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## NEWS CONDENSED.

### Concise Record of the Week.

#### EASTERN.

Fire at Hanover, N. H., destroyed the Dartmouth Hotel and other buildings, causing a loss of \$125,000.

Two butterine factories at Pittsburgh were permanently closed on account of a decision sustaining the State law against the manufacture or sale of oleomargarine.

The New York chamber of commerce has adopted resolutions favoring S. S. Cox's bill appropriating \$30,000,000 for coast defenses.

An assignment has been made by E. Duncan Shuffen, an advertising agent at New York, whose liabilities are about \$100,000.

John Wilson's Sons, clock dealers at New York, have failed for \$78,000.

A diamond valued at \$45,000 was offered as security in a New York Police Court. It is the largest in the country, and the property of a saloon-keeper.

Henry A. Morris, who failed in New York in connection with the Textile Filter Company, is reported as a defaulter to the amount of \$75,000, and has gone to Canada.

Various rumors are abroad with regard to Dr. McGlynn's case, but according to the most reliable information he will not recant or go to Rome, but allow his suspension to stand as it does.

Newark, N. J., has been startled by an attempt to deliver all the convicts in the penitentiary at Caldwell and kill the keepers. The jail officials discovered the plot in time to defeat it.

#### WESTERN.

A man named Oakes created a disturbance at a prayer meeting held in a school house near Eldorado Springs, Mo., the other night, and when a farmer named Clark tried to quiet him Oakes cut Clark's throat from ear to ear. The murderer is under arrest.

A dynamite cartridge was exploded under the Sutter street cable track at San Francisco, the detonation shaking buildings, shattering glass, and terrifying people living in the neighborhood. The loss to the railway company is heavy.

George Keck, for many years assistant superintendent of the infirmary at Akron, Ohio, has been arrested for criminal intimacy with an insane inmate. He retaliates by a statement that the bodies of deceased paupers are regularly sold to a medical college in Cleveland.

A gas explosion in the Andrews Block, at Youngstown, Ohio, caused a fire which destroyed a half dozen buildings, including the First Baptist Church. One man was badly burned, and another perished in the flames. The loss is about \$125,000.

Isaac W. Sprague, long known as the living skeleton, died in Chicago last week. Several years ago he sold his body to the Harvard Medical College, and when he died that institution took possession of the corpse. Sprague was 46 years old when he died and weighed 45 pounds.

A Kankakee County (Ill.) farmer lost four children within five days from diphtheria.

David Rothschild & Sons, of Cincinnati, Chicago, and Kansas City, have made an assignment.

The bail of Fotheringham, the alleged accomplice of Witkoff, was reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,600 at St. Louis.

The Northern Pacific machine, boiler, and blacksmith shops at Fargo, Dakota, were burned. Three locomotives and a number of valuable machines were destroyed. The loss is estimated at from \$150,000 to \$200,000.

A man claiming to be the perpetrator of the recent dynamite outrage on a cable road in San Francisco has written to a newspaper in that city that the responsible parties are members of an organization formed in Chicago directly after the Haymarket explosion.

Some genuine Manitoba weather was experienced in sections of the West and Northwest last week. At St. Cloud and Aitkin, Minn., the thermometer registered 60 degrees below zero, at Albert Lea 49, at Bismarck 39, at Miles City, Mont., 30. Throughout Michigan the temperature was 20 to 25 degrees below zero.

The Attorney General of Ohio has brought suits in ejectment against squatters on canal property in Akron, valued at \$500,000.

The report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction of Dakota makes a good showing. The value of the permanent school property in Dakota is about \$3,000,000. It has increased from less than \$400,000 in 1878. There were in June last 108,382 school children.

A large mill belonging to N. C. Foster, of Eau Claire, Wis., was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$35,000 to \$40,000.

#### SOUTHERN.

Snow fell in Georgia to a depth of five inches last week.

Joseph Tosso, a well known violinist, and composer of the melody called "The Arkansas Traveler," died at Covington, Ky., aged 85.

Scott Pickler, aged 12, emptied the contents of a shotgun into the body of Chester Oddy, aged 10, at Jackson, Tenn., killing him instantly. A trifling quarrel led up to the killing.

