that they are regular. He will ask Congress for force enough to do the work speedily.

The Postmaster General has solicited bids for the publication of a weekly postoffice guide for New York and its vicinity. Should the experiment prove successful in that quarter, it will be duplicated in Chicago.

The Congressional Committee of Inquiry now visiting Indian Territory will recommend for the civilized tribes the establishment of a tribunal government with one or more Federal courts.

A bronze statue of James A. Garfield will be erected at the intersection of First street and Maryland avenue, Washington. A pedestal costing \$29,000 is to be in position by July 1 next.

Professor Powell has written to Secretary Lamar denying the various charges affecting discreditably the administration of the geological survey.

It has been resolved by the Government to bring to justice, if possible, the illicit distillers of Tennessee and Georgia. A number of revenue agents have been killed by moonshiners in the States named.

### POLITICAL.

The vote of Massachusetts, with two towns to hear from, is Robinson (Rep.), 112,399; Prince (Dem.), 90,183; Lothrop (Pro.), 4,542; Sumner (Labor), 2,184.

The Prohibition vote in Nebraska is more than double the St. John vote of last year. There are gains everywhere except in one county. The Prohibition Superintendent of Public Instruction was elected in Merrick County. Superior gives a Prohibition majority over both Democrats and Republicans on the county ticket.

President Cleveland, in an interview with a member of the editorial staff of the *Washington Post*, expressed himself as follows in regard to the reorganization of the Civil Service Commission:

The reorganization of the commission was made necessary by the resignation of the members of the old board. In such reorganization it seemed to me that friends for the cause could be made in the party to which I belong, and which is at present a large extent, charged with the enforcement of the law, by changing the political complexion of the commission. This view was, I think, shared by all the old Commissioners, and the change has thus far progressed with none but the best of feeling, so far as I know, on their part. In the selection of the new Commissioners there were so many different qualifications which I deemed desirable that I have found it no easy matter to fill the position with men who could combine the elements which I consider most useful to the fair, honest, and successful enforcement of the law. Prominent leadership in the civil service movement was not advised me to select one of the commissioners from the South. This I have done, and the person selected from that locality I am quite certain possesses all the qualifications for an efficient officer. Mr. Edgerton I never saw until yesterday, and I don't remember that I ever heard of him until Chief Justice Waite urged him upon my attentions as a most excellent man for the place. From my impression of him upon a personal interview, and from a presentation made by his friends, I am entirely satisfied that no mistake has been made in his appointment. I cannot rid myself of the idea that this civil service reform is something intended to do practical good, and not a mere sentiment intended for the purpose of affording opportunity to ventilate high-sounding notions and fine phrases. My plan of giving it the greatest possible usefulness involves the removal of stumbling-blocks from the way of good, honest men who are inclined to its support, and to demonstrate in every public manner its value as adapted to the every-day affairs of the Government. Thus, two Democrats were selected, and I certainly intended to select them for the two prominent positions on the commission, and this was done largely in deference to the sentiments and opinions held by good men in the Democratic party. And it has also occurred to me that it was a plain dictate of common sense that one of the old Commissioners should, if possible, remain for a time to aid the new ones. The preparation of the report of the commission is a most important matter, affording an occasion to recommend the reform to the people by exhibiting to them all it has accomplished, and the report ought to be very useful, too, in removing misapprehensions and objections.

In New Jersey the Republicans have 5 majority in the Senate and 4 in the Assembly, making a majority of 9 on joint ballot. In Virginia Lee's majority for Governor is about 25,000. In Maryland the majority for the Democratic State ticket is about 30,000. The Legislature stands about as follows: Senate, Republicans 6, Democrats 20; House, Republicans 16, Democrats 101; Democratic majority on joint ballot, 99.

It is stated that Mr. Edgerton, one of the newly appointed Civil-Service Commissioners, has expressed to the President his belief that the rules need a thorough revision; that they violate not only the civil-service act but the Constitution of the United States in many respects.

