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## THE NEWS RECORD.

A Summary of the Eventful Happenings of a Week, as Reported by Telegraph.

Political, Commercial, and Industrial News, Fires, Accidents, Crimes, Suicides, Etc., Etc.

## THE VERY LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

### THE SNELL MURDER.

The Crime Fastened Upon William B. Tascott—The Murderer Still at Large.

WILLIAM B. TASCOTT, the stylish, blue-eyed young burglar who murdered Amos J. Snell, the Washington boulevard millionaire, and sought safety in flight, has not yet been arrested, says a Chicago telegram of Monday.

He is still secure in his place of hiding, but an army of spies is on the watch for him, wherever he may be, and will follow him wherever he may go. The police say that he cannot escape. It is alleged that he was seen at Leaf River, Wis., and detectives have gone there to search for him. Sunday last there was an arrest in this city, the man who was Tascott's companion will stand on guard on the outside of the Snell residence while the youthful burglar was inside committing murder, and this man has made a full confession. He places the guilt on William B. Tascott, against whom so much damaging circumstantial evidence has already been piled up. Tascott wanted him to engage with him in a life of crime. The two burgars were to be committed this man and Tascott to the house together. Tascott put on his felt slippers and, after boring the holes to open the kitchen door, went inside to open the safe and secure the plunder. His accomplice remained outside, watching for the police, to prevent any interruption of the dangerous undertaking. He heard the shots fired and was alarmed, but remained at his post until Tascott came out. The latter was pale, excited and trembling. He grabbed his friend by the arm and led him to the window, where the two skinned away together, and crept up the stairs to Tascott's lofts at No. 47 West Madison street. The next morning they sneaked out and separated, when Tascott went to the Northwestern depot and boarded a train for Oak Park, where he has a brother and sister living. The accomplice was horrified by the murder, and so alarmed lest he might be arrested and held for complicity in the crime that he refrained from giving information to the police. He was taken into custody, and stated the police that he had no direct connection with the Snell murder, or with any other crime that was planned and executed by young Tascott. The name of this man is withheld at the earnest request of the police. The officers at the Central Station Sunday were all busily employed addressing and mailing to all parts of the world copies of the following revised circular, which gives the very latest description of the man wanted.

Two Thousand Dollars Reward.

Despatch of the Daily City of Chicago, Feb. 18, 1888.—Look out for and arrest William B. Tascott, alias T. A. Cathright, alias Moore, alias Scott, alias Clark, the supposed murderer of A. J. Snell, who was killed on the night of Feb. 8. Twenty to 22 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, 150 pounds weight, slim built, very erect, full round face, heavy eyebrows, very fair complexion, light brown hair, thin on top of head, cut short, prominent blue eyes, small nose, thin lips, the teeth may be yellow, may have some front teeth, upper jaw receding, gold, lower jaw receding. When last seen brown and gray striped pants, stripe one-half inch wide, dark coat, vest, and overcoat, with silk hat, square top ring, set with garnets and pearls, one pearl missing. May carry cane with a round gold head, engraved with W. B. T. in monogram; also a rust-colored oval vase, eighteen inches long and eight inches deep, hung by a strap over his shoulder. Always dressed in a newspaper reporter. Is also said to be an expert pickpocket, and will frequent pool-rooms. His converser freely about his travels through the country. The above reward will be paid for his capture and detention until officer with papers can arrive for him. Send all information to

GEORGE W. HUBBARD,  
Acting General Superintendent of Police.

### SHERIDAN WON'T RUN.

Satisfied with His Military Position, and Would Not Exchange It for Any Civil Office.

The Washington agent of the Associated Press sought an interview with Gen. Sheridan on Monday for the purpose of ascertaining whether he would consent to make an authoritative statement in regard to his alleged Presidential candidacy.