The ocean shore along the South Carolinian coast is covered with dead fish to the depth of one foot, which is the result, it is thought, of some volcanic disturbance.

Thomas P. May, once a wealthy planter of Louisiana, and at the outbreak of the war a Union man, is said to be dying in London. He was Sub-Treasurer at New Orleans, and established *The Times* in that city in the interest of Salmon P. Chase for the Presidency.

The German ship *Elizabeth* was wrecked during a gale off Cape Henry, Va., and over twenty men of the crew and the members of the Little Island life-saving station were lost through the capsizing of the life-boats which bravely went to her aid.

#### WASHINGTON.

Friends of John W. Parrott, sentenced to the gallows for a murder in Indian Territory, have secured from President Cleveland a commutation of sentence to imprisonment for five years.

The Comptroller of the Currency feels compelled to take action upon the matter of called bonds owned by the national banks, as he has \$3,988,400 of matured 3 per cent bonds deposited to secure circulation.

The House Committee on Civil Service Reform instructed Chairman Cox to report favorably the Senate bill to repeal the tenure-of-office act.

The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed Herbert F. Beecher to be a special agent of the Treasury. He is a son of the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, and was formerly Collector of Customs at Port Townsend, Washington Territory.

Frank B. McDonald, son of ex-Senator McDonald of Indiana, died in Washington last week.

The second day's session of the Indiana Legislature was attended by a series of partisan wrangles. The Democratic Senate declined to meet the Republican House in joint session to hear the Governor's message, it having come to their ears that the Republican managers had planned a coup d'etat to be sprung upon the Senate. In consequence, the Governor did not deliver his message orally, as usual, but sent printed copies of it to each branch of the General Assembly. The Senate adopted a resolution declaring that body recognized no vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor prior to the last election, and refusing to join in the canvass of the vote for the candidacy for the office. The Republican majority of the House, in retaliation for the rules adopted by the Senate, adopted a set of regulations fully as arbitrary as those of the upper body. The effect in either house will be that the majority can summarily and quickly unseat any member of the minority, rightfully or wrongfully.

The conference of the Congressional committees on the electoral count bill has resulted in an agreement.

#### POLITICAL.

The President has nominated James Spencer, of Whitehall, N. Y., to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Dakota. He has also sent to the Senate the nominations of the following Western Postmasters:

Illinois—Elmwood, Frederick D. Lay; Mount Vernon, Robert F. Pace; Odell, Charles E. Axt. Indiana—Brookville, Robert D. Templeton. Ohio—Columbus, George Lower; Columbus Grove, Hiram E. Field; Waverly, Micajah Hutt, Ripley, May Beyersdorff. Michigan—Cassopolis, Lowell H. Glover. Wisconsin—Appleton, James Ryan; Minnesota—Farmington, Albert L. Ward; Wadena, James W. Johnson; Nebraska—Arapahoe, Thomas B. McPherson; Auburn, David V. Campbell; Blue Hill, Edgar Hilton; Broken Bow, Isaac T. Merchant; Ord, James R. Fairbanks; Wayne, Marcellus Dearborn. Kansas—Cimarron, William W. Dill; Coldwater, Daniel J. Cline; Neodesha, George W. Lee; Waterville, George H. Tice; Fort Leavenworth, Clara L. Nichols. Missouri—Clarksburg, John A. Renshaw; Slater, Samuel C. Mead. Colorado—Salina, J. A. Israel.

William M. Stewart (Republican) has been elected to the United States Senate from Nevada. He will succeed Mr. Fair (Democrat).

The expected trouble in the organization of the Indiana General Assembly began when that body was called to order on the 6th inst.