Full returns of the New York election place Hill's majority at about 11,200. Matthew Quay, Republican candidate for Treasurer of Pennsylvania, has a majority of about 42,000. Complete returns from all Legislative districts in Virginia show the complexion of the next Legislature to be as follows: Senate—Democrats, 30; Republicans, 10. House—Democrats, 70; Republicans, 30. Democratic majority on joint ballot, 60. Returns from all of the ninety-nine counties in Iowa give Larrabee, Republican candidate for Governor, a majority of 8,123. The Legislature, according to corrected returns, will stand: Sixty Republicans in the House to forty opposition, and thirty-one Republicans in the Senate to nineteen opposition. The official returns of the special election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Illinois to elect a successor to the late Hon. Reuben Ellwood show that the Hon. A. J. Hopkins was elected by an unusually large majority, he receiving 9,097 out of 12,358 votes polled.

The Virginia Democrats most prominently mentioned for Mahone's seat in the Senate are John W. Daniel, Walter R. Staples, and J. S. Barbour.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

The Mayor of Montreal ordered the arrest of three French editors for seditious libel in connection with the forcible removal of a small-pox patient to the asylum. A woman named Fortin, becoming alarmed at the comments of the passengers, threw from a moving train at Bonaventure her son of 10 years, who was afflicted with the epidemic.

The Canada Pacific Railroad has been completed, but regular daily trains will not be run over the line before spring. Queen Victoria sent congratulations to the people of Canada on the completion of the great enterprise. It is thought that the honor of knighthood will soon be conferred on George W. Stephen, President of the company. It is difficult at the present time even to give an approximate idea of the cost of the road, but it has been variously estimated at between \$200,000,000 and \$250,000,000. The company has derived vast revenues from the sale of its lands, town sites, etc.

There were 156 failures in the United States reported during the week, against 170 in the preceding week, and 166, 218 and 149 in the corresponding weeks of 1884, 1883 and 1882. *Brattle Street's Journal*, in its weekly trade review, says:

The general movement of dry goods has been light, and on the whole disappointing. At Boston there has been a smaller business during the week than for a long time past. The reports are not expected until settled cold weather appears. An encouraging feature is found in the fact that, while the mills are producing in excess of one year ago, no complaints are heard, while early in November, 1884, there were pronounced demands for a further restriction of production. The demand for grocery staples has been only moderate, with sugar and Brazil coffee lower. Fancy grades of butter are higher. Cheese is dull, with light export demand. Iron, steel, and coal present no new features as compared with last week. Hog products are higher on a better home and export demand, as well as in sympathy with the price of corn.

The mortality from small-pox in Montreal and vicinity during the week was 302, a decrease of fifty-two as compared with the preceding week.

The reports of the Commissioners of Emigration for the State of New York show that during the year ended June 30 there arrived from foreign ports at New York City 356,906 passengers, there being 294,013 steerage passengers, most of the latter being destined for Western States. During the year 1,183 pauper immigrants were returned to the countries whence they came.

### FOREIGN.

The rector of Christ's Church, in Belfast, Ireland, when delivering an address in Plymouth, England, was charged with carrying off another man's wife. He fled from the hall and was pursued by a mob, and captured after he had stabbed two of his pursuers.

The trial of Editor Stead, of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and others, on the charge of abducting the girl Eliza Armstrong, resulted in a verdict of guilty in the case of Mr. Stead and Mrs. Jarrett. Mr. Booth and Mr. Jacques were acquitted. The friends of Mr. Stead are very indignant at the Judge's summing-up in the case. The social-purity associations stand by him, and say he simply did his duty. Bishop Southwell is out in a letter in his defense and interest.

Bulgarian troops and war-ships are being concentrated near Widdin, in order to attack Belgrade by way of the river.

Six persons were arrested near Belgrade, charged with conspiring to kill King Milan and to overthrow the Serbian Government.

Dr. Pasteur is accused of planning a huge corner on his hydrophobic vaccine matter by an envious medical confrere.

Advices from Melbourne state that the natives of Fly River have murdered all of the members of the Sydney Geographical Association's expedition in New Guinea.

Gen. Lew Wallace is becoming very popular. He has been dined by the Sultan, and is among the guests at all of the spreads. He has a torpedo, it is reported, which he is trying to dispose of for Turkish defense.