"Well," said the General, "I know nothing more about this than you do, and what I have said in the paper, except that now and then some friend has twitted me about becoming a candidate. But if the matter is really now discussed seriously, it is time that all parties concerned should be informed that they are wasting their breath. I have never had the Presidential bee in my bonnet, and I don't intend to have it, for there is nothing that would induce me to leave the profession in which nearly forty years of my life have been spent, and enter upon a civil career. So far as I am about my being a candidate, I am all end." "But suppose the publican of Duse me?" "Gen. Sheridan—" "No, Duse me?" I would not accept. But there is not the slightest probability of my being nominated; and, in any event, I would not accept. No, not under any circumstances. I do not want that or any other civil office."

### Four New States.

The subcommittee of the House Committee on Territories which has been charged with the preparation of the "omnibus" bill to enable the Territories of Dakota, Montana, Washington, and Arizona to secure recognition as states, was busily engaged in framing that measure, says a Washington telegram. The bill provides for the election of delegates to Constitutional Conventions on Tuesday after the first Monday in August, for the meetings of the four conventions in September, and for the submission of the four Constitutions to the people of the four Territories on the day of the Presidential election.

### The Reading Strike.

LETTERS have passed between representatives of the strikers and the Reading management looking to a resumption of work, and it is believed that the pits will again soon be manned. The wages question will be arbitrated after the miners resume work, and no man will be barred out who has been quiet and orderly during the troubles.

### Two Thousand Lives Lost.

CHINESE advices are to the effect that a terrific earthquake has occurred in the Province of Yunnan. Two thousand lives are reported to have been lost.

## WEEKLY BUDGET.

### THE EASTERN STATES.

A WILKES-BARRE (Pa.) special says that a new Polish Catholic Church was dedicated in Hazleton, Pa., on Sunday, and the Slavic population poured in from all sides. Many became drunk on polonki, a Hungarian beverage, composed of bad beer and coarse whisky. A party of them returned intoxicated to their boarding-house, where they engaged in a fight, during which a lamp was knocked off a table and the house set on fire. The door was locked and the key could not be found. Some escaped through the windows, but the more besotted ones were roasted to death. Following in the list: John Elias, aged 20; John Seddo, aged 25; John Kobiniko, aged 35, and married; Michael Ynakovitsch, aged 30; Mrs. Mary Manlick, aged 16; Paul Siskowitz, aged 30. Mrs. Manlick threw her babe out of the window to save it, but it was fatally bruised. Half a dozen others were badly bruised.

A NEW YORK telegram says that part of the Union "L" structure now building on Broad way, between Ellery and Fayette streets, Brooklyn, collapsed with fatal results. A Reid avenue surface car containing half a dozen people was caught under the falling mass and entirely demolished. Three men were killed outright and nine people were severely injured, two of whom are not expected to live. Four horses were killed. The accident resulted from the springing of the sixty-foot longitudinal girders upon which the sleepers and rails are laid, and was due to carelessness.

### THE WESTERN STATES.

A TOLEDO (O.) dispatch announces the death of David Ross Locke, editor of the Toledo *Blade*, widely known as "Petroleum V. Nasby." The immediate cause of his death was consumption of the lungs. Mr. Locke was a native of New York State and was in his fifty-fifth year. In his 11th year he was apprenticed to the printing trade in the office of the *Courier and Advertiser*, conducting it two years. In 1856 he founded the *Bucyrus Journal*, and afterward was successively connected with the *Mansfield Herald* and *Findlay Jeffersonian*. He was editing the latter paper when the war broke out, and in its columns appeared the first numbers of the renowned "Nasby" letters, the first bearing the date of April 21, 1861. These political satires sprang at once into tremendous popularity. In 1865 Mr. Locke assumed charge of the *Toledo Blade*, first on a salary, afterward purchasing an interest, and finally entire control.

