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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Samuel Brigham, a bank cashier at Norwich, Conn., has been held in \$15,000 bail for larceny.

The second and concluding volume of Blaine's "Twenty Years in Congress" has been published. It embraces the period between Johnson's installation as President and Garfield's election. The earlier chapters are occupied mainly with the reconstruction problem, the contest between the President and Congress, and the impeachment trial. Grant's eight years' administration is discussed in a generous and catholic spirit, and the closing chapters deal with current questions of political discussion.

A passenger train was derailed at Tamaqua, Penn., some of the cars falling over an embankment and being consumed by fire. Two passengers were probably fatally injured, and a number of others were badly hurt.

In thirteen years the creditors of the Sprague estate have received but fifteen per cent. of their claims. During the same time Trustee Chafee has drawn over \$300,000 for his services.

Silas Blakeslee, an aged man living near Wallingford, Conn., gave 10 cents to a stranger who saved him from drowning.

James Hammer, a leading citizen of Lowell, Pa., who stood high in church circles, has disappeared, having squandered a fund of \$10,000 of which he was trustee.

Gen. Hazen, of the Signal Service, has sued the New York *Times* for \$100,000 damages for libel.

A man named Lillie owns a mill at Shamokin Hill, Pa. His twin daughters, Kate and Susie, aged 6 years, strayed to an upstairs room where a shaft was revolving. The little ones ventured too near the machinery, and their clothes caught in the shaft. After having been thrown around for an hour they were found by an older sister. When the machinery was stopped their bodies were found to be terribly lacerated. Katie was dead, and Susie has but little chance of recovery.

At the auction of Lorillard's horses in New Jersey, the Dwyer Brothers paid \$17,500 for Pontiac, an imported black colt.

The total imports of general merchandise, exclusive of dry goods, at New York during the week were valued at \$7,857,400.

Reports throughout the Atlantic States indicate that the recent storm was one of the most destructive in years.

The Cypress Hills Street Railway depot and sheds at Brooklyn were destroyed by fire, burning many cars. Loss, \$100,000.

WESTERN.

The New Albany Road paid \$200,000 for the Medford and Bloomfield narrow-gauge line, forty-two miles in length, and will take possession April 1.

Martin Brockman and Fred Herrmann, directors of the City Infirmary of Cincinnati, who fled last week, have been officially removed for malfeasance.

John Glab, Mayor of Dubuque, Iowa, announces that he will organize a stock company for the erection of a large distillery in the suburbs of that city.

Joseph Alsup, of Black Oak, Missouri, having a wife and several children, killed himself with a shot-gun when ordered to vacate a rented house.

Charley Maurice, a cow-boy, amused himself at Logansport, Ind., by riding his horse into saloons and demanding drinks at the point of revolver. When he attempted to ride into the Postoffice policemen barred the way and landed him in the cooler.

Martin O. Simons, tried at Baraboo, Wis., for arson, was acquitted on the ground that there is no law prohibiting the burning of one's own house.

The exports of California wine during 1885 reached 4,500,000 gallons—nearly one million gallons in excess of the shipments of the previous year.

In St. Louis, Dr. Edward H. Coates, whose domestic relations have been unpleasant, met A. B. Keith on the street and shot him down. Keith died soon afterward. Coates claims that his victim was the cause of his home troubles.

Quo warranto writs were granted last week by the Minnesota Supreme Court to forfeit the charters of and dissolve the corporations known as the Hastings and Dakota Railroad, Minnesota Central Road, Southern Minnesota, Southern Minnesota Railway Extension Company, and the St. Paul and Sioux City lines, on the ground of non-fulfillment of charter promises. The writs also call for a reversal of the land grants to the States.

On a ranch near Deming, New Mexico, General Crook, and the Apache Chief Geronimo held a conference, in which the latter asked leave to return to his reservation. Crook demanded an unconditional surrender, but the Indian leader rode away with a white flag flying.

Three ranches at Wheatland, Cal., were visited by masked men, who drove out the Chinese, marched them to Wheatland, and then set them at liberty. At one ranch the Chinese quarters were fired and destroyed.

The Illinois Central Railroad is selling round-trip tickets from Chicago to New Orleans, good for forty days, at \$22.50.

Four glandered horses on farms near Rochester, Ill., were killed by the Assistant State Veterinarian, and thirteen others were ordered quarantined.

Two employees of the N. K. Fairbank Company, of Chicago, are missing, and are accused of having robbed the firm of about \$5,000.

For the recent assault on Mr. Dickson, United States Attorney at Salt Lake, Angus and Frank J. Cannon have been held in \$1,000 each.

Edison, the electrician, in an interview regarding the telephone decision by the Indiana Supreme Court, expressed the belief that the law would be pronounced unconstitutional, and declared the decision fatal to patents and progress.

At a Lutheran church in Detroit the twelfth male child of a German family named Detloff was named after President Cleveland, who was represented by Congressman Maybury. The infant was presented with a \$10 gold-piece.

A schedule of the liabilities and assets of the defunct Ritzinger Bank of Indianapolis shows assets, \$267,827; liabilities, \$455,868. The bank had 1,400 depositors. It is claimed that 45 cents on the dollar can be paid them.