Green Smith, President pro tem. of the Senate in the last Legislature, and present claimant to the Lieutenant Governorship, called the Senate to order. Senator Winter, of Marion, the Republican leader, shouted at the Chair for several minutes, while the latter was demanding that order be come to order. Finally he rose to a question of privilege, but was again pounded by Smith, who announced that the Senate would be opened with prayer by Bishop Knickerbocker. The Democratic members stood during the delivery, but the Republicans, desiring not to recognize any of the proceedings at this stage as binding upon them, did not. Mr. Winter continued to protest during a portion of the prayer. The law provides that in the absence of the Lieutenant Governor the Auditor of State shall call the Senate to order, but the Democrats claimed that as the Lieutenant Governor was present in the person of Green Smith this provision did not apply, and proceeded accordingly. And I desire to suggest at you take your seat and keep it. The senator took his seat and the majority were allowed to have their own way in the subsequent proceedings without much resistance on the part of the opposition. A resolution was moved and carried declaring Smith President of the Senate. This action was accepted as signifying a settled purpose on the part of the Democrats to hold on to the Chairmanship of the Senate and compel Colonel Robertson, the Lieutenant Governor-elect, to resort to quo warranto proceedings to secure the position. The action was clinched by the usual parliamentary motions, and the Senate proceeded to adopt a code of iron-clad rules, which were put through under the previous question. These rules were carefully framed to guard against every contingency likely to arise in the event that Robertson gets the chair.

In each house of the Missouri Legislature a bill has been introduced for the submission to the people of the question of prohibiting the liquor traffic.

The Pennsylvania Legislature has chosen Matthew S. Quay to succeed John I. Mitchell in the United States Senate from that State.

The Republican Congressional Convention at Eau Claire, Wis., nominated Hugh J. Price for the short term, and Nels P. Haugen for the long term, made vacant by the death of the late Congressman Price. The nominee for the short term is a son of the latter. Haugen is a Norwegian, and ex-State Railroad Commissioner.

The Governor of Indiana reports the total debt of that State at \$6,000,000. The Insane Hospital consumes about one-fourth the entire revenue of the State.

The new Governor of Massachusetts, in his inaugural message, takes a somewhat novel position in the matter of temperance. Instead of advocating a prohibition amendment to the State Constitution, as it was expected he would do, he recognizes license as the law of the State, and recommends that the number of licenses issued in cities shall be restricted to narrow limits by law, and that by law also the fees for licenses shall be greatly increased. This scheme can hardly be said to be a practical one, as it would at once create a monopoly in the liquor business by law which could not help but become unpopular.

The industrial outlook. Carnegie Bros. & Co.'s steel works at Braddock, Pa., have resumed operations, an advance in wages of about 20 per cent having been granted the employees.

The Fitchburg Railroad Company is said to have secured a line from Boston to the Hudson River by the purchase of the Troy and Boston and the Troy and Greenfield Roads and the Hoosac Tunnel.

Receiver Cooley, of the Wabash Railway, has appointed Richard J. Reese Purchasing Agent. It is understood that M. Knight has been tendered the position of General Traffic Manager in the place of William Duncan.

It is stated that the Grand Trunk Railroad will shortly have connection with Duluth.

The Burlington Road has during the past year expended \$500,000 in improvements on the Hannibal and St. Joseph leased line.

Railroad interests at St. Louis have for some time been negotiating for the abolition of tolls on the bridge, in the hope of making that city the terminus of several east-bound lines.

Joliet business men want the Santa Fe Railroad shops established there. There is a fight between the Zanesville and Ohio, the Baltimore and Ohio, and the Cincinnati and Muskingum Railroads over the right-of-way along the Zanesville Canal bank.

Americans visiting the continent of Europe will do well to provide themselves with passports. A Washington special says: The Secretary of State has received a dispatch from Frederick Raine, United States Consul General at Berlin, setting forth the annoyance to which United States citizens visiting Europe, and especially Germany, subject themselves by neglecting to secure passports before leaving their country. Berlin, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Leipzig and other cities of the German Empire are subjected to a so-called "small state of siege," and every stranger or foreigner visiting these places is required to identify himself by producing a passport; ladies are not excepted. Immediately after the arrival of a stranger the police authorities demand the production of a passport, and if he is not provided with one he must either procure one at the nearest United States legation or submit to annoyances, if not a peremptory order to leave. No stranger can enter the dominions of the Russian Empire without a passport, while in several places of Austria, Italy, etc., similar prohibitory measures are enforced.