The Illinois G. A. R. held a three days' encampment at Springfield last week. The attendance was unusually large. Nearly every candidate for a State office was on hand, freely混ming with the boys in blue. Col. Sexton, of Chicago, was chosen Department Commander. It was decided to meet next year in Springfield. The service pension resolution was defeated, and the dependent pension bill, now before Congress, was approved. Commander-in-Chief Rea reported that he thought President Cleveland would sign the latter measure. Mrs. Sarah Bradford, of Augustus, was elected President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The Wisconsin G. A. R. held their annual meeting at Milwaukee. There was a good attendance, and a good time generally. A. G. Weissert, of Milwaukee, was elected Department Commander. Mrs. Charity Rusk Craig, of Viroqua, sister of Governor Rusk, was chosen President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The last hope of the "booblers" faded away yesterday, says a Chicago dispatch of Friday, and the counsel for the State scored a signal triumph when the Appellate Court handed down its opinion and affirmed the findings of the court below, thus sending Adam Ochs, Dan Wren, Mike Wasserman, John E. Van Pelt, Mike Leyden, ex-County Commissioners, and Harry A. Varnell, late Warden of the Insane Asylum, down to Joliet penitentiary for two years each. The sentence of Ed McDonald, ex-Engineer of the County Hospital, and brother of Mike McDonald, was likewise affirmed, and he goes to Joliet for three years. The convicted booblers had been led to expect a decision favorable to them, and they were sorely disappointed when they were apprised of the court's ruling.

The Chicago police are certain that they know who murdered millionaire Snell, says a dispatch from that city.

The man under suspicion is William B. Tascott, the son of Col. James B. Tascott, the head of the J. B. Tascott Manufacturing Company. Col. Tascott has been in business in Chicago many years. His house is engaged in the manufacture of paints. His youngest son, William B., during his boyhood, had every card and participation in the business, which could be given by a kind, thoughtful and rich father. But he was by nature a scamp, the black sheep in the family. He would not attend school and associated with the worst class of boys. When he was about 16 years old he ran away from home and was not heard from for several years. Less than three years ago he had become a confirmed thief. He landed in the Kentucky penitentiary and served a term of two years for burglary. A few months ago he escaped to Chicago, and, although his father was making every effort to reform him, and treated him kindly, he has continued to associate with burglars and thieves. It is established beyond doubt that he was the chief of the formidable gang of burglars who have, during the last month, been guilty of so many daring crimes on the West Side that citizens of that section of the city have lived in a partial state of terror. It is said there is positive evidence of his connection with the Snell murder.

### THE SOUTHERN STATES.

A COLORED family of five persons, living at Colfax, La., were poisoned, and all died within twenty-four hours. Instead of soda, rough on rats had, by mistake, been put in a pot of greens.

A SKIFF containing eight persons was submerged by the swells of a steamer a short distance below New Orleans, and seven of those on board were drowned.

A TELEGRAM from Cisco, Texas, gives the following particulars of a daring bank robbery: At 3 o'clock p. m. G. C. Leveaux, cashier, and T. R. Blake and M. B. Owens were in the bank, when a man appeared at the cashier's window and demanded the cash. Three other men appeared at the same time and took the three bankers in charge, while the first collected the funds of the bank,

about \$6,000 in cash. Mr. Leveaux's movements were too slow to suit the robbers, when ordered around, and he was severely beaten on the head. The robbers locked the bankers in a yard back of the building, and, jumping into a wagon, fled down the street, saluting the astonished people with volleys from their revolvers and displaying the bags of ill-gotten gains.

### THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

PUBLIC PRINTER BENEDICT is getting into hot water, says a Washington special to the *Chicago Daily News*.

The House has ordered an investigation into the affairs of his office, and the President has called upon him to explain the seeming unnecessary delay in work sent there for execution. A large number of reports have been delayed till the time of their usefulness has passed and there is a general clogging of wheels in some quarters. Bills are not printed for Congress sometimes for a week or ten days after the usual time, and there are documents not yet issued which are more than a year old.