England, Germany, and Russia are involved in a controversy as to who shall occupy the throne of Bulgaria. Russia wishes to depose Prince Alexander and have Prince Waldemar, son of the King of Denmark, succeed him. Queen Victoria is reported firm in the determination that Alexander shall remain on his throne, in which she is supported by the German Crown Prince Frederick William.

Church disestablishment has for a time superseded all questions of importance in British politics, and it is reported that of the thousand and more Liberal candidates for Parliament, 480 are pledged to favor disestablishment. An address signed by 1,470 dissenting Scotch ministers has been prepared, and will be sent to Mr. Gladstone. The signers declare that they look to him to overthrow the state church.

### LATER NEWS ITEMS.

The resignation of P. M. Kelly, Pension Agent at Louisville, Ky., has been accepted, to take effect Dec. 31 next, and Gen. Don Carlos Buell has been appointed his successor. The President has appointed the Hon. Leverett Saltonstall Collector of Customs at Boston in place of Roland Worthington, removed. The President has also made the following appointments:

James A. Bayard of Maryland, to be Secretary of Arizona; Joseph C. Strannan of Indiana, to be Surveyor-General of Idaho; James Dawson of Colorado, to be Surveyor-General of Colorado; John Hise of Arizona, to be Surveyor-General of Arizona; George Frank Bass to be Surveyor of Customs for the Port of Fort Jefferson, N. Y.; Edward R. Pierce to be Appraiser of Merchandise in the District of Portland and Falmouth, Me.; Russell G. Woodman, to be Assistant Appraiser of Merchandise in the District of Portland and Falmouth, Me.; Robert A. Thompson to be Appraiser of Merchandise in the District of San Francisco, Cal.; Christian Reis to be Assistant Appraiser of Merchandise in the District of San Francisco, Cal.; William Eason, of Michigan, to be Register of the Land Office at Detroit; E. L. Carson, of Texas, Indian Agent at Uray, Utah; Leigh O. Knapp, of New Mexico, Receiver of Public Moneys at Santa Fe, N. M.; Robert B. Smith, of Montana, to be United States District Attorney for Montana. Presidential Postmasters—Tranquillo Labadie at Las Vegas, N. M., vice F. Romero, resigned; Mrs. Armann Quinlan at Monticello, N. Y., vice Richard Oakley, resigned, and L. A. Bostwick at Lowell, N. Y., vice W. Scott resigned; W. S. Hammaker, Findlay, Ohio, vice E. G. Dewolf suspended; G. M. Shelly, Kansas City, Mo., vice T. S. Case resigned, expired; Robert Humphrey, at East Brighton, N. Y., vice Mrs. M. Smith, suspended; Oscar D. Derr, at Roanoke, Va., vice A. S. Asberry, suspended; G. K. Yerington, at Girard, Ill., vice A. G. Leigh, commission expired; T. C. Bunnell at Newton, N. J., vice W. B. Mattison, commission expired; S. G. Bennett, at Pittston, Pa., vice J. P. Shaffer, commission expired; J. M. Higgs, at Cornorsville, Ind., vice J. W. Ross, suspended; John B. Bugar, at Lafayette, Ind., vice J. G. Samples, suspended; Joseph Elder, at Richmond, Ind., vice E. D. Palmer, suspended; Richard Mooney, at Rondout, N. Y., vice A. N. Barnes, suspended; John A. Bardol, at Superior, Wis., vice S. E. Tubbs, suspended.

Returns from the cyclone which swept through the Southwest some days ago show that thirteen persons were killed and large amounts of property were destroyed in the counties of Dallas, Perry, and Bibb, in Alabama.

The body of Mrs. J. W. Taylor, of Louisville, which was interred six years ago, has been found completely petrified, with every feature life-like.

John Smith, a miser of Weston, West Virginia, had \$1,600 in currency hidden in a hollow log in the woods. In attempting to add to the treasure he found it was gone.

Secretary Lamar is engaged in hearing the petitions of nine different telephone interests for the vacation of the patent granted to Mr. Bell. It is alleged that Meucci used a telephone in 1849, and never abandoned his invention.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has refused to approve a list of lands selected by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, including about 58,000 acres of land in Washington Territory embraced within the forfeited grant of the Oregon Central Railroad Company.

A faith-cure convention will be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., the last week in November.