The Gate City Guards, Captain J. S. Burke, of Atlanta, Ga., which proposes to make a tour of the principal cities of Europe, and give exhibition drills, will not be permitted to land on English territory, for the reason, as alleged, that Captain Burke is an Irishman.

The leading newspaper at St. Petersburg declares that the return of Prince Alexander to the Bulgarian throne would constitute a real provocation, and add a fresh element to the conflict.

One of the keepers in the Paris Zoological Gardens was killed by a hippopotamus.

An Edinburgh dispatch says that the Marchioness of Queensberry has instituted an action for divorce against her husband, the Marquis of Queensberry.

A Rome dispatch says that Prince Louis Napoleon, son of Prince Jerome Napoleon (Plon Plon), will finish his military education in the Italian army.

Seven persons were killed and several houses demolished by an earthquake at Djernet, Tunis.

Advices received at Madrid from Spanish representatives abroad tend to increase the fears of a European war.

The Russian Government has ordered large numbers of repeating rifles for the army, in accordance with the report of a military commission.

Prince Alexander authorizes the announcement that he is about to make a prolonged tour of Egypt and the East in order to put an end to the rumors that he intends to return to Bulgaria.

Of the American registered packages lost in the Belgian mail robbery of November, 140 were found under a sofa in a hotel parlor at Brussels, only fourteen of them having been rifled.

Official reports from Ireland show little diminution in the number of non-payments of rents and evictions of tenants.

It is rumored that Mr. Ruskin will shortly enter the Roman Catholic Church. His recent intercourse with Cardinal Manning has strengthened his impulses in this direction.

While a number of bailiffs, assisted by 100 policemen, were evicting tenants in Mayo, County Clare, the people were called together by the ringing of the chapel bell and the blowing of horns. Headed by the priests, they reinstated three evicted tenants as caretakers, and in two instances forced the bailiffs to abandon their attempts to evict tenants and withdraw from the scene. During the disturbance Father O'Fynn, Inspector Heard, and several policemen were injured by being hit with stones.

Hon. John R. Thomas, member of Congress from the Twentieth Illinois District, will take a leave of absence for the winter, in order to spend the remainder of the winter in the Bermudas for his health. He is suffering from ulceration of the throat, caused by tobacco.

A committee has been appointed by the Missouri Legislature to examine into the official character and accounts of State Auditor Walter.

The San Francisco produce exchange finds the stock of wheat in the State and on vessels in the harbor to be 400,000 tons, of which 250,000 tons are available for shipment to Europe.

Alexander Crawford, a Duluth iron manufacturer, has been notified that he is one of five heirs to a \$5,000,000 Australian estate.

A strike of all the employees of the Consolidated Horse Railway lines in Boston occurred last week.

A Lutheran clergyman of Oshkosh, Wis., devoted his last sermon to the Knights of Labor, and warned the members of his church that they will be expelled if they cling to the order.

The consulship at Leith has been tendered to Dr. Willoughby Walling, son-in-law of William H. English, of Indianapolis.

The bill to give Mrs. Logan a pension of \$2,000 per annum meets opposition from General Matson, of Indiana, Chairman of the House Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A circular to the Irish police has been issued from Dublin Castle requiring the names of the editors, proprietors and writers of all the Nationalist papers in the country, especially of those who are members of Parliament.

The Marquis of Londonderry has declined to grant the request of his tenants in County Down for an abatement in their rents, but expresses a willingness to sell them their holdings at reasonable rates. The tenants have offered him a fifteen years' purchase.

The new British Cabinet comprises Lord Salisbury for Foreign Affairs, W. H. Smith for the Treasury, G. J. Goschen for Chancellor of the Exchequer, Edward Stanhope for War, and Sir Henry Holland for the Colonies. The Earl of Idlesleigh refused the offer of the Privy Seal.

Mr. John Dillon, M. P., has commenced an action against Inspectors O'Brien and Davis to recover \$2,000 damages for malicious prosecution and assault and \$1,000 damages for the seizure and retention of moneys and documents in connection with the arrest of himself and others at Loughrea for receiving tenants' rent.

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