A Democratic member says the President has received it, but is not satisfied, and has in contemplation the appointment of another man to the office.

A WASHINGTON special says the House Committee on Territories on Wednesday considered questions relating to the admission as States of Dakota, Montana, Washington, and New Mexico. It was decided to formulate an omnibus enabling act for the four Territories, and the preparation of the bill was referred to a sub-committee consisting of Messrs. Springer, Mansur, Hayes, Struble, and Symes. During the session the committee voted against ordering favorable reports upon Mr. Gifford's bill for the admission of South Dakota and Mr. Baker's bill looking to the recognition of North Dakota as a State.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND will have the longest term of any President of the United States. The House Committee on the judiciary has reported favorably the proposed amendment to the Constitution changing the inauguration day from the 4th of March to the last Tuesday in April, which, if it is adopted, as it undoubtedly will be, will add nearly two months to his term of office and to the life of the present Congress as well. The Senate has already passed the resolution unanimously, and the expectation is that it will go through the House in a hurry as soon as it is reached for action.

The Washington correspondent of the *Chicago Times* telegraphs that—

Chairman Mills promises a tariff bill within a few days. It is understood that as it now stands it will put wool on the free list, and reduce considerably the duties on woollen goods, especially of the cheaper kinds. Ad valorem duties are to be substituted in many cases for specific duties, on the ground that the specific duties weigh heavily upon the cheaper classes of goods. Lumber, coal, salt and a number of other articles go on the free list. Iron and steel rails will not go on the free list. Iron and steel rail will provide for the reduction of about 20 per cent on sugar duties. The internal revenue tax on tobacco is to be reduced—possibly repealed, and the tax removed from fruit brandies. The authors of the bill aim at a reduction in the revenue of between \$70,000,000 and \$80,000,000.

A DECISION affecting the rights of the colored man on railroads has just been formulated by the Inter-State Commerce Commission:

In the case of William B. Heard against the Georgia Railroad Company, the complainant, a negro, had paid first-class fare, but was compelled to ride in a car of inferior accommodations. The Commissioners are of opinion that it is the duty of the carrier under the law to furnish to passengers paying the same fare equal accommodation and protection, without discrimination on account of color. But, if separation of white and colored passengers is expedient for adequate reasons, such separation is not unlawful if the accommodations and comforts for colored passengers are in all respects equal to those for white passengers paying the same fare.

### THE INDUSTRIAL REALM.

THE revolt of the rank and file of the Knights of Labor from their allegiance to Mr. Powderly and the reigning General Executive Board is making steady and rapid progress," says a Philadelphia dispatch.

Since Dec. 12 last, when the General Master Workman was stricken with an attack of hemorrhage of the lungs, the movement has been going forward quietly and steadily all over the country, gathering numerous recruits in every locality into which it is extended, and becoming irresistibly strong in its continued development. It is estimated now that not more than 20,000 Knights acknowledge allegiance to the General Executive Board.

The National Committee of Philadelphia will take the initiative within the next ten days, and issue a manifesto calling a convention of the anti-administrationists to meet in Chicago and set up a new form of government in the order.

### THE POLITICAL FIELD.

A COLUMBUS (Ohio) special of Thursday to the *Chicago Tribune* says:

Senator Sherman started for Washington last night, after seeing that his Presidential boom was well on its way in Ohio. He spent the day in company with many of the distinguished guests, who remained over night at the hotel. The Blaine managers, and the fences were placed in what was considered fair repair before the battle for delegates shall begin. The meeting of the Republican State Central Committee was largely attended. Senator Sherman graced the occasion with his presence. The friends of the Senator on the committee were enthusiastic at the present outlook. Dayton was fixed as the place for holding the next State convention and April 18 on Wednesday.

