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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Pleuro-pneumonia is reported to be raged among the cattle in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Two hunters shot into the packing house of the Dittmar Powder Works at Bay Chester, N. Y., causing an explosion, which blew four men into fragments and destroyed the structures. Small portions of the victims' bodies were picked up 600 feet from the works.

Nine cases of pleuro-pneumonia were discovered on the farm of William Chase, near Vienna, New Jersey. Three of them have already proved fatal.

The socialists of New Haven, during an address by Herr Liebknecht, put out of the hall a Russian anarchist who interrupted the proceedings.

Governor Pattison of Pennsylvania has instructed the Attorney General of the State to institute legal proceedings against the anthracite pool to prevent the contemplated advance in the price of coal after October 1.

WESTERN.

A. S. Gage & Co., wholesale and retail dealers in dry goods at Chicago, made an assignment to H. J. Macfarland, to fore-stall a levy by the First National Bank on a judgment for \$96,843.75. The affair took place so suddenly that crowds of lady customers were imprisoned for a time, for fear of the entrance of Deputy Sheriffs. The liabilities and assets are placed as high as \$800,000.

Texas fever in an army form prevails near Decatur, Ill. The quarantine established at the Chicago distilleries over infected cattle costs the Government about \$100 per day, and a special disbursing agent has been ordered on from Washington. It is probable that the trouble will put an end to the practice of feeding cows at distilleries.

A series of nine base-ball games has been arranged between the Chicago and St. Louis Clubs for the championship of the world.

P. F. Wallace, suspected of the murder of the Logan family, was taken from jail at Steelville, Missouri, and suspended for a time, but was handed back to the officers on the appeals of leading citizens.

In his store at Bringhurst, Indiana, Mr. Kearns accidentally dropped a lighted cigar into a keg of powder. The explosion wrecked the structure, killed a customer wounded two other persons, and made the inhabitants believe that Wiggins' earthquake had broken loose.

Shreve & Wolf, dealers in sporting materials in San Francisco, failed with liabilities at \$50,000.

On a farm near Oxford, Ind., a strong flow of natural gas was encountered at a depth of 130 feet. The Chicago company that bored the well has leased 1,500 acres surrounding it.

SOUTHERN.

Wiggins' earthquakes and tornadoes failed to materialize on the 29th ult., much to the relief and joy of the people along the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts. With the exception of light shocks at Elizabethtown, Pa., and Petersburg, Va., and a "norther" in Texas and North Louisiana, there were no subterranean or meteorological disturbances whatever. A Charleston dispatch says:

Wiggins' prediction has had a marked effect on the emotional nature of the negroes, and for the past four or five nights their churches have been filled with crowded congregations of frenzied worshippers. The other day, and returned to their homes. The colored people kept up their religious meetings until midnight, and the merchants did not go to their places of business to-day, their families refusing to be left alone. Perhaps the best evidence of the fears of the people was the abstention of the school children. The non-attendance was greater than ever before known, and the teachers report that the children who did attend might as well have staid at home. The many high buildings in the city were emptied of their inmates all day, who, upon one excuse or another, staid out until the dreaded hour for the event had passed.

The Supreme Court of Virginia, in the case of T. J. Cluverius, who stands convicted of the murder of Lillian Madison, at the old reservoir in Richmond, Va., has denied the petition for a rehearing. Death by hanging will follow unless Executive clemency interposes.

S. S. Hamilton, a prominent citizen, fell down stairs at Louisville, breaking his neck and causing instantaneous death.

Charles Edwards, colored, who cut the throat of his mistress, was hanged at New Orleans.

Frost damaged vegetation in certain sections of the South from 30 to 50 per cent.

Matt O'Brien, a New Orleans tough, killed his brother Hugh in a bar-room.

There have been thirty-one earthquake shocks at Charleston since Aug. 27.

WASHINGTON.

President Cleveland has removed his office furniture and law library from Buffalo to Washington.

Numerous letters received during last month by the Hydrographic Office at Washington from the officers of steam and sailing vessels bear testimony to the efficacy of pouring oil on the waters in storms, the billows being speedily reduced to long and heavy but harmless swells.

The public debt statement issued on the 1st inst. shows the reduction of the public debt during the month of September to be \$10,627,013, and total cash in the treasury \$46,375,713. The following is a recapitulation of this statement:

| INTEREST-BEARING DEBT. | |
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| Bonds at 4½ per cent..... | \$250,000,000 |
| Bonds at 3 per cent..... | 731,163,930 |
| Refunding certificates at 4 per cent..... | 115,463,330 |
| Navy pension fund at 3 per cent..... | 14,000,000 |
| Pacific Railroad bonds at 3 per cent..... | 64,623,512 |
| Principal..... | \$1,181,757,312 |
| Interest..... | 11,935,811 |
| Total..... | \$1,191,691,123 |

| DEBT ON WHICH INTEREST HAS CEASED SINCE MATURITY. | |
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| Principal..... | \$6,938,735 |
| Interest..... | 201,031 |
| Total..... | \$7,199,766 |

| DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST. | |
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| Old demand and legal-tender notes..... | \$346,738,391 |
| Certificates of deposit..... | 7,050,000 |
| Gold certificates..... | 84,691,07 |
| Silver certificates..... | 95,387,112 |
| Fractional currency (less \$8,375,934 estimated as lost or destroyed)..... | 6,935,702 |
| Principal..... | 541,476,012 |
| TOTAL DEBT..... | \$1,731,232,051 |

| Less cash items available for reduction of the debt..... | |
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| U. S. notes..... | 206,924,043 |
| Total..... | 100,000,000 |

| Total..... | |
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| \$300,924,043 | |

| Total debt less available cash items..... | |
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| \$1,425,445,888 | |
| Net cash in the Treasury..... | 67,896,321 |

| Decrease of debt during the month..... | |
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| \$10,627,013 | |

| CASH IN THE TREASURY AVAILABLE FOR REDUCTION OF PUBLIC DEBT. | |
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| Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding..... | |
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| Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding..... | |
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| U. S. notes held for certificates of debt actually outstanding..... | |
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| Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid..... | |
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| Fractional currency..... | |
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| Total available for reduction of the debt..... | |
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| RESERVE FUND. | |
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| Held for redemption of U. S. notes, acts Jan. 14, 1875, and July 12, 1882..... | |
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| Unavailable for reduction of the debt..... | |
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| Fractional silver coin..... | |
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| Total..... | |
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| Certificates held as cash..... | |
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| Net cash balance on hand..... | |
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| Total cash in Treasury as shown by the Treasurer's general account..... | |
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| \$465,375,713 | |
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| The total of the gold coin and bullion in the Treasury Sept. 30 was \$242,609,018, as compared with \$235,490,635 the 31st of the previous month. The net gold in the Treasury, after deducting gold certificates in Treasury cash and in circulation Sept. 30, was \$157,917,211, as compared with \$157,732,288 on the 31st of the previous month. | |
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POLITICAL.

The Nebraska Republican Convention, which was presided over by Congressman A. S. Weaver, placed in the field the following ticket: Governor, Gen. John M. Thayer; Lieutenant Governor, H. H. Shedd; Secretary of State, G. L. Laws; Treasurer, C. H. Williard; Auditor, H. A. Babcock; Attorney General, William A. Luse; Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings, Joseph Scott; Superintendent of Public Instruction, George B. Lane. The platform favors the intelligent organization of the wage-workers for all lawful purposes, but refuses to sanction anarchism or mob violence in the settlement of the differences between employees and employers; favors the regulation of interstate commerce by Congress; and demands a revision of laws by which aliens are allowed to own large bodies of land.

Congressional nominations: Third Pennsylvania, Samuel J. Randall, Democrat; Fourteenth Illinois, William Voorhees, Democrat; Eighteenth Illinois, W. H. Moore, Prohibitionist; Eleventh Michigan, John Power, Democrat; Tenth Tennessee, Zach Taylor, Republican; Second Louisiana, Major Andrew Hero, Republican; Third New Jersey, William McMahon, Democrat; Seventh Massachusetts, Gen. William Cogswell, Republican; Tenth Massachusetts, William W. Rice, Republican; First Louisiana, T. G. Wilkinson, Democrat; Third Louisiana, J. S. Davidson (colored), Republican; Thirty-fourth New York, W. G. Laidlaw, Republican; First Pennsylvania, John Chambers, Democrat; Second Pennsylvania, W. E. Thomas, Democrat; Fifth Pennsylvania, W. G. Smith, Democrat; Twenty-first Ohio, Martin A. Foran, Democrat; Twentieth Ohio, William Dorsey, Democrat; Eighteenth Ohio, W. H. Phelps, Democrat; Sixth Virginia, J. B. Page, Knight of Labor; Eighth Missouri, J. J. O'Neill, Democrat; Third Minnesota, J. L. McDonald, Democrat; Fourteenth New York, W. G. Stahlnecker, Democrat; First New Jersey, J. W. Wescott, Democrat; Fifteenth Ohio, A. J. Warner, Democrat; First Ohio, Benjamin Butterworth, Republican; Second Ohio, Charles E. Brown, Republican; Fourth Minnesota, Edmund Rice, Democrat; Twelfth Missouri, O. H. Pitcher, Republican; First Wisconsin, James R. Doolittle, Democrat; First Illinois, Edgar Terhune, Democrat; Twenty-fourth Pennsylvania, O. L. Jackson, Republican; Seventh South Carolina, Robert Smalls, Republican; Twenty-seventh New York, N. W. Nutting, Republican; Eighth Tennessee, S. W. Hawkins, Republican; Third Minnesota, B. B. Berthold, Republican; Twenty-third New York, J. S. Sherman, Republican; Fourth Kentucky, J. W. Lewis, Republican; Third Kentucky, John Shea, Democrat, and John E. Hulse, Democrat; Tenth Ohio, Frank H. Hurd, Democrat; Ninth Illinois, M. H. Peters, Democrat; Tenth Illinois, Judge McCulloch, Prohibitionist; Dakota Territory, M. H. Day, Democrat.