Watson & Bartholow, dry-goods commission merchants of New York, have failed, with liabilities of \$400,000.

Work has been resumed at John Roach's ship-yard on the cruiser Chicago, and at his New York shops 150 men are employed on the cruiser Atlanta and dispatch-boat Dolphin.

The St. Louis Crematory Society, organized by 300 business men, has secured a permit for a building on Grand avenue, near Tower Park, to cost \$11,000.

King Theebaw has informed the British Government that he must consult Germany and France before giving up control of his foreign relations. Four regiments of the British expedition have started up the Irrawaddy on armed steamers.

The iron steamer Algoma, belonging to the Canadian Pacific Road, struck a reef off Port Arthur, Lake Superior, in a dense fog, and went down. The loss of life is reported at thirty-seven. The crew of thirteen and two passengers were saved.

### THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK.	
BEEVES.....	\$4.00 @ 6.25
HOGS.....	3.75 @ 4.50
WHEAT—No. 1 White.....	.96 @ .98
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.95 @ .97 1/2
CORN—No. 2.....	.55 @ .57
OATS—White.....	.34 @ .38
PORK—Mess.....	10.00 @ 11.50
CHICAGO.	
BEEVES—Choice to Prime Steers.....	5.50 @ 6.00
Good Shipping.....	4.50 @ 5.00
Common.....	3.50 @ 4.00
HOGS.....	3.25 @ 4.00
FLLOUR—Extra Spring.....	5.00 @ 5.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Spring.....	4.50 @ 5.00
CORN—No. 2.....	.42 @ .44
OATS—No. 2.....	.26 @ .27
RYE—No. 2.....	.60 @ .61
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.66 @ .68
Butter—Fine Dairy.....	.17 @ .20
CHEESE—Full Cream, new.....	.10 @ .10 1/2
Skimmed Flats.....	.06 1/2 @ .07 1/2
EGGS—Fresh.....	.19 @ .20
POTATOES—Car-lots, per bu.....	.45 @ .48
PORK—Mess.....	8.00 @ 8.50
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	.86 @ .86 1/2
CORN—No. 2.....	.42 @ .43
OATS—No. 2.....	.26 @ .26 1/2
RYE—No. 1.....	.60 @ .61
PORK—Mess.....	8.00 @ 8.50
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	.93 @ .94
CORN—No. 2.....	.44 @ .45
OATS—No. 2.....	.28 @ .30
ST. LOUIS.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.93 @ .95
CORN—Mixed.....	.42 @ .43 1/2
OATS—Mixed.....	.24 @ .25
PORK—New Mess.....	9.00 @ 9.50
CINCINNATI.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.94 @ .95
CORN—No. 2.....	.42 @ .44
OATS—Mixed.....	.27 @ .28
RYE—No. 2.....	.64 @ .66
PORK—Mess.....	9.00 @ 9.25
DETROIT.	
BEEF CATTLE.....	4.50 @ 5.00
HOGS.....	3.25 @ 3.75
SHEEP.....	2.50 @ 3.50
WHEAT—No. 1 White.....	.91 @ .93
CORN—No. 2.....	.46 @ .48
OATS—No. 2.....	.29 @ .31
INDIANAPOLIS.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.91 @ .92
CORN—Mixed.....	.40 @ .42
OATS—No. 2.....	.26 @ .26 1/2
EAST LEBERT.	
CATTLE—Best.....	5.25 @ 5.75
Fair.....	4.50 @ 5.25
Common.....	4.00 @ 4.50
HOGS.....	3.50 @ 4.00
SHEEP.....	3.00 @ 4.50
BUFFALO.	
WHEAT—No. 1 Hard.....	1.00 @ 1.03
CORN.....	.47 @ .48
CATTLE.....	4.25 @ 5.75

### INDIANA STATE NEWS.

—Lincoln Hall was decapitated by a train at Lafayette.

—J. A. Graff, of Connersville, poisoned himself at the Gibson House, in Cincinnati.

—At South Bend, Maud Brick, five years old, while at play, fell into a cistern and was drowned.

—Harvey Ford, of Jeffersonville, through long-continued catarrh of the head, has become totally blind.

