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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 Gross, 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 Kiraly 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, began 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 that Territory, and that the importation of untrustworthy and disreputable 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 there threatened and endangered; and

Whereas, The Legislature of said Territory cannot be convened, and in the judgment of the President and Council, it has arisen, and a case is now presented, which, in the opinion of the people 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 all persons and 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 but 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 postage 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 tribal 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.), 4,592; 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 to which I belong, and which is at present, to 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 no other sufficient qualifications which I deemed desirable that I have found it no easy matter to fill the position with one who could combine the elements which I consider most useful to the fair, honest, and successful enforcement of the law. Prominent leaders in the civil service movement strongly 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 of. I have, however, seen him until yesterday, and I do not remember that I ever heard of him until Chief Justice Waite urged him upon my attention as a most excellent man for the place. From my impression of him upon a personal interview, and from representations 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 sentimental effort 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 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 reference 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, even in removing misapprehensions and objections.

In New Jersey the Republicans have a 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 11,300. 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 Larabee, 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 9,007 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 resignation of P. M. Kelly, Pen-sion 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; John C. Stranahan, to be Surveyor-General of Idaho; James Dawson of Colorado, to be Surveyor-General of Colorado; John Hise of Arizona, to be Surveyor of Arizona; George Frank Bales to be Surveyor of Customs for the Port of Port 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 R. Bell to be Appraiser of Merchandise in the District of San Francisco, Cal.; William Faxon, of Michigan, to be Register of the Land Office at Detroit; E. L. Carson, of Texas, Indian Agent at Ouray, 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—Tranquilo Labadis at Las Vegas, N. M., vice F. Romero, resigned; Mrs. Armann Quinal at Montello, Wis., vice J. T. French, resigned; John B. 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 Dolpin.

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.

### 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 Servian Government.

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

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, 450 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.

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### 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 ex-poundmaster at Windfall, who is charged with being short in his accounts.

—Strand 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 Damrosch'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.