THE Congressional election in the Eleventh Michigan District, to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Moffatt, resulted in favor of Seymour (Republican), who defeated Breen (Democratic-Labor) by a plurality estimated at this writing at from 500 to 1,000. The canvass was a hot one. The Democrats made a strong effort to reduce the Republican majority and defeat Seymour if possible. The day was bitterly cold and very stormy, the vote being very light in consequence. Very large gains were made by the Democrats in the Upper Peninsula counties of the district.

MR. JOSEPH H. MANLEY, Chairman of the Maine Republican State Committee and Mr. Blaine's lieutenant, said in an interview at Augusta, on Wednesday:

"Mr. Blaine's letter is not to be considered final by any means. He does not decline the nomination or say that he will refuse to hold the ticket. He merely announces that he is not striving for the honor, and that the time has gone by when he desired it. No man has a right to ask him whether he will take the nomination or not, and no man has a right to offer it to him. If Mr. Blaine is offered the nomination by the National Convention I think he will take it. I am in constant communication with Mr. Blaine, "You say he will not decline

the nomination if it is given to him?" "I think he will accept it." "What then, does the letter mean?" "It means that Mr. Blaine will not have his name presented to the convention as an aspirant for the honor. If the convention gets up and demands that he take it he will do so."

A DISPATCH of Friday, from Marquette, Mich., says: "Seymour's plurality is less than 200 now, and the official figures will be needed to establish the result. Breen, the Democratic-Labor candidate, says he will contest the seat, and that the Knights of Labor will back him up. He claims that there was fraud, intimidation, bull-doing and 'boodle' employed in Seymour's behalf."

The President sent to the Senate on Thursday the following nominations: Charles S. Cary, of New York, to be Solicitor of the Treasury; R. B. Wilson, of Arkansas, to be Register of the Land Office at Dardanelle; Edward G. Spillman, of Dakota, to be Register of the Land Office at Devil's Lake, D. T.; Henry W. Scott, of Kansas, to be Register of the Land Office at Larned, Kas.

The Republican State Central Committee met last week and fixed the date for the State Convention and district caucuses for electing delegates to the National Convention Wednesday, March 21, in Des Moines.

### THE FOREIGN BUDGET.

MR. WILLIAM O'BRIEN and Mr. T. D. Sullivan, Irish members of Parliament who were recently imprisoned, arrived in London on Monday and received an ovation from 10,000 persons who had gathered at Euston Station to welcome them. The weather was bright and frosty. Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Sullivan were escorted by an immense procession to Hyde Park, where a meeting in their honor was held. Forty thousand persons were assembled.

Reports from the interior of the Czar's dominions, says a St. Petersburg dispatch, concur in stating the publication of the Austro-German treaty, taken in connection with Bismarck's speech on the military bill, created intense irritation among all classes. An order has been issued to all cavalry officers to learn telegraphy.

### THE WORLD AT LARGE.

TWO MEN were killed and four injured by the bursting of a boiler at Barnesville, Ohio.

The Fisheries Commissioners have finished their labors and signed a treaty in which all concurred, says a Washington telegram. Before it can take effect it must have the ratification of the Queen of Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada, and the Province of Newfoundland, as well as of the Senate of the United States. Although the treaty will not be made public, it can be said that it relates exclusively to the disputes concerning the fisheries of the North Atlantic coast, and does not include any provisions concerning the Bosphorus Sea trouble or commercial reciprocity.

THE newly negotiated fisheries treaty has been the subject of much speculation and discussion at the Capital, telegraphs the Washington correspondent of the *Chicago Tribune*:

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A WASHINGTON dispatch says that Gen. Phil Sheridan has been greatly annoyed by the statement of his Milwaukee cousin, McCabe, that he was not born in this country, and he has authorized the following statement: "I was born in Albany, N. Y., March 6, 1831. My parents landed from Ireland about six months previous to my birth. About a year and a half after my birth my parents moved to Somerset, O."

### THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

CATTLE—Choice to Prime Steers..... \$4.50 @ 5.50

HOGS..... 5.00 @ 5.75

WHEAT—No. 2