Wiebren Wartena, who murdered John Dreger on the bank of the Kankakee River, was executed at Rensselaer, Ind. Nearly one thousand persons were allowed to witness the hanging.

The Rev. Sam Jones, the evangelist, preached three times in Chicago, last Sunday. Fifteen thousand people heard him during the day, and he seemed to hold the audience spell-bound.

Edward O. Oliver, an employee of the electric-light works at Evansville, Ind., was killed by an accidental connection.

Kansas has twenty-seven paper railroads, but every one is operated by the Atchison, the Union Pacific, or the Missouri Pacific.

Judge Tuttle, of East Tawas, Mich., refused to pay taxes, and the Town Treasurer seized a span of horses valued at \$117.

Considerable excitement has been caused by the arrest at Windsor, Ill., of William S. Price, on a charge of committing the outrage on Miss Georgia Aldridge, which so shocked the community weeks ago. Price was held in \$2,000 bail.

SOUTHERN.

The conduct of Lieutenant Greene, of the signal corps, and other members of the recent court-martial at Fort Myer, Virginia, was such as to draw from the Secretary of War an expression of the stern condemnation of the abuse of counsel for the accused and of enlisted men serving as witnesses.

While passing through Georgia, Thomas A. Edison, the electrician, conceived the plan of a machine for picking cotton, and showed sketcher of his new invention to persons in a hotel at Atlanta.

The Houston (Tex.) Savings Bank has failed, with liabilities approximating \$500,000. The suspension caused great excitement in the city, and was wholly unexpected in business circles. As the news spread through the town several hundred anxious depositors gathered about the bank, excitedly discussing the causes leading to the suspension. A receiver has been appointed.

Sam Ennis, a brother of the Sheriff of Baldwin County, Ga., shot and killed Deputy Sheriff C. N. Haywood. The trouble grew out of Haywood, who is a Prohibitionist, criticising an anti-prohibition speech made by a brother of Ennis.

The Louisiana Board of Pardons has refused to interfere in the cases of Pat Ford and John Murphy, the murderers of T. J. Murphy, and they must hang. A petition of commutation of sentence was signed by 24,000 persons.

WASHINGTON.

The House Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads unanimously agreed to report adversely all bills before it for the purchase or construction of telegraph lines by the Government.

The House Committee on the Judiciary has favorably reported a bill providing that no person shall be held to answer for any crime whereof the punishment may be loss of life or liberty except on presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger.

Secretary Manning says that the net reduction in annual revenue incident to the adoption of the Morrison tariff bill would be \$12,000,000.

The House Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads has completed the postoffice appropriation bill. It appropriates for the next fiscal year \$54,326,588, an increase of \$625,508 over the appropriation for the present fiscal year and a decrease of \$650,579 as compared with the department's estimates. The estimated revenue for the next fiscal year is \$47,142,252, and the estimated deficiency is \$7,443,914.

The House Ways and Means Committee has recommended the passage of a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Treasury to investigate the undervaluation frauds in New York City, and more particularly the charges that a conspiracy has existed in the custom-house by which invoices were illegally raised.

The Senate Committee on Commerce has agreed to report favorably the Dingley shipping bill, with amendment.

Bills are pending in both branches of Congress to increase the rate of postage on fourth-class matter from 1 to 2 cents per ounce. The reason is that the deficit in the Postoffice Department for 1885 was \$10,500,000 and the deficit for the current year is estimated at \$9,000,000.

POLITICAL.

The President has nominated John H. Shaffer to be Postmaster at Kankakee, Ill.

T. R. Hudd, Democrat, has been elected in the Fifth Wisconsin District to succeed the late Joseph Rankin in Congress.

A liquor bill—practically the same as the old Scott law—has been passed by the Ohio House.

Washington special: "There is deadly war between ex-Speaker Randall and Representative Bingham. The story is afloat that

the former grossly insulted the latter about ten days ago at a banquet in Philadelphia, at which they were among the invited guests. Mr. Bingham, in speaking of the late Gen. Hancock, made some remarks to which Mr. Randall took exception, and the story goes that the ex-Speaker went so far as to make a personal attack upon Mr. Bingham, saying at the same time: 'I owe you a thrashing and I'll give it to you now.' It was only by the intercession of their friends that a row was averted. The matter has been the subject of considerable comment for several days, but all those who were witnesses to the affair refuse to talk on the subject, although they admit that the statement above given is substantially correct."

A local option law has passed the Virginia Legislature.

The Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate will make an adverse report on the nomination of Zachariah Montgomery, of California, as Assistant Attorney General, on account of his hostility to the public school system.

The Ohio Supreme Court rendered judgment of ouster in the quo-warranto cases against the Cincinnati Police Commission, but refused to oust Police Superintendent Hudson, who was elected for one year. The action of Gov. Foraker in removing the Commissioner is thus sustained.

MISCELLANEOUS.

It is not true that the Chinese Consul General has advised Chinamen to quit America and return home. The report originated from arrangements being made with steamship companies to carry back poor, sick, and unemployed Chinese at half rates.