—Suit has been ordered against the expoundmaster at Windfall, who is charged with being short in his accounts.

—Straud Miller, two years old, was burned to death at Central, Harrison County, his clothes having caught fire.

—J. F. Surmann, the well-known New Albany violinist, has gone to New York to take a position in Damosch's orchestra.

—Frank Talbott, an ex-employee of the Evansville and Terre Haute Railway Company has begun suit for \$50,000 damages for false imprisonment.

—Chief Brooks, of the secret service, Treasury Department, says that he believes Indiana produces more counterfeiters than any other State in the Union.

—The Union National Bank, with a capital stock of \$100,000, has been organized at Richmond. Mr. Jesse Cates is President, and Mr. John K. Jones Cashier.

—At a revival meeting in Hopkinsville occurred the wedding of a colored couple who begin their married life with thirty-two children, the groom having twenty-two and the bride ten.

—Albert Holt, a saloon-keeper of Logansport, sent his wife to the country and then disappeared. The wife returned and found that robbers had gutted the premises, but there is no trace of Holt.

—Fairland lost one of its most respected citizens in the person of Mrs. Dycie Odell, mother of the late Hon. Isaac Odell, once a well-known attorney of Shelby County. The deceased was 81 years old.

—Early Monday morning, at Wabash, Mrs. C. Jellison, aged 26, burst a blood-vessel and died instantly. The body swelled to enormous proportions, began to decay, and had to be interred in great haste.

—Thomas A. Stockslager, of Kausas, brother of Hon. S. M. Stockslager, of Harrison County, has been appointed a special examiner in the Pension Bureau. The pay is \$1,400 per year, with \$4 allowances per day for expenses.

—The boiler in W. M. Aiken & Co.'s pork-packing and proprietary medicine establishment at Evansville exploded, wounding eleven persons and wrecking the building. Two of the victims are not expected to survive their injuries.

—The Fort Wayne Council has agreed to accept the proposition of Hon. Hugh McCulloch to transfer the old Broadway Cemetery to the city for a public park, and a committee has been appointed to arrange for the removal of the bodies interred there.

—It will probably soon transpire that Gen. Wallace has returned to Constantinople in response to a cable dispatch from the Sultan of Turkey. It is well known that during his recent residence as United States Minister at the court of the Sultan he not only formed an intimate personal friendship with that monarch, but was honored with his confidence to such an extent that he became his counselor in important public affairs. It may be that the chief purpose of his present mission is to give aid in the impending negotiations for peace; but his services will be in still more urgent demand in case of their failure. Should there be an Eastern war, which now seems inevitable, Gen. Wallace will no doubt be tendered a high position in the Sultan's service, and it is not at all unlikely that he will be Commander-in-Chief of the Turkish armies. Such an event would be in perfect consonance with his past career, which has been brilliant and dramatic in all its episodes. As fellow-countrymen, we wish Wallace good luck in his adventure.—*Indianapolis Journal*.

### Mr. Musselman's Whims.

[Lafayette special.]

A curious case of insanity has just come to light which tends to show the idiosyncrasies of a once bright mind, but now an inmate of a lunatic asylum. John T. Musselman, once a resident of this city, but subsequently of Logansport, was a man of much notoriety in law and politics in Northern Indiana. Being a thrifty and good business man he accumulated a fortune of \$300,000. His unsoundness of mind first showed itself a few years ago in refusing to pay his taxes. His personal property was sold to pay the same, and he became infuriated at the City Council. He next purchased the Logansport *Pharos* for \$9,500. He then contracted to build an opera house, and afterward wrote a drama entitled, "Logansport Reveries." Subsequently he went to Indianapolis and hired a dramatic troupe to bring out his play. His friends, on account of his many vagaries, began to believe him insane, and instituted a judicial inquiry into his case, and the commission declared him insane. He was taken to the asylum at Indianapolis. Mrs. Musselman then sued for divorce and alimony, and was granted \$33,000. He remained in the asylum for one year, when, through the influence of the Masons and the Odd Fellows, he was liberated and returned to Logansport. His next move was to buy out a newspaper, and he started the *Sun* (weekly), a Democratic sheet. After many eccentricities he was a second time returned to Indianapolis, where he remains in the asylum to this day.