The Collector of Customs at St. John, N. B., compelled the Captain of the Waterford bark Orient to haul down the Irish flag which was floating at the masthead as his vessel sailed into the harbor.

policy of the Democratic platform of 1884; insists upon the defense of the right of American fishing; welcomes the new era of organized labor; commends the Democratic members of the Legislature for securing the passage of various acts in the interest of labor during the last Legislature; opposes contract labor in prisons and the importation of foreign contract labor to compete with domestic labor; sends a kindly greeting to Parnell, and deplores the death of such men as McClellan, Hendricks, Hancock, and Tilden.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

Up to Oct. 1 there had been shipped, in round numbers, 2,700,000 gross tons of ironore from the harbors of Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota.

Mayor Harrison, in his annual message to the Chicago Council, reports the bonded debt of the city at \$12,695,500. The Police Department cost \$1,079,374 for the year, the Fire Department \$717,635, and the schools \$2,062,808. With the improvements in progress at the Water-works, a capacity of 154,000 gallons per day will be reached. The buildings annually erected average fifteen miles in frontage. The death rate of 18.76 per 1,000, is the lowest of any large city. There are eighteen patrol-wagons, twenty police stations, five police courts, and 1,032 members of the force.

Justice Gordon decided in the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, at Pittsburgh, that the store-order act of June 29, 1881, is unconstitutional and void, inasmuch as by it persons are prevented from making their own contracts." In his opinion Judge Gordon says: "The act is an infringement alike of the rights of the employer and employee, and it is an insulting attempt to put the laborer under legislative tutelage, which is not only degrading to the manhood but subservient to his rights as a citizen of the United States." The decision caused a great deal of comment in Pittsburgh labor circles. The *Labor Tribune* advises every labor organization in the State to make a determined fight against the store-order system. John Costello, President of the Pittsburgh Miners' Association, said: "The decision will be startling news to the miners. They must necessarily begin a warfare against the pernicious system."

The President directed the suspension of Berthold Greenebaum, United States Consul at Apia, Samoa. Professor Wiley, the chemist of the Agricultural Department, who has charge of the sugar-making experiments at Fort Scott, telegraphs that he has met with complete success in extracting saccharine matter from sorghum.

The amount of United States currency outstanding is as follows:

| Old demand notes..... | \$ 57,375 |
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| United States notes, all issues (green-backs)..... | 346,631,016 |
| One-year notes of 1863..... | 36,375 |
| Two-year notes of 1863..... | 20,200 |
| Compound interest notes..... | 197,010 |
| Currency, all issues..... | 15,329,640 |
| Total..... | \$362,931,426 |

The amount of national bank notes outstanding is \$303,082,437, a decrease during the last month of \$1,317,308, and a decrease since October 1, 1883, of \$13,970,367. This circulation is secured by \$65,612,547 in lawful money and \$260,108,400 in bonds, as follows: Currency sixes, \$3,576,000; 4½ per cent, \$56,276,100; 4 per cent, \$118,749,850; 3 per cent, \$86,515,450. The amount of certificates outstanding is: Gold, \$84,601,807; silver, \$95,387,112, and currency, \$7,705,000.

Mrs. T. D. Sullivan, wife of the Lord Mayor of Dublin, and a deputation of Irish women presented Mr. Gladstone, at Hawarden, with the mammoth home-rule petition. It bore the signatures of 500,000 Irish women. After Mrs. Sullivan had read the address of the Irish women, the Mayors of Cork, Limerick, Waterford, and Clonmel presented the freedom of their respective cities to the ex-Premier, and thanked him for his chivalrous and splendid efforts to restore Ireland's Parliament. Mr. Gladstone in reply said: "Whatever may be my condition the Irish people will always largely share my interest and my affection."

The September fire loss in the United States and Canada was \$6,500,000, a slight decrease from the average September loss of previous years. Up to October 1 the aggregate fire waste in 1883 was \$83,000,000, against \$71,500,000 for the same period of 1885.

At Hartford, Conn., Henry Hotchkiss, a musician, shot and killed his wife on a public street, and then fired a bullet into his own head, inflicting, however, only a slight wound.

THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

| BEEVES..... | \$4.00 | 55 |
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| HOGS..... | 4.75 | 5.25 |
| WHEAT—No. 1 White..... | .85 | .86 |
| No. 2 Red..... | .84 | .85 |
| CORN—No. 2..... | .40 | .47½ |
| OATS—White..... | .35 | .41½ |
| PORK—New Mess..... | 11.00 | 11.50 |

| CHICAGO. | | |
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| BEEVES—Choice to Prime Steers..... | 5.00 | 5.50 |
| Good Shipping..... | 4.00 | 4.50 |
| Common..... | 3.00 | 3.50 |
| HOGS—Full Growing..... | 4.25 | 4.75 |
| WHEAT—No. 1 Red..... | .74 | .74 |
| CORN—No. 2..... | .34 | .36 |
| OATS—No. 2..... | .24 | .26 |
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