The Circuit Court at Columbus, Ohio, affirmed the judgment in the Dalton contempt case, and the matter was at once referred to the Supreme Court of the State for final settlement.

According to the New York Produce Exchange the visible supply of wheat and corn is, respectively, 52,411,939 and 8,867,578 bushels.

The deposits in the Government savings banks of Canada during January were \$595,393. The amount standing to the credit of patrons is \$19,056,028.

The National Editorial Association, in session at Cincinnati, elected C. H. Jones, of Florida, President for the ensuing year, and decided to hold the next convention at Denver in June next.

A woman was blown from a train between Erie and Dunkirk while passing from the dining-car to the sleeper. She received a severe gash in the left temple.

A skating rink and three other structures at Troy, N. Y., were burned, falling walls injuring several persons, the skull of one man being crushed. The financial loss is \$45,000. A business block at Baltimore, occupied by clothing firms, was partially gutted, the losses reaching \$65,000.

John Swinton believes that the most deadly blow yet given to King Alcohol is the rule of the Knights of Labor excluding liquor-dealers and saloonkeepers from their organization. "It is doing more," he says, "to put an end to drunkenness and to bring the rum traffic under the ban than all the laws of Maine and all the speeches of Gough ever did."

FOREIGN.

Apropos of the London riots, the statistics of pauperism in the British metropolis show that during the last week of January there were 100,507 persons receiving relief there, of whom 57,834 were inmates of poor-houses and 42,763 received out-door relief. The total was an increase of 2,652 as compared with the corresponding week of last year, and of 5,843 as compared with the last week in January, 1884.

At a meeting in London of the delegates from various chambers of commerce, Mr. Forwood, a prominent merchant of Liverpool, and firing twice with a downward aim, at the same time throwing a letter toward M. Clemenceau. Peronniere was quickly seized, and hurried to prison.

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The commercial bank of South Australia has suspended payment. Failures in Sweden have increased until the situation is as serious as in 1857.

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The Paris municipal authorities have ordered the name of the Deity expunged from children's school books.

Servia refuses to accept the treaty of peace drafted by Bulgaria.

Prince Bismarck has recovered from his recent illness.

The Archduchess Maria of Tuscany was married at Vienna to the Archduke Carl Stephan, brother of the Queen Regent of Spain.

Mr. Henry Stevens, the American bibliologist, died at London, Eng., after a long and painful illness.

A Paris journal asserts that Lord Salisbury drew up a convention with Turkey for the cession of Crete to England on the payment of £3,000,000 and a guarantee that Greece would be prevented from taking aggressive measures, but that Gladstone hesitated to confirm the same.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

In the Supreme Court of the United States the case of the State of Tennessee against the Pullman Car Company was decided favorably for the latter. The question involved the right of the State to tax the property of the company, whose cars pass through the State. The decision sustained that of the lower courts, which had been in favor of the Pullman Company.

The Senate Committee on Public Lands has voted to report adversely the nomination of Surveyor General Dement, of Utah.

At a meeting of the Central Labor Union in New York the tin and slate roofers submitted a resolution that workingmen should take steps to prevent the coming East of the Chinamen who have been boycotted in the West. The meeting unanimously adopted the resolution and appointed a committee to take the matter into consideration.

Citizens of the northern counties of Idaho which it is proposed to annex to Washington Territory are flooding Washington with telegrams and letters asking a suspension of action by Congress.

In the suburbs of Portland, Oregon, eighty armed and masked men drove twice that number of Chinese farm laborers to the ferry landing, whence they made their way to Portland before daybreak.

The Coroner's jury at Springfield, Mo., in the case of George Graham, returned a verdict that he murdered his wife, Sarah Graham, and that Mrs. Emma Malloy, the temperance evangelist, and Cora Lee were accessories to the crime.

Three workmen in the powder factory near Xenia, Ohio, lost their lives by an explosion which tore the building to splinters.

The Canadian Pacific Railway depot at Winnipeg was destroyed by fire. The loss approximates \$175,000.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND sent to the Senate, on March 1, a special message declining to furnish unofficial documents relating to suspensions from office, and claiming the right to destroy them. When the message had been read Mr. Edmunds said it reminded him of the communication of King Charles I to the Parliament. He also said that the President, unintentionally, had entirely missed the question involved between himself and the Senate. It was well-reprinted.

The Senate, in executive session, rejected the nominations of Messrs. Pillsbury and Chase to be Collectors of Internal Revenue at Boston, Mass., and Portland, Me., respectively. The nomination of John H. Shaffer was confirmed. The nomination of Surveyor General Dement, of Utah, was reported adversely. In the House of Representatives a member from South Carolina introduced a bill for the distribution of the surplus moneys in the Treasury, during the next four years, among the representative States in proportion to their representation in the Senate and House. Mr. Brumley asked unanimous consent of the House to have printed in the Record a bill introduced by P. Brigham and others, asking for the impeachment of Daniel Manning, Secretary of the Treasury, for high crimes and misdemeanors in the execution of the silver law. Mr. Beach objected.

THE chaperon system is getting a foothold in the large American cities. In Paris this plan is used to the exclusion of all others;